



## 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

### East Church

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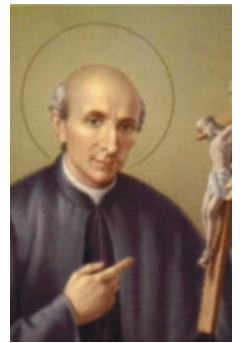
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### West Church/Office

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Milwaukee, WI 53213



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

**April 13, 2025**

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

# THE MASTER HAS NEED OF IT.

— LUKE 19:31 —



### 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

### 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](mailto:council@sttheresemke.org) or leave a message for them in either parish office. Meeting minutes are available in the parish offices.

### Chairperson

Art Nennig

### Vice Chairperson

Brett Surinak

### Secretary

Jennifer Tierney

### Trustees

Dennis Ferger – STP (414) 546-7330

Christopher Gauthier – SVP (414) 302-1033

Ann Maher – STP (414) 698-7016

Lenny Schaefer – SVP (414) 534-1450

### Members-At-Large

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

**Bull**

*The April 20 bulletin  
deadline has passed. The  
next available bulletin is  
April 27.*

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

Fr. Thomas Pulikkeel Chacko, SAC

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## St. Therese Parish Staff

**Office** (414) 771-2500 – For Parish Emergencies After Hours, 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

### Director of Administrative Services

Heather Goeden ext. 2

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### Finance Director

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### Choir Director

Carrie Sanders

### Organist

Kathy Luty

## Catechesis Ministry

Sr. Marilyn Metz –

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## St. Vincent Pallotti Parish Staff

**Office** (414) 453-5344

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

### Director of Admin & Development

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### Librarian

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## St. Vincent Pallotti Parish School Staff

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### Principal

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### Office Manager/

### Choice Coordinator

Lirise Jones ext. 110

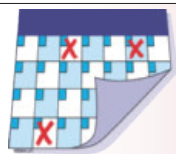
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## Parish Membership / Support

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, April 13 – Palm Sunday

### SCRIP Pick-Up Weekend @ STP

- 6:45AM Reconciliation at SVP-E
- 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
- 10:45AM Children's Liturgy of the Word at SVP-W

## Monday, April 14

### STP Office Closed

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

## Tuesday, April 15

- 8:45AM Morning Mass at STP
- 12:00PM Afternoon Mass at SVP-W
- 6:30PM Finance Council at SVP-W

## Wednesday, April 16

- 6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E
- 5:30PM Lenten Stations at STP
- 6:00PM Evening Mass at STP

## Thursday, April 17 – Holy Thursday

- 11:30AM Lenten Stations at SVP-W
- 12:00PM Afternoon Mass at SVP-W
- 4:00PM Choir Rehearsal at SVP-W
- 5:30PM Soup and Bread Supper at STP
- 7:00PM Group 100 AA
- 7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper at STP
- 8:30PM – 10:00PM Adoration in the Chapel at STP

## Friday, April 18 – Good Friday

- 6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E
- 9:00AM Church Cleaning at SVP-W
- 2:00PM Stations of the Cross at SVP-E
- 2:30PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at SVP-E

## Saturday, April 19 – Holy Saturday

- 12:00PM Food Blessing in the Chapel at STP
- 8:00PM Easter Vigil at SVP-W

## Sunday, April 20 – Easter Sunday

- 6:45AM Reconciliation at SVP-E
- 7:30AM Mass at SVP-E
- 9:00AM Mass at STP – Live Streamed on Facebook
- 10:30AM Mass at SVP-W – Live Streamed and Posted



# Intentions & Readings for the Week



## April Sanctuary Candle at STP

†Cletus(Smitty) and †Loretta (Lori) Van de Castele

## Sunday, April 13

Readings Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56

## Monday, April 14

Readings Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11  
6:25AM (SVP-E)

## Tuesday, April 15

### Observance: Tax Day

Readings Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  
8:45AM (STP) St. Therese Parish Community  
12:00PM (SVP-W) †Mary M. (M. Biernat)

