

# St. Thecla Catholic Church

6725 W. Devon Ave. Chicago, IL. 60631

Second Sunday of Lent

March 20, 2011

## Mass Schedule:

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,  
11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Mass in Polish)

**Monday through Saturday:** 8:30 a.m.

**Thursday Mass at:** 7:30 a.m.

**Holy Days:** Please see the bulletin

**Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy:**

Monday - Saturday following 8:30 a.m.  
Mass

**Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction:**

Every Wednesday: 1 p.m. - 7 p.m.,  
Benediction starting at 6:30 p.m.

**Rite of Reconciliation (Confessions):**

4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Saturday  
or by appointment



## St. Thecla Staff:

**Pastor:** Rev. Gene Dyer

**Pastor Emeritus:** Rev. Gerald E. Rogala

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**Parish Office Hours:**

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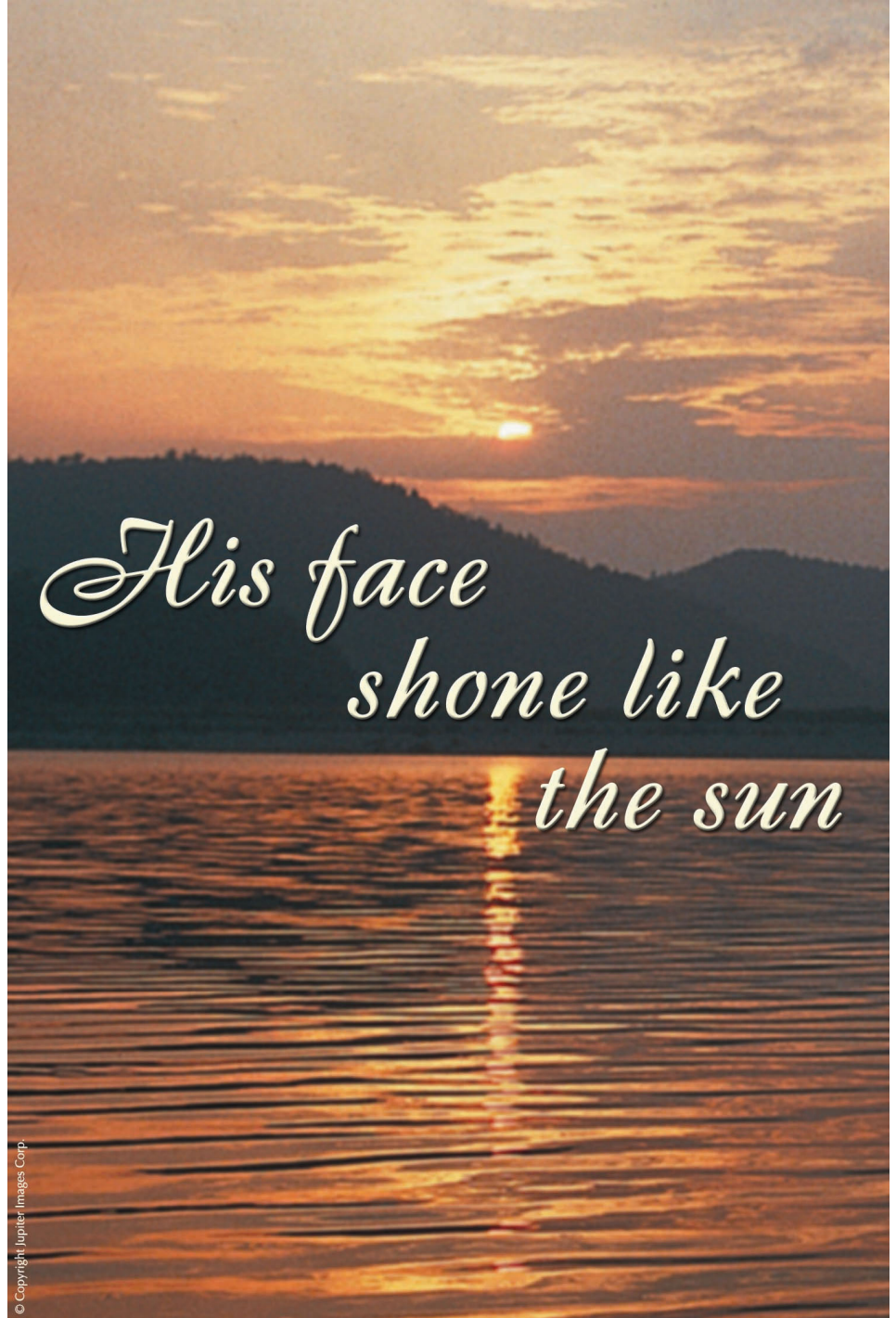
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**St. Thecla Parish Mission Statement** - St. Thecla is a multi-cultural parish located on the northwest side of Chicago. The parish welcomes, respects, and embraces all members of the community. Our mission is to promote spiritual growth to all generations through the celebration of the sacraments, Christian education, spiritual, and social events. St. Thecla encourages all parishioners and members of the community to be disciples of the Gospel message through prayer and good deeds. Our Lord's message is to "love one another". We spread His message by giving thanks to God for the gifts we have received and sharing our time and talent with the parish and with others. (Adopted by the PPC on April 8, 2002)

