



St. Teresa
of Avila
Catholic Church

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 20, 2013

**Nations shall behold your vindication,
and all the kings your glory.**

— *Isaiah 62:2*

Parish Mission Statement

The Saint Teresa of Avila Parish is a diverse Catholic community of faith that embraces everyone, without exception. We see ourselves as uniquely able to engage in dialogue with people of all faiths and act as peacemakers in our city. Challenged by the Gospel, nourished by the Eucharist and inspired by the teachings of Saint Teresa of Avila, we are called to be witnesses of Christ's Love, for the salvation of all people.

We are a stewardship parish. Three percent of our operating income is shared with other missions.

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Reflecting on God's Word

“Do whatever he tells you,” is what today's Gospel pointedly suggests (John 2:5). Perhaps too pointedly, because it just may turn out that none of what he tells us seems appealing. Be that as it may, life does serve up new wine.

Yet as always the question remains, how does anyone know what we're being told to do? How does one read the signs of personal times? A good marker, it would seem, is to pay attention to one's gifts. It may not be the only marker, but certainly one not to be ignored. St. Paul writes to the Corinthians that our strengths and talents come from the Spirit, and that each is given for some benefit. Other translations say they are given for the common good, which seems to be a better way of putting it, because it broadens our view and prevents us from understanding any gift in terms of personal benefit or preference. It may be that the old wine we just drained did quench our personal thirst, but that the new wine is for the common good.

So when the old wine runs out and we're offered new wine, it's worth considering whether we're being called to some new role in life. It may be that life is ratcheting up our degree of participation, calling us to make some new contribution we have not even considered. And we may be surprised. It may enrich the taste of life.

On this day, then, raise a toast to God's new creation. To new wine. The British say Cheers! The Germans, *Prosit!* Poles, *Na Zdrowie!* In Spain, *Salud!* And Lithuanians, *Sveikas!* Believers, well, they say Alleluia!

Living God's Word

It does seem that somewhere along the path of life, the wine runs out for each of us. We get bored with jobs, or relationships, or maybe just the same four old walls. We can lament the loss of old wine, or we can open a new bottle, and carry on God's work perhaps in a new way.

Reflexionemos sobre la Palabra de Dios

“Hagan lo que él les diga” es lo que nos sugiere categóricamente el Evangelio de hoy (Juan 2:5). Tal vez nos parezca que eso se sugiere demasiado categóricamente

ya que tal vez nada de lo que él nos dice nos parece atrayente. Así y todo, la vida siempre nos brinda un vino nuevo.

Aun así la pregunta continúa latente: ¿Cómo se puede saber lo que se nos requiere hacer? ¿Cómo se pueden leer los signos de los tiempos a nivel personal?

Es probable que una pista nos la pudieran dar los dones que hemos recibido. No

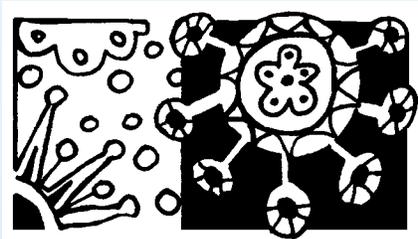
tiene que ser la única pista, pero ésta ciertamente no la deberíamos ignorar. San Pablo le escribe a los corintios diciéndoles que nuestros carismas y talentos vienen del Espíritu y que se nos dan por el bien de todos. Esto último debe ampliar nuestro horizonte e impedir que veamos esos dones como un beneficio personal o una preferencia. Pudiera ser que el vino de poca calidad que acabamos de consumir mitigara nuestra sed, pero el vino nuevo es para el bien común.

Así es que cuando el vino de poca calidad se acaba y se nos ofrece un vino nuevo valdría la pena considerar si se nos está llamando a un nuevo rol en la vida. Puede ser que la vida esté llevándonos a un mayor nivel de participación, a hacer alguna nueva contribución, que antes ni habíamos considerado. Y puede que nos sorprenda. Puede ser que enriquezca nuestro sabor de la vida.

Así pues, en este día, haz un brindis por la nueva creación de Dios. Por el vino nuevo. Los británicos dicen ¡Cheers! Los alemanes ¡Prosit! Los polacos ¡Na Zdrowie! En España dicen ¡Salud! Y los lituanos brindan con ¡Sveikas! Los creyentes, bueno, los creyentes decimos ¡Aleluya!

