

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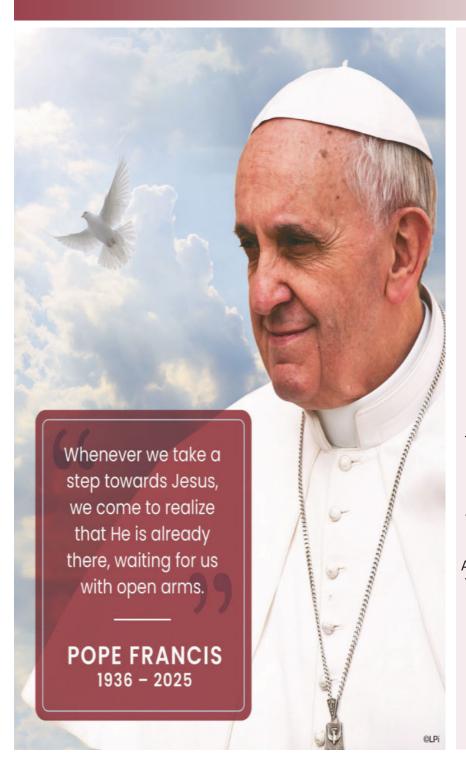
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A Community of disciples, nourished by the Eucharist, caring for each other and reaching out to others.

April 27, 2025



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: 5:15PM - 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.

April 27, 2025 | Divine Mercy Sunday / 2nd Sunday of Easter

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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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 Praver?

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

Fr. Thomas Pulikkeel Chacko, SAC ext. 1 at St. Therese and ext. 102 at St. Vincent Pallotti fr.thomaspc@stvpc.org (414) 308-6238

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

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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.



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

Sunday, April 27

Birthday Weekend at SVP

6:45AM Reconciliation at SVP-E

7:30AM Mass at SVP-E

8:15AM Fourth Sunday Formation at SVP-E
9:00AM Mass at STP – Live Streamed on Facebook
9:15AM Children's Liturgy of the Word at STP
10:00AM Fourth Sunday Formation 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
11:30AM Fourth Sunday Formation at SVP-W
11:30AM UAC/Volunteer Luncheon at SVP-W

Monday, April 28

6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E

6:00PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting at STP

6:30PM Deanery Meeting at STP

Tuesday, April 29

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

Wednesday, April 30

STP Parish Office Remote after 10:30am

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

Thursday, May 1

11:30AM Adoration at SVP-W 12:00PM Afternoon Mass at SVP-W 4:00PM Choir Rehearsal at SVP-W 7:00PM Group 100 AA

Friday, May 2

6:25AM Morning Mass at SVP-E
9:00AM Church Cleaning at SVP-W
5:30PM First Friday Mass at SVP-W
6:00PM First Friday Adoration at SVP-W

Saturday, May 3

Prayer Shawl/Healing Blessing at SVP

9:30AM First Communion Rehearsal at STP

3:15PM Confessions at SVP-W 4:00PM Mass at SVP-W 5:15PM Rosary at SVP-W

Sunday, May 4

Prayer Shawl/Healing Blessing at SVP/SCRIP Order Weekend at STP

6:45AM Reconciliation at SVP-E 7:00AM Rosary at SVP-E 7:30AM Mass at SVP-E 8:15AM Reconciliation at STP

9:00AM Mass at STP – Live Streamed on Facebook

10:00AM Blessing of the Sick at STP 10:15AM Annual Parish Meeting at STP

10:30AM Mass at SVP-W – Live Streamed and Posted 11:30AM Celebration of Fr. PC's 20th Anniversary of

Ordination at STP

Intentions & Readings for the Week

April Sanctuary Candle at STP

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

Sunday, April 27

Readings Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24(1)/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/ln 20:19-31

Monday, April 28

Observance: St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest Readings Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8

6:25AM (SVP-E)

Tuesday, April 29

Observance: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Readings Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15 8:45AM (STP) †Marcelline Valdovinos Hale

12:00PM (SVP-W)

Wednesday, April 30 Observance: St. Pius V, Pope

Readings Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

6:25AM (SVP-E)

6:00PM (STP) The St. Therese Parish Community

Thursday, May 1

Observance: St. Joseph the Worker; National Day of Prayer

Readings Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36 12:00PM (SVP-W)

Friday, May 2

Observance: St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Readings Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15 6:25AM (SVP-E)

6:00PM (SVP-W) Saturday Mass, May 3

Observance: Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

Readings 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

4:00PM (SVP-W)
Sunday Mass, May 4

Observance: 3rd Sunday of Easter

Readings Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Rv 5:11-14/In 21:1-19

7:30AM (SVP-E)

