

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

*A Roman Catholic Faith Community*

*Armitage & Kenmore Avenues*

*Chicago, IL 60614*



## August 30, 2015

## Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Faith & Spirit. *Alive*



Humbly welcome the word  
that has been planted in you  
and is able to save your souls.

— James 1:21b

# Stewardship

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## Welcome Back

Summer is winding down and many people are settling back into a regular schedule. Now is a great time to think about the year ahead and consider how you might give of your time and talents at St. Teresa of Avila.

God calls us to serve others and volunteering is great way to connect with people, make friends and give back. There are many volunteer needs at the parish. See the bar at the bottom of the page for our most urgent needs, and then give me a call or an email and I'll help you take the next step.

I'm also happy to meet for coffee and discuss in person how you can be involved. Thanks for being a part of the community!

— Rebecca O'Brien, Director of Stewardship  
robrien@stteresaparish.org – (773) 528-6650

## August Stewardship Numbers

- 52 food pantry volunteers worked to distribute 950+ bags of groceries to those in need
- 50+ volunteers cooked and served more than 300 meals at Friday's Loaves & Fishes dinners
- 46 tickets have been sold to the Time of Your Life fundraiser; our goal is to reach 100 tickets sold by this weekend.
- 3 volunteers are developing a welcome packet for new parishioners
- 8 people signed up for automated contributions via Give Central
- 80 people served during liturgy as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans and Ushers
- 8 new people have registered as parishioners
- 16 volunteered to host a hospitality event after Mass
- 125 volunteer positions have been created for September's Block Party

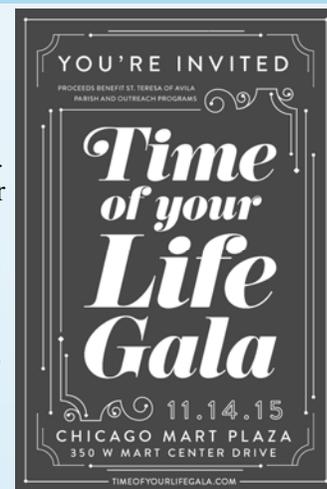
This is just a sampling of how people are making use of their Time, Treasure and Talent. See the bar below for more ideas on how you can help.

## Time of Your Life

Join us on November 14<sup>th</sup> for an evening of dinner, drinks, dancing, entertainment, auctions, and a chance to get to know some other great people.

Buy tickets today after mass, or at [timeofyourlifegala.com](http://timeofyourlifegala.com) and help us reach our August goal of 100 tickets sold.

The planning committee is also seeking donations for our Live and Silent auction. If you have access to restaurant certificates, hotel stays, sports tickets or any other item that could be a part of our auction please email [janelpalm@mac.com](mailto:janelpalm@mac.com), or call Rebecca in the parish office at (773) 528-6650.



## Coming Soon

We will be publishing a new photo directory soon and we'd love to have you in our "family album". The weekend of September 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> will be your first chance to sign up for a photo session. Photography will take place October 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>. There is no cost to you or to the parish, and everyone who participates will receive a free 8x10. Stay tuned for details.

Sign up for online giving at

*GiveCentral*

for your weekly offertory and other donations!

Three reasons to sign up:

1. Give Central is completely safe and secure as it follows SSL encryption standards.
2. It's easy to sign up, update throughout the year, and review your gifts as often as you like.
3. You can make your gifts through most credit cards or online checking.

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**Most  
Wanted  
Volunteers**

