Third Sunday of Advent December 15, 2019

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#### Sacraments

**Baptisms:** Parents and Godparents must attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled.

**Weddings:** Church arrangements must be made at least six months in advance, before booking a reception hall.

**Confessions:** Saturdays, 4:15-4:45 pm at St. Barbara Church or by appointment.

The **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** and **Communion Calls** are available to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Please contact the church office for additional information.

# Mass Intentions December 15, 2019 Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 A.M. +	Jimmy Annoreno by Family
<b>10:30 A.M.</b> + + +	Robert Chan by Gertrude Chan Tang Hon Tan , Tang Wong Lau Sheung & Josephine Tang Lau by Monica Tang & Bernie Wong Catherine Ann O'Connor Sugrue by Bernie Wong
MON. Dec. 16th	Advent Weekday
8:00 A.M. +	* <i>(Mass at St. Therese Church)</i> Mary Lyndon by Bi Jiang
TUE. Dec. 17th	Advent Weekday
8:00 A.M. +	*( <i>Mass at St. Barbara Chapel</i> ) Vincent Briglio by Wife and Family
WED. Dec. 18th	Advent Weekday
8:00 A.M. + +	*( <i>Mass at St. Therese Church</i> ) Cookie Jarzyna by Darlene & Chris Lowe Therese Hill Anniversary Remembrance by Marion
THU. Dec. 19th	Advent Weekday *(Mass at St. Barbara Chapel)
8:00 A.M.	
FRI. Dec. 20th	Advent Weekday
8:00 A.M. +	*(Mass at St. Therese Church) All Deceased Family by Briglio family
SAT. Dec. 21st	Saint Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church
8:00 A.M. 5:00 P.M. + +	* <i>(Mass at St. Barbara Church)</i> Cookie Jarzyna by Margaret Moy & Teresa Lee Dorothy D'Amico & Joseph D'Amico by Joe & Rena Zito

# From the Desk of Fr. Francis



## Greetings of Christ's Peace and Joy! Hope you all had a blessed week.

#### Thanks

Thanks to 12 of our parishioners who responded with "yes" to our Greeter ministry at St. Barbara Church and attended the training on Monday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>. Special thanks to Chanelle Parcon for taking the leader-ship as coordinator of this important ministry. These ministers are already on a schedule to serve our community.

Thanks to the following parishioners for agreeing to be part of the Liturgy Committee at St. Barbara Church: Barbara Hudren, Ken Ricci, Eva Mrgan, Hazel Alonzo, Chanelle Parcon, Judy Lukwinski, Sister Caritas Wehrman SSND, Joe Delfin, Christy Condyles, Fr. Lukas Ouda and Fr. Francis Li. We met for the first time on Tuesday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> to plan for the celebration of the Feast of St. Barbara.

Thanks to all who helped with Thanksgiving celebrations and who donated for the Thanksgiving Luncheon. Our liturgies at both Worship Sites went well. St. Therese's Thanksgiving Luncheon was well attended and collection was \$3598.00.

Thanks to our Thursday Bingo for donating \$7000.00 to St. Barbara Church. Their generosity has been helpful to our Church's operating expenses.

Thanks to Wendy Kaput for washing our server's surpluses and to Barbara Hudren for decorating St. Barbara for Advent. Thanks to Elizabeth Masangcay for washing the server's robes and decorating St. Therese Church for Thanksgiving and Advent and thanks to Rose and Perry Lau for their help.

Thanks to members of the St. Therese Garden Ministry. They did a wonderful job with their annual fall cleaning of the Prayer Garden.

Thanks to our students who came to clean St. Therese Church on Sat. Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> and for our Young Adults for supervising them.

Thanks to all who helped with our Christmas mailing. Both Worship Sites have mailed out my Christmas letter.

Thanks to Fr. Tom for a fruitful Advent Retreat and to Sr. Caritas for her work on this and those who helped her and all who attended this spiritual event.

Thanks to all who helped with the celebration of the Feast of St. Barbara and the Breakfast with Santa. It was inspiring to see our children's participation and to see so many people at Mass.



#### **Rejoice in the Lord**

The third Sunday of Advent is known as "*Gaudete* Sunday." It is when we light the pink candle and we know that we are getting so close to the celebration of the birth of our savior. The question is how do you experience joy in your life and share that joy with others?