## Weekly Parish Information

### Mass Intentions

<b>Mon. March 21st, 8:30 a.m.</b>	+Helen T. Ryszka
<b>Tue. March 22nd, 8:30 a.m.</b>	+Jozef Dabek
<b>Wed. March 23rd, 8:30 a.m.</b>	+Richard Soens
<b>Th. March 24th, 7:30 a.m.</b>	+Nick & Mary Scalabroni
<b>Fri. March 25th, 8:30 a.m.</b>	+Helen Ptak
<b>Sat. March 26th, 8:30 a.m.</b>	+Luke John McLoughlin
<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	+Margaret Grow
<b>Sun. March 27th, 8:00 a.m.</b>	+Edward Nowakowski
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	For the Parishioners
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>(Collective Intentions)</b>

+Rosemary Kwok, +Dick Nickels

+denotes deceased, SI - denotes special intention

### A Few Words about the St Thecla Liturgical Environment And Our Lenten Journey

Written by Mike McManus

The Sanctuary of the church has been transformed from the “green” environment of Ordinary time to the deeper purple of Lent. This deeper purple reminds us of the blood shed on our behalf in Jesus’ Passion and death. The spotlighted crown of thorns, nails, and relic from Jesus’ cross speak to the enduring love Jesus has for us.

Take time each day for silent prayer and reflection on the cross Christ bears for each of us.

Remember to fast from life’s excesses. Instead, feast on providing service to the poor and needy.

### TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** - The LORD said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you (Genesis 12:1-4a)

**Psalm** - Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** - God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (2 Timothy 1:8b-10).

**Gospel** - Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John. (Matthew 17:1-9).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Saturday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday:	Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]



The St. Thecla School Board is now accepting candidate statements. There are two open positions. Candidates must be parishioners 21 years of age or older or a parent or guardian of a St. Thecla School student. School Board terms are three years. School Board members serve in an advisory capacity to the Pastor and Principal. Members attend monthly board meetings and actively participate in committee work throughout the year. Currently, our areas of need are marketing and alumni development. For more information about School Board you may go to the St. Thecla School Board webpage <http://www.saintthecla.org/category/school/school-board> or contact Shannon Nelson ([jpnelsonfamily@earthlink.net](mailto:jpnelsonfamily@earthlink.net)). Those interested in a position on the School Board should submit a statement of no more than 250 words describing their qualifications to Shannon Nelson by April 4th. An election will be held the weekend of April 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> if more than two candidate statements are received. Please consider this opportunity to give of your time and talent to St. Thecla Parish.

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, where *great needs remain*. This Collection provides support for basic pastoral programs and makes scholarships available for students studying to serve their local church. These students become vital participants in the renewal of the Church in the region. Visit [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections) to learn more and please be generous in next week’s Collection.

### Sacrificial Giving

#### A Call To Stewardship

#### Weekly Contributions:

March 13, 2011

Total Collection.....	\$8,760.00
Last Year’s Collection.....	\$8,670.00
Difference Over/Short Collection.....	\$90.00
Budgeted goal.....	\$10,000.00
Difference Over/Short Budget.....	\$1,240.00
Difference year-to-date Budget.....	\$25,624.00
Maintenance Fund.....	\$15.00
School Fund.....	\$366.00
Children’s Envelopes.....	\$36.16
Parking Lot Fund.....	\$157.00
Sharing Parish.....	\$109.00

Thank you for your generosity to help meet our weekly financial goals.

Please remember St. Thecla in your Will.

Sign up for Automated Giving by visiting [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com) or by calling 1-866-parish-1.

### What is an Annulment?

For a full and complete answer to this question go to the Archdiocesan website the specific link is:  
[http://www.archchicago.org/departments/tribunal/faq\\_en.shtm#thirtyfour](http://www.archchicago.org/departments/tribunal/faq_en.shtm#thirtyfour)

There are 41 questions commonly asked about the process, for our bulletin we printed the questions most frequently asked. If anyone is in need of an annulment or has questions please call one of the priests or deacons and we will be glad to speak with you.

