



St. Therese Parish

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We are St. Therese Catholic Church, a community of believers, who walk together by faith in Christ Jesus, and minister in the Little Way of St. Therese, as we strive hand-in-hand to live as God's people.

St. Vincent Pallotti Parish

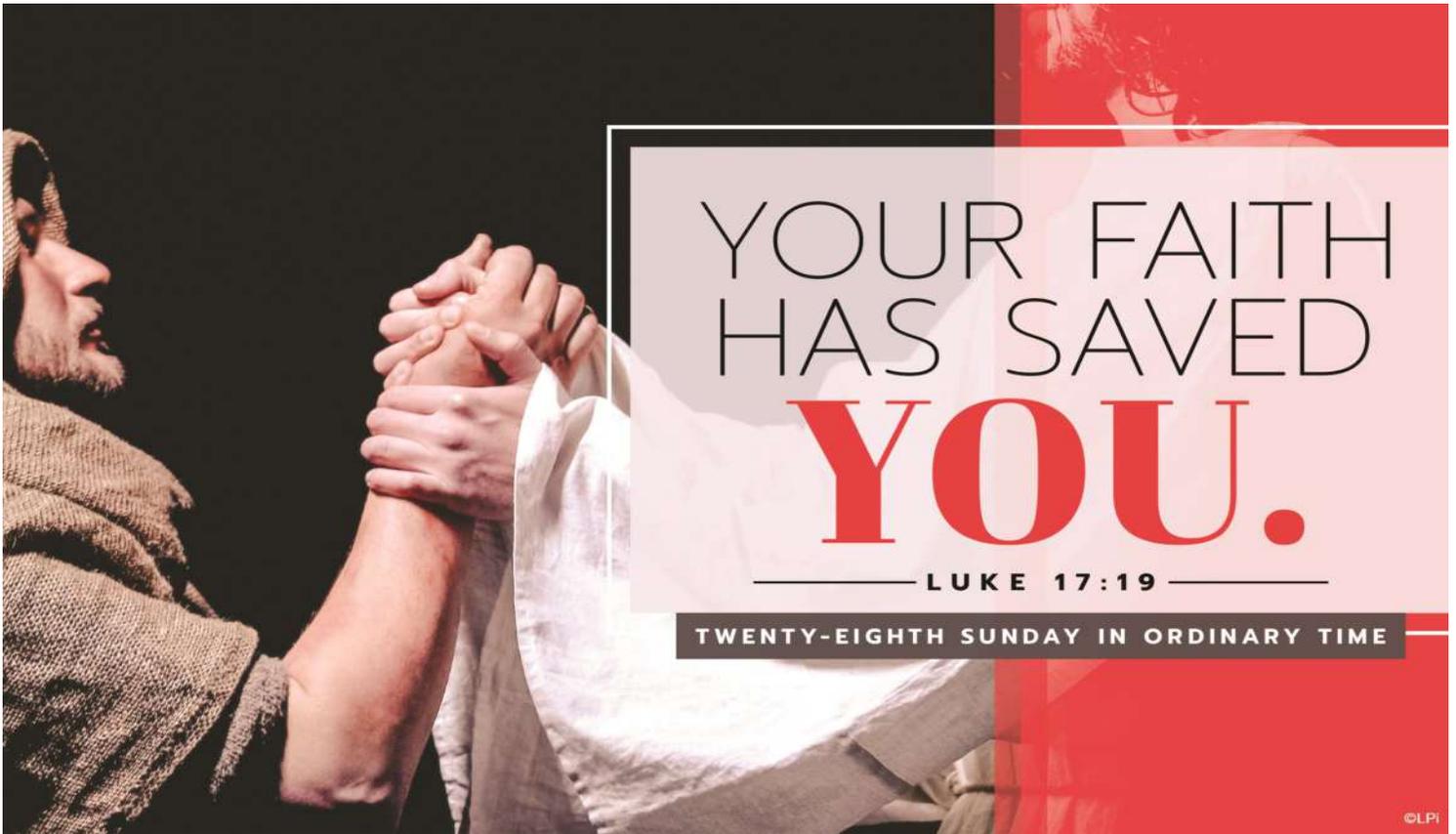
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A Community of disciples, nourished by the Eucharist, caring for each other and reaching out to others.

