Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 22, 2017

St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church and School Archdiocesan Center for Chinese Apostolate 聖徳力華人天主教堂

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> Mass Schedule 彌撒時間 English Mass 英語彌撒 Daily Mass 平日弥撒:

Monday - Saturday at 8:00am 每 日 上午八時 Sunday Mass 主日弥撒:

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 粤 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 St. Therese Chinese Catholic School 聖徳力華人天主教學校

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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, 4:30-5:00 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

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<i>tint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin</i> lisa David by Cita, Nicole and Simone Orendain
Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor
mes J. Frale by Frale Family
The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle
eceased Family Members of Dominic Barbaro
Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops
urry Yong by Mom June Moy
Saint Angela Merici
on Yee Chan by Monica Lam & Family
Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor
rsaken and Unknown Souls in Purgatory by Dominic Barbaro
r Family & Friends of St. Therese Parish



From the Desk of Fr. Francis Greetings of Christ's Peace and Joy! Hope you all had a blessed week.

Renew My Church Update

This past week, I received the final groupings for *Renew My Church*. I would like to share with you that our parish's grouping, Vicariate III Deanery C Grouping, includes 9 faith communities. It consists of four sub-grouping as follows:

Sub-grouping*: · All-Saints- St. Anthony · St. Therese (parish and school)

Sub-grouping*: \cdot Nativity of Our Lord \cdot St. Gabriel (parish and school) \cdot Bridgeport Catholic Academy

Sub-grouping*: · Santa Lucia-Santa Maria Incoronata (parish and school) · St. Jerome Croatian (parish and school)

Sub-grouping*: · St. Barbara – Throop St. (parish and school) · St. Mary of Perpetual Help

The SPRED Ministry at St. John Nepomucene is also included in this grouping.

*The facilitated discernment and planning process will include all parishes within the grouping, but be structured to allow each sub-grouping to have focused discussions. This is to recognize that parishes within a sub-grouping are in closer proximity or have a stronger affiliation with each other. Planning and collaboration, however, will occur in context of the entire grouping.

The group work will not start until we have a facilitator assigned by the Archdiocese. Meanwhile, the churches and schools in our grouping are invited to build better relationships among us by praying together, sharing meals among parish leaders, and working together on a common service project.

Remember that *Renew My Church* is a multi-year initiative to ensure the sustainable growth of our Church for the future. The objective of *Renew My Church* is to create vital, vibrant, life-giving, Catholic communities across the Archdiocese of Chicago and inspire disciples to accompany all members of our family of faith to seize this moment to make the mission of Christ our own for our time.

To ensure everyone in the Archdiocese is informed and has a common understanding of the goal of *Renew My Church* and of the groupings, Cardinal Cupich has sent all parishes a letter to be read on this weekend Jan. 21-22.

Please keep *Renew My Church* in your prayers. This is a graced moment for us to face our challenges and commit to a renewal of faith, active participation, engagement in broad and more diverse family of families, and, most importantly, to deepen our personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Peace ~ Fr. Francis

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Parish Description

We are a vibrant, multi-cultural Catholic Church and the Center for Chinese Apostolate in the Archdiocese of Chicago. We promote Catholic values and serve Chinatown and the surrounding neighborhoods in welcoming all to share the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments, and perform charitable works.

Parish Vision

To be Jesus Christ in Chinatown and Beyond

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Parish Mission

- to faithfully reflect the love and joy of Christ by welcoming all to the Catholic community;
- to joyfully celebrate our ethnic cultures as devoted disciples of Christ;
- to compassionately serve as a home in particular to Chinese Catholics and immigrants; and
- to actively empower all to practice the Catholic faith and become a part of the universal Church.

New Parish Office Hours

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Mon. Tues. Wed., Fri., and Sat.: 9:30am to 4:30pm Thursday and Sunday---Closed

Hospitality Schedule for January 29, 2017: GREETERS: Kim Casey, Agnes Lee, Jennifer Sin RECEPTION: Lisa, Lushia

Today's Liturgy – January 22, 2017

Readings: GATHER 1098 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

PROCESSIONAL: #850 – All Are Welcome OFFERTORY: #932 – One Bread, One Body COMMUNION: #781 – Lord, When You Came *Meditation Songs* (STS students): NOEL & I've Got Peace Like a River RECESSIONAL: #777 – Here I Am, Lord

News and Events

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TODAY to take down Christmas decorations and begin decorating for our Lunar New Year celebration. We will also decorate on Saturday, February 4th starting at 9:30am. Please help us if you can!