#### 1. What is a declaration of nullity?

A declaration of nullity (sometimes referred to as an "annulment" or a "declaration of invalidity") is a statement by the Catholic Church that at the time two people exchanged marital consent, there was something essential missing that prevented a valid marriage bond from being formed. The three essential things that are necessary for valid marital consent is the capacity of the parties for making such a commitment and fulfilling the obligations of marriage, their intention to enter into marriage as the Church understands marriage, and their knowledge both of marriage itself and of the person they are marrying.

Most marriages are entered into validly. But when there is a serious deficiency in one of these three areas, the marriage is considered invalid. This is not a moral judgment on the parties themselves, since many times both parties exchanged their consent with the best of intentions. Nor is it a process that seeks to lay blame on one or other of the parties for the failure of the marriage. Rather, a declaration of nullity is a statement of fact concerning the marriage bond itself.

#### 2. Who needs a declaration of nullity?

The Catholic Church teaches that it is the consent of the parties that creates the marital bond. Therefore, whenever two people have exchanged marital consent, the Church has to look into the matter to see if a valid marriage bond has been formed. This is regardless of whether the parties were Catholic or non-Catholic, baptized or non-baptized, married in a religious ceremony or married in a civil ceremony. If a person has been married and divorced more than once, additional inquiries will need to be made, either by the Tribunal or the Office for Canonical Services.

#### 34. If a marriage is declared null, does it mean that the marriage never existed?

Not exactly: It means it did not exist in the way the Church says that marriages exist. A declaration of nullity does not deny that a relationship existed. It simply states that the relationship which existed was not what the Church means by marriage.

#### 35. If a marriage is declared null, are the children considered illegitimate?

No. Church law specifically states that children born of a marriage which at its beginning appeared to be valid are still considered legitimate, even if later on the marriage is declared null. The decision of the Tribunal has no effect on the civil norms which govern child support, alimony, and visitation. It also does not affect the moral obligations which both parties took on in their relationship. A parent remains a parent, regardless of civil divorce or ecclesiastical annulment. There are certain moral obligations which must be fulfilled.

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### 2011 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

St. Thecla Parish has exceeded donations to the annual appeal and received a rebate check of \$3,531.90. The 2010 funds raised were \$39,411.00. Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners **this rebate amount** will help greatly with our many needs and ministries. Cardinal George reported a total of \$16,600,000 was raised thanks to the efforts of people in Cook and Lake Counties. This is very positive news. Let us remember that God cannot be outdone in His generosity. Anyone still wishing to contribute to the 2011 Annual Catholic Appeal can use the envelopes at the entrances of the Church.

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### MARCH 20 – 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

*“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased, listen to Him.”* Is God calling you to follow His beloved Son as a diocesan priest? If you feel a pull at your heart towards the diocesan priesthood, consider attending the **Exploring Priesthood Weekend** Retreat (formerly called Ministry Weekend) on **April 8-10, 2011** at Mundelein Seminary. If you are college age or older, have thought about priesthood, and would like to experience a weekend at Mundelein Seminary, contact Fr. Brian Welter at 312-534-8298 or [bwelter@archchicago.org](mailto:bwelter@archchicago.org). For more information visit [www.ChicagoPriest.com](http://www.ChicagoPriest.com).

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### 20 MARCA – 2 NIEDZIELA WIELKIEGO POSTU

*„To jest mój Syn umiłowany, w którym mam upodobanie, Jego słuchajcie”* Czy Bóg powołuje cię do naśladowania Jego Umilowanego Syna jako kapłan diecezjalny? Jeśli czujesz w sercu wezwanie do życia kapłańskiego, pomyśl o uczestnictwie w rekolekcjach **Exploring Priesthood Weekend** (dawniej Ministry Weekend) w dniach **od 8 do 10 kwietnia 2011** w Wyższym Seminarium Duchownym w Mundelein. Jeśli jesteś w wieku collegu lub powyżej, rozważyłeś drogę kapłaństwa i chciałbyś przeżyć weekend w Seminarium w Mundelein, Skontaktuj się z ks. Brianem Welterem, pod numerem telefonu 312-534-8298 lub pisząc na adres [bwelter@archchicago.org](mailto:bwelter@archchicago.org). Zapraszamy również na naszą stronę internetową [www.ChicagoPriest.com](http://www.ChicagoPriest.com).

## Lent 2011

Keep this page and post it in a convenient place.

### Stations of the Cross – every Friday in Lent

1:30 pm St. Thecla school students – know everyone is welcome

6:30 pm in English

7:30 pm in Polish

On April 15<sup>th</sup> the St. Thecla 8<sup>th</sup> graders present the Living Stations

**Sunday Vespers with Benediction** for the six Sundays in Lent at 4:00 pm

### Opportunities for Confession

Every Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45 pm

Parish Penance Service – Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

**Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday:** Exposition and adoration begins at 1:00 pm. Devotions begin at 6:30 pm with a spiritual reflection on St. Joseph's intercession for us followed by Benediction.

