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Mass Schedule 彌撒時間

English Mass 英語彌撒

Daily Mass 平日彌撒:

Monday - Saturday at 8:00am 每日 上午八時

Sunday Mass 主日彌撒:

Saturday: 5:00pm 星期六 下午五時正

Sunday: 8:00am & 9:30am (Except 1st Sunday of the Month) 主日上午8:00 & 9:30 (首主日除外)

Cantonese 粵語:

1st Sunday of each month at 9:30am

每月第一主日 上午九時三十分

Indonesian 印尼語:

2nd Sunday of each month at 11:00am

每月第二主日 上午十一時

Mandarin 國語:

4th Sunday of each month at 11:00am

每月第四主日 上午十一時

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, 4:30-5:00 pm 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

July 10, 2016 *Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 A.M. + Nora Nikozich by Rose Marie & Phyllis
+ Larry Kirwan by Rose Marie & Phyllis

9:30 A.M.+ Jenping J. Chan by Vince, Marian & Leann Torrez
+ Larry Kirwan by Henry, Jennifer & Naomi Chan
+ Mee Chun Yong Moy by Henry, Jennifer & Naomi Chan
+ Gordon Lee by Darlene Chan-Lowe
+ Peter Ho by Ho's Family
+ Lily Toy Lee by Phil & Lonnie Lee

11:00 A.M. **Indonesian Mass**

MON. July 11th *Saint Benedict, Abbot*

8:00 A.M. +

TUE. July 12th *Weekday*

8:00 A.M. + Cary Moy by Lucy Moy

WED. July 13th *Saint Henry*

8:00 A.M.

THU. July 14th *Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin*

8:00 A.M.

FRI. July 15th *Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

8:00 A.M. +

SAT. July 16th *Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

8:00 A.M. +

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*From the Desk of Fr. Francis*

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

**Thanks**

Thanks to **Theresa** and **Gene Lee** for donating 7 beautiful orchids for our church decorations.

**Love**

Today's readings speak of love. God calls us to love with all of our being and in all times. We know the challenge of loving God and our neighbors in our daily living. As I was reflecting on our call to love, our parish patroness, St. Therese of the Little Flower, came to my mind. To me, she exemplifies love perfectly. She was a person who truly loved God and others especially during her illness. She was willing to sacrifice everything for love of God.

In her own words, St. Therese wrote in her autobiography, *Story of A Soul*, the following words on love:

How shall I show my love is proved by deeds? Well - the little child will strew flowers...she will embalm the Divine Throne with their fragrance, will sing with silvery voice the canticle of love.

Yes, my Beloved, it is thus that my life's brief day shall be spent before Thee. No other means have I of proving my love than to strew flowers; that is, to let no little sacrifice escape me, not a look, not a word, to avail of the very least actions and do them for Love. I wish to suffer for Love's sake and for Love's sake even to rejoice; thus shall I strew flowers. Not one shall I find without shedding its petals for Thee...and then I will sing, I will always sing, even if I must gather my roses in the very midst of thorns - and the longer and sharper the thorns the sweeter shall be my song.

I know now that true charity consists in bearing all our neighbors' defects-- not being surprised at their weakness, but edified at their smallest virtues.

St. Therese is a wonderful example for all of us. Her "little ways" of loving God and others can be lived out in our daily lives too if we are open to God's grace and power.

*Peace ~ Fr. Francis*

## RCIA AND EVANGELIZATION

What brings you great joy as missionary disciple? Is it when a friend finally decides to join St. Therese Parish for Welcome Sunday? Or, perhaps, are you uplifted when a passer-by at the summer fair spontaneously invites you to pray for them?

This past week I was privileged to take part in two beautiful moments of joy with fellow missionary disciples from St. Therese. This week, you see, they found out that the people they had been accompanying had decided to join the RCIA. What joy!

What struck me in both of these unique evangelization narratives was the fact that unconditional love--not success--undergirds the faith witnesses of these two St. Therese parishioners. As St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Philippians, "Rejoice in the Lord always, I shall say it again, rejoice!"