"Integrating Family Life with Sacraments" will be presented by Thomas Howard (Director of Religious Education) for parish families after the family mass on January 22 in the school cafeteria. Parents of children celebrating a sacrament in 2017 are required to attend. Others who are interested are welcome to attend.

TODDLER CLASS with Sr. Caritas today

after the 9:30 am Mass at the east side stairway of the choir loft.

SAVE the DATE! Mark your calendar on **Sunday, February 5th**, for our Lunar New Year celebration at the 9:30 am Mass!

Collection for the Church in Latin America Inspires All to "Share Your Faith"

The annual national Collection for the Church in Latin America (CLA) will be next weekend January 28-29. The 2017 campaign highlights the faith of Latin America and the many opportunities we have to *share faith* with them. We also recognize the tremendous benefit of having our Latin American brothers and sisters in the Church and the revitalization their fervor brings to the faith. In addition to offering our help and support



to the Catholics of Latin America, we have much to learn from them. 2017 CHURCH ENGLISH and CHI-

NESE CALENDARS are available on the church entrance table. Please take one copy per family.

Please pray for the following Mercy Hospital Patients:

Liam, Geraldine, Steve, Willie, Robert, Jose, James, Bennie, William, James, Dennis, Burnette, Maria De Jesus, Fabiana, Ola, Sylvia, Keith, Denise, John, Marta, Prisella, George, Maria, Minnie, Thomas, Naomi, Loree, Raymunda, Janie, Dennis

'Retreat for Busy Catholic Moms' scheduled

All busy mothers are invited to join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for the upcoming "Retreat for Busy Catholic Moms," scheduled for 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 17, to 1:30 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 19. The retreat will take place in the Providence Hall community room. The time together will include presentations, prayer, learning from others, Mass and more. Cost is \$225, which includes lodging and meals, or \$125 without lodging. Housing must be arranged prior to Feb. 2, and the registration deadline is Feb. 12. Register online at Events.SistersofProvidence.org or by calling 812-535-2952 or emailing jfrost@spsmw.org.

The Sisters of Providence, a Congregation of nearly 300 women religious, with more than 200 Providence Associates, collaborate with others to create a more just and hope-filled world through prayer, education, service and advocacy. The Sisters of Providence have their motherhouse at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, located just northwest of downtown Terre Haute, Ind. Saint Mother Theodore Guerin founded the Sisters of Providence at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods in 1840. Today, Sisters of Providence minister in 17 states, the District of Columbia and Asia, through works of love, mercy and justice. More information about the Sisters of Providence and their ministries may be found at SistersofProvidence.org. For more information, contact Jason Moon, media relations manager, at 812-535-2810, or email jmoon@spsmw.org.

Christmas 2016 Donations as of 01/17/2017 Thanks to ALL who contributed! If you haven't made a donation, you may still do so. Carol & Tom Spalla \$100 Ruth Ann Koesun 20 Total Donations as of 01/17/2017: \$32,021

SPOTLIGHT CORNER

St. Therese Parish would like to thank *Manny's Café & Deli* for their support of our Winter Wonderland Raffle. Their generosity helped us raise money to rebuild the Church in HeBei, China that was recently destroyed by fire. Please patronize our Spotlight Donors! Thank YOU!



Manny's Café & Deli Located at 1141 S Jefferson St Chicago, IL 60607

A **BIG THANK YOU** to the following people for their dedication and hours of volunteer work in making our 2nd Annual Winter Wonderland Dinner Dance a success:

Adrienne Tong Alan Chan Campbell Culen Chloe Culen Darlene Chan Lowe Daron Lee Delilah Lee Chan Florence Yu Gemma Wong George Fong Jacob Fong Janice Lin Jeannie Ng Jennifer Sin Jimmy Fabian Jing Zhang Joe Delfin John Li Joseph Lowe Kathryn Fong

Kimberly Casey Lance Leong Leann Torrez Linda Leong Marion Torrez Naomi Chan Nicole Lee Pat Culen Phil Lee Reanne Young Renee Fong Richard Jung Rita Young Stanley Auyeung Steve Ko Teresa Moy Vincent Leong Wendy Sin Gavin Fong

Sunday Mass Schedule Change

With the increased activities, particularly on Sundays, our parish has been facing the challenge of the need for more space. This need was voiced during our Parish Transformation process in the year 2015 and it becomes more evident now. In order to solve this "good problem," and after so much consultation and prayers, I decided to change our Sunday 9:30am Mass to 10:30am, effective on Sunday March 5th, the First Sunday of Lent.

