

A Message from Fr. Roger

Happy Thanksgiving Day

This day is very important to us as we become aware of the immense blessings each of us receives from God. So I invite all my parishioners to come together to celebrate the Thanksgiving mass on Thursday November 25th at 9.00 am at St. Therese. Let us get together and thank God for the wonders he has done to us.

Let me thank all of you for the blessings I receive through you. I thank my staff for their dedicated work they do for the parish. I thank Willilah Mosbrucker who worked so many years on my staff and who left the staff this year.

I thank Sr. Kathy and her staff. All my parishioners do appreciate the dedicated work for Catholic education for our children. My gratitude also goes to all the parents and the children. I understand the hardships parents undergo to give their children Catholic education.

I am grateful to all my Pastoral and Finance Council members. There were some changes during the course of this year in both councils. We all thank the outgoing members of both the councils for their dedicated service. Thank you, Sue Buhr for your dedication and willingness to serve in this capacity. Thank you, Marko Susnjara for all your contributions you made in serving on this council. We welcome all the new members to my Pastoral and Finance Councils.

The Knights of Columbus are always available to support our parish. The Women's Association continues their work in the parish. I thank both these groups for their commitment in serving our community.

Our liturgy committee plays a great role in making or worship meaningful and sacred. Thank you all for your dedication and for your interest to serve. I want to thank all those who participated in our ministry meetings. Thank you Kent Burtner for the support you gave me in making this a

great success. Thank you all who take part in church decorations in special celebrations.

Music and singing give life to our worship. Thank you all our musicians, cantors and choir members for taking part in this important ministry.

Our Religious Education Program is conducted by Steve Jones, with the support of many volunteers. I thank you all who support our RCIA, Sacramental preparations, and Confirmation program, Liturgy of the word and Catechism lessons.

I am thankful to the members of the Bible Study Group headed by Bob Cornell.

Anna Rose and her team are very reliable in bringing Holy Communion to the homebound and to our sick members of our parish. We do appreciate your dedicated service.

A moratorium was observed by our art and environment committee because of the economic situation. Thank you for your services and for your eagerness to get it going again.

Our money counters do a very orderly and necessary work. The whole parish is grateful to all of you for this work.

When you come out of the church, you notice the old hedge is removed, the lawn is extended, and two concrete benches have been placed there. It was a common effort organized by Gregory Becker and his Eagle Scout group. Thanks for the nice job!

There was a good turnout for the spaghetti dinner this year. A lot of hard work was put in. Thank you, Tom Byington and your team for the excellent work and for making it a success.

We have a volunteer group headed by Jean Olson who works on Tuesdays as receptionists. I do appreciate your support and service.

There are many individuals who offer themselves in supporting our parish. I do appreciate your your services and support.

Let me thank each and every parishioner for being a part of our parish family. Your presence is very important to us. You make a community and a family of St. Therese Parish. Thank you for your presence in our liturgy.

Economically we are going through hard times. I am blessed to have your contributions to offer services to you. I am happy to offer you the services. Thank you for your contributions during these difficult times. Still, we are able to manage our finances because of your contributions. Thank you Michael Bell, my business manager for your great work in managing the finances and maintaining our facility so well.

Let me wind up by saying that I do thank God for each and every one of you.

May God Bless you.

Fr. Roger

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