Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 19, 2017

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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 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

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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

February 19, 2017 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. + Antonetta & Frank Scopacasa by Theresa & Jane

9:30 A.M. Special Prayers to Blessed Mother Mary for a successful project

beginning by Bernie & Nicole

+ Ruth Ann Howard by Thomas Howard

MON. Feb. 20th

Weekday

8:00 A.M. +

Jikong Zeng By Joyce Hsieh

TUE. Feb. 21st

Saint Peter Damian, Bishop

8:00 A.M. +

Health Blessing to Joyce's mother & Hubin by Joyce Hsieh

WED. Feb. 22nd

Saint Peter, Apostle

8:00 A.M. +

THU. Feb. 23rd

Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 A.M.

FRI. Feb. 24th

Weekday

8:00 A.M. +

James J. Frale by Frale family

+ Rocco Roti Anniversary remembrance by Marion

+ Barry Yong by June Moy

SAT. Feb. 25th Saint Louis Versiglia, Bishop; Saint Callistu Caravario, Priest

8:00 A.M. + Forsaken Unknown Souls in purgatory

5:00 P.M. For Family & Friends of St. Therese Parish

+ Bernadette Zito by Joe & Rena Zito

+ Catherine Spina 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

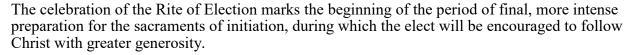
Thanks to members of the Young Adult ministry for baking cookies for our community in honor of St. Valentines last Saturday. The cookies were well received at last Sunday's fellowship.

Thanks to **Nick Andriacchi** for organizing our 4th grade basketball team for a fun pizza party last Saturday. After their game, some of them came to the 5pm mass; others and a few parents and their coaches joined them for the fun party after the mass in our Community Room.

The Rite of Election

This year we are blessed to have 10 RCIA candidates in our programs. They have been meeting weekly since last September for English RCIA, and October for Mandarin and Cantonese RCIA. They have successfully completed their precatechumenate and catechumenate periods. Beginning in Lent,

they will advance to the period of purification and enlightenment, which will be accompanied by the Rites of Election and of Scrutinies.



On the basis of the testimony of Godparents and catechisits and of the catechumens' reaffirmation of the intention, the Church judges their state of readiness and decides on their advancement toward the sacraments of initiation. Thus the Church makes its "election," that is, the choice and admission of those catechumens who have the dispositions that make them fit to take part, at the next major celebration, in the sacraments of initiation.

This step is called election because the acceptance made by the Church is founded on the election of God, in whose name the Church acts. The step is also called the enrollment of names because as a pledge of fidelity the candidates inscribe their names in the book that lists those who have been chosen for initiation.

We will celebrate the "Sending" rite for our RCIA candidates at the 9:30am mass next Sunday. Then they will attend the Rite of Election at 2:30pm in Holy Name Cathedral. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Peace \(\sigma Fr. Francis \)



Annual Catholic Appeal 2017

This year's theme is "Love Your Neighbor as Yourself." It takes place three weekends in February. Since St. Therese is engaged in the *To Teach Who Christ Is* campaign at this time, the Archdiocese gave us an option of opting out the in-pew portion of the appeal. So our parish will not fully participate in the 2017 ACA. However, you will still receive pledge mailing from the Archdiocese. When parishioner contributions exceed the parish goal of \$9,392, our parish will receive a rebate of 100% of the funds donated over the goal. Thank you in advance for your participation.

To Teach Who Christ Is Campaign Update

Thanks to all who participated in this successful Archdiocesan campaign and to all individuals and families who have made payments already. Your generosity will help our community to continue our mission and to take new initiatives in our ministries. If at any time you have questions regarding your pledge payments, or if you need a letter of your payment for filing tax, you can always call the Campaign Office at 312-534-8500.

(from March 1st, 2017, Ash Wednesday, to the Paschal Triduum)

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.

