



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

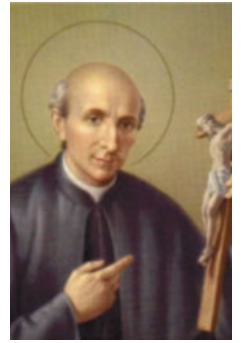
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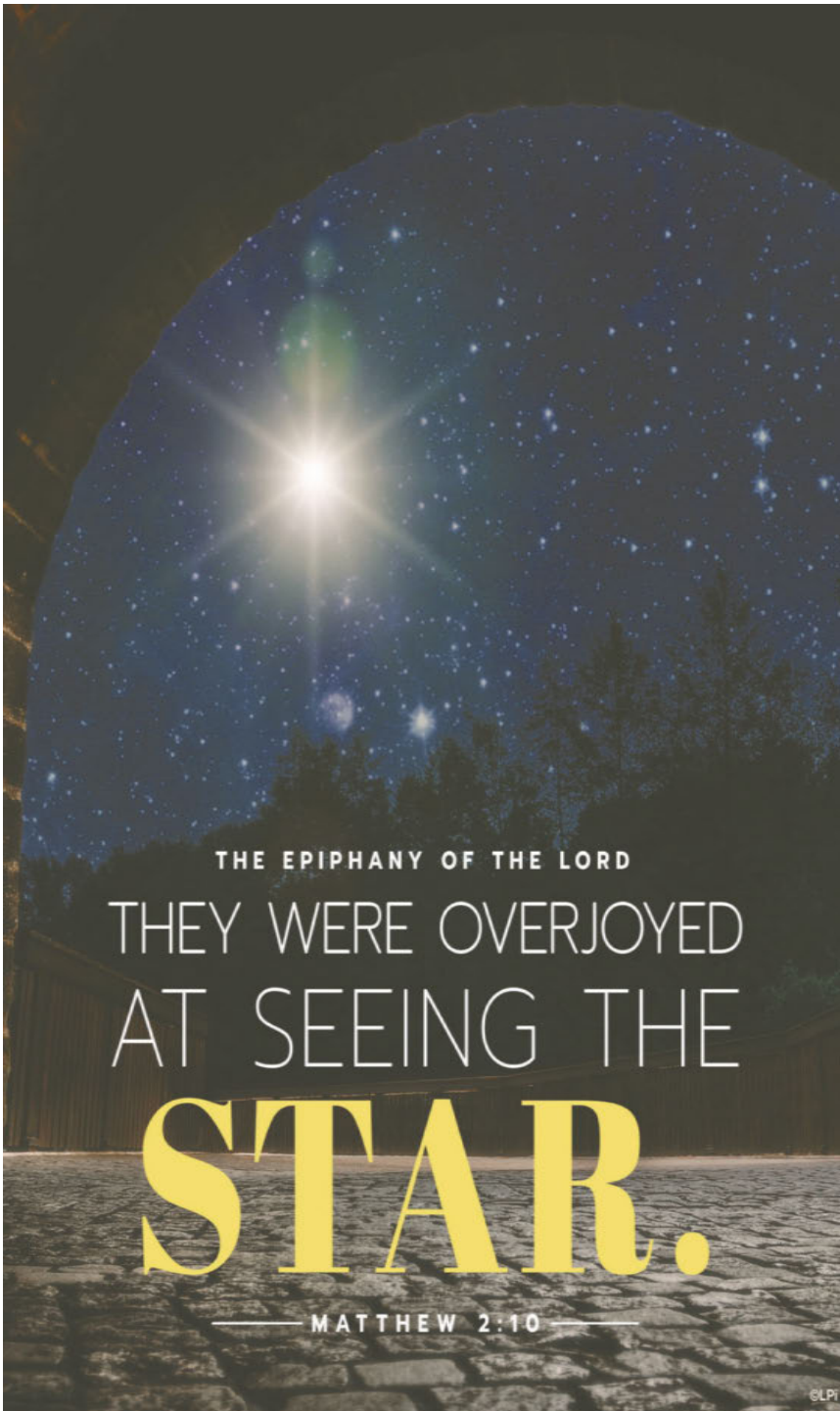
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A Community of disciples, nourished by the Eucharist, caring for each other and reaching out to others.

