



St. Teresa  
*of Avila*  
Catholic Church

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 28, 2013

You were buried with him in baptism,  
in which you were also raised with him  
through faith in the power of God,  
who raised him from the dead.

— *Colossians 2:12*

**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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## *Spirit on Armitage*

PARK WEST

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> 2013

SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION

DINNER AND DANCING

CHAIRS: DEANA LABROSSE-ZOST AND EILEEN ELLIS

This year's event will be celebrating our parish's Spanish connections: St. Teresa and reflections on Fr. Frank's recent El Camino. Stay tuned here for more exciting details as the planning of this event evolves!

**Our success is based entirely on the strength of our volunteers  
and the generosity of parishioners like you!**

### **MOST WANTED DONATIONS**

- ✈ Frequent Flyer Miles
- 🎁 Gift Certificates to restaurants, hotels
- 🏠 Donations of Time Shares/Vacation property
- 🎟 Tickets to your favorite entertainment venue
- 🏟 Sports tickets and memorabilia

**Donations are being accepted NOW.**

Please contact the Parish Office or Deana LaBrosse-Zost (drlabrosse@gmail.com) with any questions, concerns, or suggestions!

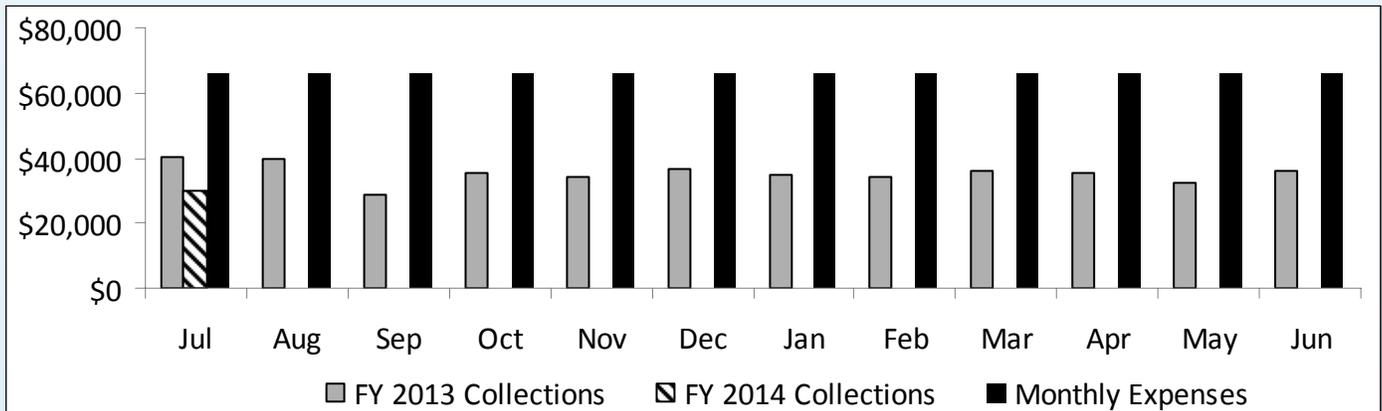
We will see you there....you'll have the "Time of Your Life"!

Deana LaBrosse-Zost and Eileen Ellis

### **Future Meeting Dates in the Parish Center**

- August 11th, 10:15 am
- September 8th, 10:15 an

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



- For the 2013 Fiscal Year, Sunday and Holy Day collections are down 6.2% from the 2012 Fiscal Year.
- For the 2014 fiscal year, the cost per family per week is \$36 as 430 families contribute to the Parish.
- Our goal is to fund all operations and expenses from the weekly collections, i.e. the goal is for the striped bars to exceed the black bars in the chart above.
- 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 [williamdmack@hotmail.com](mailto:williamdmack@hotmail.com) or (312) 706-4266. 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 August

- Saturday, August 3rd**  
10:00 am to 12:00 am Bagging & Distribution
- Thursday, August 8th**  
5:30 pm to 6:30 pm Bagging
- Friday, August 9th**  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
- Saturday, August 17th**  
10:00 am to 12:00 am Bagging & Distribution
- Thursday, August 22nd**  
5:30 pm to 6:30 pm Bagging
- Friday, August 23rd**  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
- Saturday, August 31st**  
10:00 am to 12:00 am Bagging & Distribution