Hospitality Schedule for February 26, 2017:

GREETERS: Jean Ng, Gemma Wong, Florence Yu

RECEPTION: Amy, Eva

Today's Liturgy – February 19, 2017

Readings: GATHER 1110 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year A

PROCESSIONAL: #850 – All Are Welcome OFFERTORY: #706 – Where Charity and Love Prevail COMMUNION: #828 – Make Me a Channel of Your Peace Meditation Song (STS students): This is the Day that the Lord has Made RECESSIONAL: #641 – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

News and Events

Sunday Mass Schedule Change

Beginning on Sunday, March 5th, our 9:30am mass on Sunday will be changed to 10:30am.

Shepherds of Bethlehem

They are visiting us today, and will sell lovely hand carved religious art work from Bethlehem to help Christian families who live in the Holy Land. If you can, please support their mission.

SPOTLIGHT CORNER

St. Therese Parish would like to thank **LITTLE SHEEP HOT POT, located at 2342 S. Wentworth Avenue,** for their support of our Winter Wonderland Dinner Dance on 1/7/17. 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!



Sisters of Notre Dame

The School Sisters of Notre Dame are inviting women interested in discerning, a call to religious life to a time of prayer, sharing a meal, and being with our Sisters, on Feb.24th in Brookfield, IL. For more information contact Sister Mary Kay Brooks, SSND mbrooks@ssnd.org 612-300-6376

Please pray for the following



Mercy Hospital Patients:

Judge, Mesha, James, Karla, Jennifer, Edward, Vivian, Reginald, Frank, Carole, Alice, Gregory, Deborah, Mary, Krausetta, Earlise, John, Gladys, Emma, Charles, Lettie, Gloria, Sharon, Denise, Clar-

ence, Antonio, Beatriz, Jessie, Charnettia, Marlene

PARENT FORMATION SESSION

TODAY, immediately following the 9:30am Mass, All parents are invited to attend the parent formation session sponsored by the St. Therese Religious Education Program. Two topics will be offered for parents who are concerned about their children's faith formation: Why do we have to Go to Mass and Virtue and Discipline.

All parents with children preparing for a sacrament this year are required to attend.

CHINESE PAPER CUTTING DEMONSTRATION

On Feb. 26th, after the 9:30 am English mass and the 11am Mandarin Mass, Chinese Paper cutting artist, Ping Liu will demonstrate Chinese paper cutting. She will also sign her new paper cutting published book and offer free gifts to participants in our Community Room. All are welcome.

请关注: 2月26日,中文和英文弥撒后,有"中华剪纸艺术家"刘萍",做剪纸展示和现场签书的活动, 有小型的剪纸作品展及礼品发放。

2016 Tax Letter for Church Donations

Parishioners with assigned offering envelopes, if needed, please contact the parish office for your 2016 tax letter.

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- *Meet other young adults (18-40 years)
- *Light refreshments in the community room following mass
- * Sign up and join us for WhirlyBall at Ipm!
- *Please contact Deacon Daniel at siwook83@yahoo.com or visit our Facebook group for more information



https://www.facebook.com/groups/StThereseYAM

Weekly Offering:

Collection for February 12, 2017

Sunday Envelopes\$1,000GiveCentral190July 1-To-Present (Actual):\$65,030.02Sunday Loose\$335July 1-To -Present (Budget):\$66,000Total Collection\$1,525

Weekly Budget: \$2,000 % of Budget Attained: 98%

Please consider giving one hour of your weekly salary as your contribution.

May God bless your generosity! Thank YOU!





WHERE LIFELONG LEARNING BEGINS

Principal Cavallone and Junior High Teacher Kielusiak - Both Named Golden Apple Foundation Award Finalists

We are thrilled to announce that Principal Phyllis Cavallone was named as a finalist for the **2017 Stanley C. Golder Leadership Award for Excellence.** The Golden Apple Foundation honors one principal/head of school each year as a way to recognize exemplary performance and outstanding leadership in PK-12 education.

We are also very excited to share that Ms. Kelli Kielusiak was named a finalist for the **2017 Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching**. Ms. Kielusiak, who is our Junior High English/Language Arts teacher, is the only Catholic school teacher honored this year as a Golden Apple finalist.



Both the Golden Apple Excellence in Teaching Award and the Golder Leadership Award winners will be announced in May.

