



## 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.*

# September 8, 2024

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#### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00PM - St. Vincent Pallotti - West  
Sunday 7:30AM - St. Vincent Pallotti - East  
9:00AM - St. Therese  
10:30AM - St. Vincent Pallotti - West

#### Weekday Mass Schedule

Mon, Wed, Fri: 6:25AM - St. Vincent Pallotti - East  
Tues: 8:00AM - St. Vincent Pallotti - West  
Tues: 8:45AM - St. Therese  
Wed: 6:30PM - St. Therese  
Thurs: 12 Noon - St. Vincent Pallotti - West

#### 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 at 8:15AM - St. Therese  
Or by appointment on weekdays

#### Pray the Rosary

Saturday : 3:15PM - St. Vincent Pallotti - West  
Sunday: 7:00AM - St. Vincent Pallotti - East  
Third Sunday of the Month at 10:00AM - St. Therese

#### Adoration

First Friday 6:00PM - St. Vincent Pallotti - West  
Wednesdays 6:00PM - St. Therese  
Thursdays 11:30AM - St. Vincent Pallotti - West

#### Anointing 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 (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 Pastoral Council**

1st Tuesday of the Month at 6:30PM

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**

Art Nennig

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**Trustees**

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

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**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.



One of the most touching YouTube videos I’ve ever seen is one in which a deaf woman receives new technology to heal her hearing. She hears her husband’s voice for the first time — and her own, too — and bursts into tears of overwhelming joy. It must have been like an immovable wall between her and her loved ones came tumbling down.

We are all like this woman, to some degree. We believe in the presence of God’s love, but we can’t hear Him. We can’t speak well about Him. The deaf man who can’t speak properly in the Gospel today is an image of what God wants us to experience again and again. Jesus takes the man aside to a private place away from the crowd, touches his ears and tongue, and says, “**Ephphata!**” The man’s ears are opened, and he speaks clearly. Contact with Christ has this effect on us.

This experience happens to us in our baptism, almost exactly. It happens to us in the liturgy. It happens in our private prayer. It happens when we hear the voice of God in our conscience. The more we engage these privileged channels of Jesus’ healing, the more we are empowered to hear and speak of the presence of God’s perfect love. — *Father John Muir* ©LP



**From Communion to Community**  
**Year 3 of the Eucharistic Revival**

We hear in the gospel that after Jesus cured a deaf man who had a speech impediment, he ordered his followers not to tell anyone.

But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it. They were exceedingly astonished and they said, “He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.” (Mark 7:36-37).

If we are attentive and mindful of what takes place when we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, we too are “exceedingly astonished” and cannot keep from telling others that Jesus does all things well.

In week 5 of Emmaus 90 Michael Gutzwiller reminded us that, as disciples of Jesus, we are commissioned to do more than just tell others about Jesus. Rather, Jesus calls us to be missionaries. It is our encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist that inspires and necessitates us to go out and fulfill the commission of Jesus and share the love of Christ with others.

What is one intentional and concrete way that I can fulfill the commission of Jesus and share Christ’s love with someone in need this week? Suggestion: Use the “corporal works of mercy” as a guide.

**A Note From St. Vincent de Paul**

In today’s Gospel we hear how Jesus “makes the deaf hear and the mute speak!” In living the gospel, we must open our ears to hear and recognize all the everyday opportunities for making God’s presence known especially to those who are poor and suffering. On September 9, the Church also celebrates the feast of Blessed Frederic Ozanam, the founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Frederic heard the call of Jesus to love and serve those who are suffering. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can “make God’s presence known” to those who are suffering and poor.

**Save the Date:**

**A Rosary for Healing & Protection**



**Saturday, October 5th**  
**10:00AM**  
**Archdiocesan Marian Shrine**  
**(141 N. 68th St. Milwaukee)**

**Parish Membership**

Anyone over age 18 is invited to register as an adult member. Call either Parish Office for more information. **Why Join?** Because you will be part of a world-wide family.



### St Therese Reuniting Us As “One Nation, Under God” Prayer Service

Please join us for our monthly “One Nation, Under God” Prayer Service after Mass on September 15. The service is about 25 minutes. We say the Rosary and ask Blessed Mary to intervene for us with the Lord in seeking His help to reunite us as “One Nation, Under God” as we seem to be lost in the wilderness and have forgotten our love of God and one another. We need His help to find our way. We also do a short meditation to remind us that while we are all different, we need to Love One Another!