## Wednesday, April 16

Readings Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25  
6:25AM (SVP-E) †Tom Chiapusio  
6:00PM (STP) St. Therese Parish Community

## Thursday, April 17

### Observance: Holy Thursday

Readings Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15  
7:00PM (STP) St. Therese Parish Community

## Friday, April 18

### Observance: Good Friday

Readings Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

## Saturday Mass, April 19

### Observance: Holy Saturday

Readings Gn 1:1—2:2/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 (12a)/Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12  
8:00PM (SVP-W) †Ronald & †Patricia Piotrowski (Family)

## Sunday Mass, April 20 – Easter Sunday

Readings Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9  
7:30AM (SVP-E) Parishioners  
9:00AM (STP) †Pete Sipek and the St. Therese Parish Community  
10:30AM (SVP-W) Blessings for Duane & Wilma (The Griffin Family)



To be included, please call either Parish Office.

Dorothy Ash, Peter Carlis, Brandon Choe, Irene Czarnecki, Michael Czarnecki, Pat D'Amore, Nancy Dineen, Dean Doberstein, Kylie Doynne, Marge Dunn, Elizabeth and Elijah, Jan Eno, Jane Erhmann, Kathleen Fugasco, Family G, Sue Grignon, Blakely Gurgul, Matthew Harrison, Dan Heinz, Linda Huber, Fred Hust, Josette Jaeger, Mary Kirchner, Helen Klister, Julie Kross, Ellen Lemkuil, Rachel Lund, Kathy Manthe, Debbie Martin, Loretta Merz, Robert Metrey, Hanna Miroslaw, Bob O'Neil, Fr. Norm Oswald, Celeste Rau, Jacob & Jaxon Rivera, Ruben Seegert, Kaity Shields, Bill Stueckroth, Michael Sullivan, Robert Szablewski, Beverly T., Rosann Thate, Terry Valdovinos, Mary Vanderbunt, John Wachowiak, Crystal Webb, Chris Wehausen



## April Office Hour Changes

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, April 14.

## Easter Week Office Hours

Sunday, April 20 through Tuesday, April 22 the Parish Office will be closed. If you have an urgent need, please leave a message on our emergency line and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

## Easter Week Mass Schedule Change

Please note that the daily Masses on Tuesday, April 22 and Wednesday, April 23 are canceled. This includes Adoration as well. We will resume our normal weekday Mass schedule on Tuesday, April 29.



## Help Us Congratulate Our Graduates!

We would like to include the names of all our graduates (preschool through graduate and professional school) in our bulletin the weekend of May 11. Is someone from your family graduating this spring? Please submit the name of the person, the name of the school, and the diploma, degree, or certificate to Heather Goeden by May 5.

## Please Help Us Keep Our Prayer List Current

It's time to update our prayer list for the General Intercessions at our Masses. It is our privilege to pray for the all who are in need, especially the sick and suffering.

If you have submitted a name and would like that name to **remain on our prayer list**, please contact Heather Goeden by **April 28** by email (heather@sttheresemke.org), phone (414) 771-2500 x2, by dropping a note for her in the collection basket, or by US Mail.

## Donation Opportunity

- Lenten & Easter Booklets – \$155

If you would like to donate the cost or toward the cost of this items, please contact Heather Goeden in the Parish Office.

### CHURCH SUPPORT

Envelopes & Offertory – Apr 6	\$ 1,146.00
Envelopes & Offertory – Mar 30	\$ 2,744.00
Envelopes & Offertory – Mar 23	\$ 2,867.00
Envelopes & Offertory – Mar 16	\$ 3,429.00
Envelopes & Offertory – Mar 9	\$ 3,615.07
Envelopes & Offertory – Mar 5	\$ 349.00
April Sharing	\$ 522.00
March Sharing	\$ 838.75
Maintenance Donations	\$ 1,332.00
Lenten Alms	\$ 260.00

Please remember St. Therese in your will!