It seems to me that the "yes" to RCIA from both of these instances did not come about solely because of their compelling rhetoric or refined evangelization techniques, but rather simply because of their faith.

When we abandon ourselves to the faith and sincerely try to cooperate with the Holy Spirit as active members of our faith community, we can expect our community to organically grow. *Faith can move a mountain*, according to Matthew.

Please pray for me as I will be in Venezuela this week with my wife. You can expect the next RCIA bulletin article after the summer fair.

**God Bless ~ Thomas Howard, Director of Religious Education**

### *Hospitality Schedule for July 17, 2016*

**GREETERS:** Alison Chan, Darlene Chan-Lowe, Julia Moy

**RECEPTION:** CHINATOWN SUMMER FAIR

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### 🎵 Choir Corner 🎵

*July 10, 2016 - Cantonese Mass*

**PROCESSIONAL:** #522 – Glory and Praise to Our God

**OFFERTORY:** #504 – I Have Loved You

**COMMUNION:** #834 – Seed, Scattered and Sown

**RECESSIONAL:** #718 – We Are Called



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

Phil Maraldi  
Jerry Ecklund  
Vincent Thome  
Barbara McElroy  
Ramona Zavala  
Michael Howley  
Baby Jessa Piotrowski  
Fr. Walter Johnson, MM  
Rose Perez  
Lan Ying Yee  
Bai Xue  
John Palenik  
Luz Whitehead  
Jade Yee  
Anthony Scuito  
Rev. Anthony Adducci

Cita Orendain  
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Jimmy Annoreno  
Ruth Barone  
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Roberta Cheong  
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Joyce Eng  
James Longo III  
Ching Shiu Yau  
Henry F. Wong  
Matthew Mantia  
Phyllis Centofanti  
Susan Zibricky  
Barbara Metzinger

If you wish to add a name or remove your name from this list, please call the parish office.

### "HEAR THE MESSAGE"

Many people today will go to different places, some far away, to hear a special speaker or see an unusual event. We spend money and time to participate. The same message may be spoken in our very Church but it seems too familiar. We do not hear the message. Sometimes we look for the message in the thunder and it is really in the quiet, gentle breeze.

Moses tells the people that God's special message is not far away across the sea, or very high up in the sky. In our time he might tell us that the message is not on some billboard or blog, social media sight or podcast. Like the people of his time, Moses tells us in the First Reading, "it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out."

In our hurried and noisy times, we need to find a way to take quiet time to hear the very special message of God. If we can find a quiet corner in our home or in our yards, we may discover God's gentle but profound message. Perhaps we will see His beauty in the smile of a friend or the innocence of a baby. Maybe we will see God's care in the kindness of a friend or recognize His love for us in the gift and beauty of a rose or creation. Perhaps our faith will be deepened or touched by another's fidelity or witness. God can speak to us. Usually He does not have to do what He did to St. Paul in the Acts of the Apostles. We pray for the ability to see, to hear, and to recognize God's words to us. Moses reminds us to follow them as he would say, "carry it out."

~Sister Caritas

## Parish Transformation Implementation

Part of the Parish Transformation process was to look closely at our parish's finances. Our PT team has identified "matching gifts" as a way to increasing our offerings. Thanks to **Steven Casey** for sharing his wisdom with us on this. Below are some main points from him.

### MATCHING GIFTS EXPLAINED

Matching gifts are a great way for the Parish to raise additional funds for any projects or fundraising goals we may have. Matching gifts can double or even triple the amount of the original contribution!

### WHAT IS A MATCHING GIFT?

Many employers sponsor matching gift programs for charitable contributions made to 501(c)(3) charities. Check with your company to find out whether they will match your contribution. If you have questions about your company's matching gift program, please contact your personnel representative. Request the appropriate form from your human resources office and send it with a copy of your gift receipt to the Parish Office to have your place of employment match your gift dollar for dollar.