March 23<sup>rd</sup> – Consolation for the afflicted

(March 30<sup>th</sup> is a night during the parish mission)

April 6<sup>th</sup> – A model for workers

April 13<sup>th</sup> – A peaceful death

April 20<sup>th</sup> – Protection for the Church

**Parish Lenten Mission – “Jesus Christ Satisfies Every Thirst”** *All parishioners are invited to the mission. This year's mission is offered in English and Polish and we will alternate using the church and the church basement. We will conclude the Mission being all together in church on Wednesday.*

March 26 & 27<sup>th</sup> Introduction at all the weekend Masses by Fathers Gene and Pawel

Monday March 28<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm in church:

**“Thirsting for the Word of Christ and Satisfied with His Real Presence”**

Shannon Kurtz shares her journey of leaving the Catholic Church in search of a deeper faith only to discover a deeper thirst that would lead her back.

Tuesday March 29<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm in church basement:

**“Encountering the Real Presence of Jesus Christ through the words of the Mass”**

The new edition of the Missal for Mass enables us to worship in spirit and in truth.

Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm in church:

**“Thirsting well is to know always that Jesus Christ is truly the Savior of the world:**

We gather as one parish community for a service of prayer and music in the Taize style.

### Lenten days of reflection – all are welcome

Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm – sponsored by St. Thecla Women's Council

Tuesday April 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm – sponsored by Knights of Columbus



Shannon Kurtz introduction

Shannon Kurtz considered herself to be a devout Catholic until her faith journey led her to join her husband in the Evangelical Protestant church. It was in that context that she and her husband raised their daughter and son. Hers is the story of a continuing faith journey which was driven by her deep desire to once again receive Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. In December of 2001, she returned Home to the Catholic Church, after twenty years away, with the full support and blessing of her husband and children.

Shannon has shared her story for numerous parishes, groups and conferences. She has also been a guest on Relevant Radio's Drew Mariani Show. Shannon hopes that her story will encourage those with family members and friends who have left the Catholic Church to not lose heart, but keep on praying for their loved ones' return Home to the Church. Shannon and her husband Glenn have been married thirty-four years, have two grown children and a three-year-old granddaughter. She is a member of Prince of Peace Parish in Lake Villa, where she serves as a cantor and choir member.

### PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO WILL BE FULLY INITIATED INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AT THE EASTER VIGIL:

We ask your prayers for the following people who are preparing to receive the Sacraments: Robin McKain, Paul Bijak, Melissa Muro and Christopher Chasten will complete their sacraments of initiation. The following young people are also preparing: Asia Szymanski and Sabrina Duggan - First Eucharist. Linnea Duggan – Baptism and First Eucharist. Alana Duggan and Victoria Zdziech – Baptism.





## Second Week of Lent — With the Help of God

On our own we cannot live the life God intends for us. Like Abraham, our lives can produce great fruit only if we follow God in faith. This week, pray for the grace to follow God with stronger faith. Pray also for the gift to see the poor in our midst so that we may assist them, for the fruit of faith is love. Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl supports programs that help the most vulnerable in communities in Indonesia and around the world.



### Holy Week Schedule – 2011

At all our services this year we will offer prayers in English and in Polish  
*Due to the budget shortfall we are unable to provide a mailing of this schedule.  
It will be in the bulletin each weekend.*

Monday, April 18

7:00 PM – Penance Service

Holy Thursday, April 21

8:30 AM – Lauds / Morning Prayer

7:00 PM – Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by procession and adoration

Good Friday, April 22

8:30 AM – Lauds / Morning Prayer

3:00 PM – Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion

6:30 PM – Stations of the Cross (English)

7:30 PM – Stations of the Cross (Polish)

Holy Saturday, April 23

8:30 AM – Lauds / Morning Prayer

12:00 and 1:00 PM – Blessing the Easter Foods

8:00 PM – The Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, April 24

6:00 AM (in Polish), 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM (in English) 12:30 PM (in Polish)

Sunday, May 1

3:00 PM Divine Mercy Prayer Service (in English and Polish)



MARCH 20, 2011 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

## IT IS GOOD THAT WE ARE HERE

On this Second Sunday in Lent we hear the Gospel story of the Transfiguration of Jesus, with the last lines:

Jesus came and touched them, saying,  
“Rise, and do not be afraid.”  
And when the disciples raised their eyes,  
they saw no one else but Jesus alone

In this moment, as he did throughout his life, Jesus guided and taught his disciples through his actions and his very presence. The story gives us a sense of the enormous power that the apostles felt when in the presence of Jesus.