## St. Therese Parish Annual Meeting – May 4

The St. Therese Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday, May 4, after the 9:00AM Mass. Please mark your calendars. A luncheon celebrating Fr. PC's 20th Anniversary of Ordination will follow! All are invited. Please see the article in this bulletin with more information about the celebration!



## Yearly Summaries DUE April 14!

In preparation for the Annual Parish Meeting **ALL COMMITTEES/ GROUPS/MINISTRIES** are asked to submit a short report. Please include the highlights, activities and business from the past year, the names of the current members and the officers. Please submit these to Heather Goeden in writing, preferably by email.

## Trustee-Treasurer Election

The election of the Trustee-Treasurer for our parish corporation will take place at this year's Annual Meeting on Sunday, May 4. Dennis Ferger has agreed to be Fr. PC's nominee for the Trustee-Treasurer position for another two-year term of office beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027. If you are interested in the position of Trustee-Treasurer, candidates must be nominated, in writing, by 10 or more parish members. A nomination and signature form is available in the Parish Office for anyone who wishes to put their name in nomination. Any active, registered, fully-initiated parish member, at least 25 years of age, is eligible to run for Trustee-Treasurer.

## The Winner!

Congratulations to Laura Danninger, the winner of the Easter goodie basket, which was raffled off at the Lenten/Library display. Many thanks to all the parishioners who stopped by to browse and check out a library item. There are still many great books and DVDs on many different genres available for you to choose from. Stop by the parish library after mass and check out an item. Books may be borrowed for three weeks and DVDs for two weeks. This is a free resource for all parishioners. Thank you for your support!

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



April 20 would normally be our Rosary weekend for asking the Lord to help us get back to being "...One Nation, Under God..." Because that is Easter Sunday, we will NOT be having our Rosary and Meditation Prayer Service in April. The next Rosary weekend will be May 18, and we ask that you mark your calendars accordingly and join us then.

## Flower/Candle Donations for the Easter Season

Easter begins with the celebration of the Easter Vigil on April 19 and continues through the Solemnity of Pentecost on June 8. Please consider a donation of any amount in memory of a loved one or for a special intention to help us keep fresh flowers and plants for the church environment during this Easter Season.



## Candle and Flower Donations—PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Select one: ☐ In Memory ☐ In Honor ☐ In Thanksgiving  
 Intention \_\_\_\_\_ Publish? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Print intention Only

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.



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





## CHANGE IN ROSARY SCHEDULE BEGINNING IN MAY

After much discussion regarding different ways that would allow more people to take part in praying the Rosary, and with Fr. PC's approval, the schedule for the recitation of the Rosary at St. Vincent Pallotti is changing.

**MAY-OCTOBER:** The Rosary will be said  
**AFTER 4:00pm Mass.**

**NOVEMBER-APRIL:** The Rosary will be said  
**BEFORE 4:00pm Mass.**

*The Rosary group meets in the southeast section of pews near the statue of Mary. Volunteers will take turns, each leading a decade.*

We hope this will accommodate more people's needs.  
Questions? Contact Tom Barth [tbarth@stvpc.org](mailto:tbarth@stvpc.org)  
or 414-587-1869

Don't forget to sign up for a HOME VISIT  
from Fr. Tom! Go to the SVP website for  
more information.




## PLEASE HELP FEED THE HUNGRY

The Holy Assumption Parish food pantry is running low on food items. If you are able to donate unexpired canned goods, dry goods, peanut butter, cereals, or canned meats or fish, please place them in the baskets available at each vestibule before or after Mass. The pantry serves homeless and poor families that cannot make ends meet. Thank you for your help to feed the needy in our community. If you have questions, call Cathy Healey at 414-412-7940.

