

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

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June 29, 2014

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Faith & Spirit.
Alive



Through all the earth their
voice resounds,
and to the ends of the world,
their message.

— Psalm 19:5

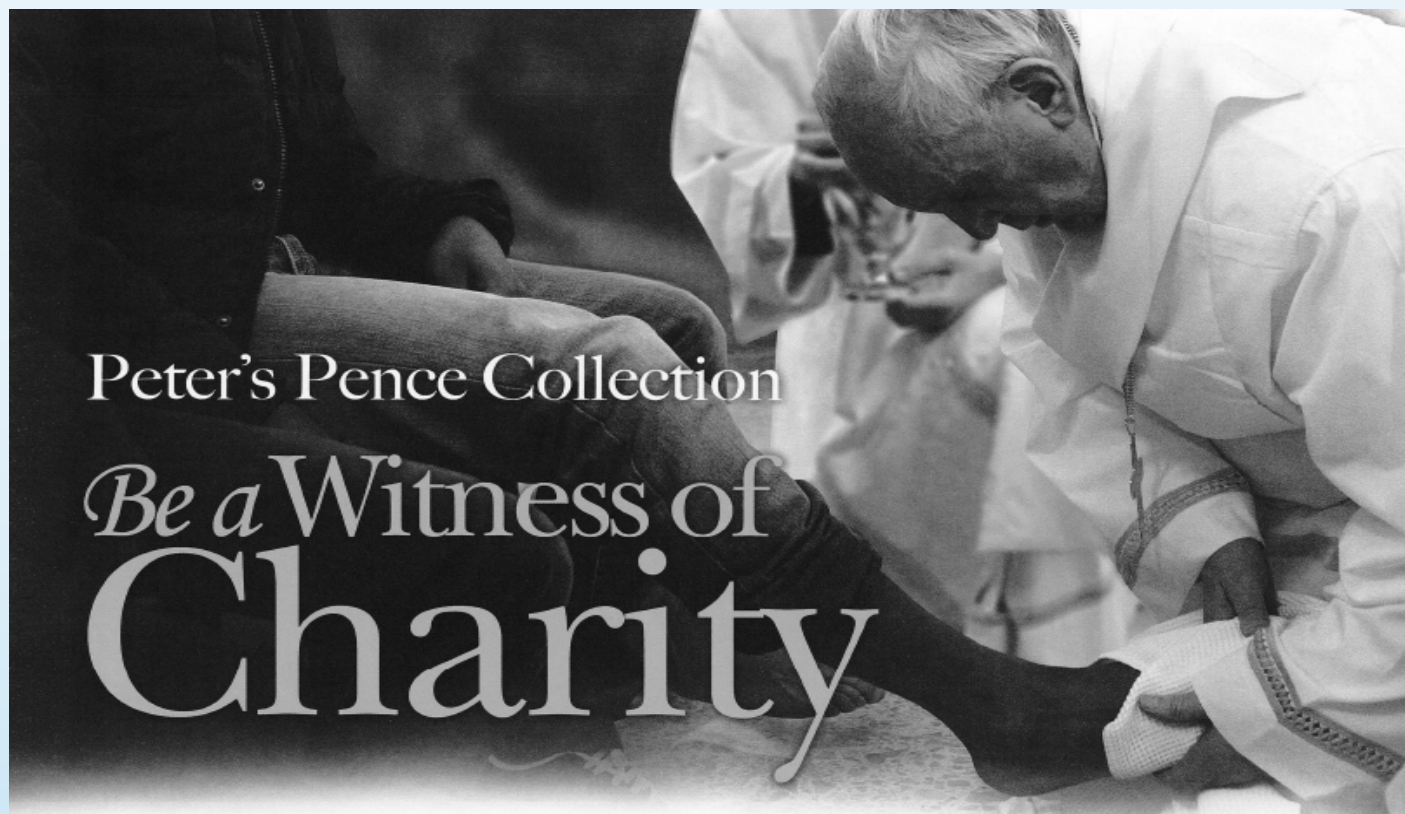
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Peter's Pence

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Peter's Pence Collection

Be a Witness of Charity

IF I, THEREFORE, THE MASTER AND TEACHER, HAVE WASHED YOUR FEET,
YOU OUGHT TO WASH ONE ANOTHER'S FEET. I HAVE GIVEN YOU A MODEL TO FOLLOW,
SO THAT AS I HAVE DONE FOR YOU, YOU SHOULD ALSO DO. (JN 13:14-15)

On Easter Sunday 2013, Pope Francis encouraged each person to be a **witness of charity**. He said, "Let us be renewed by God's mercy . . . and let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation, and make justice and peace flourish." Pope Francis has continued to remind us through his actions that we must serve our brothers and sisters in order to be true disciples of Christ.