October 12, 2025



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 17:11-19

Dorothy Day, the great Catholic activist, doubted God's existence. At least in her early adult years. But something changed when after giving birth to her daughter, she experienced an overwhelming gratitude. She later described how, as she held her daughter, the only appropriate response was a kind of unlimited gratitude. She had done nothing to deserve such a gift — this tiny, miraculous life — but there she was, flooded with gratitude, completely undone by the love of such a Giver.

Something similar occurs in Luke 17:19 when Jesus tells a healed leper, **“Stand up and go; your faith has saved you.”** This man had already received physical healing through his faith. But the moment of an even deeper transformation came when he turned back, fell at Jesus' feet, and gave thanks. Like Dorothy, this man's gratitude led him to encounter the Giver.

Isn't that what we want, too? Gratitude to God has the power to break our chains of sadness, bitterness, and disenchantment. It empowers us to step out of the prison of self-pity and into the reality of God's abundant love. It shifts our focus from what we lack to what we have received, from what wounds us to what heals us.

Where do we learn this? The Mass. The priest prays: “It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks.” Always. Everywhere. Not just when life is easy. Not just when prayers are answered as we expect. Gratitude is not a passive feeling; it is an act of faith. In the eucharist, we remember that Christ himself has given everything for us. And in this act of gratitude, we are healed. — *Father John Muir* ©LPI

Parish Pastoral Council

1st Wednesday of the Month at 7:00PM

To contact a Parish Pastoral Council Member, send an email to council@sttheresemke.org or leave a message for them in either parish office. Meeting minutes are available in the parish offices.

Chairperson

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David Helterbran Linda Okruhlica
Sr. Marilyn Metz Tom Ratkowski
Mary Noeske

Saint Vincent de Paul
(414) 462-7837

Hospital Visits

The Federal Privacy Regulation (HIPAA—Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act) prohibits hospitals from informing churches of a patient's presence unless the patient gives permission for the hospital to do so. If you are admitted to a hospital and would like a pastoral visit, please contact either Parish Office.

Prayer List for Mass

It is our privilege to pray at our weekend masses for those in need. If you would like to add a name to the list, please contact either Parish Office.

Need Prayer?

Call the Prayer Network at
(414) 810-9844

Need Holy Communion?

Call either Parish Office

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday, 8:00AM

Announcement Deadline:

Thursday, 8:00AM

All submissions must be in writing to either Parish Office; email preferred.

Pastor of St. Vincent Pallotti Parish & St. Therese Parish

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For Parish Emergencies After Hours, Push 0

Office Hours

Sunday: 10:00AM to 11:00AM

Monday: 8:30AM–12:00PM; 12:00PM–3:30PM Remote

Tuesday: 8:30AM–3:30PM

Wednesday: Remote

Thursday: 8:30AM–12:00PM REMOTE; 12:00PM–3:30PM

Friday and Saturday: Closed

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:15–3:45PM - St. Vincent Pallotti - West

Sunday: 6:45–7:15AM - St. Vincent Pallotti - East

First Sunday of the Month: 8:15AM - St. Therese

Or by appointment on weekdays

Blessing of the Sick

After Mass on the First Full Weekend of the Month.

You can also contact either Parish Office or Fr. Tom PC on his cell phone at (414) 308-6238 to arrange a visit.

Baptism, Marriage and RCIA

Please call either Parish Office. Preparation can take nine months or more.

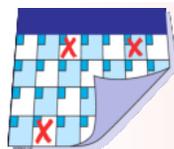
Funerals

Contact either Parish Office to plan.

Parish Membership / Support

Anyone over age 18 is invited to register as an adult member.

Please call either Parish Office for more information.