Vivamos la Palabra de Dios

En algún momento de la vida el vino parece como que se nos acaba. Nos aburrimos de nuestros empleos o de las mismas cuatro paredes. Tenemos la opción de lamentarnos por perder el vino de mala calidad o podemos abrir una botella de vino nuevo y seguir adelante con la obra de Dios, tal vez de una manera nueva.



Food Pantry Shopping List

The St. Teresa Food Pantry can always use non-perishable food items such as those listed below.

Sizes are the Maximum

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| Pasta Sauce (26 oz.) | Canned Vegetables (15 oz.) |
| Canned Beans (15 oz.) | Spaghetti O's (15 oz.) |
| Canned Fruit (15oz.) | Chili (15 oz.) |
| Peanut Butter (18 oz.) | Cereal, Oatmeal |
| Tuna | Pasta |
| Macaroni & Cheese | Jelly |
| Hearty Canned Soup (10 oz.) | Canned Chicken |



Boxed Soap Bar (4-5 oz.)

Larger, sturdier paper and plastic shopping bags with handles are always in need.

Weekly Collections Recap from January 13, 2013

1/13/2013

Automated Contributions	Offering Envelopes	Offering Loose	Total
\$4,242	\$1,175	\$2,482	\$7,899

Weekly Sunday Collections (Budget of \$12,000)



We had a \$4,101 deficit on our budgeted regular Sunday collections of \$12,000 for the weekend of January 13, 2013. Please consider donating through automated contributions.

Comments & Concerns

We want to ensure that any questions or concerns are fully addressed. Please contact the Chair of the St. Teresa Finance Council, Bill Mack, at (312) 706-4266 or williamdmack@hotmail.com. Bill can provide you with the latest financial status, projections and key issues.

The next Finance Council meeting will be held Monday, January 21, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Food Pantry Schedule for January

Saturday, January 5th

9:00 am to 11:00 am Bagging & Distribution

Thursday, January 10th

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Bagging

Friday, January 11th

10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

Saturday, January 19th

9:00 am to 11:00 am Bagging & Distribution

Thursday, January 24th

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Bagging

Friday, January 25th

10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

Website & Bulletin Submissions

Articles must be submitted by 11:00 am on Monday to be considered for the following Sunday's bulletin or for posting on the Website. Please contact Dean at (773) 528-6650 or dvaeth@sttereseparish.org

Readings, Liturgy & Tradition

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Today's Readings

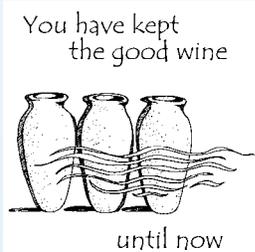
First Reading — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen ones (Isaiah 62:1-5).

Psalm — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

Second Reading — All the varied gifts in the Christian community are from one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

Gospel — Rejoicing at a wedding celebration in Cana, Jesus replenishes the wine supply (John 2:1-11).

A Visible God



We find it difficult to convey ideas to people unless we can actually show them something, demonstrate what we mean. God, who is invisible and truly beyond human understanding, apparently faces the same difficulty. People want to *see*, not just listen to an idea. So God gave us Jesus Christ, God made visible in the world.

During these past weeks we have seen how Jesus was revealed as an infant to the shepherds and the magi, and then began his adult “public life” at his baptism by John. Today’s Gospel reading tells us of his “first sign,” providing wine for the wedding guests at Cana.

Of course, even Jesus, God made visible, was not always easily understood in his own day, nor is he even now. So we have to ponder what we see: the poverty and simplicity of his birth, his humility and openness before John the Baptist, his kindness and compassion toward people in their ordinary problems, such as running short of wine at a wedding. Yet it is in coming to know Jesus that we come to know God. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Saturday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 or Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Treasures from Our Tradition

The cause of church unity is commended to Christians for prayer and action every year around this time. This week is not so much to focus on the many divisions within the Christian family, but on bonds of faith and mission. Even though Christians have always shown an inclination to fracture, spin off, and mutate into new expressions, recent history shows some new points of convergence and agreement. Catholics are more firmly rooted in the word of God, for example, and many Protestants are more likely to celebrate Communion than in years past. Some denominations are merging and pooling resources, and people from various traditions are collaborating on projects.

