



St. Teresa  
*of Avila*  
Catholic Church

Third Sunday of Easter  
April 14, 2013

“Worthy is the Lamb that was slain  
to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength,  
honor and glory and blessing.”

— Revelation 5:12

**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

## Reflexionemos sobre la Palabra de Dios

When you compare the apostles before and after Jesus' death, you can see that not only did something special happen to Jesus at his resurrection, but a wonderful change took place in the apostles as well. Up until the death of Jesus, the apostles did not come off very well. When the chips were down, they ran. But after the Lord has risen and appeared to them, we get a very different picture.

In the Acts of the Apostles Luke gives us the most detailed description of what went on after the Holy Spirit descended upon this little community praying in the upper room.

The most obvious gift was courage, a word that has the same root as "heart." They were given a new heart. The Holy Spirit breathed new life into them and gave them a heart passionately in love with Christ, on fire to preach the gospel. And so they went to the heart of their city, the temple, and there they preached and taught about Jesus, witnessing to him as the Messiah, the Holy and Righteous One, the Author of Life.

They performed "many signs and wonders" (Acts 5:12), healing the sick and casting out unclean spirits. There they were arrested and taken to prison and beaten, only to return to the temple and do it all again, and be arrested again.

Through all this they were joyful.

The philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche is remembered for saying that perhaps he would believe in our redeemer if we Christians looked a little more redeemed. Do you?

### *Living God's Word*

We pray that we may grow in courage so that we can willingly and joyfully witness to the Lord, that we may be like Peter and the other apostles who followed Christ through suffering to glory, who were able to respond more than once to his call, "Follow me."



Cuando comparamos a los apóstoles antes y después de la muerte de Jesús podemos ver que no sólo le ocurrió algo especial a Jesús en su resurrección, sino que un cambio maravilloso se dio también en los apóstoles. Hasta la muerte de Jesús los apóstoles no estaban muy bien parados que digamos, pues a la hora de la verdad lo que hicieron fue correr. Pero después que el Señor resucitó y se les apareció tenemos un cuadro bien distinto. En los Hechos de los Apóstoles

Lucas nos da la descripción más detallada de lo que pasó después de que el Espíritu Santo descendiera sobre esta pequeña comunidad orante.

El don más obvio fue el valor (**coraje**), una palabra que tiene la misma raíz latina que "**corazón**". Se les concedió un corazón nuevo. El Espíritu Santo sopló una vida nueva en ellos y les dio un corazón apasionado por el amor de Cristo, inflamado para predicar el evangelio. Y así fueron al templo, el centro de su ciudad, y allí predicaron y enseñaron acerca de Jesús dando testimonio de él como el Mesías, el Justo, el Autor de la Vida.

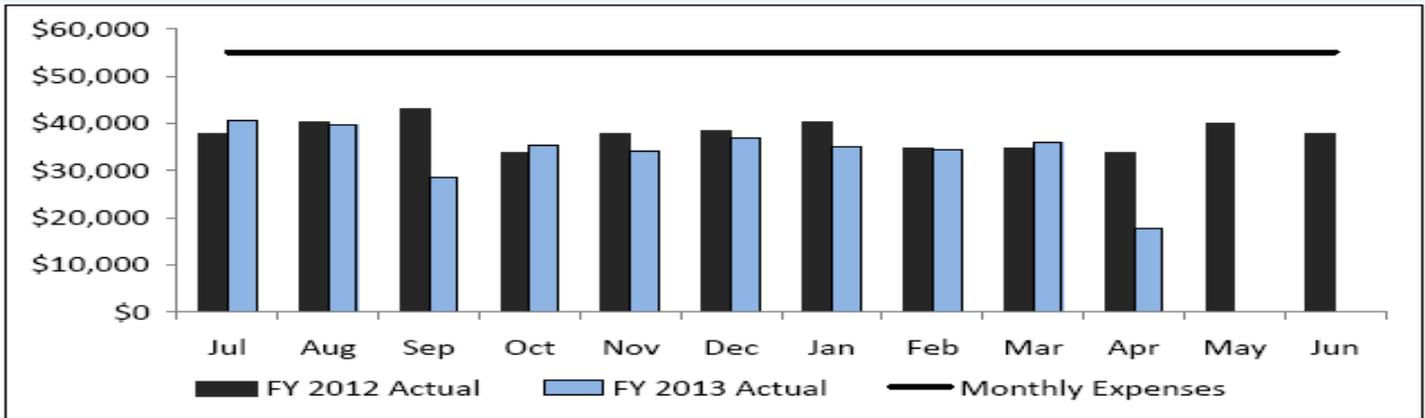
Ellos realizaron "muchos signos y prodigios" (Hechos 5:12), curando a los enfermos y expulsaban a los espíritus inmundos. Allí fueron arrestados, llevados a prisión y azotados; mas, una vez que los soltaron, regresaron al templo para volver a hacer lo mismo y ser arrestados de nuevo. Durante todo eso se mantenían alegres.