The Peter's Pence Collection unites us in solidarity to the Holy Father and his works of charity to those in need. In his address of March 20, 2013, Pope Francis spoke of our responsibility before the world and creation. "There is much that we can do to benefit the poor, the needy, and those who suffer; and to favor justice, promote reconciliation, and build peace," he said. Your contributions to the Peter's Pence Collection allow the Holy Father to support victims of war, natural disasters, and others most in need of assistance.

Join the Holy Father and **be a witness of charity** throughout the world. Please be generous in the Peter's Pence Collection.

"THROUGH FAITH, WE
CAN RECOGNIZE THE
FACE OF THE RISEN
LORD IN THOSE WHO
ASK FOR OUR LOVE."

POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI,
APOSTOLIC LETTER PORTA FIDEI



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Finance Council Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2014

Attendance:

Bill Mack (Chair)	Yes	Jack Halpin	Yes
Jane Bronson	No	Jane Ott	Yes
Andrew Deye	Yes	Fr. Frank	Yes
Steve Fortino	Yes	Erica Saccucci	Yes
Becky Francis	No	Justin Peters	Yes
Dave Hilko	Yes		

Key Discussion:

Erica provided the financials and the Council reviewed them. Administrative Expenses are being watched along with the line item Maintenance & Building Repairs.

The Capital Campaign, Building Faith Together has raised to date \$580,000. Discussion arose around the realistic goal for the entire project. Justin with his experience in capital construction has seen an average increase of 10% from initial estimates. A contingency of \$100,000 will ensure that the project will be completed efficiently and cover any unanticipated building issues that may arise. This will bring the amount of the project to \$1.4 million.

The Land Sale is under contract and anticipated to close in mid June. During the last Council meeting in February parishioners were able to bring up concerns to the committee regarding how the money would be used from the sale. At this March's meeting, it was agreed that of the anticipated return on the sale of \$2.9 million we have designated:

- \$100k for the contingency on the building renovation and that any costs over \$1.4 million will have to go to Finance Council for approval
- \$90k for repairs to Parish Center to be in compliance with the Protecting God's Children directive;
- \$110k for repairs on the roof, gutters, and air conditioning in the rectory;
- The remaining \$2.6 million will be designated for future capital endeavors.

The Council discussed the best ways to be transparent to the parish during the Land Sale and the church construction. It was decided that minutes of our monthly meetings would be posted in the bulletin and St. Teresa's website.

Fr. Frank talked about the costs associated with protecting the children of the parish. Particular capital improvements must be met and are expected to cost around \$90,000.

The next Council meeting will be May 19th at 7:00 pm. Please note there will not be an April meeting.

Please contact the Chair of the St. Teresa Finance Council, Bill Mack, at williamdmack@hotmail.com or (312) 706-4266. Bill can provide you with the latest financial status, projections, and key issues.

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June — July Baptisms

Elora Dionisia Intengan Cuisia (6-29-14)
Zaiden Manuel Rodriguez (7-5-14)
Zarian Anthony Rodriguez (7-5-4)
Alexander Michael Hegarty (7-6-14)
Emma Elizabeth McDaniel (7-6-14)
Elin May Fitchett (7-6-14)
Haley Ann Stuckey (7-13-14)
Alfredo Manuel Ramos (7-20-14)
Aidan Manuel Jacome (7-20-14)



The Seven Principles of Catholic Social Teaching

- 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

About Humility, St. Teresa said...



“What I have come to understand is that this whole groundwork of prayer is based on humility and that the more a soul lowers itself the more God raises it up.”