The call of this week is to be mindful of the diversity of our traditions and customs while treasuring what we hold in common. The old advice to “lighten up” is good medicine, because sometimes our differences are delightful and amusing. If someone says, “Let us pray,” a Catholic might close the eyes, bow the head and fold hands; a Protestant reach out and clasp hands with the person in the next chair; and someone belonging to an Orthodox tradition might stand up with eyes wide open. Each has taken a different path, but the goal is always the same. This is a week not for focusing on the well-worn paths of divergence, but for mutual delight in a common goal. — James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Un Dios Visible

Lecturas de hoy

*Tú has guardado
el vino mejor
hasta ahora*



Nos resulta difícil transmitir ideas a la gente a menos que le mostremos algo, que le ilustremos lo que queremos decir. Dios, que es invisible y verdaderamente más allá del entendimiento humano, aparentemente tiene la misma dificultad. La gente quiere ver, no solamente quiere escuchar una idea. Por eso Dios nos dio a Jesucristo, Dios hecho visible en el mundo.

En las semanas recientes hemos visto cómo al nacer Jesús es mostrado a los pastores y a los Reyes Magos, y luego empezó su “vida pública” en su bautismo con Juan. El Evangelio de hoy nos habla de su “primer signo”, que es proveer vino para los invitados a la boda en Caná.

Por supuesto, hasta a Jesús, que es Dios hecho visible, no siempre se le entendía en su tiempo y ni siquiera ahora. Por lo tanto tenemos que considerar lo que vemos: la pobreza y simplicidad de su nacimiento, su humildad y franqueza ante Juan Bautista, su amabilidad y compasión hacia las personas en sus problemas ordinarios, como la falta de vino en una boda. Pero al conocer a Jesús conocemos a Dios. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Primera lectura — Como el esposo goza con su esposa, así Dios se regocija con su elegida Sión (Isaías 62:1-5).

Salmo — Cantemos la grandeza del Señor (Salmo 96 [95]).

Segunda lectura — Todos los diferentes dones que se encuentran en la comunidad cristiana son obra del mismo Espíritu (1 Corintios 12:4-11).

Evangelio — Compartiendo el gozo de una boda en Caná, Jesús rellena la provisión de vino (Juan 2:1-11).

Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Lecturas de la Semana

En 1502 el Fraile Nicolás de Ovando y doce franciscanos dieron inicio a la evangelización de América en la República Dominicana. Ellos fueron enviados por los reyes españoles con el mandato de convertir a los nativos “sin les hacer fuerza alguna”.

Con los misioneros llegaron Alfonso y Antonio Trejo quienes traían con ellos un cuadro de la Virgen María bajo la advocación de Nuestra Señora de la Altagracia. Ellos la llevaron a Higüey, donde en 1572 se le construyó su primer santuario. Poco a poco esta pequeña imagen se convirtió en la Reina del corazón de los dominicanos.

María observa dulcemente a su recién nacido quien yace sobre las pajas. Está coronada y lleva puesto un manto azul rociado de estrellas y un escapulario blanco. Lleva una aureola hecha de doce estrellas. En una esquina de la imagen san José también observa al niño por encima del hombro derecho de María.

El 25 de enero del 1979 Juan Pablo II la coronó por ser la primera evangelizadora del continente Americano. Con ella los doce misioneros trajeron la Alta Gracia de Jesucristo a nuestras tierras. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Lunes:	Heb 5:1-10; Sal 110 (109):1-4; Mc 2:18-22
Martes:	Heb 6:10-20; Sal 111 (110):1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mc 2:23-28,
Miércoles:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Sal 110 (109):1-4; Mc 3:1-6
Jueves:	Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Sal 40 (39):7-10, 17; Mc 3:7-12
Viernes:	Hch 22:3-16 o 9:1-22; Sal 117 (116):1bc, 2; Mc 16:15-18
Sábado:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Tit 1:1-5; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 6-9 o Sal 96 (95):1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mc 3:20-21
Domingo:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lc 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Sacraments & Ministries

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January Baptisms

Evelia Michel Zavala (1-6-13)
Clark Gordon McKinnon 1-26-12)
Liam Fisher Kozel (1-27-13)
Ruby Noelle Schmanski (1-27-13)



9:00 am Mass Hospitality Signup

Thanks to everyone who hosts refreshments after 9:00 am Mass. This truly helps make St. Teresa a welcoming and warm community.