This new schedule will allow our Religious Education students to have their Sunday class from 9:15am to a few minutes before the 10:30am mass. Below are a few advantages for this change:

- 1. The Religious Education (R. E.) classrooms will be available for meetings, RCIA classes, and Bible Sharing, taking place after the 10:30am mass.
- 2. The R. E. students and catechists will be able to join our community events scheduled after the 10:30am mass.
- 3. The R. E. student and families will have an option to attend the 8am mass before their class if the 10:30am mass is not convenient occasionally. The same applies to other members of our parish. This is partially why from Jan. 1st, 2017, we have been working to improve our 8am mass. This used to be called "express mass" has been added with full service music and hymns and altar servers. I hope this change will help our 8:00am mass attendees have a better prayer and worship experience on Sundays.
- 4. I will have time to visit our R. E. classrooms more frequently and to teach our Mandarin RCIA and Bible Sharing before the 10:30am mass as needed.
- 5. Finally, for those of you who need to catch up with your sleep-debt, you can have a late start on Sundays.

With this change, our monthly Indonesian and Mandarin mass will move to 12:00 noon on the respected Sundays and our yearly Italian Feasts with St. Rocco and SMI will be worked out accordingly. I understand that this change will affect most of you. I ask for your openness, understanding, and cooperation since at the present moment, this is the only doable-way to resolve our space constraint as our parish continues to grow.

~Fr. Francis

<u>Weekly Offering</u> : Collection for January 15, 2017			
Sunday Envelopes GiveCentral <u>Sunday Loose</u> Total Collection	\$1,207 230 <u>\$ 367</u> \$1,804	July 1-To-Present (Actual): \$56,655.02 July 1-To -Present (Budget): \$58,000	
Weekly Budget: Please consider giv	\$2,000	% of Budget Attained: 97% our weekly salary as your contribution.	

ease consider giving one hour of your weekly salary as your contributio May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU! Collection at Indonesian Mass of 01/8/17: \$76 Thank YOU!

Year of the Rooster



Lunar New Year Celebration 新香彌徹反祭祖慶典

Sunday, February 5, 2017 二零一七年二月五日(星期日)

9:30 am Celebration Mass 上午9時半彌撒慶典 12:00 pm Luncheon 中午12時午宴聯歡會



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

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

Joey L. Cita Orendain Karl Schroeder Sr. Barbara Walenty Nicholas Tobar Sister Noel Devine Ken Barber Jimmy Annoreno Ruth Barone Betsy Young Richard Tobar John Galvin James Longo III David Leung Luke Williamson Richard Shew Brian Cook Roberta Cheong Angelo Iasillo James Gemkow

Cookie Jarzyna Amelia Lorraine Schroeder Nathaniel Hicks Theresa Spalla Rosemary Moy Joseph Rubin Cecila Zastro Soledad Magay Dorothy Pascente Joey Nardi Mark Donato Joyce Eng Lan Ying Yee Ching Shiu Yau Henry F. Wong Matthew Mantia Phyllis Centofanti Susan Zibricky Barbara Metzinger Mina Preysler Munoz

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

"Follow Completely"

We receive many invitations in our lives. Sometimes we are invited to celebrations such as birthdays, weddings or commemorations of events. Sometimes we are invited to join organizations, or we are invited to be part of a team or a club. We have the freedom to accept the invitation with a Yes. We can also refuse the invitation.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is starting His ministry after the arrest of John the Baptist. He moves His focus of living and ministry. He leaves Nazareth and goes to Capernaum. He focuses His message, "Repent, the kingdom of heaven is at hand." He finds brothers who are fishermen and invites them to follow Him and to be "fishers of men." Then He invites another set of brothers and their response is immediate. I have always been impressed by the immediacy of the response of Peter and Andrew, James and John and the others Jesus called. They left everything. They left, father, boat, fish, wife, home, comfort, their everyday life, "Everything!" They did not seem to question, where will we sleep, what will we eat? They left and followed. There was something about Jesus that made them follow completely.

Jesus calls us to follow Him. Through our Baptism, we have begun the journey. We start out with enthusiasm and fidelity. Along the way, we find blocks to our complete giving of ourselves. What are those things in your life which hold you back? What are the times when you say, not yet but maybe tomorrow, when Jesus calls us to follow further? If the Apostles could follow completely, so can we. We need to ask for the grace. We need to be willing to say yes to the grace given. Jesus always gives the grace. We need to say yes to the invitation.

~Sister Caritas







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