### Cross Bearers Needed

We have begun to add more ritual to our Masses at St. Therese. The processions at the beginning and end of Mass are now led by a cross bearer. This ministry role has just been added to the on-line sign up. You can also sign up by calling the parish office. Below is what the ministry requires:

- Taking the cross from the altar, with confidence, and bowing toward the altar before you go up the steps. Go with the cross to the sacristy 10 minutes before Mass. Join the other ministers in prayer and go with them to the chosen aisle.
- The cross bearer leads the procession.
- When you reach the base of the altar and you may stay in the middle or slightly left, wait until everyone arrives and is arrayed at the foot of the altar. Then, when the lector begins to put the Gospel book on the altar, and the servers are placing the candles at the altar, the cross bearer will place the cross onto the base, being sure that the cross then faces the congregation. When you have placed the cross, you return to the foot of the altar. Then you may return to your seat for Mass.
- For the recessional, go to the altar, bowing toward the altar then go up the steps, when the last song begins. Take the cross from the stand and wait with it there until Father begins to leave the altar. Then go to the base of the altar, facing the altar, awaiting Father’s indication that the recession will begin. Begin to walk slowly in the direction of the exit aisle (determined by Father before Mass begins) and everyone will follow.
- After Mass, return the cross to the base on the altar.

Please consider participating in this ministry. Questions? Call Heather in the St. Therese Parish Office.

**9:00AM Sunday Mass Live-Streamed on our Facebook page. It is also posted on our website after Mass.**

**Like us and follow us on Facebook @sttheresemke!**

### Sharing Weekend is This Weekend: September 8th

Capuchin Community Services has two sites: the House of Peace on 17th and Walnut and St. Ben’s Meal and Ministries on 9th and State. They are ministries of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars which serve the poor and needy with basic life necessities, e.g. food, clothing, shelter, medical care, legal care, and much more. Needs grow and so do the ministries, such as an After-School Program for kindergarten, 1st- and 2nd-grade students opening this fall. Many thanks and God’s blessing on all who support Capuchin Community Services in its efforts to serve God’s little ones in our midst!



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 Capuchin Community Services. Thank you for your generosity.

### Revised Weekday Mass Schedule

Starting this month, while Fr. PC is in India, we will NOT have Wednesday Evening Adoration and Mass.

Starting on Wednesday October 2nd, Adoration will begin at 5:00PM with Mass following at 5:30PM. If you have any questions, please contact the St. Therese Parish Office.

### 55+ Social Club Resumes September 12

55+ Social Club’s first meeting will be Thursday, September 12 at 11:30AM. We will meet at Yemas Restaurant (890 Elm Grove Road, Elm Grove). Please bring your ideas for activities for the coming 2024-2025 meetings. Membership fee of \$10 is due. Everyone is welcome!

### Bible Study Resumes Tuesday!

Sr. Ann Christine will be resuming the Tuesday morning Bible Study on September 10. It will be held in the St. Therese Room in the Parish Office after the 8:45AM Mass in the Chapel. All are welcome!

### Please Help Us Keep Our Prayer List Current

It’s time to update our prayer list. If you have submitted a name for the prayer list for the General Intercessions at mass and want that name to *remain* on the list, please contact Heather Goeden by September 23.

### Schedule a Mass Intention in Memory of a Loved One

Please consider donating a mass intention in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event. Most weekend Masses are scheduled for 2024, but there are many weekday Masses open. To donate, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office.

**Looking to donate online? Use the QR Code on the right to make a contribution to St. Therese Parish on our online giving website. Thank you for your generosity.**



### CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory – August 11th	\$	3,094.00
Envelopes & Offertory – August 15th	\$	604.50
Envelopes & Offertory – August 18th	\$	5,043.00
Envelopes & Offertory – August 25th	\$	1,133.00
Maintenance Donations	\$	345.00
Sharing Weekend (August 11th)	\$	816.00

**Please remember St. Therese in your will!**



### Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary to Jim and Fran Proulx!

They will be renewing their vows at the 10:30am Mass on September 8.