Calendar at a Glance

June 29, Sunday

- 9:15 am, REC4, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 10:00 am, GS, Hospitality

June 30, Monday

- 10:30 am, REC4, Monday Morning Playgroup

July 1, Tuesday

- No Activities Scheduled

July 2, Wednesday

- 12:00 pm, Kitchen, Loaves & Fishes Cooking

July 3, Thursday

- 4:30 pm, REC4, Lectio Divina

July 4, Friday

- Parish Office Closed for Holiday
- 7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

July 5, Saturday

- 9:00 am, GS, Food Pantry Setup
- 10:00 am, GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 4:00 pm, Church, Our Lady of Fatima Rosary

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
Monday: First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Tuesday: Bl. Junípero Serra
Thursday: St. Thomas
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: St. Anthony Zaccaria; St. Elizabeth of Portugal; Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

Domingo: Santos Pedro y Pablo, Apóstles
Lunes: Los Primeros Santos Mártires de la Iglesia Romana
Martes: Beato Junípero Serra
Jueves: Santo Tomás
Viernes: Primer Viernes
Sábado: San Antonio María Zacarías; San Isabel de Portugal; Santa María Virgen; Primer Sábado

July 2014 Food Pantry Schedule

Saturday, July 5th

9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

Saturday, July 12th

9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

Saturday, June 19th

9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 am Distribution

Saturday, July 26th

9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution



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

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Mass Intentions

June 28

5:00 pm Patrick Waldron
 June 29
 9:00 am Joseph Katchnik
 12:00 pm Helen Zalewski
 6:00 pm Living and deceased members of the parish

In Our Prayers

Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

Robert Byerwalter, Casillas Family, Dorothy Cooney, Margaret Dean, Mark Dudley, Pedro Garcia, Genevieve Gorgo, Dickie Harris, Jack Heil, Francisca Hernandez, Betty Hultberg, Pat Johnson, Therese Kotowski, Carol Marquez, John Mondschean, Donald & Maggie Finn Morich, Sally Jo Morrow, Walter Mulvihill, P. A. O'Neil, Honorata Alicea Peña, Patrick Reidy, Jeremy Rivera, Angel Santana, Maurice Shatto, Jennifer Schubeck, Paulette Zuckerman, Victims of War & Domestic Violence

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

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.

*Alicia Anderson
 Dorothy Barns
 Berta Billalvazo
 Sr. Barbara Jean Ciszek
 Michael DeBlasis
 Kathy Derrick
 Jackson Fineske & Family
 Alice Flynn
 Padraig Gallagher
 Eloisa Gallegos
 Michael Gibbons
 Angela Goldberg
 Kaylee Gommel
 Les Gordon
 Mrs. Grabarczyk
 George Halloran
 David Harmeier
 Kellar Harris
 Peg Hausen*

*David Hoffman
 David Ivanac
 Chuck Jabaley
 Liz Kunkel
 Betty LaCour
 Carmen D. Lorenzana
 Palmira Mancini
 George Maroquin
 Jose Marroquin
 Lisa Marquez
 Margaret Sue Meadors
 Bill Mobley
 John Monier
 Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M.
 Elda Myers
 Angel Nieves
 Msgr. Kevin O'Neill
 Clayton Poe
 Deacon Hector Rivera*

*Hector J. Rivera
 Pedro Rodriguez
 Ray Romero
 Jeffrey Roscoe
 Sr. Camilla Mary Marney, OCD
 Sr. Jean Ryan, OCD
 Jack Schank
 Mima Tome
 JoAnn Jahnke Trainer
 John Wagner
 Bernadine Walters
 Jack Williams
 Mae Witry
 David Zeunert
 Survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse*

Celebrant and Minister Schedule

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC BREAD	EUCCHARISTIC WINE
7-5-14 Saturday	5:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Karen Carpino	Mollie Wanek	Lisa Marquez Laura LoBello
7-6-14 Sunday	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Geneva Gorgo	Karen Secrest Rose Ohiku Annie Monak	Phyllis Halloran Michael Zost Theresa Jabaley Barb Schell
Next Spanish Mass 7-6-14 Sunday	10:30 AM	Rev. Octavio Munoz	Alex Lopez Maria Montes	Josefina Gomez	Francisco Perez
7-6-14 Sunday	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Tony Rivera	Aimee Jaszczor	Bob Pedro Alice Morales-Villenas
7-6-14 Sunday	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Laura King	Aubre Hewett Cara Gannon Eileen Raia	Jonathan Hewett Sara Hock Mary Serrahn Bert Olson