### Food Pantry Shopping List

- |                             |                                  |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Pasta Sauce (26 oz.)        | Chili (15 oz.)                   |
| Canned Beans (15 oz.)       | Cereal, Oatmeal                  |
| Canned Fruit (15oz.)        | Pasta                            |
| Peanut Butter (18 oz.)      | Jelly                            |
| Tuna                        | Canned Chicken                   |
| Macaroni & Cheese           | Brown Rice (box) or Rice Packets |
| Hearty Canned Soup (10 oz.) | Crackers or Saltines             |
| Canned Vegetables (15 oz.)  | Boxed Soap Bar (4-5 oz.)         |
| Spaghetti O's (15 oz.)      |                                  |



Extra-strength shopping bags with handles are always in need.

# Readings, Liturgy & Tradition

July 28 — August 3

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## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32).

**Psalm** — Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me (Psalm 138).

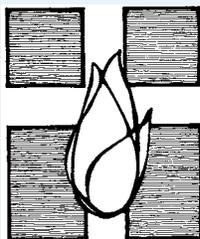
**Second Reading** — You were buried with Christ in baptism, in which you were also raised with Christ (Colossians 2:12-14).

**Gospel** — Everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds (Luke 11:1-13).

## Readings for the Week

<b>Monday:</b>	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23 or Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-11; Mt 13:36-43
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46
<b>Thursday:</b>	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8, 11; Mt 13:47-53
<b>Friday:</b>	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
<b>Saturday:</b>	Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
<b>Sunday:</b>	Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

## Challenging God



Ancient Judaism held in highest regard those figures in its tradition who were willing to challenge God. This was particularly characteristic of the two patriarchs most highly esteemed, Abraham and Moses. This boldness in addressing God is present in today's story from Genesis, when Abraham attempts to save the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. This resonates with the Gospel passage—the Lord's Prayer—since it was truly bold of Jesus to address the Lord God as "Abba." Our familiarity with this prayer most likely makes us unaware of this.

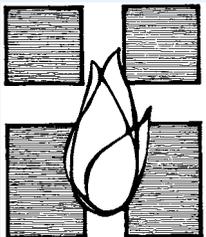
The boldness of Abraham, Moses, and Jesus in addressing God is an expression of a deep, intimate relationship. We tend to argue most heatedly with and speak most tenderly to those whom we love the most. This very human trait is what generates the wide variety of emotions expressed toward God throughout the psalms. Hopefully our own relationship with God is intimate enough that we don't only come asking for favors or with heads bowed meekly, but also ready to question and argue, to praise joyfully, and to embrace our relationship with God lovingly. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Treasures from Our Tradition

Apart from the period from Thanksgiving through Christmas, the summer is a favored time for family reunions. We trace family trees and recall our origins. Worship has a family tree as well, and the way we celebrate today has been influenced by various styles and customs through the centuries. We are Western Christians of the Latin Rite. By far, we are the most numerous Western Christians, but there are other ritual families as well. The Archdiocese of Milan in Italy follows the Ambrosian Rite, Toledo in Spain preserves the Mozarabic Rite and the Arab language, and Lyons in France is home to the Gallican Rite. Other liturgical families, such as the Celtic in Ireland and the Sarum in England, faded away after the Reformation. Until recent times, members of some ancient religious orders such as Carmelites and Trappists followed a pattern of Mass that varied slightly from the plan observed in Latin Rite parishes.

Isn't the Catholic Church the same everywhere? Not at all. It never has been! The existence of so many liturgical families in the West reminds us that unity, not uniformity, is what the Church seeks to achieve among her children. We are united in faith, but wonderfully diverse in rituals, ceremonies, languages, customs, and spirituality. — James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Retar a Dios



El antiguo judaísmo admiraba a aquellas figuras en su tradición que osaban retar a Dios. Esto era particularmente característico de los dos patriarcas más altamente estimados: Abraham y Moisés. Esta osadía al dirigirse a Dios se nos presenta hoy en la historia de Génesis, cuando Abraham trata de salvar las ciudades de Sodoma y Gomorra. Y se refleja en el pasaje evangélico —el Padre Nuestro— pues fue ciertamente asombroso que Jesús osara llamar a Dios “Abba”. Nuestra familiaridad con esta oración posiblemente hace que no lo notemos.