#### 10:30AM Sunday Mass Live-Streamed and Recorded

Find the link under "Mass Times"  
Also available on YouTube.



For an on-line copy of our weekly combined bulletin, please refer to our website at: [www.stvincentpallotti.org](http://www.stvincentpallotti.org)

#### STEWARDSHIP PARISH SUPPORT

	Actual Amount Received in August, 2024	Actual Amount Received this FY as of August, 2024	Budget for Fiscal Year 7/01/24-6/30/2025
Envelopes	\$12,495.31	\$25,139.74	\$225,000.00
Offertory	\$1,813.00	\$4,312.51	\$40,000.00
Donations	\$1,435.51	\$1,948.07	\$26,340.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$15,743.82</b>	<b>\$31,400.32</b>	<b>\$291,340.00</b>

*Thank you for your contributions!*

The Special Collection for September will be donated to *Rescue Mission*

To provide a contribution: Envelopes can be mailed to the Parish Office **OR** you can go to our [website](http://www.stvincentpallotti.org) and do an **Online giving** donation. Look for the "Online Giving" button.

# Did You Know???

## Mother Mary's Birthday, A Time to Celebrate

By Monique Sammut



Every September 8, we celebrate Mother Mary's birthday! It should be a festive day, just like any birthday. But how can we celebrate the birthday of someone who lived so long ago and is in Heaven now? Well, there are several ways.

My mom never wants any presents on her birthday. She tells us that all she wants is for us to behave! On Mary's birthday, we can think around the same lines. It would be really special to place flowers before her statue or to sing Happy Birthday and bake a cake. However, there are other more spiritual exercises we can do in Mary's honor on this special day.

### **Giving the Gift of Ourselves**

Since Mary loves to draw us closer to her Son, Jesus, a great way to celebrate her birthday would be to attend Mass. While Mary was on earth, she loved helping others and giving the gift of herself, her time, and her talents. Spending time helping others on Mary's birthday can be an excellent gift. We could also use this day to give ourselves to Mary and entrust our hearts to her care. She loves us more than we can imagine and the gift of trust is one of the greatest gifts of all.

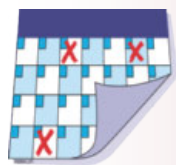
The Rosary is one of the greatest and most beautiful prayers in the history of the Church and it is a beautiful meditation on the lives of Jesus and Mary. Praying the Rosary on the birthday of Mary can draw us closer to her and her Son and make them both very happy. Mother Teresa said that praying the Rosary was just like holding Mary's hand – and what better way to show Mary we love her than by praying the Rosary and holding her hand on her birthday!

And so, on this special day when we celebrate the birthday of Mary, let us put our trust in our Heavenly Mother and give her all of our love.

Happy Birthday, dear Blessed Mother!

*"If you knew how much I love you, you would cry for joy!" Our Lady of Medugorje*





# Events for the Week

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

## Sunday, September 8

### Sharing Weekend at STP

- 7:30AM Mass at SVP-E
- 9:00AM Mass at STP – Live Streamed on Facebook
- 9:15AM Children’s Liturgy of the Word @ STP
- 10:30AM Mass at SVP-W – Live Streamed and Posted
- 10:45AM Children’s Liturgy of the Word @ SVP-W

## Monday, September 9

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

## Tuesday, September 10

- 8:00AM Morning Mass at SVP-W
- 8:45AM Morning Mass at STP
- 9:00AM Eucharistic Revival Committee Meeting at STP
- 9:15AM Bible Study at STP
- 6:30PM Christian Formation Committee at STP

## Wednesday, September 11

- 6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E
- 6:30PM Human Concerns Committee Meeting at STP

## Thursday, September 12

- 11:30AM 55+ Social Club Meeting at Yemas in Elm Grove
- 11:30AM Adoration at SVP-W
- 12:00PM Afternoon Mass at SVP-W
- 7:00PM Group 100 AA

## Friday, September 13

- 6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E
- 9:00AM Church Cleaning at SVP-W
- 6:00PM Faith in Prayer Group at SVP-W

## Saturday, September 14

- 3:15PM Confessions at SVP-W
- 3:15PM Rosary at SVP-W
- 4:00PM Mass at SVP-W

## Sunday, September 15 – Catechetical Sunday

- 7:30AM Mass at SVP-E
- 9:00AM Mass at STP – Live Streamed on Facebook
- 10:00AM Preschool to Grade 8 Catechesis Classes at STP
- 10:00AM High School Catechesis Classes at STP
- 10:30AM Mass at SVP-W – Live Streamed and Posted