St. Mother Teresa sings a hymn to joy: "Joy is prayer; Joy is strength; Joy is love; **Joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls.**"

She wisely wrote,

"We all long for Heaven where God is, but we have it in our power to be in Heaven with him right now to be happy with him at this very moment. But being happy with him now means: loving as he loves helping as he helps; giving as he gives serving as he serves rescuing as he rescues being with him 24 hours a day touching him in his distressing disguise in the poor and suffering."

If there is lack of joy in your life and if you are troubled by whatever, I invite you to join our parish Advent Reconciliation on Monday Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in St. Barbara Church. God wants to forgive us and wants us to have joy. *Peace, Fr. Francis* 

DO NOT BURY YOUR **TALENTS**, THE GIFTS THAT GOD HAS GIVEN YOU! DO NOT BE AFRAID TO DREAM OF GREAT THINGS! -POPE FRANCIS



# DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE



LET YOURSELVES BE TAKEN OVER BY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST, AND SPREAD THAT LIGHT WHEREVER YOU ARE! - POPE JOHN PAUL II

Share those gifts and hopes with your fellow young adults at AN EVENING IN WITH YAM



5:00 PM Vigil Mass Presided by Fr. Brad Zamora



Followed by Dinner & Drinks, hosted by Fr. Li Sports and Games, Shenanigans to Follow Please RSVP by January 5



# News and Events

RESPECT IN CHURCH As a sign of respect, please turn your cell phones to silent upon entering church. Also, please remove your hats during Mass and consider to dress appropriately for Mass.

Christmas Decoration - Volunteers Needed! Our Christmas decoration will take place immediately after the 10:30am mass on Sunday, Dec. 22nd. Your help is needed! Please let Jade Yee know if you can assist.



Please pray for the following Mercy Hospital Patients: Beatrice, Thomas, Latisha, Linda, Charity, Gloria, Steven, James, Clarissa, Carlton, Nicole, Renita, William, Richard

December 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. St. Therese Campus Mass followed by Reconciliation
	7:00 P.M. Parish Advent Reconciliation at St. Barbara Church
December 18th	St. Therese School Christmas Concert in St. Barbara Church at 6 P.M.
December 20th	Youth Event- 5:00 P.M. Vigil Mass followed by Sharing, Food and Games
December 24th	Christmas Eve Mass with Children's Christmas Pageant at 5 P.M. at St. Therese
	Christmas Carols at 11:30 P.M.
December 25th	Christmas Mass at 12 A.M. (Midnight Mass) at St. Barbara Church
	Christmas Day Masses:
	6:00 A.M and 9:30 A.M. at St. Barbara Church
	8:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. at St. Therese Church
December 28th-29th	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
	Masses: 5:00 P.M. Vigil, 6:00 A.M., and 9:30 A.M at St. Barbara Church
	8:00 A. M. and 10:30 A. M. at St. Therese Church
December 31 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Eve Mass at 5 P.M., followed by BENEDICTION and the traditional
	Hot Pot dinner at St. Therese Church
	2020
January 1 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Day Masses:
	6:00 A.M and 9:30 A.M at St. Barbara Church
	10:00 A.M. at St. Therese Church

#### MASS SCHEDULE St. Barbara Church:

#### Weekends:

Saturday: Anticipated Mass: 5:00PM Sunday: 6:00AM & 9:30AM

#### <u>Weekdays:</u>

8:00AM Mass: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays

## St. Therese Church:

### Weekends:

Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:30AM, and Mandarin Mass on the 4th Sunday of the month at 12:00PM

Cantonese Mass 粤 語:

1st Sunday of each month at 10:30am 每月第一主日 上午十時三十分

Indonesian Mass 印尼 語 : Mass from August 2019 –January 2020 at Divine Word Mission in Techny, IL

Mandarin Mass 國語: 4th Sunday of each month at 12:00noon 每月第四主日 中午十二時

<u>Weekdays:</u> 8:00AM Mass: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

**ATTENTION:** For those who make your offering in the form of a check, please continue to make checks payable to your respective Worship Site Churches



## **Calling Parishioners and Friends to Ministries**

In the *Decree on the Apostolate of the Laity*, the Church tells us that all Christians have a vocation to "share in the mission of the whole people of God in the Church and in the world." (2)

"Our own times require of the laity no less zeal: in fact, modern conditions demand that their apostolate be broadened and intensified. With a constantly increasing population, continual progress in science and technology, and closer interpersonal relationships, the areas for the lay apostolate have been immensely widened particularly in fields that have been for the most part open to the laity alone."