We are currently scheduling for February through May. Please consider which week you are available and sign up today on the sheet at the refreshment table in the Parish Center. You can also sign up online at St. Teresa's website under the menus Religious Education, Family Service Opportunities.

We have more limited food donations these days and generally ask that hosts bring the refreshments. If this is difficult for you, but you'd still like to host, please just let Lina Hilko know. We appreciate your service and can make other arrangements for providing the food. If you have questions, talk to Lina after Mass or contact her at (312) 274-0705 or LHilko@aol.com.

St. Teresa said...

“Believe, sisters, that if you serve His Majesty as you ought, you will not find better relatives than those he sends you.”



Calendar at a Glance

January 20, Sunday

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time • Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

- 9:00 am, RR, 9AM Nursery
- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 10:30 am, REC1-4, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 7:00 pm, REC4, The Edge

January 21, Monday

St. Agnes • Santa Inés

- 7:00 pm, PC3, Finance Council

January 22, Tuesday

- 6:15 am, PC3, Men's Spirituality Group
- 1:00 pm, REC1, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 4:30 pm, REC1-4, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 6:00 pm, REC, PC3, Kitchen, SPRED Preparation
- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

January 23, Wednesday

St. Vincent • San Vicente

- 8:00 am, PC4, Chicago House Training
- 5:15 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis

January 24, Thursday

St. Francis de Sales • San Francisco de Sales

- 2:30 pm, REC, Regarding Parents
- 4:30 pm, REC1-4, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 6:00 pm, PC3, GS, Food Pantry Setup
- 6:30 pm, REC4, Praying with the Scriptures

January 25, Friday

- 10:00 am, PC3, GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 12:00 pm, Kitchen, Loaves & Fishes Cooking
- 3:30 pm, PC3-4, Loaves & Fishes Set Up
- 5:00 pm, PC 3-4, Loaves & Fishes Dinner
- 7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

January 26, Saturday

Ss. Timothy and Titus • Santos Timoteo y Tito

- 9:00 am, PC3, Holy Name Retreat
- 3:00 pm, Church, Holy Name Retreat Mass



The Religious Ed Center (REC) is located at 1940 N. Kenmore Ave., one block south of the Parish Center (PC) at 1950 N. Kenmore. The Gathering Space (GS) is the entrance area to the PC. The Reconciliation Room (RR) is at the back of church next to the font.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Mass Intentions

January 19

5:00 pm	Ken Jaszczor on his 75th Birthday
	January 20
9:00 am	Carlos W. Hernandez
	Fr. Patrick O'Leary
12:00 pm	Richard Harberer
6:00 pm	Gerald Carnago

Our Mass intentions have many openings. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone alive or deceased, contact Dean Vaeth at the parish office at (773) 528-6650 or dvaeth@stteresaparish.org

In order to be added to our prayer list, a member of the immediate family should request that a person's name be added. We list the names of the deceased parishioners and friends for six months. If you wish the name of a loved one left on the list longer than six months, please contact Dean Vaeth at the parish office.

In Our Prayers

Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

Alfonzo Ardana, Amalia Bech, Greg Bruce, Ethel Brumleve, John Breault, Phyllis Carlino, Gaspar Diaz, Mark Dudley, Julia Faloyin, Isabella Feliciano, Carlos Hernandez Gomez, Manuel Gomez, Donald Grabarczyk, Timothy Halpin, Lee Incandela, Pat Johnson, Teresa Joan Kilkullen, Michael Kinsella, Laura Lee, Catherine Malec, Isabelle Martinez, Melory Mizicko, Sally Jo Morrow, Cindy O'Keefe, Nella Palazzola, Ben & Susan Patraso, Sophia Sanchez, Maurice Shatto, Jim Teterycz, Oscar R. Torres, Jon Wagenknecht, Victims of War & Domestic Violence

Let us also pray for those who are ill, especially...

