

# BEATIFICATION OUTREACH REPORT

## September 15, 2018

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### **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Death of Venerable Mary Theresa Dudzik**

In honor of the 100<sup>th</sup> death anniversary of Mother Theresa which will occur on September 20, 2018, Rev. Tom Bernas will celebrate Mass at Our Lady of Victory Motherhouse in Lemont, IL. The Mass will be preceded by a special Morning Praise commemorating Venerable Theresa Dudzik as the Foundress of the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago. A large oil painted portrait of Mother Theresa surrounded by fresh flowers will remind all of the cause of the festivity. After Mass the Sisters as well as the residents will join in lunch followed by a special sundae bar dessert to complete the celebration.

### **Ongoing activities**

#### **Monthly Beatification Masses**

Masses for the Cause of Beatification for Venerable Theresa Dudzik were offered at 9 AM at Our Lady of Victory Motherhouse in Lemont, IL by Fr. Tom Bernas on the following dates:

- January 20, 2018
- February 17, 2018
- March 17, 2018
- April 21, 2018
- May 19, 2018
- June 16, 2018
- July 21, 2018
- August 18, 2018
- September 15, 2018

These dates are scheduled for the third Saturday of each month so that those devoted to Mother Theresa's Cause can easily remember them and attend the Mass. The Sisters serve the participants a light brunch following the Mass.

On those same dates St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish in Chicago offers its 4pm Mass for the intention of promoting

the Cause. At the conclusion of the Mass the entire congregation recites the Beatification Prayer.

Publicity ads for both venues are placed monthly in the *New World*, the Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic newspaper.

## Website Promotion of the Cause

The **websites** devoted to the Cause of Venerable Theresa Dudzik continue to be open to the worldwide public. They are:

- <http://www.mothertheresadudzik.com/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Cause-for-Beatification-of-Mother-Mary-Theresa-Dudzik/10150108119000019>

## Mother Theresa League and Guild

On January 9, 2018, 200 invitations for 2018 dues were sent out. As of 9/15/2018 we have received \$1,160.00 from 106 renewing members.

## Spiritual Enrollment Cards

Between January 17, 2018 and September 15, 2018, the spiritual enrollment cards have garnered \$825.00 from 15 donors.

## Inquiries and prayer requests from the Portal

### Relic/Information Requests:

#### June 2018

David Mann from Alaska requested information on Mother M. Theresa. He requested handmade medallions and prayer cards. David was informed that these are not relics. Vicki sent out the materials to him.

#### June 2018

Jake Snyder from Mount Laurel, NJ requested relics. Vicki sent out material on Mother M. Theresa including the novena pamphlet, handmade medallions and a large pamphlet on Mother M. Theresa. He was informed that these are not relics.

#### August 2018

Valdevino Alves de Moura, Jr. from Brasil requested prayer cards, relic cards and other devotional materials. Vicki sent out material on Mother M. Theresa including the novena pamphlet, handmade medallions and a large pamphlet on Mother M. Theresa. He was informed that these are not relics.

#### September 2018

Kyle, a 31 year old Chicago man who is very sickly, had reached out asking if a Sister would please say prayers for him at Mother M. Theresa's sarcophagus. Sister Jeanne Marie wrote to him, promising prayers at the

sarcophagus and also listing his name on the Sacred Heart chapel prayer list. Vicki sent out material on Mother M. Theresa including the novena pamphlet, handmade medallions and a large pamphlet on Mother M. Theresa. He was informed that these are not relics.

Patricia Murray of Chicago remembered visiting the Motherhouse and sarcophagus of Mother Theresa as a young adult. Now in her seventies, she requested information regarding if Mother M. Theresa has been made a saint as of yet. Vicki sent out material on Mother M. Theresa including the novena pamphlet, handmade medallions and a large pamphlet on Mother M. Theresa along with a brief letter answering her question. She was informed that these materials are not relics.

### **Beatification Petitions**

Between January 17, 2018 and September 15, 2018, 34 people have sought the intercession of Venerable Mary Theresa Dudzik for their needs and have contributed \$820.00 to her Cause.