Hay una frase que se recuerda del filósofo Friedrich Nietzsche: "Creeré en el Redentor cuando los cristianos se vean un poco más redimidos". Y a ti, ¿se te ve redimido?

### *Vivamos la Palabra de Dios*

Oremos para que aumente nuestro valor y así estar dispuestos a dar un testimonio alegre del Señor; para que podamos ser como Pedro y los otros apóstoles, que siguieron a Cristo a través del sufrimiento hasta la gloria. Cada uno de ellos pudo responder positivamente y más de una vez a la llamada del Maestro: "Sígueme".

## Fiscal Year (07/01 - 06/30) Comparison to Date



- For the first eight full months of the 2013 Fiscal Year, Sunday and Holy Day collections are down 6.0% from the 2012 Fiscal Year. As the chart above depicts, the key driver was poor collections in September 2012.
- We ask that Parishioners periodically consider an increase to their weekly gifts to St. Teresa's. Our goal is to fund all operations from the weekly collections, i.e. the goal is for the bars to exceed the expense line in the chart above.
- We hope that our Easter collection is successful. If you are able, please consider making a special gift.
- St. Teresa's annual fundraisers assist in meeting funding gaps. It is the Finance Council's and Fr. Frank's goal to increase weekly giving to meet our ongoing expenses, and use the proceeds from fundraisers to fund special initiatives and outreach programs of the Parish.
- Please contact the Chair of the St. Teresa Finance Council, Bill Mack, at 312-706-4266 or [williamdmack@hotmail.com](mailto:williamdmack@hotmail.com). Bill can provide you with the latest financial status, projections, and key issues.
- The Finance Council meets the third Monday of every month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

### Food Pantry Schedule for April

#### **Saturday, April 6th**

10:00 am to 12:00 am Bagging & Distribution

#### **Thursday, April 11th**

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Bagging

#### **Friday, April 12th**

10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

#### **Saturday, April 20th**

10:00 am to 12:00 am Bagging & Distribution

#### **Thursday, April 25th**

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Bagging

#### **Friday, April 26th**

10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

### To Teach Who Christ Is Archdiocesan Campaign

As you may have heard, the Archdiocese of Chicago will be starting their own capital campaign in every parish in the Archdiocese. The campaign, "To Teach Who Christ Is," is an effort to help put our Catholic schools on stable ground.

In that some of the parishes in the Archdiocese do not have schools, like our own, we will see 60% of the money that we raised return to our parish for our needs. The vast majority of parishes are having to delay their own capital campaigns or add on the amount that the Archdiocese would like each parish to raise. We have been fortunate enough, since our campaign is already well underway, to receive an exemption.

We will have to participate in the Archdiocesan campaign, but not until our own is concluding in 2015. Please keep our neighboring parishes who are undertaking this in your prayers as well as our own capital campaign.