<i>Alicia Anderson</i>	<i>Theresa Jabaley</i>	<i>Pedro Rodriguez</i>
<i>Berta Billalvazo</i>	<i>Betty LaCour</i>	<i>Ray Romero</i>
<i>Patricia Chuck</i>	<i>Adolfo Lorenzana</i>	<i>Jeffrey Roscoe</i>
<i>Basilio Diaz</i>	<i>Carmen Dolores Lorenzana</i>	<i>Sr. Jean Ryan, O.C.D.</i>
<i>Jackson Fineske & Family</i>	<i>Carmen Felicita Lorenzana</i>	<i>Jack Schank</i>
<i>Padraig Gallagher</i>	<i>Miguel Lorenzana</i>	<i>Ruth Schmitz</i>
<i>Eloisa Gallegos</i>	<i>Palmira Mancini</i>	<i>Jennifer Schubeck</i>
<i>Michael Gibbons</i>	<i>George Marroquin</i>	<i>Sandra Seiffert</i>
<i>Angela Goldberg</i>	<i>Jose Marroquin</i>	<i>Mima Tome</i>
<i>Kaylee Gommel</i>	<i>Margaret Sue Meadors</i>	<i>JoAnn Jahnke Trainer</i>
<i>Les Gordon</i>	<i>Bill Mobley</i>	<i>John Wagner</i>
<i>Genevieve Gorgo</i>	<i>John Monier</i>	<i>Bernadine Walters</i>
<i>Mrs. Grabarczyk</i>	<i>Elda Myers</i>	<i>Valerie Williams</i>
<i>Kellar Harris</i>	<i>Angel Nieves</i>	<i>Jack Williams</i>
<i>David Hoffman</i>	<i>P. A. O'Neil</i>	<i>Mae Witry</i>
<i>David Ivanac</i>	<i>Msgr. Kevin O'Neill</i>	
<i>Chuck Jabaley</i>	<i>Honorata Alicea Peña</i>	<i>Survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse</i>
	<i>Hector J. Rivera</i>	

Celebrant and Minister Schedule

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC BREAD	EUCCHARISTIC WINE
1-26-13	5:00 pm	Fr. Barry Moriarty	Luke Kolman	Annie Monak	Lisa Marquez Jane Bronson
1-27-13 Sunday	9:00 am	Fr. Benjamin Aguilar	Geneva Gorgo	Jennifer Barrett Lina Hilko Michael Zost	Dan Anderson Rose Ohiku Dennis Kamalick Mary Serrahn
Next Spanish Mass 2-3-13 Sunday	10:30 am				
1-27-13 Sunday	12:00 pm	Fr. Barry Moriarty	Tom Kosnik	Bob Pedro	Alice Morales Suzanne Chung
1-27-13 Sunday	6:00 pm	Fr. Tony Dosen	Karen Melchert	Jonathan Assell Bert Olson Katie Assell	Eileen Raia Jocelyn Lutkus Christopher Parente Kaitlin Cronin

Parish Life

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January's 6:51 Club is this Sunday!



St. Teresa's 6:51 Club meets every 3rd Sunday of the month after the 6:00 pm Mass for hospitality and community.

January's 6:51 Club will be a warm and wintry after-church dinner. Join us to meet

fellow parishioners.

You can contact Sara Foley at foleysar@gmail.com for more details.

Women's Spirituality in January

On Tuesday, January 29th at 7:30 pm, women of St. Teresa's who seek spiritual nourishment and an opportunity for quiet prayer, reflection and conversation are invited to gather in the Religious Education Center at 1940 N. Kenmore Avenue.

We meet monthly, September through May, generally on the last Tuesday of the month. In January, one of our group will gather us in prayer. Hope you can join us.

Contact Cathy Flaherty, (773) 472-8456, with any questions.



Religious Ed Programs Need Volunteers



Kate Lynch, our Religious Education Director, is looking for volunteers to help with two ministry programs: Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:00 am

Mass and Infant Baptism Preparation after the 9:00 am Mass on the second Sunday of the month. Training will be provided for both ministries.

Talk to Kate after Mass this weekend or email her at kolynchdre@gmail.com or call the office at (773) 528-6650.