Only 7 more Sundays until the  
St. Vincent Pallotti Annual Picnic!  
**Save the date!**  
**Sunday, June 1**



## STEWARDSHIP PARISH SUPPORT

	Actual Amount Received in March, 2025	Actual Amount Received this FY as of March, 2025	Budget for Fiscal Year 7/01/24-6/30/2025
Envelopes	\$16,032.00	\$151,473.78	\$217,000.00
Offertory	\$4,835.52	\$31,958.51	\$36,100.00
Donations	\$1,055.00	\$26,163.30	\$26,900.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,922.52</b>	<b>\$209,595.59</b>	<b>\$280,000.00</b>

**Thank you for your contributions!**

The Special Collection for April will be donated to  
Cathedral Center.

To provide a contribution: Envelopes can be mailed to the Parish  
Office **OR** you can go to our **website** and do an  
**Online giving** donation. Look for the "Online Giving" button.

## Did You Know???

### What is Palm Sunday?

Palm Sunday commemorates the entrance of Christ into Jerusalem, during which palm branches were placed in his path, before his arrest on Holy Thursday and his crucifixion on Good Friday. It thus marks the beginning of Holy Week, the final week of Lent.

### Is there a donkey in this story?

Yes.

The procession of Jesus into Jerusalem is described by the four Gospel writers in the Bible.



The Gospels differ, but based on one expert they agree on this: Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey.

Joanne M. Pierce, professor emerita of religious studies at the College of the Holy Cross writes that this brings to mind a reference from the Book of Zechariah in Jewish scriptures, where the prophet describes a victorious king who enters Jerusalem riding on a donkey.

In Judaism, she says, the passage from Zechariah refers to the Messiah, a spiritual king who would peacefully redeem Israel, and the donkey is interpreted as a sign of humility.

"In Christianity, this animal becomes almost a symbol of Christ himself, given how it patiently suffers and bears others' burdens," Pierce writes in a piece published by The Conversation. "Horses, on the other hand, tend to be associated with royalty, power and war."



## OFFICE HOURS OVER THE EASTER HOLIDAY

The Parish Office will close on Thursday, April 17  
and reopen on Tuesday, April 21.

Father Tom PC will be out of the office  
April 21 through April 25

There will be **NO Mass** on Tuesday, April 21 or  
Thursday, April 24



### Lenten Observances for Fast and Abstinence

The Catholic Church asks each member to preserve the penitential character and purpose of Lent. For this reason: **Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, in addition to abstaining from meat, should fast on Good Friday.** The obligation of fasting ceases with the celebration of one's 59th birthday.



### Lenten Giving 2025 – Sharing God's Love

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life. – John 3:16*



As we enter Holy Week, we remember how our Lord suffered and died so that each and every one of us might be saved from sin and have eternal life. Reflect on God's infinite love for you. How have you responded to that love this Lent, and how can you share it with others? Our Lenten almsgiving will help us provide hot meals to Guest House of Milwaukee.

Visit [guesthouseofmilwaukee.org](http://guesthouseofmilwaukee.org) to learn more.

Your donation can be made online, in church or by mail. Please make out checks to St. Therese or St. Vincent Pallotti Parish and label it *Lenten Giving* in the memo line. Return your donation by April 27. Questions? Call Shari (414) 771-1668.



### ADULT FORMATION Opportunities

#### Fourth Sunday Formation

Fourth Sunday Formation is a wonderful way to understand and practice different aspects of Catholic Identity by watching a short video after Mass. On April 26/27, you will learn something new of the why and how in praying the Rosary. Since May is the month of Mary, this is the perfect time to pray the rosary with new insight and fervor. The handout afterwards will have the prayers, practice, and mysteries used to Pray the Rosary. All are welcome!

### Pontifical Good Friday Collection

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection supports Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous!

### Easter to Pentecost Reflection Booklets Available

The Christian Formation Committee is offering the Daily Reflections for the Easter season to help you celebrate and grow in your faith journey. These booklets are at the Grow Your Faith Table at the back of church in time for the Easter season of 50 days. Take one as a gift for yourself and celebrate with prayer and reflection.