January 5, 2025



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

THEY WERE OVERJOYED
AT SEEING THE
STAR.

MATTHEW 2:10

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: 8:45AM - St. Therese
Tues: 12 Noon - St. Vincent Pallotti - West
Wed: 6:00PM - St. Therese
Thurs: 12 Noon - St. Vincent Pallotti - West
First Friday: 5:30PM - 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 - 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 -10:00AM - St. Therese

Adoration

First Friday 6:00PM - St. Vincent Pallotti - West
Wednesdays 5:30PM - St. Therese
Thursdays 11:30AM - St. Vincent Pallotti - West

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 (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 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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Brett Surinak

Secretary

Jennifer Tierney

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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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fr.thomaspc@stvpc.org
(414) 308-6238

St. Therese Parish Staff

Parish Emergencies (414) 771-2500 – Push 0

Office Hours: Friday and Saturday: Closed Sunday: 10:00AM-11:30AM
Mon, Tues, Wed, & Thurs: 8:00AM–12:00PM Onsite; 12:00PM–4:00PM Remote

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Carrie Sanders

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Kathy Luty

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St. Vincent Pallotti Parish Staff

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Office Hours: Monday through Friday: 8:30AM-3:30PM

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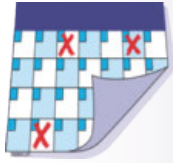
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**Office Manager/
Choice Coordinator**

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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, January 5 – Epiphany

Prayer Shawl/Healing Blessing at SVP

- 7:30AM Mass at SVP-E
- 8:15AM Confessions at STP
- 9:00AM Mass at STP – Live Streamed on Facebook
- 10:00AM Blessing of the Sick at STP
- 10:00AM Sunday Morning Catechesis Preschool – Grade 8 Program at STP
- 10:00AM High School Catechesis and Confirmation Prep at STP
- 10:30AM Mass at SVP-W – Live Streamed and Posted

Monday, January 6

- 6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E

Tuesday, January 7

- 8:45AM Morning Mass at STP
- 9:15AM Morning Mass at STP
- 12:00PM Afternoon Mass at SVP-W

Wednesday, January 8

- 6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E
- 5:30PM Adoration at STP
- 6:00PM Evening Mass at STP
- 7:00PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at SVP-E

Thursday, January 9

- 11:00AM 55+ Social Club at STP
- 11:30AM Adoration at SVP-W
- 12:00PM Afternoon Mass at SVP-W
- 7:00PM Group 100 AA

Friday, January 10

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

Saturday, January 11

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

Sunday, January 12

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 at STP
- 10:00AM Sunday Morning Catechesis Preschool – Grade 8 Program at STP
- 10:30AM Mass at SVP-W – Live Streamed and Posted



Intentions & Readings for the Week



January Sanctuary Candle at STP

For musicians

Sunday, January 5

Readings *Is* 60:1-6/*Ps* 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/*Eph* 3:2-3a, 5-6/*Mt* 2:1-12

Monday, January 6

Observance: St. André Bessette, Religious

Readings *1 Jn* 3:22—4:6/*Ps* 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/*Mt* 4:12-17, 23-25
6:25AM (SVP-E) †Alice Badura (J. Badura)

Tuesday, January 7

Observance: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

Readings *1 Jn* 4:7-10/*Ps* 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/*Mk* 6:34-44
8:45AM (STP) The St. Therese Parish Community
12:00PM (SVP-W)

Wednesday, January 8

Readings *1 Jn* 4:11-18/*Ps* 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/*Mk* 6:45-52

- 6:25AM (SVP-E) Parishioners
- 8:15AM (SVP-W) School Mass
- 6:00PM (STP) The St. Therese Parish Community

Thursday, January 9

Readings *1 Jn* 4:19—5:4/*Ps* 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/*Lk* 4:14-22a
12:00PM (SVP-W)