# Readings, Liturgy & Tradition

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## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — God exalted Jesus as leader and savior (Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41).

**Psalm** — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

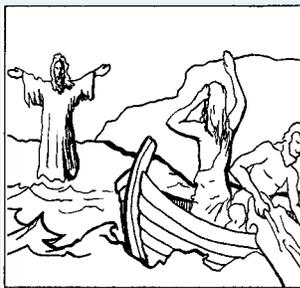
**Second Reading** — To the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might (Revelation 5:11-14).

**Gospel** — When the disciples came ashore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread (John 21:1-19 [1-14]).

## Readings for the Week

<b>Monday:</b>	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
<b>Thursday:</b>	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
<b>Friday:</b>	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
<b>Saturday:</b>	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
<b>Sunday:</b>	Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

## The Risen Christ



In this Sunday's first reading and Gospel we see Peter and the other disciples in action after the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. On trial, they refused to stop teaching in Jesus' name, and they rejoiced at the opportunity to suffer for their beliefs. On the lake and its shore, face to face with the Risen Lord, they obeyed his directions and recognized him as he once again ate a meal with them.

There are so many human and almost homey touches in these readings! The high priest in the first scene sounds as if he is scolding naughty students. There is an order to stop speaking in Jesus' name, but it is evident everyone knows they will disobey again. And on the lake shore, we can imagine Peter's excitement as he strides out of the water and is greeted by Jesus, who grins and says, "Come, have breakfast."

The second reading, on the other hand, is anything but homey. In this passage from Revelation, John describes a scene in which the same Lord who fed his friends breakfast here receives honor and glory from everything in the universe. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Treasures from Our Tradition

The Gospel today sees Peter and his colleagues after the Resurrection, returning to Galilee and resuming the family business. They are fishing by night. Although it is true that fish feed by night, the mention of darkness here is more about the human spirit than it is about fishing advice. Modern life keeps darkness effectively under control; much of the world has been glowing radiantly through the night for a century. Yet just as surely as the Risen Christ breaks into Peter's fishing, so does he break into the usual patterns of our own darkness, electric lights notwithstanding. It is Easter, and we are the people of the light.

In our tradition, Evening Prayer, celebrated in monasteries, parishes, cathedrals, and homes everywhere, is a kind of solemn protest against the darkness and its claims, an act of praise for our light-bearing God, and a commitment to carrying that light forward. Sunset is a turning point of our day, felt less acutely in an electrified world, but still an effective reminder that one day darkness overtakes us all. Yet our Eastering has taught us in a hundred ways that the victory belongs to the Bearer of Light. Easter summons us to transform our everyday "blackouts," perhaps in a way as simple as a whispered prayer of thanks at evening for the blessings of the day.

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## El Christo Resucitado



En la primera lectura y en el Evangelio de este Domingo vemos a Pedro y a los demás discípulos en acción después de la muerte y resurrección de Jesucristo. Ante el tribunal se niegan a dejar de enseñar en nombre de Jesús, y se gozan ante la oportunidad de sufrir por sus creencias. En el lago y a su orilla, cara a cara con el Señor Resucitado, obedecen sus instrucciones y lo reconocen al comer de nuevo con ellos. ¡Hay tantos detalles humanos y casi familiares en estas lecturas! El sumo sacerdote en la primera escena suena como si estuviera regañando a unos estudiantes desobedientes. Les ordena no hablar en nombre de Jesús, pero es evidente que todos saben que ellos desobedecerán de nuevo. Y a la orilla del lago, nos podemos imaginar a Pedro jadeante, empapado y emocionado, mientras Jesús les dice risueño: “Vengan a desayunar”.