The power of that presence is what we long for in our lives today and is often what draws people to prayer, scripture study and Eucharistic Adoration. During Lent we have one more faith tradition that brings us close to Jesus – walking the Stations of the Cross.

As with any spiritual practice it helps to be intentional; putting your whole self into the practice and paying attention to every aspect of the prayer experience. Find a parish that offers Stations of the Cross during Lent and allow yourself to participate mindfully. It could become a very powerful experience if you attend the prayer service with a family member or friend and then share your thoughts and feelings afterwards. Talk about to these three components:

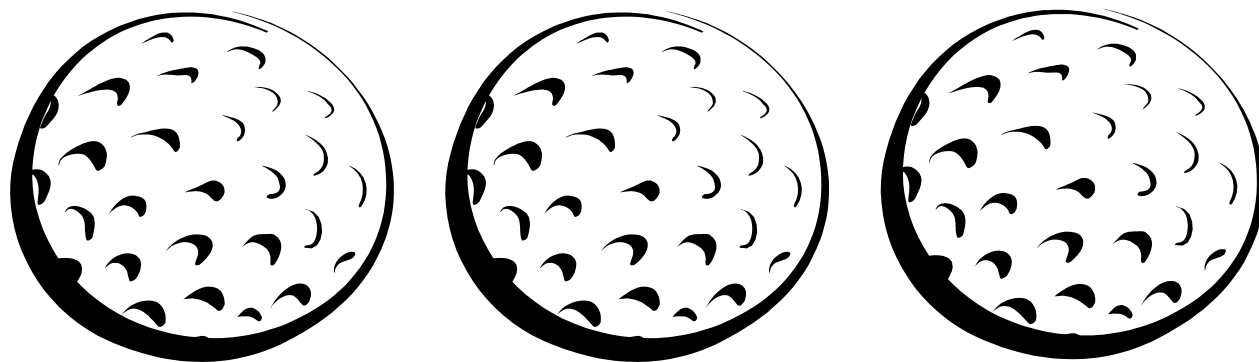
**Place** – Did the place of our prayer have an affect on us?

**Posture** – Recall your body's response to this prayer. Did our movements or gestures change the way we experienced this prayer form?

**Process** – What was in our mind and heart during the prayer? How will this prayer change us?

The apostles were led to the mountain to spend time with Jesus and their experience was one of transformation. As you participate in the Stations of the Cross this Lent you may find your response to be similar to the apostles', “Lord, it is good that we are here.”

## St. Thecla Parish: SAVE-THE-DATE !



# for **Golf Balls from Heaven...** the **GRAND RAFFLE** **Social Event !!!**

**Don't Get Tee'd Off and miss this FUNdraising Event...**  
**Supporting St. Thecla Grade School and Parish**  
to keep us "*out of the rough*" and help us make some "*green*", save-the-date now!

## **Saturday, May 21, 2011**

**In the Fairway Banquet Room from 6:30pm-11pm**  
**At nearby Tam Golf Course, Niles, IL**

Please Note: **this is NOT** a golf outing but a social evening out to hold the Grand Raffle!

**Includes:** Unlimited Food, Sweet Table with complimentary Coffee & Tea,  
Live Music, Cash Bar, Exciting Live & Silent Auctions,  
live drawing of the Grand Raffle Winners and much, much more...

**MORE INFO COMING SOON- but Save-the-Date NOW !!!**

**Event Tickets will go on sale beginning April 1st**

Event Tickets \$25.00 per person in advance; \$22.00 per senior citizen 60+ years & older in advance  
Must purchase event tickets in advance by Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>! **No event tickets sold at the door!**  
**All senior citizens guaranteed reserved table seating!** Only 300 event tickets sold so purchase early!

**For more info or to purchase your Event Tickets, please call:**  
Lori Dobis-Misher at 773.774.8834 or Kerri Caldwell at 773.631.8036

# Keeping in mind

## Prayer List, US Military

### United States Air Force:

A1C Heather Bosh, Airman Shane Garrison, Staff Sgt. Adam Krey, Tech Sgt. Richard L. Larsen, 2nd Lt. Andrew May, 2nd Lt. Peter A. Schroeder, SRA James E. Stay

### United States Army:

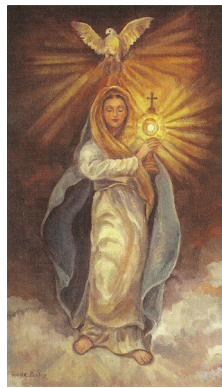
Maj. Terence W. Bacon, Sgt. Sean Doherty, A/Sgt. Rachel Hall, Capt. Michael J. Kaye, Capt. Jared Lampe, WO. Steven Larmay, PFC. Thomas J. Lyons III, Capt. Gina Marie Mroszczak, PFC. Raymond Rau, Michael Spiwak