Events for the Week

STP = St. Therese Parish SVP-E = St. Vincent Pallotti East Church
SVP-W = St. Vincent Pallotti West Church

Sunday, October 12

Prayer Shawl/ Blessing of the Sick at SVP-W 10:30AM Mass
SCRIP Pick-Up Weekend and Sharing Weekend at STP

- 6:45AM Reconciliation at SVP-E
- 7:30AM Mass at SVP-E
- 8:15AM Confessions at STP
- 9:00AM Mass at STP – Live Streamed on Facebook
- 9:15AM Children's Liturgy of the Word at STP
- 10:00AM Blessing of the Sick at STP
- 10:30AM Mass at SVP-W – Live Streamed and Posted
- 10:45AM Children's Liturgy of the Word at SVP-W

Monday, October 13

- 6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E
- 6:00PM St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting at STP

Tuesday, October 14

- 12:00PM Afternoon Mass at SVP-W
- 6:30PM Christian Formation Committee Meeting at STP

Wednesday, October 15

- 6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E
- 8:15AM SVP School Mass at SVP-W
- 5:30PM Adoration at STP
- 6:00PM Evening Mass at STP
- 6:30PM Human Concerns Committee Meeting at STP

Thursday, October 16

- 11:00AM J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth) Ministry Meeting at STP
- 11:30AM Adoration at SVP-W
- 12:00PM Afternoon Mass at SVP-W
- 1:00PM Bible Study at STP
- 4:00PM Choir Rehearsal at SVP-W
- 6:30PM Stewardship Committee via Zoom
- 7:00PM Group 100 AA

Friday, October 17

- 6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E
- 9:00AM Church Cleaning at SVP-W

Saturday, October 18

Birthday Weekend/Library Cart/SVdP Collection at SVP

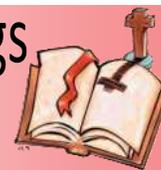
- 8:00AM TO NOON Blood Drive at SVP-W
- 3:15PM Confessions at SVP-W
- 4:00PM Mass at SVP-W
- 5:00PM Rosary at SVP-W

Sunday, October 19

Birthday Weekend/Library Cart/SVdP Collection at SVP

- 6:45AM Reconciliation at SVP-E
- 7:30AM Mass at SVP-E
- 9:00AM Mass at STP – Live Streamed on Facebook
- 10:00AM Rosary Prayer Service at STP
- 10:00AM Middle School/High School Catechesis at St. Jude
- 10:30AM Mass at SVP-W – Live Streamed and Posted

Intentions & Readings for the Week



October Sanctuary Candle at STP

The Krebs Family

Sunday, October 12

Readings 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

Monday, October 13

Observance: Columbus Day; Indigenous Peoples' Day

Readings Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 11:29-32
6:25AM (SVP-E) †Joseph Pahule (J. Thomas)

Tuesday, October 14

Observance: St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Readings Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 11:37-41

12:00PM (SVP-W) †August Biernat (Russell & Marilyn Biernat)

Wednesday, October 15

Observance: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Readings Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9/Lk 11:42-46

6:25AM (SVP-E) †Edmund Badura (J. Badura)

8:15AM (SVP-W) SVP School Mass

6:00PM (STP) †Barbara Borst

Thursday, October 16

Observance: St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Readings Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Lk 11:47-54

12:00PM (SVP-W) None

Friday, October 17

Observance: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Readings Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7

6:25AM (SVP-E) Deacon Don & †Toni Borkowski

Saturday Mass, October 18

Observance: St. Luke, Evangelist

Readings 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9

4:00PM (SVP-W) The Banker Family

Sunday Mass, October 19

Observance: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

Readings Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8

7:30AM (SVP-E) Parishioners

9:00AM (STP) †Mary Ann Krebs and the St. Therese Parish Community

10:30AM (SVP-W) None



To be included, please call either Parish Office.

AG, Dorothy Ash, Peter Carlis, Brandon Choe, Irene Czarnecki, Michael Czarnecki, Shirley Diciaula, Nancy Dineen, Berni Doberstein, Dean Doberstein, Dick Dufour, Elizabeth and Elijah, Kathleen Fugasco, Family G, Sue Grignon, Edwin Gunther, Matthew Harrison, Dan Heinz, Josette Jaeger, Andrew James, Mary Kirchner, Helen Klister, Julie Kross, Ellen Lemkuiel, Rachel Lund, Debbie Martin, Loretta Merz, Robert Metrey, Hanna Miroslaw, Celeste Rau, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, Kaity Shields, Robert Szablewski, Beverly T., Rosann Thate, Terry Valdovinos, Mary Vanderbunt, John Wachowiak, Chris Wehausen



Please extend a warm welcome to our new parishioners:

At St. Vincent Pallotti:

- Carolyn Blank
- Eric Bajorek

At St. Therese Parish:

- Michael and Debra Salaty

Tuesday Mass Schedule Change

There will be **NO Tuesday Masses** on **October 21**. We apologize for any inconvenience. Noon Mass will resume the following Tuesday.