La segunda lectura, en cambio, es todo, menos familiar. En este pasaje del Apocalipsis, Juan describe una escena en la que ese mismo Señor que invitó a sus discípulos a desayunar, recibe honor y gloria de todo el universo. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Muchas primeras comuniones se celebran en el Tiempo de Pascua. Además de recibir el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús por primera vez en su vida los comulgantes reciben un libro de oraciones, un rosario y un escapulario. Como recuerdo del evento, muchos comulgantes regalan a sus amigos y parientes alguna estampita religiosa.

Las estampitas llevan imágenes de Jesucristo, la Virgen, los ángeles o los santos y son muy populares entre los latinos. Las ponemos en nuestros autos, en libros como la Biblia o libros de oración. Las tenemos en altarcitos domésticos o metidos en los marcos de las fotos de nuestros seres queridos.

Muchos critican esta práctica recordando que en Éxodo 20:3-5, Dios prohibió el uso de ídolos. Esto la Iglesia católica nunca lo ha negado, pero recuerda que Dios también pidió imágenes de ángeles para la arca de la alianza (Éxodo 25: 17). En Números 21:8 mandó hacer una imagen milagrosa de una serpiente. Ninguna de esas imágenes es considerada un ídolo porque son imágenes al servicio de Dios y recuerdo de su presencia igual que las estampitas e imágenes religiosas. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Lecturas de hoy

**Primera lectura** — Llevados ante el sanedrín, los apóstoles dieron testimonio de Jesucristo (Hechos 5:27-32, 40b-41).

**Salmo** — Te alabaré, Señor, eternamente. Aleluya (Salmo 30 [29]).

**Segunda lectura** — En su visión Juan ve a todo en el cielo y en la tierra rindiendo honores y gloria al que está en el trono y al Cordero (Apocalipsis 5:11-14).

**Evangelio** — Jesús se aparece a los discípulos cerca del mar de Tiberíades (Juan 21:1-19).

## Lecturas de la Semana

- Lunes:** Hch 6:8-15; Sal 119 (118):23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
- Martes:** Hch 7:51 — 8:1a; Sal 31 (30):3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
- Miércoles:** Hch 8:1b-8; Sal 6 (65):1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
- Jueves:** Hch 8:26-40; Sal 66 (65):8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
- Viernes:** Hch 9:1-20; Sal 117 (116):1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
- Sábado:** Hch 9:31-42; Sal 116 (115):12-17; Jn 6:60-69
- Domingo:** Hch 13:14, 43-52; Sal 100 (99):1-2, 3, 5; Apo 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

## April Baptisms

**Ava Michel Juliette Donaghy (4-6-13)**  
**Annette Marjorie Kristinat (4-6-13)**  
**Patrick Wesley Anglin (4-7-13)**  
**Blake Tobin Harvey (4-7-13)**  
**Elizabeth Helen Tetzlaff (4-7-13)**  
**Zachary Aarum Cimbala (4-14-13)**  
**Vivian Lynn Marx (4-14-13)**



## Principles of Catholic Social Justice

- Life and Dignity of the Human Person
- The Call to Family, Community and Participation
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Option for the Poor and Vulnerable
- The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers
- Solidarity: One Human Family
- Care of God's Creation

## St. Teresa said...

**“The souls that are good and humble will praise Him much more.”**



## Calendar at a Glance

### April 14, Sunday

**Third Sunday of Easter • Tercer Domingo de Pascua**

- 9:00 am, RR, 9AM Nursery
- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 10:00 am, PC3-4, Hospitality
- 10:15 am, PC1-2, RCIA
- 10:00 am, REC4, Baptism Preparation
- 1:00 pm, PC3, Sacramental Preparation
- 4:30 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis
- 7:00 pm, REC4, The Edge

### April 15, Monday

- 7:00 pm, PC3, Finance Council

### April 16, Tuesday

- 1:00 pm, REC 1, 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, PC4, Building Committee
- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

### April 17, Wednesday

- 5:45 pm, REC, CCFC Chorale
- 7:00 pm, REC4, Liturgy Committee

### April 18, Thursday

- 11:30 am, REC4, About Parents
- 4:30 pm, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 6:30 pm, REC4, Praying with the Scriptures