**4  
Catechists**

**1 Hospitality  
Host  
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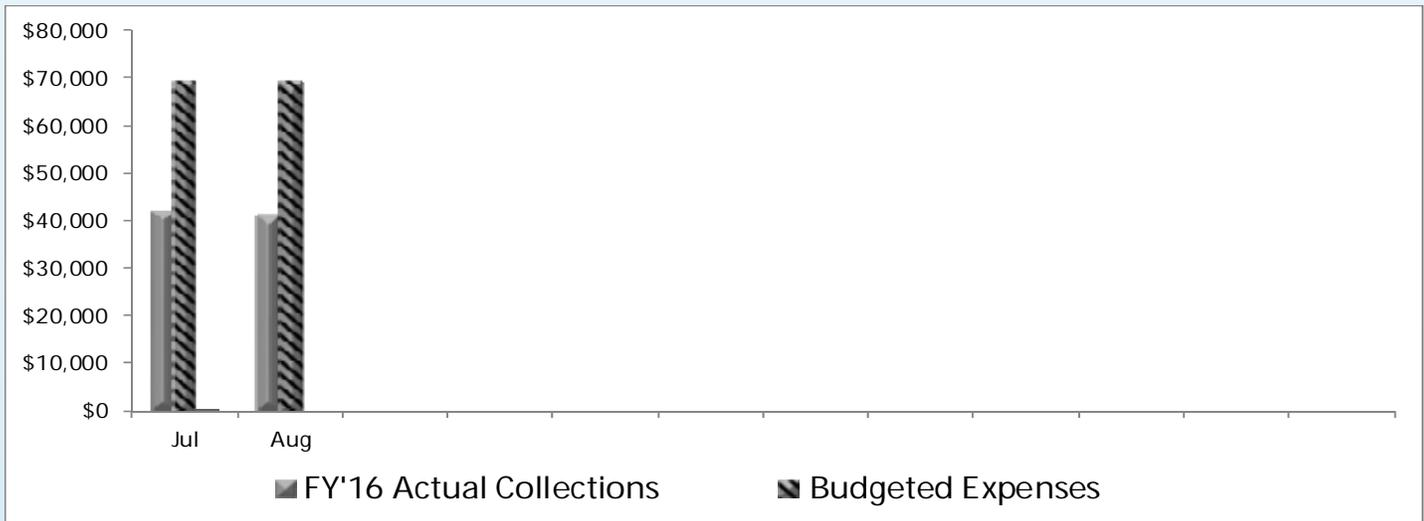
**Food  
Pantry  
Volunteers**

**2 Children's  
Liturgy  
Leaders**

**125  
Block Party  
Volunteers**

Interested in volunteering? Contact Rebecca at [robrien@stteresaparish.org](mailto:robrien@stteresaparish.org) or (773) 528-6650

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



- In the graph above you will see that we have not yet our budgeted expenses with our Sunday collections. We are on budget with our total income, versus expense. Total income includes Sunday collections, Christmas, Easter, fundraising, and miscellaneous donations.
- Our goal is to fund all operations and expenses from the weekly collections.
- 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.
- A big THANK YOU to all who participated in our GiveCentral push over the past few months, we have been able to increase collections. Thank you, all donors, for your dedication to the parish.
- Please contact the Business Manager, Erica Saccucci with any questions at [esaccucci@stteresaparish.org](mailto:esaccucci@stteresaparish.org). Our financials are also available on our website at [www.st-teresa.net](http://www.st-teresa.net).
- The next Finance Council meeting is on September 21st at 7:00pm.

Please help us remain financially stable during the rest vacation season by maintaining your financial commitment to the parish. Automated giving through Give Central is an easy way to ensure our collections do not dive when attendance is low. If you have already signed up for automated giving, please be sure your credit card information is up to date. Call the office at (773) 528-6650 to get help or offer to take us on vacation. Register at [www.givecentral.org](http://www.givecentral.org).

# Parish Calendar

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## September Baptisms



**Margaret Catherine Anglin (9-13-15)**  
**Jane Elizabeth Schenkel (9-20-15)**  
**Vivian Pearl Donnelly (9-20-15)**

## 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 un-baptized 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 Tom Micinski at (773) 528-6650.

## Calendar at a Glance

### August 30, Sunday

- 10:00 am, PC, Hospitality

### August 31, Monday

- No Activities Planned

### September 1, Tuesday

- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

### September 2, Wednesday

- No Activities Planned

### September 3, Thursday

- 9:00 am, Food Pantry Delivery

### September 4, Friday

- 3:30 pm, PC, Loaves & Fishes Setup
- 5:00 pm, PC, Loaves & Fishes Dinner
- 7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

### September 5, Saturday

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

### Saints & Special Observances

**Sunday:** Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Thursday:** St. Gregory the Great  
**Friday:** First Friday  
**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

**Domingo:** Vigésimo Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario  
**Jueves:** San Gregorio Magno  
**Viernes:** Primer Viernes  
**Sábado:** Santa María Virgen; Primer Sábado

### September 2015 Food Pantry Schedule

**Saturday, September 5th**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 am Distribution

**Saturday, September 12th**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 am Distribution

**Saturday, September 19th**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

**Saturday, September 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.

# Mass Schedule & Intentions

## Mass Intentions

### August 29

5:00 pm For Fr. Dominic Grassi and the Parishioners of St. Gertrude \*

### August 30

9:00 am For Jan Kurczak; Francisca Hernandez; and for Fr. Michael Furlan and the Parishioners of St. Germaine (Oak Lawn) \*  
 12:00 pm Julio Ubides and for Fr. Lawrence Malcolm and the Parishioners of St. Gerald (Oak Lawn)\*  
 6:00 pm For Fr. Kenneth Fleck and the Parishioners of St. George (Tinley Park) \*

\* We continue to pray for all the parishes in the Archdiocese.

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.