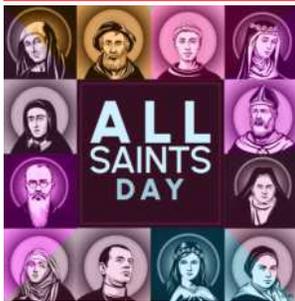
Next weekend - October 18/19 - the library cart at St. Vincent Pallotti will include some books with multiple copies. Maybe it is time to start that book group?



Reuniting Us As "One Nation, Under God" Rosary Prayer Service:

October 19

Join us after the 9:00AM Mass at St. Therese. We will pray the rosary and end with a short meditation. The service lasts about 25 minutes.



On Saturday, November 1, we will have Mass for the All Saints Day Holy Day at 7:30am at SVP-E

Looking to donate online? Go to either Parish website to make a contribution on our online giving websites. Thank you for your generosity.

CHURCH SUPPORT – ST. THERESE

Envelopes & Offertory – October 5	\$ 8,188.00
Envelopes & Offertory – September 28	\$ 1,838.00
Envelopes & Offertory – September 21	\$ 2,508.00
Envelopes & Offertory – September 14	\$ 2,267.00
Envelopes & Offertory – September 7	\$ 1,108.00
Maintenance Donations	\$ 1,012.00
Sharing Weekend (September 14)	\$ 857.00

St. Therese Sharing Weekend is This Weekend: October 12

The Sharing Weekend recipient for this month is Acts Housing. Buy a home. Build a Community. Acts Housing's mission - Empowerment through Homeownership - is about the journey people go through on the path to homeownership - and the long-term impact it has for decades to come.

At Acts Housing, we prioritize working with low-to-moderate-income families who have been traditionally locked out of the homeownership market. Acts Housing provides a comprehensive roadmap to homeownership, offering families a complete support system. This system comprises homebuyer and financial education, mortgage lending, real estate services, and home rehabilitation, ensuring families have the necessary tools and guidance at every step of their journey.

This full-circle approach ensures that families are well-prepared to make informed decisions based on their unique financial and family-life situations. Over the past three decades, nearly 4,000 families have purchased a home with the support of Acts Housing - and thousands more have accessed homebuyer education. This work has a profound impact, empowering families and building a foundation for thriving neighborhoods and a strong community.

Donations can be made at Mass, mailed to the Parish Office or by using the QR code to donate online. If you are writing a check, please make it out to Acts Housing. Thank you for your generosity.



Pause and Pray This October

At St. Therese there will be a prayer area set up in the back of the church with different representations of Mary. Please use this area before or after Mass to pause and pray.

Parishioners are invited to bring in different representations of Mary that are easy to carry/move. You can drop off your labeled small statues/figurines, drawings/paintings, etc. at the Parish Office during office hours and we will add them to the display. If you have any questions, please contact Heather in the Parish Office.



Sunday Masses Live-Streamed and Recorded!

- The 9:00AM Sunday Mass at St. Therese Parish is live-streamed on their Facebook page and posted on their website after Mass.
- The 10:30AM Sunday Mass at St. Vincent Pallotti is live-streamed and posted on their website and is also available on YouTube.

Schedule a Mass Intention in Memory of a Loved One

Consider donating a mass intention in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event. To donate, contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office.