### United States Marines:

LCPL. Philip E. Blais, 2nd Lt. Kevin Bowler, PFC Michael T. Brennan, Pvt. James Dinela, LCPL. Kyle Elmer, LCPL. Nathaniel J. Juncer, Capt. Michael C. Mroszczak, Capt. Craig V. Platt, LCPL. Jose Rivera, Master Sgt. Richard L. Sroka, S/Sgt. James E. Stonehouse

### United States Navy:

Capt. Steven Stancy



## Adoration

### of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays in Church, 1 p.m. - 7 p.m. with Benediction at 6:30 p.m.

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth."

- Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

## Pro-life



Abortion is the killing of a human person. Every single person aborted is a unique, full and equal human person in a different stage of their life; embryo, fetus, infant, toddler, teen, adult or senior citizen. At every stage it is human life and must be defended.

## GRAND RAFFLE TICKETS NOW ON SALE AFTER MASSES



## St. Thecla 2011 Grand Raffle

### “Golf Balls from Heaven”

- Grand Prize.....\$15,000.00**
- Second Prize ..... \$3,500.00**
- 3rd – 33rd Prizes .....\$100.00**

You may continue to buy your Grand Raffle Tickets at the conclusion of each Mass at the back of church (except Easter). **Tickets can also be purchased during the week at the Parish or School offices.** If you have any questions please contact Kerri Caldwell at 773.631.8036 or email her at [kasnicmedia@gmail.com](mailto:kasnicmedia@gmail.com)

## Pregnant?

You have options.  
Get the facts.

### 800-400-4205

Your health and safety are important to us.  
Se habla espanol:  
888-414-2555



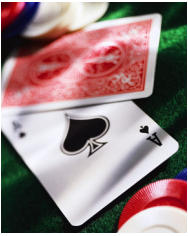
*The Women's Centers*

## Project Rachel

There are people who understand and can help. Are you hurting emotionally and spiritually after an abortion? There is hope for your future! If you're suffering because of an abortion, you may feel alone. But you are not. Call 1-888-456-HOPE. [www.hopeafterabortion.com](http://www.hopeafterabortion.com) One-on-one lay counseling, referrals to trained priests and understanding professional counselors and day-long retreats provided.

“Neither do I Condemn You.”  
John 8:11

# Announcements



## SAVE THE DATE! St. Thecla Texas Hold'em Fundraiser

**Saturday, March 26th, 2011 at 6 p.m.**

in St. Thecla Falcon Hall

**\$50.00** at the door

Price includes: tournament fee,

food and 2 drink tickets

First hand dealt promptly

at **7 p.m.**

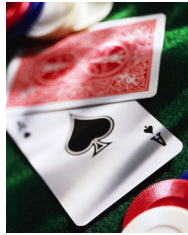
Must be **21** to play!

For information please contact

**Frank Fay** at 773-562-3520

or **Dylan Farmer**

<http://www.saintthecla.org/fundraisers/texas-holdem>



## Parish Calendar for the week of March 21st - 27th

**Monday** - 2:30 p.m. Kindergarten Daisies mtg. - St. Joseph the Worker

2:30 p.m. Kidz Can Cook - Queen of Peace

6:00 p.m. 6th Grade Girl Scouts mtg. - St. Joseph the Worker

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Webelos mtg., Church basement

**Tuesday** - 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts Bear Den mtg. - Queen of Peace

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts Wolf Den mtg. - Church basement

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts Tiger Den mtg. - Church basement

**Wednesday** - Eucharistic Adoration 1:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.,  
Benediction 6:30 p.m. - Church

2:30 p.m. Kidz Can Cook, Queen of Peace

**Thursday** - 9:30 a.m. Al-Anon mtg., St. Joseph the Worker

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts mtg., Church basement

**Friday** - 6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (in English)

7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (in Polish)

**Saturday** - Parish Mission begins

9:00 a.m. First Communion Retreat - Church

Blood Pressure Screening after 5:00 p.m Mass

Texas Hold'Em Multi-purpose room

**Sunday** - Parish Mission begins

Blood Pressure Screening after 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. Masses

4:00 p.m. Vespers

6:00 p.m. Men's Open Gym



## St. Thecla's Annual



## Pancake Breakfast

*Sponsored by*

**Cub Scout Pack 3978**

*and*

**Boy Scout Troop 978**

**sunday, April 17, 2011**

**8 a.m. to Noon**

**St. Thecla Church Hall**

## “Decision Making: Follow Your Heart, Head or Gut?”

Ignatian Spirituality. Matt Couture: Director of Formation of Ministry, St. Ignatius Prep, Chicago. Bridget Couture: Professor Truman College, Chicago.