Restorative Nature of Connection

During the holidays I heard an incredible story about a "connection." Connection is a very powerful thing. Some authors, many spiritual writers and even more artists would say or admit that to be a human being is to be connected. You might ask, "Connected to what?" Connected to life, connected to other people, connected to nature and connected to everything that is around us. It sounds a little new age-ish, but there is definitely something to it.

Here's my story: My friend had put up for adoption a child that she was having out of wedlock. She was too young at the time to take care of this child. Abortion was not an option and adoption was the responsible thing to do. Well the story goes that this child, twenty-something years later, reaches out to my friend and how about it, my friend accepts. The need to connect, maybe?

Well, my friend accepts the invitation. Her husband is supportive, her children are supportive, her parents are supportive, and her extended family is supportive. What a beautiful thing. This child who was raised by parents that adopted her also took a risk. The adopted child reached out; she desired connection. Over the holidays this child, now a young woman, was invited to a family event to meet her biological mother's family. I understand the meeting was electric; tons of energy. But the story gets better.

I was speaking to my friend's sister the other day and my friend's sister tells me that "she has her sister back," that the sister she remembers from years ago is back..., fun and engaging and present and now back. Wow, what a lesson! Connection is restorative! Let me say it again: Connection is restorative!

This is exactly what the birth of Christ represents, an invitation to us, a reaching out to us, to connect back to God the Father. And if we see it, feel it, smell it, and accept the invitation, it will be, personally and communally, restorative for us. Maybe I should emphasize it: RESTORATIVE!

**Join us for the next session of
Men's Spirituality Group
on Tuesday, January 22,
from 6:15 am to 7:30 am in the parish center.**

Contact Matt Priesbe at mpriesbe@aol.com and (847) 729-1220, or contact Tom Kosnik at (312) 527-2950 and tkosnik@visusgroup.com

— Tom Kosnik

A CELEBRATION OF REGIONAL FRENCH and AMERICAN
MARDI GRAS SPECIALTIES

SUNDAY-FEBRUARY 10, 2013
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

La Cuisine du Coeur

Carnaval

Saint Teresa of Avila Parish Center
1950 NORTH KENMORE AVENUE • CHICAGO, IL. 60614
St. Teresa of Avila Parish, in cooperation with its French Community, is sponsoring an afternoon luncheon featuring an assortment of home-made regional French specialties accompanied by wine and beer. Proceeds from this event will be used for parish operating expenses including Social Outreach Ministries.

Adults - \$30 Children - 18 years of age and under - \$10

Praying the Scriptures on Thursday Eves

The *Praying the Scriptures* group meets every Thursday evening in the Religious Education Center from 6:30-7:30 pm to read, meditate upon and discuss upcoming Sunday's readings, and also to practice silent, or centering, prayer.

For more information, call our Director of Religious Education, Kate Lynch, at (773) 528-6650 or email her at kolynchdre@gmail.com



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Class Openings on Thursdays at 4:30 pm

Currently there are openings in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for 3-to-6-year-olds. call our Director of Religious Education, Kate Lynch, at (773) 528-6650 or email her at kolynchdre@gmail.com

2013 Archdiocesan Annual Catholic Appeal Begins "Love Never Fails!" 1 Corinthians 13:8

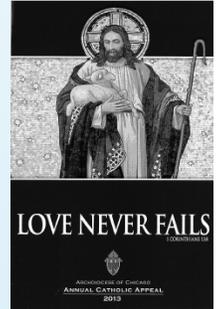
The 2013 Annual Catholic Appeal is underway. Many of our parishioners either have or soon will receive a mailing from Cardinal George. He will ask that you make a pledge to the 2013 *Annual Catholic Appeal*.

The Appeal supports both parish and Archdiocesan ministries. The Appeal funds services that are of great help to ministries here in our parish. For example, Appeal funds support SPRED; recruitment, education, formation of lay ministers and deacons; Catholic Relief Services for aid to the poor in foreign lands; ministries of care and comfort to those in need; grants and scholarships for schools serving economically disadvantaged communities.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is: "*Love Never Fails!*" It is God's love for us that is responsible for all that we are and all that we have. We are the beneficiaries of God's love throughout our lives.

As we contemplate His gifts to us, we should also reflect on our gratitude for these gifts. Your financial support for the work our parish, of our Archdiocese and of the Church throughout the world is, in fact, one way to express this gratitude.