Is the Spirit calling you to be part of the following ministries in our parish?

- a. Liturgical Ministry (Lector, Choir Member, Greeter, Server, Translator....)
- b. Educational Ministry (Catechist, Formation, Evangelizer....)
- c. Service Ministry (Outreach, Church Cleaning, Gardening, IT....)
- d. Parish Life Ministry (Youth, Young Adult, Senior Ministry, Holy Name, St. Vincent Society,
  - St. Barbara Knights, Committee Members....)

If you are ready to be more involved with any Committees, and/or Ministries, please speak with or email Fr. Francis or Fr. Lukas.

Hospitality Schedule for December 22, 2019

GREETERS: Kim, Joel, Michael Casey /RECEPTION: Earl, Jorge, Pat

Today's Liturgy—December 15, 2019

Gather 997, Third Sunday of Advent/A - Family Mass

PROCESSIONAL: #395 – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel OFFERTORY: #396 – Comfort, My People COMMUNION: #415 – My Soul in Stillness Waits Meditation Song: Advent Peace Canon RECESSIONAL: #423 – Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn

St. Michael Schedule:

Dec. 15: 8am: 10:30am: Cameron, Joseph, Tony Dec. 22: 8am: Chris 10:30am: Eric, Miguel, Peter

## St. Therese School's 50/50 Raffle! LAST CHANCE!!!

Stop by our main offices to purchase tickets, or you may purchase tickets online at www.sttheresechicago.org/5050raffle

**GRAND PRIZE – \$38,888** 

1st Place --- \$6,000

2nd Place – \$3,000

### 3rd Place – \$112 (Gift Cards)

The exciting Grand Raffle drawing will take place on **Wednesday, December 18, 2019**, at the School Christmas Program. A limited number of tickets will be sold, so get them while you can!

The lucky winner could be YOU!

## Christmas Donations as of 12/09/2019

Thomas & Libia Howard	\$100
Rita Lim & Family	\$30
Nora Gonzalez	\$100
Suet Lim	\$20
Herman N. Lew	\$100
Total as of 12/9/2019	\$350

#### Thanks to ALL who contributed!

	<b>Weekly</b>	Offering			
	<b>Collection for D</b>	ecember 8, 2019			
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 867				
GiveCentral	210	July 1-To-Present (Actual):	\$43,630		
Sunday Loose	478	July 1-To -Present (Budget):	\$50,600		
Total Collection	\$1,555				
Weekly Budget:	\$2,200	% of Budget Attained:	86%		
		r weekly salary as your con	tribution.		
May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU!					

#### Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, hospitalized, and homebound...

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Dear Alumni, Neighbors, Parents of Graduates, and Friends,

Did you hear? St. Therese Chinese Catholic School continues to grow! St. Therese built upon its 78 years of success by opening a second campus in Bridgeport! We are so blessed to invite students from our neighboring communities to experience an outstanding, award-winning St. Therese education. Our growth is made possible by the continued generosity of friends like you who repeatedly answer the call to support our school. This critical support means our students can continue to grow academically, and also see themselves as a part of a larger, global, faith-based community.



This year, donations made through the Annual Fund will be used to implement new, innovative Math Learning Labs at both campuses. The Math Labs will include new sets of graphing calculators, ergonomically designed seating, and the latest manipulatives to provide our students with the best space to engage and inspire learning. The Math Labs are a priority so that we may continue to build on our award-winning math curriculum and accomplishments.

Once again, a very kind alumnus of St. Therese will be matching all gifts to the

Annual Fund up to \$20,000! Each gift - no matter how large or small - will be matched twofold!

May we count on you for your support? Tuition accounts for only a portion of the actual cost of the exceptional educational experience at St. Therese. Donations to our Annual Fund will ensure that we can continue to provide an outstanding education to each student. Whether you are inspired by our remarkable academic achievements, our second campus, or exciting, new



projects such as the Math Learning Labs, your gifts to the Annual Fund help create opportunity and success for each student.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Therese School. We wish you and yours a very blessed Christmas season.

Sincerely,

Lisa Deborah Qi, Principal

PS - Meet the challenge! Make your gift today to support St. Therese School. You may also securely donate online at www.sttheresechicago.org/Support