How are you wired to discern: heart, head or gut? Explore 3 ways God interacts with us in decision making, and what circumstances call for what mode.

**Sun. March 27, 12:00-1:30pm.** St. Catherine Laboure 3535 Thornwood, Glenview. No charge. Refreshments. Book table. 847-998-4704.



## Scouting News

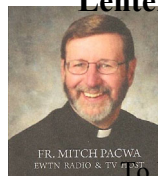
Congratulations to William Berrios for earning the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout, which is a revered symbol of integrity and perseverance. Great work, William, we are all very proud of your accomplishments.

On Sat. April 2nd, there will be an Eagle Ceremony in the Church at 2:30 p.m. Reception to follow afterwards in the multi-purpose room. All are welcome to come and celebrate with us.

## Entering into the Paschal Mystery with the Risen Christ

**Living the fullness of our baptism through  
the life, death and resurrection  
of Jesus Christ**

**Lenten Retreat with Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ**



April 8-10, 2011

Our Lady of Victory Parish

5212 W. Agatite Ave.

Chicago, IL. 60630

To Register or for more information contact:

Emily and Rick Ryan (773) 218-6281 or (773) 577-4974

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& Our Lady of Victory Parish

### Parafia Świętej Tekli A.D. 2011

W tym roku, podczas Wielkiego Tygodnia, wszystkie nabożeństwa odbędą się w jęz. angielskim i polskim

Poniedziałek, 18 kwiecień

19:00 – Spowiedź

Wielki Czwartek, 21 kwiecień

8:30 AM – Jutrznia / Modlitwa Poranna (w jęz. angielskim)

19:00 – Msza Wieczery Pańskiej

Wielki Piątek Męki Pańskiej, 22 kwiecień

8:30 AM – Jutrznia / Modlitwa Poranna (w jęz. angielskim)

15:00 – Liturgia na cześć Męki Pańskiej, Adoracja Krzyża oraz Komunia Św.

18:30 – Stacje Drogi Krzyżowej (w jęz. angielskim)

19:30 – Stacje Drogi Krzyżowej (w. jęz. polskim), **25 marzec – Droga Krzyżowa z Ojcem Pio**

Wielka Sobota, 23 kwiecień

8:30 AM – Jutrznia / Modlitwa Poranna (w. jęz. angielskim)

12:00 ii 13:00 PM – Święcenie Pokarmów

20:00 – Wigilia Paschalna w Wielką Noc

Zmartwychwstanie Pańskie, 24 kwiecień

6:00 AM - Msza z procesją Rezurekcyjną (w jęz. polskim)

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM (Msze w jęz. angielskim)

12:30 PM (Msza w jęz. polskim)

Poniedziałek Wielkanocny, 25 kwiecień, 19:00, Msza (w jęz. polskim)

Niedziela, 1 maj

15:00, Niedziela Miłosierdzia Bożego, dwujęzyczne nabożeństwo

**Intencje Mszalne, Niedziela, 27 marzec, 12:30 p.m.,** - + Łucja i Mieczysław Kraszewski, +Jan Osiecki, Marianna Osiecki, Marian Sadkowski, +Jan Wasilik, O rozpoznanie i wierne wypełnienie woli Bożej dla Anny, +Jacek Szpara, Teresa Szczyński, +Jan, Wincenty i Genowefa Gwoździ, +Andrzej Jarosławski

+ **Rekolekcje Wielkopostne: Jezus Chrystus zaspokoi każde pragnienie!** Tegoroczne Rekolekcje Wielkopostne będziemy przeżywać, jako cała wspólnota parafialna, czyli wspólnie z anglojęzycznymi parafianami. Rekolekcje składają się z dwóch Konferencji oraz Nabożeństwa. W pierwszy dzień Konferencja w języku angielskim odbędzie się w kościele a Konferencja w języku polskim odbędzie się w sali pod kościołem. W drugi dzień Konferencja w języku angielskim odbędzie się w sali pod kościołem a Konferencja w języku polskim w kościele. W trzeci dzień wspólnota anglojęzyczna i wspólnota polskojęzyczna razem spotka się w kościele na dwujęzycznym Nabożeństwie w stylu Taize, czyli modlitwy przeplatanej Słowem Bożym i śpiewem.