El valor de Abraham, Moisés y Jesús al dirigirse a Dios es una expresión de una relación profundamente íntima. Tendemos a argumentar más calurosamente y a hablar con más ternura con aquellos a quienes más amamos. Esta misma tendencia es la que genera la amplia variedad de emociones expresadas hacia Dios en los salmos. Confiemos en que nuestra relación con Dios sea tan íntima que no solamente vengamos a él a pedirle favores o con nuestra frente inclinada humildemente, sino también listos a cuestionar y argumentar, a alabar gozosos y a abrazar amorosos nuestra relación con Dios. — Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Por siglos, Latinoamérica ha desarrollado una larga tradición religiosa con mitología espléndida. La palabra “religión” del verbo latín *religere* significa “atar” o “enlazar”. Su función es unir seres humanos, los unos con los otros, con lazos de caridad y justicia. Una vez enlazados en comunidad, la religión los une al poder divino que rige el universo.

Entre las culturas andinas se encuentran mitos religiosos que muestran la importancia de este enlazamiento. Según la mitología Inca el universo esta compuesto por tres mundos: el cielo (Janan pacha), la tierra (Cay pacha) y el bajo tierra (Ucu pacha). Estos tres mundos están unidos por dos grandes serpientes, Yacú-mama (ríos) y Sacha-mama (árboles), símbolos de la fecundidad.

Muchos piensan que los mitos son leyendas cuya función es el entretenimiento. En realidad los mitos no son fábulas, son historias que explican la verdad profunda del universo. Nos muestran como unirnos y enlazarnos para vivir una vida fecunda. En esta época de secularización, los cristianos no podemos olvidar ni la religión ni la mitología si queremos dar fruto como Jesús nos lo pide. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Lecturas de hoy

**Primera lectura** — Por el bien de los diez no destruiré la ciudad (Génesis 18:20-32).

**Salmo** — Te damos gracias de todo corazón (Salmo 138 [137]).

**Segunda lectura** — Enterrados con Cristo en el bautismo, también fuimos resucitados con El (Colosenses 2:12-14).

**Evangelió** — Pidan y recibirán, el Padre da el Espíritu Santo a los que se lo piden (Lucas 11:1-13).

## Lecturas de la Semana

- Lunes:** Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Sal 106 (105):19-23 o Sal 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 o Lc 10:38-42
- Martes:** Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Sal 103 (102):6-11; Mt 13:36-43
- Miércoles:** Ex 34:29-35; Sal 99 (98):5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46
- Jueves:** Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Sal 84 (83):3-6a, 8, 11; Mt 13:47-53
- Viernes:** Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Sal 81 (80):3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
- Sábado:** Lv 25:1, 8-17; Sal 67 (66):2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
- Domingo:** Ecl 1:2; 2:21-23; Sal 90 (89):3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lc 12:13-21

### August Baptisms



**Nolan Barrett (8-3-13)**  
**Lionel Manual Vega III (8-10-13)**  
**Brooks Nolan Lutkus (8-11-13)**

### St. Teresa said...



“Everything seems to be a heavy burden, and rightly so, because it involves a war against ourselves.”

### Interested in the Catholic Faith?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which interested adults are introduced to the Roman Catholic faith and way of life.



The RCIA process is for the unbaptized who want to join the Catholic Church; and those who have been baptized either Catholic or in another Christian denomination, and want to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.

If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith, please contact Fr. Frank at (773) 528-6650.

## Calendar at a Glance

### July 28, Sunday

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time •

Decimoséptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

- 9:00 am, RR, 9AM Nursery
- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 10:00 am, PC3-4, Hospitality
- 7:00 pm, REC4, The Edge

### July 29, Monday

St. Martha • Santa Marta

- No Activities Planned

### July 30, Tuesday

St. Peter Chrysologus • San Pedro Crisólogo

- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

### July 31, Wednesday

St. Ignatius of Loyola • San Ignacio de Loyola

- 12:00 pm, PC3, Kitchen, Loaves & Fishes Cooking
- 6:30 pm, PC3, Fiesta de Avila

### Next 6:51 Club August 18th

Stop by after the 6:00 pm Mass on August 18th for a little summertime BBQ on the steps and meet other parishioners.