### Altered Bulletin Deadline for April

- April 27 Bulletin - Submissions due April 15 at 8:30AM

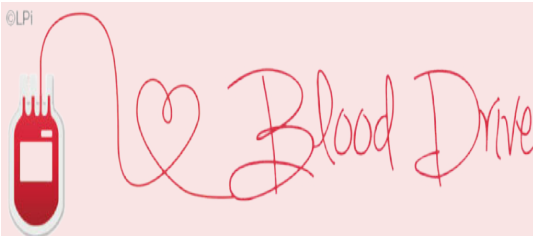
### Standing Committee Monthly Report: Stewardship

The Stewardship Committee has been revising the "Parish Ministry Opportunities" booklet to update it for STP and to now include activities at SVP. Once completed, the booklet will be distributed to all parishioners as part of our stewardship campaign. The committee has begun planning for the 2025 campaign, which will take place in the October-November timeframe. The theme for the campaign this year is: *God's Work Our Hands*.

### Mother's Day Rose Sale

The Human Concerns Committee will be selling roses after the weekend Masses on May 11/12 for \$2.00 each. Honor moms and mother role models for their heroic "YES" to life and the daily sacrifices of motherhood by buying a rose and/or making a free will donation. The proceeds of the sale is used by Wisconsin Right for Life, to provide educational prolife materials. If you have questions or want to preorder, contact Cathy Healey at (414) 412-7940.

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The next blood drive is scheduled for May 31st at the St Vincent Pallotti Parish Center. On Memorial Day, we honor those brave men and women who gave their all; those heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice. Giving blood is a meaningful way to pay tribute to their legacy. All donors get a free breakfast. Register on the St. Vincent Pallotti website, under "Parish Life," then "Events." Also mark your calendars for the last blood drive of the year on October 18. If you have questions, contact Cathy Healey at (414) 412-7940.

### Safe Environment Program: Did You Know...

All clergy, employees, and volunteers are instructed to contact local law enforcement or Child Protective Services immediately if they are made aware of a child being sexually abused. All bishops, priests, deacons, lay parish/school staff, and volunteers are required to follow the mandatory reporting laws of the State of Wisconsin. In Wisconsin, all clergy and all school employees are considered mandatory reporters and can face legal penalties for failing to report suspected or known child abuse or neglect.

### Catechesis Corner

- Thank you Fr. Norm for facilitating the church tour for our First Communicants last Sunday!

#### Upcoming Class Schedule:

- CLOW: April 27
- Sunday Morning Age 3 – Grade 8: April 27
- Confirmation Rehearsal: May 16
- First Communion Rehearsal: May 3





## 2025 Combined Celebration of Volunteer Appreciation Day and National Service Week in Remembrance of St. Vincent Pallotti: April 27



*"Can you pray for the salvation of others? Pray... You will be an apostle. Can you encourage your neighbor to do good? Then encourage them! This is what I mean by Apostolate." — St. Vincent Pallotti*

Please join us for this combined celebration of two very important events in the life of our parishes on Sunday, April 27 with Mass at 10:30AM at SVP-W, followed by a gathering at 11:30AM in the SVP Parish Center:

- As a parish volunteer you will receive a personal invitation to join us for this event. It will include a link for you to RSVP for this event.
- Please join the members of the UAC (Union of the Catholic Apostolate) as we perform service during the week of April 21-27 in memory of St. Vincent Pallotti's birthday.

Here are some suggestions for service:

- Visiting the sick, the lonely or homebound, either in person or via phone
- Shopping for someone
- Picking up litter in a public place
- Driving someone to store or medical appointments
- Baby-sitting
- Praying for others
- Park/River clean up – Milwaukee Riverkeepers Spring Clean-Up is April 26 – *see info below from the Earth Ministry.*

Please join us at this event to share stories and updates about your experiences. Please RSVP using the QR code, by going to either parish website, or calling either Parish Office.



Please contact Linda Barikmo at [lbarikmo@gmail.com](mailto:lbarikmo@gmail.com) or (414) 406-4271 with any questions you may have.