**Dzień #1: Niedziela, 27 marzec – rozpoczęcie Mszą Świętą o godzinie 12:30**

**Dzień #2: Poniedziałek, 28 marzec o godzinie 19: 00 – Konferencja #1 w sali pod kościołem:**

**„Odkrywanie prawdziwej obecności Jezusa Chrystusa poprzez słowa Mszy Świętej.”** Konferencja zwróci uwagę na wielką rolę, którą odgrywają w Mszy Świętej słowa i ich znaczenie, w odkrywaniu rzeczywistej obecności Jezusa Chrystusa tak, aby Msza Święta stawała się uwielbieniem Boga w duchu i prawdzie.

**Dzień #3: Wtorek, 29 marzec o godzinie 19: 00 – Konferencja #2 w kościele:**

**„Pragnienie poznania Chrystusowej Ewangelii zaspokojone Jego prawdziwą obecnością.”** Konferencja jest świadectwem pani Shannon Kurtz, która opowie, w jaki sposób odeszła od Kościoła Katolickiego w poszukiwaniu głębszej wiary po to, aby odnaleźć jeszcze większe pragnienie, które w rezultacie zaprowadziło ją do prawdziwego źródła i zaspokojenia.

**Dzień #4: Środa, 30 marzec o godzinie 19: 00 – Dwujęzyczne Nabożeństwo Taize w kościele:**

**„Umiejętność ciągłego odkrywania prawdy, że Jezus Chrystus jest Zbawicielem Świata, to umiejętność trwania przy źródle wody żywej.”** Nabożeństwo pozwoli nam na przebywanie w obecności Jezusa Chrystusa. Będziemy go prosić, aby zaspokoił wszystkie nasze pragnienia, dając nam wodę żywą. Będziemy Go uwielbiać śpiewem i słuchać Jego Słów.

## Sacramental Information, R.C.I.A., Homebound/ Communion Visitations and Bulletin

### Baptisms:

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2:30 p.m. on the **First and Third Sunday** of the Month.

### Baptismal Prep Class:

Will be confirmed at time of Registration of the Baptism.  
**Please contact the Parish Office to arrange a Baptism.**

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### Marriages:

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The Pastoral Guidelines for Marriage Preparation for the Archdiocese of Chicago ask that a minimum of 4 months be set aside for personal preparation for marriage. Couples should refrain from setting a firm date or making any other arrangements until after they have met with a parish priest or deacon to discuss marriage plans.

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### How to Become a Catholic:

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Adults or teenagers interested in receiving the **Sacraments of Initiation** (Baptism, Confirmation, or Eucharist) or those who are interested in the Catholic Faith should call the Parish Office for more information about the **R.C.I.A.** (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults).

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### Homebound/Communion Visitations:

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St. Thecla Church has several ministers of care who can regularly take communion to those in need. Please call the Parish Office to arrange for communion for yourself or a homebound loved one.

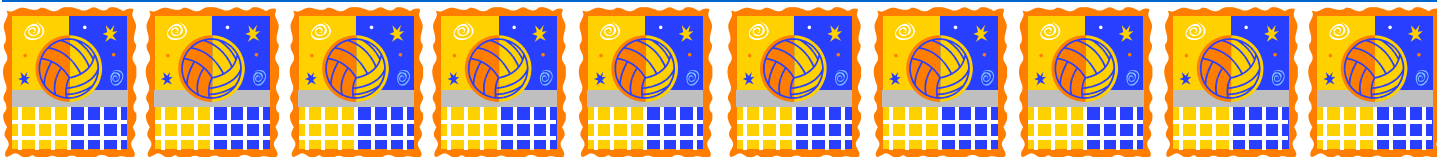
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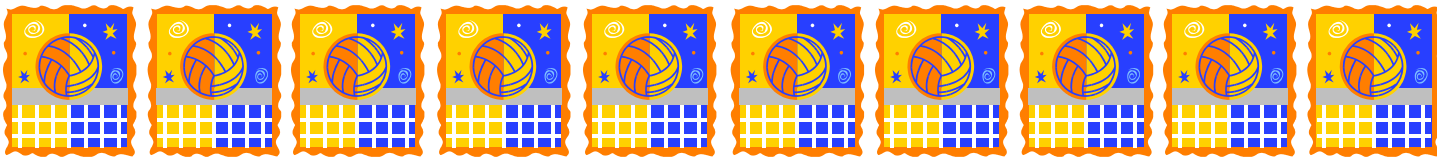
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for winning the Resurrection and Regina Volleyball Tournaments!!



Congratulations to the following St. Thecla parishioners for making the Honor Roll



- Gianna R. Gianfortune, '11
- Magdalene A. Lenczowski, '14
- Maggie McCann, '11
- Rachel E. McCann, '14
- Kristen A. Noto, '14
- Rachel Thanas, '12
- David M. Wiczorek, '14

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