Contact Sara Hock for more details at [sara.m.hock@gmail.com](mailto:sara.m.hock@gmail.com) or [foleysar@gmail.com](mailto:foleysar@gmail.com)



### August 1, Thursday

St. Alphonsus Liguori • San Alfonso de Liguorio

- 9:30 am, REC4, About Parents

### August 2, Friday

St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard;

First Friday • San Eusebio de Vercelli; San Pedro Juliano Eymard; Primer viernes

- 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

### August 3, Saturday

Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday • Santa María Virgen; Primer sábado

- 10:00 am, REC4, Breastfeeding Basics
- 10:00 am, PC3, GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 4:00 pm, Church, Our Lady of Fatima Rosary



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 at Kenmore Avenue. The Reconciliation Room (RR) is at the back of church next to the baptismal font.

# Mass Schedule & Intentions

## Mass Intentions

### July 27

5:00 pm All deceased members of the parish.

### July 28

9:00 am Dorothy Cooney  
Patricia Young  
Jimmy Farrell  
James Golden

10:30 am All Deceased members of the parish

12:00 pm Pedro Garcia  
John Stanley  
Thomas Murray

6:00 pm All deceased members of the parish.

### July 30

7:30 am Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M.

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 in the parish office.

## In Our Prayers

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

*Robert Byerwalter, Maria Louisa Cervantes, Dorothy Cooney, Margaret Dean, Mark Dudley, Emmanuel & Julia Faloyin, Pedro Garcia, Pat Johnson, Jack Kavanagh, Teresa Joan Kilcullen, Laura Lee, Catherine Malec, Mike McCabe, Melory Mizicko, Donald Morich, Sally Jo Morrow, Honorata Alicea Peña, Henry Pryor, John Ryan, Sophia Sanchez, Maurice Shatto, Ruth Schmitz, Jennifer Schubeck, Robert Summins, John Sylvester, Jim Tetrycz, 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>Ray Romero</i>
<i>Berta Billalvazo</i>	<i>Carmen Dolores Lorenzana</i>	<i>Jeffrey Roscoe</i>
<i>Basilio Diaz</i>	<i>Carmen Felicitia Lorenzana</i>	<i>Sr. Camilla Mary Marney,</i>
<i>Jackson Fineske &amp; Family</i>	<i>Miguel Lorenzana</i>	<i>OCD</i>
<i>Padraig Gallagher</i>	<i>Palmira Mancini</i>	<i>Sr. Jean Ryan, OCD</i>
<i>Eloisa Gallegos</i>	<i>George Maroquin</i>	<i>Jack Schank</i>
<i>Michael Gibbons</i>	<i>Jose Marroquin</i>	<i>Mima Tome</i>
<i>Angela Goldberg</i>	<i>Margaret Sue Meadors</i>	<i>JoAnn Jahnke Trainer</i>
<i>Kaylee Gommel</i>	<i>Bill Mobley</i>	<i>John Wagner</i>
<i>Les Gordon</i>	<i>John Monier</i>	<i>Bernadine Walters</i>
<i>Genevieve Gorgo</i>	<i>Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M.</i>	<i>Jack Williams</i>
<i>Mrs. Grabarczyk</i>	<i>Elda Myers</i>	<i>Mae Witry</i>
<i>George Halloran</i>	<i>Angel Nieves</i>	<i>David Zeunert</i>
<i>Kellar Harris</i>	<i>P. A. O'Neil</i>	<i>Paulette Zuckerman</i>
<i>David Hoffman</i>	<i>Msgr. Kevin O'Neill</i>	<i>Survivors and perpetrators</i>
<i>David Ivanac</i>	<i>Clayton Poe</i>	<i>of sexual abuse</i>
<i>Chuck Jabaley</i>	<i>Deacon Hector Rivera</i>	
<i>Theresa Jabaley</i>	<i>Hector J. Rivera</i>	
<i>Betty LaCour</i>	<i>Pedro Rodriguez</i>	