### HOW DO MATCHING GIFTS WORK?

Every company handles their matching gift program differently. It will be up to you to inquire the specifics for what their company requires to match their donation. Often the process is as follows:

- Once an employee makes a charitable contribution, they submit a matching gift form to their company. Sometimes this is through a website or through paperwork submitted to their HR or payroll department.
- The company then sends a request to the charity to confirm receipt of the donation to be matched. This confirmation request is sent by either mail or email.
- The charity then has to confirm that they did in fact receive the donation, as well as confirming how much of the received donation is tax-deductible.
- Once the charity has verified the gift, the form is resubmitted by the nonprofit to the matching gift company.
- When the company receives the verified form from the charity, the matching donation is processed as a payable item.

## News and Events

### Young Adults Meeting with Fr. Li:

All Young Adults are invited to an informal meeting with Fr. Li **today from 11am to 12 noon**. Please come and share your wisdom on how St. Therese can serve our Young Adults better in your spiritual needs, and the programs St. Therese can offer.

### HAVE YOU SIGNED UP??? SUMMER FAIR IS ONLY 1 WEEK AWAY!



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS(!) for our BOOTH NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 17th.**

**Donations are welcome! Your help is very much needed & appreciated! Please sign up at the church entrance table and be a part of the FUN fundraising efforts! See Chris Lowe for any questions or concerns.**

### \$8 PRE-SALE MEAL TICKETS AVAILABLE

Complimentary drink with pre-sale tix.

### \$10—50/50 RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE!

**YOU HAVE TO PLAY TO WIN!!!** Get your tickets after the 9:30am Mass from Gemma, or from the church office.

**ATTENTION TEENS between the ages of 13-17:** Join St. Therese Youth Ministry on Friday, July 15th from 4:30 to 6:15 in the Community Room. We are preparing for Summer Fair. Please contact Pat Culen or email him at [patrick.culen@ecolab.com](mailto:patrick.culen@ecolab.com) with any questions.



### Please pray for the following

**Mercy Hospital Patients:** Cathy, Samuel, Iona, Roberto, Avis, Joe, Anete, Lolita, John, William, Jackie, Angela, William, Linda, Karla, Annie, Ronald, Alphonso, Dannie, Ida,

Lynda, Henry, Crystal, James, Gertie, Carolyn Keith, John, Marissa, Shirley, Ozell, Channice, Janis, Reginald, Rizwan, Paul, Clara, Nellie, Clifton



### Wedding Bands

**Ellen Sidorski and Jason Mui** will be married at St. Therese on Saturday, July 16th. Please keep them in your prayers.

The **Prayer/Faith Sharing** group will meet on Friday, July 15th at 7pm in the Community Room. Pray with scripture and be closer to Jesus. All are invited to join.

### Baptism

Please pray for **Sofia Soto Wipachit**, daughter of Anoa Wipachit and Yolanda Soto, who will be baptized today at 12:30 pm in our church.

### BULLETIN ADS WANTED!

Placing ads in our church bulletin is a very cost effective way for businesses to reach potential customers. The income generated from these ads support our parish. It is a great way to help St. Therese. The ads run 365 days a year at very low cost. If you know of any business that can benefit from this reach, please refer them to the church office (312-842-6777). Thanks for your help!

### Reading Laudato Si

Please do all possible to read and understand Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si*, prior to Sister Dawn Nothwehr's upcoming follow up presentation to Dr. Mark Potosnak's recent talk.

You can hear Sister Dawn's WBEZ Chicago Public Radio interview regarding the encyclical at <https://soundcloud.com/morningshiftwbez/popes-encyclical-takes-on>

Sister Caritas will be working with us in *Laudato Si* reading groups in coming weeks.