### April 19, Friday

- 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

### April 20, Saturday

- 10:00 am, PC3, GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 5:00 pm, PC3-4, Annual Spaghetti Dinner



**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

### April 13

5:00 pm All deceased members of the parish

### April 14

9:00 am Daniel John Shea  
 12:00 pm All deceased members of the parish  
 6:00 pm Mildred Sullivan

## In Our Prayers

### Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

*Phyllis Carlino, Margaret Dean, Mark Dudley, Emmanuel & Julia Faloyin, Pat Johnson, Jack Kavanagh, Teresa Joan Kilcullen, Laura Lee, Catherine Malec, Mike McCabe, Melory Mizicko, John Ryan, Sally Jo Morrow, Sophia Sanchez, Maurice Shatto, Ruth Schmitz, John Sylvester, Jim Teterycz, Oscar R. Torres, Jon Wagenknecht, Lindsay Walleman, Victims of War & Domestic Violence*

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

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

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](mailto: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 in the parish office.

## Celebrant and Minister Schedule

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC BREAD	EUCCHARISTIC WINE
4-20-13 Saturday	5:00 pm	Fr. Charles Shelby	Raquel Bech	Kaitlin Cronin	Leigh Hartley Becky Francis
4-21-13 Sunday	9:00 am	Fr. Frank Latzko	Dennis Kamalick	Jane Ott Lina Hilko James Lutkus	Jocelyn Lutkus Frank Swiderski Michael Zost Annie Monak
<b>Next Spanish Mass 5-2-13 Sunday</b>	10:30 am				
4-21-13 Sunday	12:00 pm	Fr. Frank Latzko	Amy McCue	Alice Morales-Villenas	Brendan Lynch Suzanne Chung
4-21-13 Sunday	6:00 pm	Fr. Frank Latzko	Sharon Lindstrom	Eileen Raia Aubre Hewett Katie Assell	Christopher Parente Jonathan Assell Jonathan Hewett Bert Olson

## Loving God –

You are the Giver of all good gifts.  
You are our strength and well-spring of grace.

With confident faith we entrust this parish project to your care and protection.

Guide us as we *build faith together*.  
Bless us with a unity of mind and spirit as we accept the responsibilities and challenges of this parish undertaking. May our efforts bear fruit for the glory of your kingdom.

We thank you for all that we have and for the sacrifices and generosity of our Faith Family.

Deepen our commitment to the future of this parish and grant us the ability to share our faith and spread your Good News today, tomorrow, and always.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



## Building. Faith. Together Kickoff Weekend!

It truly is an exciting weekend here at St. Teresa as we celebrate our capital campaign with our **Building. Faith. Together** kickoff celebration.

As stated last week, each volunteer will be reaching out with the exciting news to parish families about the beautiful plans for St. Teresa as we approach these two very magnificent milestones in 2015 of our parish and our patroness, St. Teresa of Avila.

We are a community with a rich history of support for our parish. Your stewardship, in any amount, will bring us closer to our dream of **Building Faith Together**.

Please join us in the parish center following Mass to view plans, our short video and speak with volunteers about this exciting time.

You may also visit our website to see our video about the vision of St. Teresa and the beauty this campaign will bring for generations to come.

Visit [www.st-teresa.net](http://www.st-teresa.net) for updates.

Thank you and God Bless!