## Celebrant and Minister Schedule

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC BREAD	EUCCHARISTIC WINE
8-3-13 Saturday	5:00 pm	Fr. Frank	Maggie Kuhlmann	Leigh Hartley	Annie Monak Kari Richardson
8-4-13 Sunday	9:00 am	Fr. Frank	Elizabeth Rooney	Phyllis Halloran Jane Ott Mary Serrahn	Dana Vance Dean LaBrosse-Zost Luke Kolman Geneva Gorgo
8-4-13 Sunday	10:30 am	Fr. John Rybolt	Maria Montes Alex Lopez	Francisco Perez	Carmen Cruz
8-4-13 Sunday	12:00 pm	Fr. Frank	Alex Lopez	Aimee Jaszczor	Alice Morales-Villenas Colin McCue
8-4-13 Sunday	6:00 pm	Fr. Mark Pranaitis	Katie Assell	Eileen Raia Jon Assell Karen Melchert	Jocelyn Lutkus Kathy Richgels Bert Olson Chris Parente

## 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.

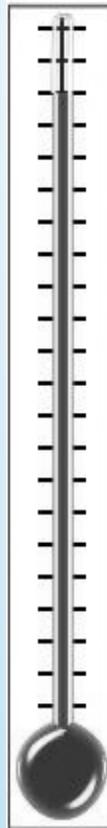
Guide us as we *build faith together*.  
Bless us with a unity of mind and spirit as we accept the responsibilities and challenges of this parish undertaking. May our efforts bear fruit for the glory of your kingdom.

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.**

## By Building. Faith. Together Getting Closer to Our Goal!!



**\$1,260,000**

**\$1,209,760**

During the past few months, we have received many pledges to secure the stability and beauty of St. Teresa of Avila for future generations. We're only \$50,240 away from meeting our goal of \$1,260,000. As of last weekend our current campaign total moved up to \$1,209,760.

If you didn't have a chance to make your commitment, you can still do so. Pledge cards are available on the tables at the back of church and in the gathering space.

I pray that everyone will rejoice in the graces and hard work of so many of our fellow parishioners and make a meaningful gift that will lead us through a successful effort.

**We need everybody's help with this one.**

Thank you and God Bless!

Fr. Frank

## Fiesta de Ávila



Reserve Saturday, **September 14th** for **FIESTA DE ÁVILA**, a parish/neighborhood party in St. Teresa's parking lot. Feast on Mexican fare and enjoy karaoke, live music and children's activities.

The committee is looking for volunteers to help plan as well as work the event. Volunteers who are willing to reach out to potential sponsors (grocery stores, restaurants, etc.) for donations of goods, are also needed.

Facebook users can check the St. Teresa Parking Lot Party or email Rebecca O'Brien at [rebeccaandree@hotmail.com](mailto:rebeccaandree@hotmail.com) for more information.

## First Saturday – Primer Sábado Our Lady of Fatima Devotion

Everyone is welcome to join the First-Saturday rosary devotion to Our lady of Fatima on August 3rd at 4:00 pm in the church.



Todos estan invitados a la devoción a la Virgen de Fátima el 3 de agosto en la iglesia Santa Teresa de Avila a las 4:00 pm.



## Men's Spirituality Group

**Join us for the next session of  
Men's Spirituality Group  
on Tuesday, August 13, 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 or [tkosnik@visusgroup.com](mailto:tkosnik@visusgroup.com)



## Eucharistic Adoration

**TUESDAYS**

**7:00-8:30PM**

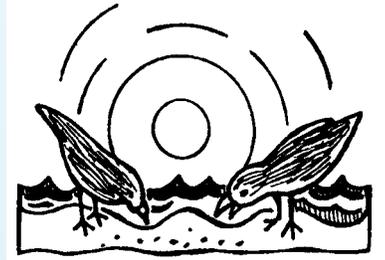


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## Reflecting of God's Word

Prayer has always been part of the Christian heritage. The book of Psalms long ago became the prayer book of the church, along with some hymns and canticles from other



books of the Bible, both Old and New Testaments. Among the most beautiful prayers we have are the *Magnificat* of Mary, the *Benedictus* of Zechariah, and the *Nunc Dimittis* of Simeon, all in the Gospel of Luke (Luke 1:46-55; 1:68-79; 2:29-32).

Most importantly, Jesus prayed. Think about that for a moment. Jesus, the Son of God, the Word made flesh, the only begotten Son, prayed. We know that he went off by himself to pray. He did this before some of the most important moments in his ministry, like before he chose those who would be with him. But it is safe to assume that he did it as a habit.