ST. VINCENT PALLOTTI STEWARDSHIP PARISH SUPPORT FOR OCTOBER 2025

	Actual Amount Received in September, 2025	Actual Amount Received this FY as of September, 2025	Budget for Fiscal Year 7/01/25-6/30/2026
Envelopes	\$14,336.96	\$48,999.25	\$205,000.00
Offertory	\$3,186.50	\$10,435.33	\$45,000.00
Donations	\$1,522.00	\$2,851.00	\$27,400.00
	\$19,045.46	\$62,285.58	\$277,400.00



October 18 from 8:00AM to Noon
St. Vincent Pallotti – West

- Breakfast Provided
 - Walk-ins or schedule at www.stvincentpallotti.org
- Questions? (414) 453-5344

Standing Committee Monthly Reports

Stewardship Committee

The Stewardship Committee met in September. The meeting focused on the upcoming stewardship initiative, which will begin in mid-October. The theme of the campaign is “God’s Work, Our Hands.” A banner will be placed in each of the three churches to remind everyone of this theme. Every parishioner will receive a letter from Father PC in the mail, along with a booklet summarizing the volunteer and ministry opportunities in the two parishes. Parishioners will be asked to reflect on how they share their time, talent and treasure with the parish.



From The Earth Ministry: Benefits of a Solar Farm

With the flooding event in the Milwaukee area this August, there is



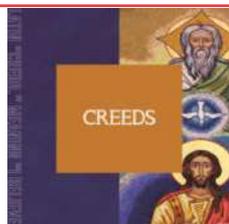
renewed urgency about dealing with climate change. Renewable energy is one of the answers. According to Clean Wisconsin’s Solar Farm Impact Analysis as published in the 2025 Summer edition of the Defender newsletter, solar panels provide energy and come with added ecological benefits that are highlighted here. When solar panels are placed instead of row crops like corn and soybeans, sediment and phosphorus runoff are reduced by 75-90%. If deep-rooted perennials are planted among the panels, carbon sequestration increases by 65%, soil health is improved and so is habitat for wildlife. For instance, compared to habitat quality of existing cropland, habitat quality for pollinators increases 300%. With the importance of pollinators for many food crops, siting a solar farm near other crops is a boon.

Clean Wisconsin also found that replacing electricity generated from coal and gas burning power plants with clean solar energy results in public health benefits of 5-10 cents per kWh in Wisconsin. The cost of generating solar electricity is 3-4 cents per kWh, while the cost in Wisconsin of generating electricity from coal is 4.2 cents per kWh. Changing from coal to solar saves money per kWh, as well as providing significant public health benefits.

Devotions, Explained!

Creeds

A creed (from the Latin “credo,” meaning “I believe”) is a summary of the most important articles of faith agreed upon by a group of people who hold them as truth. Tradition has given us not just the Apostles’ and Nicene Creeds, but many more. ©LPi

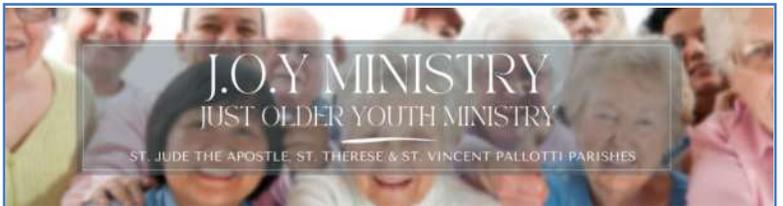


Thursday Afternoon Bible Study at St. Therese

Join us at our next bible study as part of the 24-part *The Bible Timeline* featuring Jeff Cavins on Thursday, October 16 at 1:00PM at St. Therese. If you aren’t able to make it at that time, it will be offered again that day at 7:00PM at St. Jude the Apostle in the Activity Center. The cost is free. Please contact Heather Warner at (414) 258-8821 x231 or hwarner@stjudetheapostle.net with questions.

Fourth Sunday Formation

Our next Fourth Sunday Formation sessions will take place on October 25 and 26 after all Masses at both parishes. The topic will be about relics. Please plan to join us and bring a friend!



JOY (Just Older Youth) Ministry is a group for empty nesters, active middle agers, and senior adults who will gather on a regular basis to enjoy their God given life through fellowship, education and service.