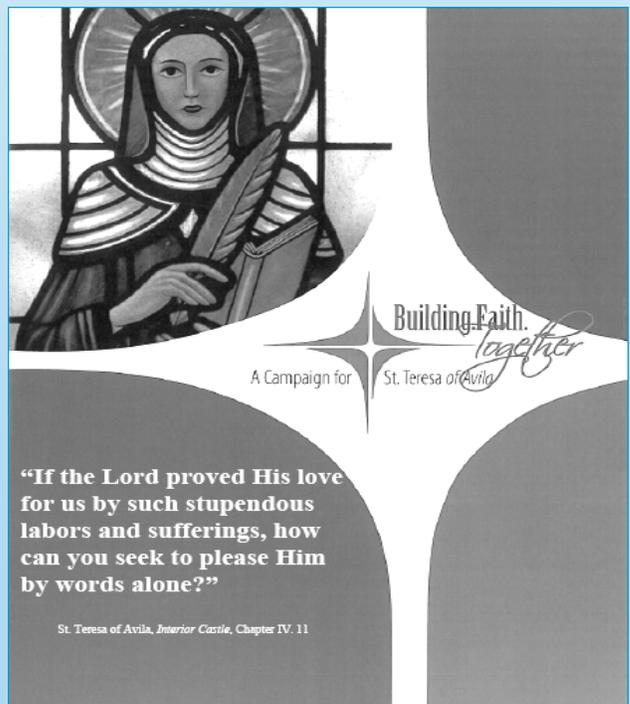
## Eucharistic Adoration

TUESDAYS

7:00-8:30PM



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## Next 6:51 Club is April 21st!



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

April's 6:51 Club will be a warm and Springy after-church dinner. Join us to meet fellow parishioners and to welcome Fr. Frank back from sabbatical.

**You can contact Sara Foley  
at [foleysar@gmail.com](mailto:foleysar@gmail.com) for more details.**

## Opportunities at Mercy Home

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*A Solution for Kids in Crisis*

Volunteers are a major asset to the success of many programs and special events at Mercy Home for Boys & Girls. Here are some ways you can make a difference just by making time:

**Mentor A Child** – Our *Friends First* program matches adults, one-on-one, with kids from all over Chicago. As a mentor, you can have a life-long impact on a child simply by going with them on fun outings to parks, zoos, museums and more. Commitment = 1 year (8 hours per month)...

**Tutor A Youth** – One hour a week can make a lifetime of difference. Volunteer tutors assist our young people with their homework, help them catch up in school, build confidence and fulfill their academic potential. Commitment = 1 full school term (minimum)...

**After School Programs** – The *After School Program* provides a wide range of activities and enrichment classes each evening. Volunteers provide a variety of talents including, music lessons, book clubs, exercise groups, public speaking, etiquette, and more. Commitment = Ongoing (as needed)...

**Special Events** – Mercy Home hosts a number of special events throughout the year that depend on volunteers for their success. Volunteers are welcome to assist in setting things up, hosting guests during the events, and putting things away. Commitment = Ongoing (as required for the event)...

These are just a few ways you can volunteer at Mercy Home for Boys & Girls. To learn more about these programs and other volunteer opportunities, contact Dee Yelvington at [deeyel@mercyhome.org](mailto:deeyel@mercyhome.org) or (312) 738-7552.

## Basketball Madness and God

I had the opportunity to experience a great basketball game during NCAA March Madness. It was a "wheelchair basketball" game. That's right. This is where people that are wheelchair-bound play basketball. Many of the same rules apply as do in typical basketball with people who have the ability to use their legs and feet. There are, however, a few things unique about this game.

The most striking thing about wheelchair basketball is that even though there are two teams on the floor, they play as if they are all on the same team. You do have the blue team and the red team. And you do have the objective that the team that scores the most points wins. But another set of guidelines always takes precedence.

On any given day that wheelchair basketball is being played you will see people on the floor of all ages, kids to old timers. And there is an unwritten rule that everyone gets the opportunity to succeed regardless of their size or ability. So, if a bigger player is guarding a smaller player, that bigger player will back off and give the smaller player the room he or she needs to shoot. Unlike the idea that "every kid gets a trophy at the end of the season," the guidelines that support all the play on the court are "everyone gets the opportunity to succeed" and "we all are on the same team."