9:00AM (STP) †Ervin Strzyzewski

10:30AM (SVP-W)



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 Doyne, Marge Dunn, Elizabeth and Elijah, Jan Eno, Jane Erhmann, Kathleen Fugiasco, Family G, Sue Grignon, Blakely Gurgul, Matthew Harrison, Dan Heinz, Linda Huber, Fred Hust, Josette Jaeger, Mary Kirchner, Helen Klister, Julie Kross, Ellen Lemkuiel, Rachel Lund, Kathy Manthe, Debbie Martin, Loretta Merz, Robert Metrey, Hanna Miroslaw, Bob O'Neil, Fr. Norm Oswald, Celeste Rau, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, Ruben Seegert, Kaity Shields, Bill Stueckroth, Michael Sullivan, Robert Szablewski, Beverly T., Rosann Thate, Terry Valdovinos, Mary Vanderbunt, John Wachowiak, Chris Wehausen

St. Therese Parish News and Updates



SCRIP Next Weekend

Mother's Day is just two weeks away. Why not give your mother, grandmother, aunt or friend a gift card to their favorite restaurant or department store? Enclosed in today's bulletin is an order form listing over 150 vendors to choose from. Gift cards through the SCRIP program will be taken next Sunday. Just complete the form and bring it to mass next Sunday or download one from our website to be received at the parish office no later than Thursday, May 1. Your gift cards will be available the following Sunday, Mother's Day. Our parish receives a percentage for every gift card you order. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser for our parish.

Maintenance Collection

Next weekend, May 4, we have our separate Monthly Collection to replenish our parish Maintenance Fund. Please consider dropping your donation in the collection basket, donating online using the QR code to the right, or mailing your donation to the Parish Office. Thank you for your continuing support.



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 in the St. Therese Parish Office 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 item, please contact Heather Goeden in the St. Therese Parish Office. Please let her know if your donation is in honor or memory of someone and whether or not we may acknowledge your donation in the bulletin.

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

St. Therese Parish Annual Meeting – May 4

We hope you plan to join us next Sunday, May 4, for the Annual Meeting. Copies of the Annual Meeting Booklet are available by the bulletins in the Bluemound entrance. Please take one to review and bring any questions or changes to the meeting next Sunday. Please also be sure to RSVP for Fr. PC's 20th Anniversary of Ordination that will follow the meeting! See the article in this bulletin with RSVP information!

Trustee-Treasurer Election

Dennis Ferger is our official nominee for Trustee-Treasurer for our parish corporation. The confirmation of this nomination will take place at this year's Annual Meeting on Sunday, May 4.

Dear St. Therese Congregation,

This letter comes with my warm appreciation for your gift, which will provide 3,395 meals to those facing hunger in our communities! Every day our food insecure neighbors make difficult choices about how to spend their limited budgets. Seniors must decide whether to pay for their medication or their next meal. Parents choose between food for their kids while they are out of school for the weekend, or paying the heating bill. Your support answers these impossible questions before they have to be asked, and ensures families, seniors, and kids have access to the food they need to thrive.

Gratefully,

Patti Habeck – President and CEO of Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin

Volunteer Opportunities:

Please considering volunteering at St. Therese in one or more of the following ways:

- Liturgical Ministers
- Sacristan for Funerals and Special Masses
- Technology Helper—Church
- Technology Helper—Miriam's Corner
- Live Streaming

If you are interested and willing to participate in any of these ministries, please contact Heather in the Parish Office.

Flower/Candle Donations for the Easter Season

Easter 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.



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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

Collection Totals will be reported on the second weekend of the month.

Please remember St. Therese in your will!







To all our wonderful volunteers!

We are incredibly grateful for your time and dedication, Your contributions have made a real difference. Thank you for your invaluable support.

Spring Priest Assembly

The Spring Priest Assembly will be Monday May 5 through Wednesday May 7.

There will be 6:25am Mass on that Monday, but NO MASS on Tuesday or Wednesday.



St. Vincent Pallotti May

<u>Crowning:</u> Thursday, <u>May 1</u> at the Noon Mass.

Marian Shrine May Crowning:

Sunday, May 11 (Mother's Day) at 2:00pm at the Marian Shrine on 68th St. This event will include

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, traditional May Crowning of Our

Lady's statue by a First Communicant, street procession with rosary, hymns, reflection, and Benediction. Archbishop Jeffrey Grob will preside. This is an outdoor event; please bring a lawn chair on which to sit. In case of rain, go to St. Vincent Pallotti - West.



Please keep in your prayers, Mary Clare Cavey who passed away on March 11.