We are truly honored and grateful to have two Golden Apple award finalists this year! Please join us in congratulating Principal Cavallone and Ms. Kielusiak for their well-deserved recognition!

Read more about our honorees on our website!

Please support our **St. Therese Chinese Catholic School's Chinese New Year Gala** celebrating the Year of the Rooster on *Saturday, March 4, 2017, 5:30-10:30pm*, at Furama Restaurant, 2828 S. Wentworth Avenue. This annual event is a wonderful occasion to come together as a greater community and celebrate the New Year, reflect on all that our students and staff have accomplished, and look forward to all the promise the future holds. The delicious food, exciting auction items, and wonderful performances by our students are just some of the highlights of what is surely to be another evening not to be missed! For more info call school office: 312-326-2837.



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Vincent Thome
Barbara McElroy
Ramona Zavala
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Baby Jessa Piotrowski
Fr. Walter Johnson, MM
Rose Perez
Phyllis Robinson

Phyllis Robinson
Bai Xue
John Palenik
Luz Whitehead
Jade Yee
Anthony Scuito
Rev. Anthony Adducci
James Gemkow
Lisa Rak

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

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Karl Schroeder
Sr. Barbara Walenty
Nicholas Tobar
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Jimmy Annoreno

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James Rak

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

'The Temple of God"

When you drive through various parts of our city, there are signs and posters in stores or different types of buildings which indicate where you are and what kind of community or types of people live there. An individual home looks different than an apartment building. A store usually looks different than a Church or temple.

In the early Christian times there was much persecution. There were no special buildings set apart for worship. The early Christians met in people's homes and in Rome people also gathered to celebrate Eucharist in the Catacombs. As the Church became more visibly established with the end of major persecutions, Churches were built. Often the Catholic Church took the shape of the cross. Churches were consecrated with a special ritual and special prayers. They were places set apart for worship and the Eucharist was kept especially to take to the sick or imprisoned.

St. Paul tells us, "Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?" Like the Church building, we are consecrated and set apart by Baptism. God dwells in us and lives with us. When we are open to God, when we pray and follow the way of Jesus, the presence of God, the Spirit of God continues to grow in us. Like the actual Church building, wherever we go and whatever we do, we are called to be the presence of God in this place and time. In our homes, at our work place, walking down the street or driving in our cars, God is with us, in us, filling our very being with Himself. As St. Paul reminds us. "Do you not know....YOU are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?"



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To Teach Who Christ Is

RCIA---the Rite of Election

*Sending Rite for Election will take place at the 9:30am mass on Feb. 26th.

*The Rite of Election will be on Feb. 26th, 2:30pm at Holy Name Cathedral.

Ash Wednesday March 1st (Fast and Abstinence)

Distribution of ashes at 8:00A.M mass and 6:30P.M. mass in Church

First Sunday of March

Beginning on March 5th, our 9:30am mass will be changed to 10:30am.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7:00P.M. in Church preceded by Mass at 6:30 P.M. NO FISH FRY this year!

Holy Hour and Benediction

Takes place on 1st Fridays of March (3) and of April (7) immediately following the Stations of the Cross

CRS Rice Bowl

Distribution on March 4th and 5th and Returning on April 1st and 2nd, 8th and 10th

Service

We will help out at St. James Food Pantry on Saturday March 11th.

RCIA---Scrutiny Rites

will be celebrated on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent.

First Reconciliation

For School and R. E. students will take place on March 11th at 10:00am.

Parish Religious Program

Students will lead the 10:30am mass on Sunday March 12th.

Students will sponsor their annual pancake breakfast on Sunday March 19th.

Reconciliation will take place on Sunday, April 2nd after the 10:30A.M. mass.

Indonesian Mass

March 12th and April 9th at noon

Parish Lenten Retreat

On March 26th following the 10:30am mass

March Mandarin Mass

On March 26th at 12:00 noon followed by a Lenten Recollection

Living Stations of the Cross by St. Therese School

Sunday April 9th at 1:30pm in Church

"Day after day, both in and around the temple and from house to house, they continued to teach and preach Jesus Christ."

-Acts 5:42