Please consider the materials that you will receive next weekend. Review the ministries and services funded by the Annual Catholic Appeal and please give generously.

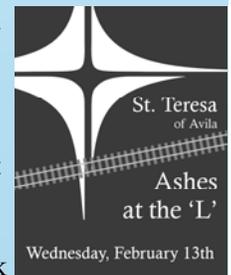


Last Year's Palms & Ashes at the 'L'

Please bring in your palms from last year and drop them off in the sacristy. We'll use them for ashes on this Ash Wednesday, February 13th.

St. Teresa will distribute ashes at the 'L' once again this year and we're looking for volunteers. There's a sign-up sheet at the statue of the Mary in the back of church.

Contact Tom Micinski at (773) 528-6650 or tmicinski@sttereseparish.org to find out more information.



Fully Human

The Gospel of John is known as the spiritual Gospel. He is called John the Divine, and his symbol is the eagle, because he soars high above. Unlike the other evangelists, who emphasize the humanity of Jesus, John keeps insisting on the divinity of Jesus. In John's Gospel, Jesus is always in command of the situation, always knows what's going on, is always giving highly spiritual, convoluted sermons.

And yet, John has Jesus involved in very earthly things. His Jesus cures blind people, raises Lazarus from death, multiplies bread to feed hungry people. For John, Jesus is clearly in the world while not being of the world. This is most evident in today's Gospel passage.

What is more earthly, more human, more joyous than a wedding party? Especially wedding parties back then, which lasted for days. Life was hardscrabble with few frills. Most time was spent getting food from day to day. So, when they had an excuse to celebrate, they did it with gusto. Sober elders danced, sad widows laughed, girls giggled and boys groped. And the wine flowed freely to oil the festivities.

Until the wine ran out. That would be disastrous. The hosts would be humiliated in the face of their friends, and the party of the year would fizzle. But only the quiet woman in the corner recognized this imminent disaster. The woman they almost did not invite because of her questionable motherhood status. And because they would then have to invite her prodigal son and his disreputable gang.

They half expected Jesus to



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burst out in a tirade against drink and dance and intermingling. With the kingdom of God so close at hand, they ought to be repenting instead of carousing. But no, he looks safe enough on the fringe of the crowd. He even seems to be enjoying himself in an “approving but no thank you” posture.

Just then, his mother whispers something in his ear. His countenance goes quickly from surprise to refusal to agreement. Whatever she wants from him, he would rather not do. But his mother has a better grasp of the situation than he does. She obviously knows something that he does not know; and he is willing to learn all he can about the idiosyncrasies of the

peculiar human race that he so blithely chose to join.

And why should his modern followers think otherwise about him and his proclivities? Why would he not get into the spirit of a celebration, enjoy being with people? Being born in a feeding trough gave him some credibility for earthiness. Roaming the countryside, sleeping outdoors, eating what he could find, hanging with rough fishermen ought to attest to his machismo.

And yet, many of his followers insist on imagining him as an androgynous creature, an effete, ascetic snob who looked down on simple human pleasures. Because of this unfair typecasting, he was pilloried by the poet Swinburne as “that pale Galillean who made the world gray with his breath.”

It is past time to set the record straight. Jesus was fully human. Scripture says that he was human in all ways except sin. Which actually made him even more human. Being human does not only mean indulging in physical pleasure; it also means soaring to the heights of spiritual ecstasy. And the fullness of humanity is to experience yourself as an image of God. As Saint Irenaeus said: “The glory of God is a human fully alive; and a human fully alive lives in God.”

— Fr. James Smith, Celebration Publications

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The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body to the pastor and represents a cross section of the parish. PPC is kept abreast of the activities of the Parish and its operations. Together with the Pastor, the PPC helps to craft and carry out the Mission of the Parish. PPC also researches the needs of the parish and works with Parish leadership to evaluate and improve our quality of life as a faith community.

The Parish Council usually meets the second Monday of the month at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

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The Finance Council usually meets the third Monday of the month at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

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Weekend Masses

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am
<i>en español</i>	10:30 am*
	12:00 noon
	6:00 pm

* *First Sunday of the Month*

Weekday Masses

Monday to Thursday	7:30 am
Friday *	7:30 am

* *Communion Service only*

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays	7:00 pm
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