Friday, January 10

Readings *1 Jn* 5:5-13/*Ps* 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/*Lk* 5:12-16
6:25AM (SVP-E) †Ed Schwartz (J. Badura)

Saturday Mass, January 11

Readings *1 Jn* 5:14-21/*Ps* 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/*Jn* 3:22-30
4:00PM (SVP-W) Very Special Intention

Sunday Mass, January 12 – The Baptism of the Lord

Readings *Is* 40:1-5, 9-11/*Ps* 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/*Ti* 2:11-14; 3:4-7/*Lk* 3:15-16, 21-22
7:30AM (SVP-E) Souls in Purgatory
9:00AM (STP) †Claire Dufour and the St. Therese Parish Community
10:30AM (SVP-W) Parishioners



To be included, please call either Parish Office.

Dorothy Ash, Peter Carlis, Brandon Choe, Michael Czarnecki, Nancy Dineen, Dean Doberstein, Marge Dunn, Elizabeth and Elijah, Jan Eno, Kathleen Fugiasco, Family G, Matthew Harrison, Dan Heinz, Josette Jaeger, Mary Kirchner, Helen Klister, Julie Kross, Rachel Lund, Kathy Manthe, Debbie Martin, Loretta Merz, Celeste Rau, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, Kaity Shields, Robert Szablewski, Beverly T., Rosann Thate, John Wachowiak, Chris Wehausen



Thank You

Thank you for all who made our celebrations of Advent and Christmas so meaningful, prayerful, and beautiful:

- To our Liturgical Ministers and our Pastor Father Thomas PC and Help-Out Priest Father Norm Oswald.
- To Deanna Sullivan who cares for our candles and altar bread and wine.
- To our Choir Director Carrie Sanders, our organist Kathy Luty, our choir, cantors, and guest musicians.
- To our Advent Giving Committee, part of our Human Concerns Committee.
- To those who decorated the church: Peyton Goeden, Jim Jensen, Gary Kolesari, Kevin Kostick, Tim McCormick, Linda Okrulica, Gloria Ratkowski, Pat Safavi, Mary Rose Sanger, and Bill Webb.
- All who participated in the Advent Wreath lighting at each mass of Advent.
- Those who gave the parish a special “Christmas gift” donation.
- Our Parish Staff: Heather Goeden, Director of Administrative Services; Christine Jensen, Finance Director; Rick Reinders, Sr. Marilyn Metz, and Mary Rose Sanger, Catechesis Coordinators; and Fr. Thomas PC, Pastor, for many things they do to support all the ministries of our parish community.
- All who attended and participated in our liturgical celebrations and outreach ministries this Holy Season!

Sharing Weekend is Next Weekend: Jan 12

The Sharing Weekend recipient for January is our St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVdP). The SVdP Society is a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need. Our SVdP St. Therese, St. Jude, and St. Vincent Pallotti Conference is dedicated to helping with food, clothing, partial rents, utilities, appliances, furniture, beds, and household goods. Please give what you can as the need is great, and the blessings are many. Thank you, and God bless you.

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 St. Vincent de Paul Society.



Wanted: Cookie Sale Chairperson

The current cookie committee has been working on this for 12 years and it is time to retire. It’s time for someone with a new vision. So get your friends together and think about how much fun it would be to work this fundraiser and make it grow. Please call Heather in the Parish Office to volunteer.

Snow and Weather Closings

In the event of snow or weather closings for the parish, please check Channel 12 WISN-TV or WISN.com (WISN website) for closures. Please also note to look for “St. Therese–Milwaukee” in Milwaukee County. (Sometimes there is confusion with “St. Theresa” and “St. Therese” in other cities and counties of the archdiocese.)



Flower/Candle Memorial Donations for the Christmas Season

In this season of giving, please consider remembering a loved one or honoring a special intention by donating a memorial toward the cost of flowers and candles for our church environment that enhance our worship during the Christmas Season. Please complete the form below, include your donation of any amount, and return both in the collection basket at any Mass or send it to the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity!