Our next JOY Ministry meeting is on **Thursday, October 16** at 11:00AM at St. Therese Parish in Miriam’s Corner. Join us for a presentation followed by a luncheon and fellowship. **RSVP with the Parish Office by Wednesday October 15.**

October is World Mission Month

The contributions collected on World Mission Sunday, October 19, are critical for sustaining the Church’s mission in over 1,150 territories where the Church is still young or struggling. This year’s theme, chosen by Pope Francis, is “Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples.” In his message, the Holy Father reminds us that hope is at the heart of the Christian mission, calling every baptized person to be “messengers and builders of hope” in a world that often finds itself overshadowed by uncertainty and despair. Let us prepare our hearts and minds to engage fully in this mission throughout the month.

Catechesis Corner

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

My name is Cathy Healey, and I have the privilege of teaching Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month at St. Vincent Pallotti, during the 10:30AM Mass. The children are read the Gospel designed for their age group and there is an activity that further emphasizes the reading.

We are looking for additional people to help with this beautiful ministry. Archdiocese regulations require that two adults or confirmation age individuals are present in accordance with Safe Environment Archdiocese guidelines. If you are interested, please contact Cathy Healey at (414) 412-7940.



Save the Date: Town Hall Meetings

Please attend one of the upcoming town hall meetings which will be held immediately after a weekend Mass at each site:

- Saturday, November 22 at 5:00PM at St. Vincent Pallotti-West in the church and virtually
- Sunday, November 23 at 8:30AM at St. Vincent Pallotti-East in the church
- Sunday, November 23 at 10:00AM at St. Therese Parish in the church and virtually

More information will be coming soon.

God's Work, Our Hands:

Time, Talent and Treasure

Next week, parishioners will receive a letter from Father PC. The letter will contain a booklet summarizing all of the volunteer activities in our parishes. It will also contain a time, talent and treasure form, which should be returned to the parish. The theme of this effort is, "God's Work, Our Hands." As you reflect on the example of our patrons, Saint Vincent Pallotti and St. Therese, we are asking that you remain involved in committees and ministries you are already active in. In addition, please consider becoming more involved by trying something new. In particular, we continue to have a shortage of Liturgical Ministers and of individuals willing to participate on our various parish committees and subcommittees. Some examples are Stewardship, Prayer and Worship, Human Concerns, Hospitality Ministry, Church Cleaning and Buildings and Grounds. If you would like more information on the work that these committees do, feel free to ask questions of Father Tom, members of the Pastoral Council or any Stewardship Committee member. Please give careful consideration to how you can give back to God by serving you parish community.

The form will include a "treasure" component. We will be asking every parishioner to provide their best estimate of how much financial support you are able to offer the parish. This should be viewed as simply a goal and not a binding commitment. The information will help the Finance Council to develop a more accurate budget as they guide the parishes through these challenging times. Any financial information will be held in the strictest confidence. Thank you in advance for giving this form your thoughtful and prayerful attention.



Save the Dates:

St. Vincent Pallotti Choir Cookie Sale
December 13/14

St. Therese Cookie Sale

December 20 - If you'd like to help out as a baker, we'd love your contributions! Sign-ups will begin November.

Mark your calendars, and stay tuned for more details



Save the Date:

Mass of Remembrance at St. Vincent Pallotti

Join us for a special Mass of Remembrance on **Sunday, November 2 at 10:30AM at the West church**. All parishioners who have died within the past year will be remembered at this Mass. Family members will be invited to come forward and place a candle in the sanctuary as the name of your loved one is read aloud. The parish has a record of those whose funeral services took place at the East or West site since last November. If a parishioner was buried from a place other than St. Vincent Pallotti Church, such as a nursing home or other church, please contact Heather in the Parish Office by October 27 to provide their information, so your loved one may be included in this special service.

Book of Remembrance at St. Vincent Pallotti

Anticipating the month of November & the church's remembrance of our deceased loved ones, the parish's large Blue Book of Remembrance has been placed on the table in the back of church. (Not the usual red intention book). The parish intercessions on the weekend of November 2/3 will include a prayer for all those listed in the Blue Book. Please write the names of those who died and whom you wish us to pray for on that weekend.

An Evening of Remembrance at St. Therese

Our annual Evening of Remembrance will be at St. Therese Parish on **Wednesday, November 12 at 7:00PM**. Any interested parishioners (from either parish) who have lost a loved one during the past year are invited to participate. Please contact Heather in the Parish Office to register. You will be asked to provide your loved one's name, a few sentences about them and their life, and a photo. Please also indicate how many people will attend the service. Please **contact the Parish Office by October 27 to register**.