# Intentions & Readings for the Week



## September Sanctuary Candle at STP

For the Gill Family

## Sunday, September 8

Readings *Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37*

## Monday, September 9

Observance: **St. Peter Claver, Priest**

Readings *1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11*  
6:25AM (SVP-E)

## Tuesday, September 10

Readings *1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 6:12-19*  
8:00AM (SVP-W) †Rosemary Martin & Family  
8:45AM (STP) †Sophie Maier

## Wednesday, September 11

Observance: **Patriot Day**

Readings *1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26*  
6:25AM (SVP-E)

## Thursday, September 12

Observance: **The Most Holy Name of Mary**

Readings *1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24/Lk 6:27-38*  
12:00PM (SVP-W) Special Intention for Louise Faragallah

## Friday, September 13

Observance: **St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

Readings *1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42*  
6:25AM (SVP-E)

## Saturday Mass, September 14

Observance: **The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

Readings *Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17*  
4:00PM (SVP-W) †Sr. Jeanne Marie Moran (A. Moran)

## Sunday Mass, September 15 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Observance: **24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday**

Readings *Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9)/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35*  
7:30AM (SVP-E) The Living & Deceased Members of the Dermody Family  
9:00AM (STP) †Gustav Schmidt and the St. Therese Parish Community  
10:30AM (SVP-W) St. Vincent Pallotti Parishioners



To be included, please call either Parish Office.

Dorothy Ash, Terry Boldin, Peter Carlis, Brandon Choe, Michael Czarnecki, Nancy Dineen, Dean Doberstein, Kylie Doyne, Jan Eno, Kathleen Fugasco, Family G, Matthew Harrison, Dan Heinz, Josette Jaeger, Mary Kirchner, Helen Klister, Julie Kross, Betty Lovinus, Rachel Lund, Debbie Martin, Kathy Manthe, Loretta Merz, Fr. Norm Oswald, Todd Ratkowski, Celeste Rau, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, Kaitly Shields, Edward Smith, Robert Szablewski, Beverly T., Dave Van de Castele, Lisa Vallone, John Wachowiak, Jean Marie Weber, Chris Wehausen



### From The Earth Ministry:



Honey Creek Parkway bisects Bluemound Rd between St Therese and Saint Vincent Pallotti Parishes. Over the past few years, a group of Tosa and Milwaukee volunteers have been working to remove the many overgrown, invasive plants and trees (primarily buckthorn), in order to restore the Parkway's natural flora and fauna.

The Friends of Honey Creek (FOHC) is organized under the umbrella of the Park People, [www.Parkpeoplmeke.org](http://www.Parkpeoplmeke.org). Volunteers coordinate their restorative work with Milwaukee County Park's workers, naturalists, and arborists. They work on Tuesday mornings each week during the summer and on different evenings in the fall once school starts. The group provides gloves, tools and other items for volunteer workers.

Weekly emails inform interested persons about the section of the Parkway that will be the focus of each work meeting. To find out more about the organization contact Allison at 312 479-4920 or to get on the email list, send your request to [www.friendsofhoneycreekmke@gmail.com](mailto:www.friendsofhoneycreekmke@gmail.com)



### Annual Pet Blessing

Friday, October 4 is the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the Patron Saint of Animals. To celebrate, there will be a Pet Blessing that day at St. Vincent Pallotti-West (201 N. 76th St, Milwaukee) from 4:30PM to 5:30PM in the parking lot area between the Parish Office and the Church (Door #1). All are welcome to bring their pets, no matter how big or small, to receive a blessing. Please be sure your pets are properly restrained and Father will bless them.



St. Therese and St. Vincent Pallotti is collaborating with our neighbors in a new social interaction ministry for empty nesters, active middle agers and senior adults called J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth). Our mission is to plan and provide fellowship through various events keeping us active which is a very important part of mental and emotional well-being in us all.