Visitation is on Saturday, May 3 at 9:30am with Mass to follow at 11:00am at the EAST Church. "Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her."

10:30AM Sunday Mass Live-Streamed and Recorded

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

The **Stewardship Parish Support** table will be posted on the second weekend each month showing the entire previous month's contributions. *Thank you for your contributions!*

Please remember St. Vincent Pallotti in your will.

Did You Know???

What is the Proper Way to Enter Church?

In the tabernacle (The gold box behind the altar.) dwells our Lord Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. It is truly His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity within.

Therefore we must show reverence to Him every time we enter church.

To do this:

- Make the sign of the cross with holy water.
- Walk quietly to the pew and stop.
- Genuflect or bow.
- Enter the pew.
- Kneel. (God knows us and what's in our heart. If we are unable to kneel, then you may sit, but keep in mind you are in the presence of God.)

Library Weekend

On the weekend of May 3-4, the librarian will be at the back of church, before and after each of the Masses. Come and take a look at the cart of books available for check out. The catalog will be available for viewing. See what our Library has for your reading pleasure.

CHANGE IN ROSARY SCHEDULE

The schedule for the recitation of the Rosary at St. Vincent Pallotti is changing.

May thru October: The Rosary will be said AFTER the Saturday, 4pm Mass.

November thru April: The Rosary will be said BEFORE Saturday, 4pm Mass.

The Rosary group meets in the southeast section of pews near the statue of Mary.

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



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Lenten Giving 2025 – Thank You!

Our communities changed lives this Lent and we want to say THANK YOU for your alms and prayers for the Guest House of Milwaukee. Don't forget to turn in your almsgiving donation by today - April 27. Visit guesthouseofmilwaukee.org to learn more. Your donation can be made at Mass or online from either website. Please make out checks to St. Therese or St. Vincent Pallotti Parish and label it Lenten Giving in the memo line. Easter blessings.



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!

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.



From the Earth Ministry:

The Monarch butterflies started their migration north in mid-February this year and by the end of March were in Oklahoma. Last year, they began arriving in our area in mid-May. The population has declined by 80% from their identified population high. This is due to loss of habitat, exposure to neonicotinoid insecticides, and effects of climate change.

On our own land, we can grow plants important to the butterflies and disallow use of insecticides. Consider buying plants from Friends of the Monarch Trail. They are holding their annual plant sale on Saturday, May 10, from 11:00AM—4:00PM and Sunday, May 11, from 11:00AM—2:00PM. The location is Greenfield Park Pavilion (2028 S 124th St, West Allis). They are selling five kinds of milkweed, the most important plant for Monarch butterflies. They are also selling a variety of other pollinator-friendly plants. For the most choice in plants, order online now and pick up at the in-person sale at www.themonarchtrail.org.

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. Pick one up from the Grow Your Faith Table at the back of church and celebrate the Easter season with prayer and reflection.

Standing Committee Monthly Report: Christian Formation

- Free printed Adult formation resources were provided at each site on the Grow Your Faith Table(GYFT), including Lenten Reflection booklets, Stations of the Cross, and Easter Reflection Prayer booklets
- Fourth Sunday Formation videos and handouts about Eucharistic Adoration, Stations of the Cross, and Confession were held after all weekend liturgies
- A two-day Lenten Mission titled "Weeds and Seeds" was presented by Al McCauley
- A Soup and Bread supper was provided before the Holy Thursday Liturgy at St. Therese Parish
- Fourth Sunday Formation videos on the Rosary on April 26/27 and Eucharistic Processions on May 24/25 will be shown
- Celebrations of First Communion (May 4/10), Confirmation at St. Jude (May 16), and the final Class (May 18) will be held.
- Pentecost (Birthday of the Church) Hospitality at STP-June 8

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

Join us to celebrate on Sunday, May 4 at 11:30AM at St. Therese Parish. RSVP using the QR code, going to either parish website or by calling either Parish Office. If you are able to help set up, serve food, clean up, etc. please contact Heather in the St. Therese Parish Office at heather@sttheresemke.org or (414) 771-2500 x2.

Submit Your Everyday Missionary Story

Do you have an everyday missionary story to share? Who has walked with you to help you grow your faith? How did they help you? Please share your stories with the Eucharistic Revival Committee. Your stories (we will keep them anonymous if you'd prefer) may be used in future bulletins or other communications. Send them to Heather Goeden in the St. Therese Parish Office at heather@sttheresemke.org.

Safe Environment Program: Did You Know?

All clergy, employees, and volunteers are required to meet all of the requirements of safe environment certification. Certification includes participating in training on recognizing signs of abuse and neglect, identifying grooming behaviors, training in maintaining boundaries, and mandatory reporting; reviewing the Code of Ethical Standards and the Social Media and Digital Communication Policy, and undergoing a criminal background check. Certification is required prior to beginning ministry and subsequently every five years.