Readings/Lecturas

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Readings for the Week

Monday:	Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday:	Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday:	Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:8-13, 16bc-17; Mt 8:28-34
Thursday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 20:24-29
Friday:	Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119: 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13 or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass “For the Country,” nos. 882-886, or “For Peace and Justice,” nos. 887-891
Saturday:	Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17
Sunday:	Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes:	Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Sal 50 (49):16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22
Martes:	Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Sal 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27
Miércoles:	Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Sal 50 (49):8-13, 16bc-17; Mt 8:28-34
Jueves:	Ef 2:19-22; Sal 117 (116):1bc, 2; Jn 20:24-29
Viernes:	Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Sal 119 (118): 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13 ó para el Día de la Independencia se pueden tomar las lecturas de la Misa para varias necesidades y ocasiones: Por la nación, por la paz y justicia.
Sábado:	Am 9:11-15; Sal 85 (84):9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17
Domingo:	Zec 9:9-10; Sal 145 (144):1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Treasures from Our Tradition

Today is an exceptional event on our calendar: the Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time is eclipsed by a solemnity honoring two saints who didn't spend much time together in their earthly ministry, and who have distinct feasts so they probably don't mind sharing this one. Yet each suffered a similar fate in the same city, Rome, during the persecution of the Emperor Nero. Nero probably ordered the destruction of many of the residential neighborhoods in service to his building projects, and when the homeless began to look for someone to blame for the fires, Nero targeted the Christians. Soon, Peter was crucified, upside down, on the Vatican hill. Excavations (called *scavi*) under the Vatican basilica have proven the authenticity of his burial place near the place of his death. Paul, a Roman citizen, was later granted a swifter execution by sword, and is remembered at a vast basilica on the city's outskirts.

Peter and Paul were just about polar opposites. Peter rough and ready, Paul poetic and polished. Peter carried a burden of regret for his denials, Paul had his own issues with which he struggled. Peter leapt over barriers to go to the Gentiles, Paul strove with and surrendered to the same call. True, they spent very little time together in this life, but the same Spirit filled their hearts and by their witness changed the face of the earth. — Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

En 1769 los misioneros franciscanos establecieron la primera misión en lo que hoy es la ciudad de San Diego, California. Bajo la dirección de fray Junípero Serra, los hermanos menores pudieron establecer otras ocho misiones, incluyendo la ciudad de San Francisco, en 1776.

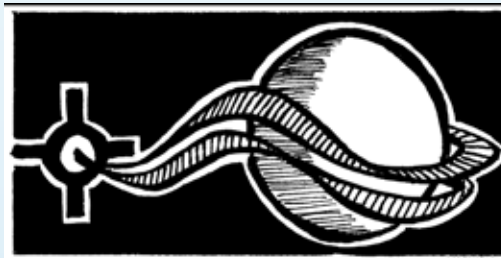
Junípero o José Miguel Serra, fue hijo de padres campesinos de la Isla de Mallorca, España. Ingresó a la Orden de los hermanos menores (franciscanos) a los dieciséis años y con el tiempo, llegó a ser profesor de filosofía, pero su verdadero deseo era ser misionero en el continente americano, lo que hoy conocemos como Hemisferio Occidental.

En 1749, su orden religiosa lo envió a México como administrador del Colegio Apostólico. Poco a poco se fue desprendiendo de sus cargos académicos para establecer misiones entre los indígenas. Aunque algunos afirman lo contrario, Junípero fue arduo defensor de los nativos. En California, más de una vez tuvo problemas con los soldados españoles, debido a que éstos abusaban de los amerindios, problemas que lo llevaron a defender los derechos humanos de los nativos ante el Virrey en México. Sus esfuerzos por cristianizar los indígenas de California tuvieron como resultado más de 6000 bautizos durante sus quince años en esa región. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glitz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Peter and Paul

Today is something of a rarity: the celebration of a saint's day that replaces the Sunday liturgy. Only a handful of these days, given the official rank of "solemnity," are considered so foundational and primal to the mission of the Church that they can interrupt the Sunday sequence. And so it is with Peter and Paul today.

In a way, they each have personality traits with which we can identify. They are both impetuous, sometimes acting or speaking thoughtlessly, contradicting the spiritual gifts given to them by God. At such times, they might receive a nudge from God, much the same as many of us experience. On the positive side, these men were deeply rooted in their faith in Christ, tireless and fearless in living out their call to spread the Good News of his death and resurrection. Perhaps we might identify more with one or the other, but the essential truth we celebrate today is this: Through the Spirit, Christ built and continues to build the Church and make the kingdom known through fragile, remarkable human beings, each graced in a particular way for the work of the reign of God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Pedro y Pablo

Hoy es una rareza: la celebración del día de un santo que reemplaza la liturgia del domingo. Sólo un puñado de días como éste, con rango oficial de "solemnidad", son considerados tan fundamentales y primarios en la misión de la Iglesia que pueden interrumpir la secuencia de los domingos. Tal es el caso de san Pedro y san Pablo hoy día.