Join us September 19 at 11:00AM for our inaugural J.O.Y Luncheon to be held in the St. Therese Parish Hall. In addition to lunch there will be a brief presentation on Senior Safety sponsored by Max A. Sass & Sons Funeral Service. The luncheon is free, but a free will offering is appreciated to further the ministry. RSVP by contacting the parish office.



### Patriot Day – September 11th

Three months after the September 11th, 2001, attack on the United States, President George W. Bush signed into law a bill designating September 11th as Patriot Day.

Not to be confused with Patriots' Day, an April holiday in some New England states celebrating the first shots fired at Lexington and Concord, Patriot Day honors the nearly three thousand people who lost their lives on the morning of September 11th, 2001. Flags are flown at half-staff throughout the country, and a moment of silence is observed at 8:46AM Eastern time, the minute the first plane struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York.

While Memorial Day and similar state observances honor those who have given their lives in service to their country, Patriot Day is unique in that it honors first responders as well as the many civilians who died on that day.

### Prayer for Patriot Day

Heavenly Father, Creator of All, You have created the human person as good. You have placed us in the world as one human family, as sisters and brothers. We pray today for all victims of violence across the world, for the healing of their mind and body, for their mourning family members, for the repose of their souls.

Jesus, You have told us to love our enemies, and to pray for those who persecute us. Give us the strength and courage to forgive. Remove all lingering desire for revenge. Holy Spirit, reveal to us the mercy of God. Give us the gift of Your peace that surpasses all understanding. Amen.



### PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS!

Join us for an inspiring evening with the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecelia as they share their personal experiences of family and parish life to teach us ways to pray as a family. Whether you're new to family prayer or already have a deep spiritual life, this event will guide you in bringing your children and grandchildren closer to God.

**Free, and no registration is required – bring a friend!**

**MONDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 16  
6:30–8:30 p.m.**  
St. Mary Parish  
9520 W. Forest Home Ave., Hales Corners

**THURSDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 19  
6:30–8:30 p.m.**  
Lumen Christi Catholic Church  
2750 W. Mequon Road, Mequon



### Catechesis Corner



- **Children's Liturgy of the Word is resuming at both parishes on Sunday, September 8.** We welcome all children to participate!
- **Students and parents:** Classes begin September 15. We have special events planned for the first day.
- **Please Help.** An aide is still needed for the Sunday morning program. Invest an hour and reap huge rewards.

### Save the Date for the Feast of St. Therese

Plan to join us on Sunday, October 6th to celebrate the Feast of St. Therese. Mass will be at 10:00AM that day. *There will be no 9:00AM Mass at St. Therese or 10:30AM Mass at St. Vincent Pallotti that day.* After Mass, we will have lunch and raffles. We are looking for people willing to make soup for our lunch. If you are willing to do so, please sign up on the St. Therese website or call the Parish Office. We hope you are planning to attend! Please let us know by RSVPing on the St. Therese website or by calling the Parish Office. Questions? Contact Heather in the St. Therese Parish Office.



### Grandparents Day Blessing

God of our ancestors, we thank you for our children and our children's children. They are reminders from you about how precious life can be. We humbly ask for wisdom and patience as we take pride and wonder in our grandchildren.

Those of us who now pray to you also seek your blessing upon these men and women who are our grandparents or who act in place of grandparents. Bless all the children and their parents and grandparents with your abundant grace.

We ask all this through the intercession of Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, patron saints of grandparents, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



The loss of a loved one affects everyone differently. Everyone has their grief journey. One thing that can help is to have others alongside you during the journey. The Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry is there for all those in our communities who are grieving. Seasons of Hope is a monthly informal grief support group with topics of interest and open discussion. Meeting participants where they are at in their grief journey, whether they are grieving a recent loss, or after many months or years. This is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling; offering encouragement, comfort, and help.

Seasons of Hope will typically meet on the first Thursday of the month, from 10:00-11:00AM at St. Therese Parish. The next session is October 3rd. For more information or to RSVP, contact Heather Warner at [hwarner@stjudetheapostle.net](mailto:hwarner@stjudetheapostle.net) or (414) 258-8821.



## RESPECT LIFE CHURCH HALL Meeting

Saturday, September 28, 2024, 9-11 a.m.

ST. MARY'S VISITATION CATHOLIC CHURCH (ATRIUM)  
1260 Church St., Elm Grove, WI 53122

*Optional Mass at 8 a.m.  
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