### From the Earth Ministry:

Earth Day is April 22, and the Annual Spring River Clean Up follows closely.

This is a great chance for you to join thousands of other ecologically-minded residents in one big event. The Earth Ministry invites you to sign up for this all-city event which takes place on Saturday, April 26, from 9:00AM-12:00PM. Milwaukee Riverkeeper organizes the clean up and provides gloves, trash bags and a free T-shirt to registrants. Bring your own water and sunscreen, and wear appropriate footwear. All are welcome. Information is available at [milwaukeekeeper.org/restore/spring-cleanup/](http://milwaukeekeeper.org/restore/spring-cleanup/). You will be walking along the areas near the creeks and rivers and picking up beverage containers, food wrappers, lost mittens, plastic bags, and the occasional shopping cart or bicycle. There are 90 sites, including some along Underwood Creek, Honey Creek, and the Menomonee, Milwaukee and Kinnikinnic Rivers. For information on the available sites, and to register, go to [milwaukeekeeper.org/spring-cleanup-registration/](http://milwaukeekeeper.org/spring-cleanup-registration/). Then remember the free party, Rock the Green, at the Harley Davidson Museum from noon to 3:00PM!



Unique to our celebration of the Triduum, because we have a shared pastor, is that we celebrate one of the primary liturgies at each of the three parish sites. Each site will have its usual Mass schedule on Easter Sunday.

### Holy Thursday - April 17

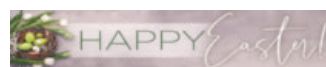
Soup and Bread Supper at 5:30PM at STP  
Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00PM at STP

### Good Friday - April 18

Stations of the Cross at 2:00PM at SVP-E  
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 2:30PM at SVP-E

### Holy Saturday - April 19

Blessing of the Food at Noon in the Chapel at STP  
Easter Vigil at 8:00PM at SVP-W



### Easter Sunday - April 20

7:30AM at SVP-E; 9:00AM at STP; 10:30AM at SVP-W

### Holy Thursday Soup and Bread Supper

Join us for a Soup and Bread Supper before the Holy Thursday Mass on April 17 from 5:30PM-6:30PM in Heck Hall at St. Therese. Use the QR code, go to either parish's website, or call either Parish Office to RSVP or volunteer some time or soup.



### Thank You

Thank you to all those who helped in any way to make the Parish Mission a successful and prayerful event:

- Members of the planning team and those who helped prepare the prayers
- Hospitality Ministers
- Those who helped with hospitality
- Those who prepared the take away gifts
- All who attended

If you attended the Mission, we'd love to have your feedback. Please reach out to either Parish Office and let us know your thoughts!

### RSVP for Fr. PC's 20th Anniversary Celebration!

Join us to celebrate on Sunday, May 4 at 11:30AM at St. Therese Parish. Please RSVP using the QR code on the right or by calling either Parish Office.



We are looking for volunteers from both parishes to coordinate each of the following areas:

- Set up for the meeting and celebration on May 3
- Food pick up/drop off (Details TBD)
- Contact bakers from both parishes
- Set up the morning of May 4 (make coffee, put out some bakery, transition to luncheon, etc)
- Clean up and take down.

It will be important to have these main volunteers in place ASAP so that everyone has time to get additional volunteers to help and ask any questions you have. If you are able to help, please contact Heather in the St. Therese Parish Office at [heather@sttheresemke.org](mailto:heather@sttheresemke.org) or (414) 771-2500 x2.

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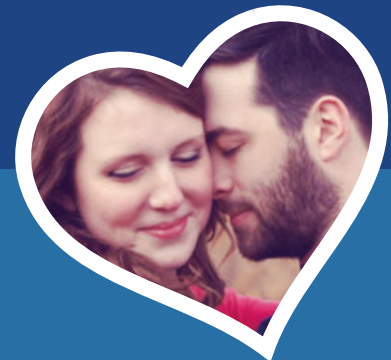
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