These guidelines are so applicable to the expression of our faith. It is so easy for us to get caught into "my" prayers or "my" volunteer activities or "my" spiritual development; but a fuller expression of faith is more of seeing and living like we are all on the same team and we need each other to move forward in our relationship with God.

In the end, it is not "me and God". Rather, it is "us and God," moving forward to make a lasting impression in the world. Sort of like wheelchair basketball.

**Join us for the next session of  
Men's Spirituality Group  
on Tuesday, April 23,  
from 6:15 am to 7:30 am in the parish center.**

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

— Tom Kosnik

## You Know That I Do

The story that is featured in the Gospel today has a great sense of theater to it. There are two main characters in this drama: Jesus and Simon Peter. The interaction between the two is remarkably individual and unique.

But in order to experience the full impact of this dramatic encounter, it's important for us to remember what the characters involved have done to be a part of the unusually tender, intimate scene that is about to take place.

The easiest one to describe is Jesus. He is always the central figure, of course, because the whole Gospel account is about who he is and what he meant to those who experienced his healing of the blind and the lame; it's all about what he meant to those who heard him reveal to them a God called Abba, Father, who was passionately in love with his people, including the "least of these." The Gospel tells what Jesus meant to those who witnessed his horrifying death on a cross, where he gave himself over totally to his Father in the greatest act of love ever.

The drama now intensifies in this Gospel story, because Jesus has already died on a cross and was buried in a tomb — yet here he is calling to Peter and the others, sharing a breakfast meal with them, talking to them! Can this really be the Lord?

This is where Simon Peter enters into the drama. Notorious for his brashness and impulsiveness,



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he's the one in today's story who at first doesn't recognize Jesus, but once he does, immediately jumps into the water without even fully dressing himself, and leads the rest of the group out of the water and straight to the Lord.

This is the same Peter who three times swore he did not know Jesus, and who was absent at the foot of the cross.

Now perhaps we're ready to fully appreciate this very gentle, intimate scene that happens after the breakfast, the scene where Jesus turns to Simon Peter, who had denied him three times, and now three times asks this same question: "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Each time Peter fervently responds: "You know that I love you."

This intensely personal scene is first of all about reconciliation and forgiveness, but then it becomes a commissioning. Peter is told that he is to "Feed my sheep." Just as Jesus spoke of himself many

times as the Good Shepherd who knows his sheep, Peter is now to be the shepherd of this new faith community that believes in a resurrected Lord, a community that has been sent out to proclaim his Easter Gospel of love and mercy and new life.

Peter, like all pastors, is called first to profess his love for Jesus; and then to feed, to serve.

But it isn't just pastors to whom Jesus is addressing these words. He is speaking to each and every one of us who calls ourselves a disciple, a follower. And what he's telling us is really the very same thing he said to Peter in this dramatic story we heard today: Follow me. Do as I do Love as I love. Forgive as I forgive.

And, as he did with Peter, Jesus is right now asking each and every one of us this same personal, intimate question: "Do you love me?" Let us pray in our Eucharist today that we will be able to answer with a passion equal to that of Peter: "Lord, you know that I do."

And then demonstrate that love.

— Ted Wolgamot, Celebration Publications

# Directory

## Parish Leadership

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### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

**Dave Wisneski, Chair**

**Jon Assell**  
**Jessica Marx**  
**Mark Matejka**  
**Bertel Olson**

**Marjorie Rice**  
**Michael Rice**  
**Tony Rivera**  
**Christine Villoch**

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.**

### FINANCE COUNCIL

**Bill Mack, Chair**

**Brian Scullion**  
**Jane Bronson**  
**Jack Halpin**  
**Jane Ott**

**Dave Hilko**  
**Steve Fortino**  
**Andrew Deye**  
**Becky Francis**

The St. Teresa Finance Council reviews the financial documents and position of the parish and advises the pastor and business manager on financial matters, including the preparation of the annual parish budget.

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

## Information

### 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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### For information about ...

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for the Sick

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