Changes to Parish Office Hours in January

- January 20 - Closed
- January 26 and 27 - Closed



Candle and Flower Donations—PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Donor Name _____

Phone () _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Select one: In Memory In Honor In Thanksgiving

Intention _____

Publish in bulletin? Yes No Print intention, not donor

Schedule a Mass Intention

Consider donating a Mass Intention in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special event or anniversary. Masses Intentions are \$20 each. Contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office. To schedule.



CHURCH SUPPORT

Collection Totals will be reported on the second weekend of the month.
Please remember St. Therese in your will!

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

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.





There are weekday and weekend Masses available for your **Mass Intentions in 2025**. (\$20 donation) Kindly call the Parish Office for assistance. 414-453-5344

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★ **Ashlee Ruiz-Reyes MPAS, PA-C**, a former student and graduate of St. Vincent Pallotti School (and daughter of our Food Service Director, Laura Ruiz-Reyes), recently graduated from Marquette University with a Master of Physician Assistant. She is employed at Froedtert South working as an Infectious Disease PA with Niraj Sawhney M. D.
★
★ **Congratulations,**
★ **Ashlee!**
★
★



For an on-line copy of our weekly combined bulletin, please refer to our website at: www.stvincentpallotti.org

10:30AM Sunday Mass Live-Streamed and Recorded

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

PLEASE NOTE:

Due to the holidays & timing of the bulletin deadlines, the data needed for the **Stewardship Parish Support** table was not available at the time of printing.

Please look for an updated **Stewardship Parish Support** table in a 2025 bulletin.

Thank you.

Thank you for your contributions!

Did You Know???



In 2024, St. Vincent Pallotti Parish joyfully welcomed several new parish members.

John Lynch

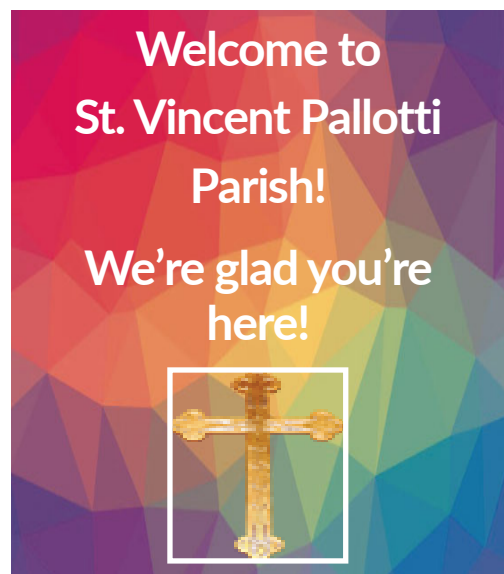
Todd Meloy

Kate Mitchell

Gilbert & Antonia Crespo

Jeff & Mary Mrochinski

Beth Mortl





From the Earth Ministry: Eco-Friendly Deicing



In winter, we try to keep our roadways, driveways and walkways free of snow and ice.

The most plentiful and cheapest way to melt snow and ice is to use rock salt (sodium chloride) or its “cousin” compound, calcium chloride. These two chlorides damage concrete, and the runoff or spray is harmful trees, plants and animals. With the spring thaw, our lakes and streams receive concentrations that are harmful to plankton and fish. It is estimated that 2.2 **billion pounds** of chlorides wash into Lake Michigan annually. Finally, the two most prevalent chloride compounds are harmful to pets by irritating their paws or making them sick if they ingest them by licking their paws.

Some eco-friendly things you can do aside from purchasing commercially-made deicers, include:

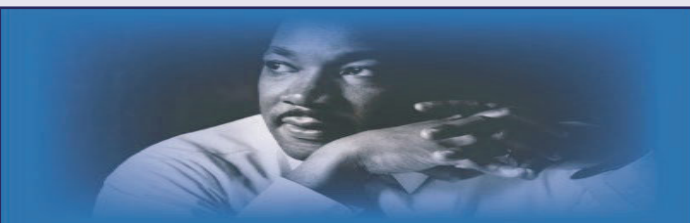
Shoveling - The best deterrent to ice is to shovel as soon after a snowfall as possible to allow the sunshine to dry out surfaces and avoid ice build-up.