De cierta manera, cada uno tiene rasgos de personalidad con los que nos podemos identificar: ambos son impetuosos, a veces actuando y hablando sin pensar, contradiciendo los dones espirituales que Dios les había dado. En esos casos, tal vez reciben un empujoncito de Dios, como los que muchos de nosotros hemos sentido. En lo positivo, la fe de estos hombres estuvo profundamente fundamentada en Cristo, incansables y valientes cuando vivían su llamado de anunciar la Buena Noticia de su muerte y resurrección. Quizás nos identificamos más con uno que otro, pero la verdad esencial que celebramos hoy es esta: por el Espíritu, Cristo edificó y continúa edificando la Iglesia y da a conocer el Reino por medio de frágiles y notables seres humanos, cada uno con una gracia particular para la obra del Reino de Dios. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Today's Readings

First Reading — Peter was in prison, but prayer by the church was made to God on his behalf (Acts 12:1-11).
Psalm — The angel of the Lord will rescue those who fear him (Psalm 34).
Second Reading — I have finished the race; I have kept the faith (2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18).
Gospel — Simon Peter said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matthew 16:13-19).

Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — Pedro se libra de la prisión y del poder del Rey Herodes (Hechos 12:1-11).
Salmo — El Señor me libró de todos mis temores (Salmo 34 [33]).
Segunda lectura — Pablo anticipa recibir la corona de la rectitud por su fe y su fidelidad en servir al Señor (2 Timoteo 4:6-8, 17-18).
Evangelio — Simón Pedro, después de profesar su fe en Jesús, recibe las llaves del Reino (Mateo 16:13-19).

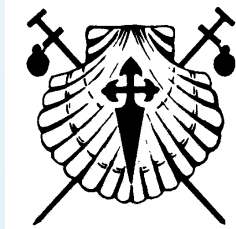
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Camino Survivors' Guide July 10th 7:00pm

Come explore the practical consideration of walking and surviving the Camino de Santiago this fall. The next Camino meeting is on Thursday, July 10th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.



Chicago Catholic Scripture School

The Chicago Catholic Scripture School is taking applications for 2014-2015 classes starting in September. This is a great opportunity for adults to nurture their faith through the embrace of Scripture.

CHICAGO CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE SCHOOL

CLASSES START IN SEPTEMBER

APPLY TODAY AT

www.catechesis-chicago.org/ccss

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Building Faith Together Collections Now \$721,248

\$1,320,000

We have collected \$721,248 in pledges so far in our Building Faith Together campaign.

There is a "thermometer" depicting pledges collected located at the back of church that we will update in \$88,000 increments.

Even though we have reached our pledge goal, we are still accepting pledges to cover unanticipated costs from changes in fees on the renovation of the church.

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.

Thank you and God Bless!

Fr. Frank

125th Anniversary of St. Teresa Parish

Our nearing parish anniversary pairs with the 500th anniversary of the birth of St. Teresa of Avila. A book is being planned to commemorate both events. Can you help? We will be asking for:

- **Writers** to submit event and committee stories and personal memories;
- **Photographers** to take pictures at parish gatherings;
- **People with long memories** to fill in the last 125 years!

Needed are pictures of events including sacraments, parties, group, meetings, classes, etc. that have been collected over the years. Photos need to be: **clear, black and white or color, and captioned.**

Captioned pictures may be placed in the box in the gathering space labeled **Photos**; pictures will all be returned to the owners. Please identify the people in the photo, the event, and if possible, the year. Put your name on the back so the pictures may be returned. Digital photos may be sent, with captions, to genevag22@gmail.com.

Questions and suggestions may be given to members of the Book Committee: Cathy Flaherty, Geneva Gorgo, Myrna Kinsella, Tom Kinsella, Carmen Ubides and Carmen Vazquez.

First Saturday—Primer Sábado July 5 — 5 de Julio

Everyone is welcome to join the First-Saturday rosary devotion to Our lady of Fatima on July 5 at 4:00 pm in the church.