So when one of the disciples asked him to teach them to pray and Jesus responded with the Our Father, it deserves our attention. This prayer reveals the heart of Jesus, and tells us how we should speak to the Father. The prayer has two parts: blessing the Father and calling for his presence in the world, then turning to God for our basic needs of food, forgiveness, and fidelity.

The parables that follow call us to persevere and persist in prayer because God is a Father who will give us his life-blood, in this case, the Holy Spirit, to all who ask. Continue to knock, continue to ask. God will respond.

### *Living God's Word*

Pray Luke's version of the Our Father, then pray Matthew's version (Matthew 6:9-13). Linger over each phrase as you say them. Take one of these phrases with you throughout the day and repeat it when you have a chance, like a mantra. Let it dwell in your heart.

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## Keep on Knocking

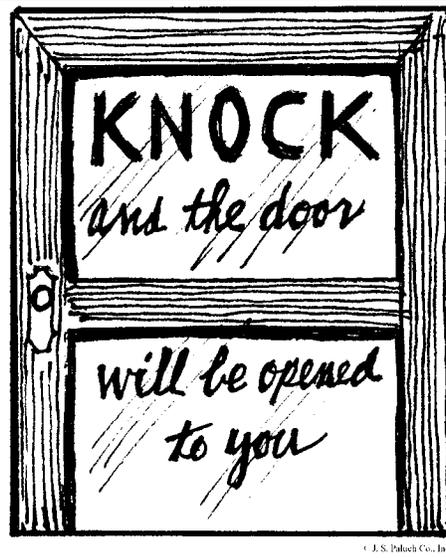
When I was younger, I used to puzzle over this line from today's Gospel: "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything" (Luke 11:7).

I thought: I could understand the homeowner's objection if he said, "I don't have three spare loaves of bread, sorry," or "Come on, buddy! It's the middle of the night here!" But why should the children being in bed, or the door being locked, prove such an obstacle to this guy helping his friend in need, especially if said homeowner is already awake and having a conversation with the man outside? I thought the fellow in the house was just being lazy.

Of course, I was used to a house where everyone sleeps in different rooms and food is stored in its own chamber.

Then, one summer in graduate school, I visited the Holy Land. During that trip — I think it was in Nazareth — we visited a reconstruction of a first-century Palestinian home. In Jesus' place and time, many ordinary homes had just one room, with a raised area at the back where the family lived and slept; and a lower area by the front door, where they brought in the animals at night. (Bringing in the animals kept the house warm and guarded them from theft.) The family slept on mats that they rolled out at night and stowed during the day.

With a house like that, in



### Jesus gave us a prayer, a formula, to counteract the perceived perils of asking.

order to get anything for the knocking friend, the guy inside would have to step around his kids on the floor while he rummaged around for the loaves, and then wade through a bunch of animals to get to the door, trying to avoid their droppings, probably setting off a lot of bleating in the process.

Clearly, the friend outside is aware of all this. He knows that if the man inside gets up, he will disturb everyone else around him. If I were in his place, I just wouldn't ask at all. It's too hard for me to ask a favor when I know I'm putting someone out; easier to go away, and try to deal with the situation on my own. I'd be afraid of

making my friend angry and ruining our relationship.

But that's not what Jesus tells us to do.

Close relationships are not destroyed just because someone makes a request, Jesus says. "What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg?" (Luke 11:11-12). Yet some of us are so afraid to put anyone out, so afraid that our requests are not worthy, that we decide it's easier to go hungry. Hi, God. I have this problem, but I know you're busy, so I won't bother you. I don't want you to get mad at me.

Jesus gave us a prayer, a formula, to counteract the perceived perils of asking.

First we acknowledge that God is the superior: "Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come." Then we ask: "Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins." We pray this prayer together every week at Mass, every time we say the rosary, every time we pray the Liturgy of the Hours. If we keep doing it, over and over, the idea gets ingrained in us: As long as we remember that God is God and we are not, it's OK to ask for what we need.

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9).

— Erin Ryan, Celebration Publications

# Directory

## Parish Leadership

### PASTORAL STAFF

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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**

**Justin Peters**  
**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 ...

Baptism, Marriage, Reconciliation,  
Mass Intentions, RCIA or Communion  
for the Sick

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