St. Vincent Pallotti School Strategic Planning Survey

St. Vincent Pallotti Catholic School is beginning an exciting process of strategic planning to help guide our mission and growth over the next three years. To create a thoughtful and effective plan, we are seeking input from all members of our community – students, parents, staff, and parishioners.

Your perspective is vital in helping us understand what our school does well and where we can grow. The feedback gathered through these surveys will shape our three-year Strategic Plan, set to be completed in May 2026.

Please take a few moments to share your thoughts by completing the survey, accessible through the QR code below. Your voice and support will help us continue to strengthen the faith, academics, and community life that make St. Vincent Pallotti such a special place. The survey will be available until Monday, October 20.

Thank you for being part of our mission to form hearts and minds in Jesus!

Scan the QR code on the right to take the survey or go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R6DBPM7>



OCTOBER RESPECT LIFE MONTH 2025



“Our call to protect and cherish life is rooted not in politics or headlines, but in faith, hope and love.”

-ARCHBISHOP JEFFREY S. GROB

October is observed as Respect Life Month. Archbishop Grob's video message shares with us the importance of being pro-life, along with detailing pro-life efforts by Catholics across the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.



To view the video, scan the QR code or follow the link: qrco.de/respectlife2025



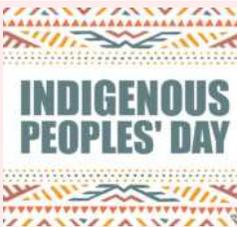
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Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who made our celebration of the Feast of St. Therese so special. The Mass was beautiful and it was wonderful to see the church filled with parishioners, friends, and visitors! We hope you enjoyed the luncheon, raffles, silent auction and fellowship following Mass. A special thank you to:



- To Fr. Jose Eluvathingal, Fr. Leon Martin, and Fr. Norm Oswald for worshipping with us.
- To Fr. Tom PC for his leadership of our parishes.
- To everyone who helped plan and execute the liturgy; especially the liturgical ministers and staff.
- To the planning committee (Christine Jensen, Sr Marilyn Metz, Mary Ellen and Art Nennig, Fran Proulx, Tim Schwaller, and Heather Goeden) for all of their work to ensure a beautiful celebration.
- To the Art & Environment Committee and the Sisters from St. Camillus for enhancing the church environment with flowers and other decorations for the Feast.
- To Linda Okruhlica and Gloria Ratkowski for the extra cleaning that was done in preparation for the weekend.
- To Carrie Sanders, Kathy Luty, our guest flautist Jennifer Burke and the St. Therese and St. Vincent Pallotti Choir for their enhancement of our worship through song.
- To the volunteers who set up and decorated the hall.
- To Christine Jensen and everyone who came early to help her prepare the food for the luncheon.
- To everyone who served the lunch and everyone who helped take down the tables and chairs and cleaned up after.
- To the bakers for the delicious variety of sweet treats.
- To Art and Mary Ellen Nennig for coordinating the raffles and silent auction as well as the committees and parishioners from both parishes who donated the raffle baskets and silent auction items.
- To the parish staff for all of their behind the scenes efforts to make the event successful.
- To everyone who came to worship and celebrate with us; especially any visitors and members of St. Vincent Pallotti and the Syro Malabar Community. We hope your spirit was nourished as much as your body.
- To everyone who donated their time, talent and treasure to make this a successful celebration. Without your participation, events such as this don't occur.
- To anyone we may have missed, please know that we appreciate your efforts and thank you as well.



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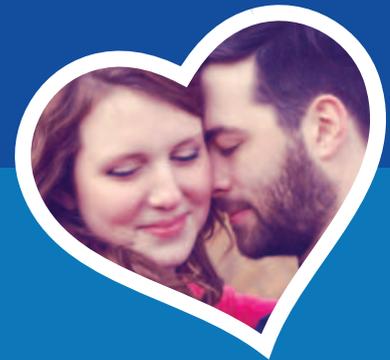
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