Todos estan invitados a la devoción a la Virgen de Fátima el 5 de julio Teresa de Avila a las 4:00 pm.

SPRED Calling



My name is SallyAnn Rose. Prior to the start of my SPRED ministry in 2004, I was asked to attend a SPRED (Special Religious Development) informational meeting. I knew

nothing about SPRED, but quickly learned the amazing effect SPRED has on Catholics with special needs—that people who might have a hard time relating to the rituals of the Mass or the standard CCD class could learn about God and feel a sense of community within a SPRED group.

I remember being told that as a Catechist, I would not only value my experiences with the special needs Friends, but also those with my fellow SPRED volunteers. I have found this to be so true. The group of people involved in the SPRED ministry at St. Teresa is one of the most outstanding groups of people I know. Over the years, we have celebrated together and also supported each other through life events such as birthdays, changes in careers, sicknesses, marriages, loss of loved ones, births of children, loss of jobs and more. I feel so lucky to be a part of this group because it not only challenges me to be a better person spiritually but has also given me a place to grow in life supported by a small group of faithful friends.

St. Teresa's SPRED group meets weekly from September to May, and every other week the special needs Friends attend for a Total Community session. At Total Community Sessions, our Friends participate in sensory, art and everyday living activities to prepare and focus their hearts and minds so that they may enter into prayer with God. After these activities, the Friends and Catechists pray together by discussing a

symbol for that week that relates to a coordinating Bible passage. Our Friends are given a message of God's love by the Leader Catechist and then join together as a faith community in song and movements of prayer, followed by Agape. On alternating weeks, the Catechist sessions allow the adults to meet alone to reflect, pray, prepare for the next Total Community session and share a meal.

When I first began as a SPRED Catechist, I thought my life was so busy; little did I know what marriage, starting a business, moving, and having two kids could do to your spare time! But all of this has happened since I have been a part of SPRED, and even though my free time has decreased astronomically, there is always time in my heart and schedule for SPRED. I value the nights I drive to a SPRED session, because I get to shed myself of my responsibilities as mother, wife, entrepreneur, etc and just be a servant of Christ who is sharing my gifts and talents with the special needs children.

Several years ago I was paired with a 14 year old boy named Phillip who remained my Friend for three years. Phillip was severely autistic and non-verbal. His mother spoke little English and worked hard to support Phillip and his three siblings. Phillip had been baptized as a baby, and was attending the Spanish Mass at St. Alphonsus in Lakeview, but was having a hard time sitting through Mass and was also acting out in school. Through SPRED, Phillip came to know Christ. He looked forward to the Total Community sessions and started to open up to me. He would beat his chest to vibrate sounds as if to try to talk during sessions. He would smile when he entered our activity/celebration room and participate in our songs and movements

to music as a way of worship. He eventually received the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation at a special SPRED mass at St. Teresa. This meant so much to his family. Phillip's mother told me that Phillip kept a picture of me next to his bed and would point to it each Tuesday morning when he woke up and knew it was a SPRED day.

I still keep in touch with Phillip and his family. We exchange Christmas cards each year and I just sent his family an announcement for the birth of my second child. I see Phillip from time to time at SPRED masses at St. Teresa. The bond and relationship that Phillip and I have is so meaningful and rewarding. What a gift the program has given me!

Over the years, I have heard many potential catechists use the weekly time commitment as a reason for not joining the ministry. We all value our time as there are so many demands placed on us by work, family, school and other commitments. However, what better value can be placed on your time than that of serving Christ in our special needs Friends and receiving the rewards of their love and discovering of faith. If you are looking for a way to share your faith with others while at the same time deepening your own faith, please consider becoming a part of this awesome ministry.