The book is only 128 pages long and available free online :

[w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco\\_20150524\\_eniclica-laudato-si.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_eniclica-laudato-si.html) OR 《願祢受讚頌》*Laudato Si'* | 論愛惜我們共同的家園 <http://laudato-si.catholic.org.hk/>

## NOTICE: ISSUANCE OF NEW PARKING PERMITS FOR CHURCH LOT

We are in the process of issuing new parking permits for the St. Therese Church Parking Lot, effective September 1, 2016. **Permits are issued only to registered parishioners and school staff, and are non-transferable.** The new permit is green in color and the fee is \$30, renewable every 2 years.

Soon you will be receiving in the mail, a letter of renewal notice, and the Parking License Permit application agreement. For your convenience, a table will be set up in the community room to obtain the new permit on Saturday, August 27th, after the 5:00pm Mass, and Sunday, August 28th, after the 8am and 9:30am Masses, until 2pm. If you cannot make it on these dates, please stop by the church office with your completed application and the \$30 fee to obtain the new permit.

Beginning on *September 1, 2016*, your yellow permit will no longer be valid. Any vehicle failing to display the **new GREEN** permit after this date will be towed at the owner's expense.

Please contact the church office if you have any questions or concerns.

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### Online Giving with GiveCentral

It's easy to participate in online giving! Steps for Signing Up on GiveCentral:

1. Go to [www.givecentral.org](http://www.givecentral.org).
2. Click on "Start Giving."
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4. Click on the picture of St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church.
5. Click on the event you'd like to donate towards.
6. Enter the Amount, First Payment Date, Frequency, and End Date Type, then click on Add to my Gift Basket.
7. Repeat step 6 for any other events if desired.
8. When all events have been added, click on Checkout and review your entries, then click Continue.
9. Either log in, sign up for an account, or continue as a guest.
10. Proceed through the next screen with the requested Donor and Payment information, then click on Confirm Gift.

## Respect Life Corner

July 1, 2016

**Worthy & Unworthy Lives/ Effect of PAS Law on Culture** – Reflecting on California's new physician assisted suicide (PAS) law, Archbishop Jose Gomez of Los Angeles said pointedly the new license to kill law won't fix things the lawmakers and society could address in morally acceptable ways. Californians, he said, deserve and should demand better from their lawmakers, and health care providers may exercise their rights of conscientious objection in declining to participate in PAS. The following excerpts are the conclusions of his reflection. "The logic of assisted suicide leads inevitably to the government and corporate administrators essentially *deciding which lives are worth saving and caring for and who would be better off dead.* The criteria for such decisions will always be arbitrary and the process will always mean the strong and powerful deciding the fate of those who are weak and less influential in society. *This is the beginning of tyranny.*" "Giving doctors a license to kill is not leadership on health care." "[W]hen this new law takes effect, we will still have all the same problems that make people afraid to grow old or become sick or disabled in California today." "We will still have a health insurance system that prices pain-relief medication beyond the reach of ordinary people and makes it nearly impossible for them to receive the palliative care and other services they need to live their final days with dignity." "[W]orkers in nursing homes will still be overworked and underpaid and their working conditions will make it difficult for them to provide quality medical care with excellence and compassion. Medical schools still will not be providing future doctors and health professionals with proper training in palliative care and end-of-life treatment." The Archbishop continued: "The proper response to an unjust law is conscientious objection. And this is an unjust law." "Helping patients to kill themselves denies patients their dignity and diminishes the humanity of those entrusted to care for them. Medical professionals are called to be servants of life, not dispensers of death." "[A]ll human life is precious and sacred and is worthy of our care and protection, from conception to natural death." "A person does not stop being a person, does not lose his or her dignity or right to life, — just because he or she loses certain physical or mental capacities. Indeed, it is when people are most vulnerable that they are most in need of our compassion and love." The archbishop has explained it well to us. Pray that we all get it. Source:

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Collection for July 3, 2016

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| GiveCentral         | 210           | July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$1,875  |
| <u>Sunday Loose</u> | <u>\$ 306</u> | July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$2,000 |
| Total Collection    | \$1,875       |                                      |

Weekly Budget: \$2,000 % of Budget Attained: 93%

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**May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU!**