Catechesis Corner

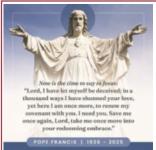
- We are excited to celebrate First Communion next weekend, Sunday, May 4 at 9:00AM at STP.
- First Communicants: Don't forget rehearsal on Saturday, May 3 at 9:30AM at STP.

Upcoming Class Schedule:

- o CLOW: May 11
- o Sunday Morning Age 3 Grade 8: May 11
- o Confirmation Rehearsal: May 15; Confirmation: May 16
- o First Communion Rehearsal: May 3; First Communion: May 4



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Pope Francis, born Jorge Mario Bergoglio on December 17, 1936, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, was the first pope from the Americas and the first Jesuit to lead the Catholic Church. Before his election as pope on March 13, 2013, he served as Archbishop of Buenos Aires, where he was known for his humility, simple

lifestyle, and dedication to the poor.

Raised in a family of Italian immigrants, he studied chemistry before entering the seminary and joining the Jesuits. Ordained a priest in 1969, he later became the Provincial of the Jesuits in Argentina and played a key role in guiding the Church during a period of economic and social crises in the country. When he was appointed bishop in 1992 and archbishop in 1998, he prioritized evangelization, social justice, and pastoral outreach.

As pope, Francis emphasized mercy, care for the marginalized, and environmental stewardship. His papacy was marked by a call for a "poor Church for the poor," interfaith dialogue, and reform within the Vatican. His teachings focused on compassion, the dignity of every person, and the need for a missionary Church.

On April 21, 2025, Pope Francis passed away, leaving behind a legacy of love, humility, and service.

Thank You...

To all who planned, prepared, and ministered during Lent, Holy Week, and Easter:

- All our liturgical ministers for their ministry and those who participated in the "special" ministries of the Triduum.
- All who donated for the purchase of the palms, candles, and flowers for the Easter Season.
- Shari Egan for coordinating our Lenten Almsgiving.
- All who helped to ensure the decorations and church environments enhanced our worship.
- Our staffs for their extra preparation, ministry, and guidance.
- The choirs, cantors, and instrumentalists for their preparation and extra ministry.
- Our catechists and CLOW catechists for sharing their faith with our children.
- Mary Rose Sanger for preparing our children and their parents for First Holy Communion.
- Rick Reinders for coordinating our High School Program and preparing our students for Confirmation.
- All parishioners who bring Communion to the Sick and Homebound.
- Fr. Tom PC, SAC, Pastor, Father Norm Oswald, our Help-Out Priest, and the Pallotines for their spiritual leadership and pastoral care.
- Everyone who prayed and worshipped with us these holy days—all our visitors, former parishioners, and friends in person and online.

A Blessed Easter Season to all!

Divine Mercy Sunday

If you were born well before the year 2000, you know the feast of Divine Mercy has not always been celebrated in the Church. In the early 1900s, a young Polish nun began receiving private revelations. Jesus appeared to



her during her times of prayer, speaking a message of mercy and love for the world. She received a set of prayers — the Divine Mercy Chaplet — and the request to have a feast day established to remind the Church of the mercy of God. St. Faustina died in 1938, on the cusp of war and in the midst of one of the most violent centuries in the history of the world.

Her story and her diaries began circulating in Poland and beyond. It quickly became apparent that this was a holy young women, and the cause for her canonization opened. In the year 2000, she was canonized by the first-ever Polish pope, St. John Paul II. On her canonization day, he established the second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, "a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind will experience in the years to come." ©LPi

Prayer of Divine Mercy

O Blood and Water that redeems and saves, have mercy on us!

O Blood and Water that heals and restores, have mercy on us!

O Blood and Water that strengthens and renews, have mercy on us!

Amen. ©LPi

News From St. Vincent de Paul

The St. Jude-St. Therse-St. Vincent Pallotti conference served 16 families between January 1 and March 31, 2025. Our conference provided four families with rent, four families with furniture, three families with clothing, four families with household items, one family with gas for their car and one family with food. As Vincentians we try to bring hope to situations that seem impossible as we put our faith into action. Our conference does not have a regular income stream. We rely on the Poor Box at the church entrances, a few generous benefactors and our members. If you are interested in serving the St. Vincent de Paul society please attend a meeting and shadow visit to someone in need. We meet at St. Therese Parish on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 6:00PM. There are no age limits to becoming a Vincentian.



Dlood Drive

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. Walk-ins also welcome. 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.



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