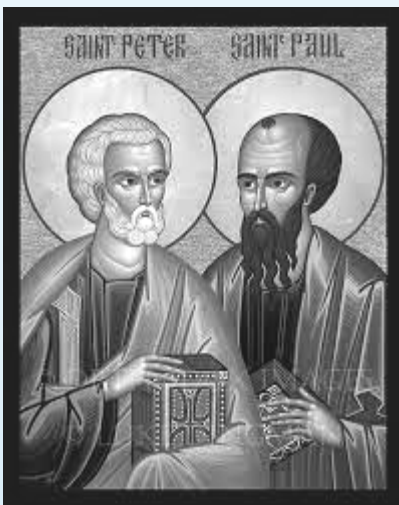
If you're interested in being a catechist for SPRED, please feel free to contact either Carrie Mondschean at cmondschean@hinshawlaw.com or Janette Shea at jatibodeau@hotmail.com

Church Unity in Diversity

Christianity is a religion grounded in history. It is based not just on ideas or visions but on the person of Jesus Christ, whom we believe to be God appearing in human history. The Catholic church also claims a unique historical grounding in the apostles Peter and Paul, who are linked directly to Jesus by call and conversion to proclaim his message to the world. The city of Rome makes a further unique claim to special leadership by asserting that both Peter and Paul were martyred there. Peter, identified by Jesus as the rock on whom the church was founded (Matt 16:18), is held to be the first in a long line of popes Roman Catholics say are the true vicars of Christ on earth. What the church claims historically it celebrates liturgically in today's Solemnity of Peter and Paul, Apostles.

It is an impressive history, even if it requires many interpretive lenses to justify these claims or downplay the fact that all history is written to affirm the institutions that emerged from the crises, confusion and competition of the centuries to lock their particular narratives in stone and ceremony. The real proof of authenticity is an institution's fidelity to its founding principles. The church is authentic when it looks and acts like Jesus, who sided with the poor and outcast, taught and lived God's limitless mercy, laid down his life for love.

Peter and Paul, Apostles, are remarkable models who both



Peter and Paul, Apostles, are remarkable models who both failed deeply: Peter denied his Lord to save his own life; Paul persecuted the followers of Jesus.

failed deeply: Peter denied his Lord to save his own life; Paul persecuted the followers of Jesus. Most institutions would have been tempted to edit their bios to make them seem more heroic. But it is their conversions that affirmed the power of God's grace, that enabled them to preach mercy and reconciliation as the heart of the good news. The church is authentic, attractive and effective when it is a refuge for failures and sinners. Peter and Paul lead the way in this regard.

The scriptures show they had strong disagreements about the direction the church should take. Peter devoted his energies to serving the mostly Jewish Christian communities, while Paul went out

to evangelize gentiles. They clashed over whether gentiles had to observe the Mosaic Law to be full Christians. Paul confronted Peter for waffling about the freedom gentile converts had in Christ. The first church council in Jerusalem resolved this issue to allow the community to expand beyond its original Jewish identity. Again, the witness of their struggle and the need for the Holy Spirit teaches an important lesson to our contemporary church. Change is necessary. Even saints can disagree. Consensus is possible under the Spirit's guidance. Unity in diversity, not uniformity or the suppression of dissent, is built into the history of the church.

Paul's house churches — convened by charismatic leaders, including women — remain part of church history alongside the emergence of a male hierarchical priesthood. Tradition means handing on essentials, not holding on to cherished past forms even when they are no longer effective. The spread of the Gospel has always involved adaptation, enculturation and dialogue between diverse interests, between East and West, across sectarian and religious lines.

Celebrating the memory of Peter and Paul, Apostles, helps us remember how much courage was required by early church leaders to achieve what we now enjoy. We honor them by imitating that same spirit today.

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

Pastoral Council

Jessica Marx
Bert Olson
Michael/Marjorie Rice
Ann Althoff
Alex Lopez

Justin Peters
Rebecca O'Brien
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Lina Hilko is president of the Parish Council; her email is lhilko@aol.com

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

Finance Council

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The Building Committee meets to discuss renovation fundraising issues in the Parish Center.

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Steve and Anmarie Kolinski
Dave Hilko
Kim Walter
Phyllis Halloran
Kelly Dean

Jack Halpin
Marilee Halpin
Justin Peters
Nancy Van Grinsven
Alicia Slubowski
Dante Domenella, *Architect*
Dwayne Piyatilake, *Stained Glass Window Artist*

Fr. Frank is president of the Renovation Committee; his email is fjsasso@aol.com.

The Renovation Committee usually meets once per month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center to discuss progress on the church renovation.

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For information about ...

Thursday Playgroup (0-3 year-olds), Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (3-12 year-olds), The EDGE Youth Group (12-14 year-olds), or Quest Youth Group (High School)

Contact Kate in the Parish Office
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For information about ...

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

Contact Dean in the Parish Office
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Weekend Masses

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

⁺ First Saturday * First Sunday