Sand or Kitty Litter – Provide traction and for sand, a great way to use up excess from a sandbox.

Wood By-products – Wood shavings and sawdust from your workshop provide traction. So does ash from last night’s fire. Ash also darkens the surface, attracting heat from the sun for melting.

Coffee grounds – Sprinkling used grounds will help speed melting and provide some traction. This does not work very quickly, so it is best done when temperatures aren’t too low and the sun is shining.

If you aren’t able to use any of the above and must purchase a chloride for melting, use **Magnesium chloride**. It is available at most hardware and big box stores and is far safer for plants and animals. **Calcium magnesium acetate (CMA)** is considered the best overall choice for safely melting ice. Although more difficult to find, CMA-based products are non-toxic, and the minerals they contain can actually fertilize the plants they come into contact with. Good brands include Kind Melt, Safe Paw, Snow Joe MeltzGo and Natural Rapport Pet-Friendly Ice Melt.



THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
34TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL PRAYER SERVICE

Guest Speaker: Rev. Fred Alexander, OCD

Saturday, January 18, 2025

1:30 p.m. – Musical Prelude

2:00 p.m. – Prayer Service

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WHEN YOU PRAY:

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TUESDAYS 7:00pm - 8:30pm

January 7 - February 18

The program is free for all who would like to join.
A Study set is available to order for \$30.

To register, contact Heather Warner in the
St. Jude Parish Office @ 414-258-8821 or
hwarner@stjudetheapostle.net



Emmaus 90 – 2025

Emmaus 90 is a 90-day journey from New Year’s to Easter 2025 that brings you closer to Jesus Christ through prayer and formation. It’s a personal commitment to grow in holiness with the support of hundreds of fellow participants (pilgrims) and the leadership of nationally-recognized educators.

One of the features of Emmaus 90 are the formation sessions. This year we will again offer monthly formation sessions after the 9:00AM Mass at St. Therese Parish on the second Sunday of the month and will last about 30 minutes. **The first session will be on Sunday, January 12.** What a great way to start the new year with a deeper commitment grow in holiness and knowledge of the faith.

Epiphany Blessing of Homes

Perhaps you have seen a series of chalked letters and numbers over the doorways of some Catholic homes. It might look like this: 20 + C + M + B + 25. Fr PC will be blessing packets each family can take home to bless their own home at Mass today.



These symbols are part of the traditional Epiphany blessing of the home. The numbers represent the new year (2025). The letters have two different meanings. One of them suggests the letters stand for the traditional names of the Magi: Caspar, Melchoir and Balthasar. Another tradition suggest they stand for the Latin motto Christus mansionem benedicat (“May Christ bless the house.”) Consider blessing the main door of your own home this year.

Catechesis Corner



- We welcome everyone back to class this weekend and hope that the break was renewing and relaxing.
- Happy Epiphany! Consider blessing the main door of your home this year. Pick up your packet after they are blessed at Mass.

Upcoming Class Schedule:

- o CLOW: January 12
- o Sunday Morning Age 3 – Grade 8: January 12
- o High School Program/Confirmation Prep: January 19

January 5, 2025 | The Epiphany of the Lord

2025 Celebrations for St. Vincent Pallotti Feast Day

Our Patron's Feast is coming soon!

Please Join Us!

Sunday, January 19

7:30am Mass ~ East Church

NO 9:00am Mass at St. Therese

**10:00am Feast Day Mass
& Procession ~ West Church**

**11:00am Potluck Luncheon
~Parish Center**

January 10- January 18

**Novena to St. Vincent Pallotti
~ after each daily Mass**



All are invited to join us for these celebrations.

For the Potluck Luncheon, please use the Sign-Up Genius found on the St. Vincent Pallotti website: www.stvincentpallotti.org or call the parish office.

*Dishes for the potluck should be dropped off in the Parish center
before the 10:00am Mass.*

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