## In Our Prayers

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

*Sr. Barbara Jean Ciszek, Teresa Dempsey, Georgina Garcia, Bolivar Gonzales, Rev. Oscar Lukefahr, CM, James H. Mack, Carol Marquez, Frank Mirabella, Eleanor Monak, Jennifer Mosher, Walter and Germaine Mulvihill, John and Margaret O'Neill, Charley Pierce, Rev. David Stagaman, SJ, Lucille Stanko, Victims of War & Domestic Violence*

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

<i>Alicia Anderson Dorothy Barns Dolores Berendsen Berta Billalvazo Ann Buehler Susan Conway Michael De Blasis Kathy Derrick Kim Duffy Jackson Fineske &amp; Family Alice Flynn Padraig Gallagher Eloisa Gallegos Michael Gibbons Angela Goldberg Kaylee Gommel Bolivar Gonzales, Jr. Les Gordon Mrs. Grabarczyk George Halloran Kellar Harris Peg Hausen</i>	<i>David Hoffman David Ivanac Chuck Jabaley Ronald Jakubec Tom Kinsella Liz Kunkel Betty LaCour Carmen D. Lorenzana Palmira Mancini George Maroquin Jose Maroquin Lisa Marquez Margaret Sue Meadors Daniel Meyer Bill Mobley John Monier Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M. Elda Myers John Paul Nelson Angel Nieves Msgr. Kevin O'Neill Frank O'Toole</i>	<i>Clayton Poe Carol Poyner Marie Koesters-Ranley 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 Susan Violapiano John Wagner Jack Williams Mae Witry Jim Woods David Zeunert  Survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse</i>
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## Celebrant and Minister Schedule

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC BREAD	EUCCHARISTIC WINE
Saturday 9-5-15	5:00 PM	Rev. Chas Shelby, CM	Raquel Bech	Carol Christiansen	Minister Needed (C1, P) Carly Johnston
French Mass Saturday 9-5-15	6:30 PM				
Sunday 9-6-15	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Karen Secrest	Minister Needed (H2, T) Jocelyn Lutkus Barbara Schell	Michael Zost Minister Needed (C2) Phyllis Halloran Eric Fredericks
Spanish Mass 9-6-15 Sunday	10:30 AM	Rev. John Rybolt, CM	Carmen Vazquez Carmen Ubides	Carmen Cruz	Francisco Perez
Sunday 9-6-15	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Karen Carpino	Margaret Burke	Alice Morales-Villenas Bert Olson
Sunday 9-6-15	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Jim Krag	Eileen Raia Luke Kolman Sara Hock	Cara Gannon Christopher Parente Jonathan Hewett Aubre Hewett

# Readings/Lecturas

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## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30  
**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37  
**Wednesday:** Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44  
**Thursday:** Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11  
**Friday:** Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39  
**Saturday:** Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5  
**Sunday:** Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

## Lecturas de la Semana

**Lunes:** 1 Tes 4:13-18; Sal 96 (95):1, 3-5, 11-13; Lc 4:16-30  
**Martes:** 1 Tes 5:1-6, 9-11; Sal 27 (26):1, 4, 13-14; Lc 4:31-37  
**Miércoles:** Col 1:1-8; Sal 52 (51):10-11; Lc 4:38-44  
**Jueves:** Col 1:9-14; Sal 98 (97):2-6; Lc 5:1-11  
**Viernes:** Col 1:15-20; Sal 100 (99):1b-5; Lc 5:33-39  
**Sábado:** Col 1:21-23; Sal 54 (53):3-4, 6, 8; Lc 6:1-5  
**Domingo:** Is 35:4-7a; Sal 146:7-10; Stgo 2:1-5; Mc 7:31-37

## Treasures from Our Tradition

Last week's discussion of the permanent diaconate and its restoration will lead inevitably to questions about "deaconesses," something certainly under study as historians and liturgists research our tradition's treasures. Today, there are some settings in which women are entrusted with pastoral administration and have been called to preach and to officiate at weddings. Lay people can lead the funeral rites and daily prayer. Yet the question of ordination to the diaconate for women is complex. Yes, we have had deaconesses in our tradition. We know that they assisted with the baptism of women, and that ministries were entrusted to them. We also know that some early church councils took care to call them lay persons, and specifically forbade ordination. What confuses the picture is that they may have been the wives of deacons, who, like the wives of priests and bishops, were expected to serve the community as exemplars of the Christian life. Long after deaconesses disappeared, their ministry was treasured and carried on by religious women in consecrated life. It is clear that one of our greatest treasures is the vibrant engagement of women in ministry over the centuries. What is not as clear is where our questions will lead. — Rev. James Field,

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## Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Pobres fariseos, cómo les echamos piedras. Durante el ministerio público de Jesús los fariseos no tenían mucho poder, pues la clase sacerdotal era la que dominaba la vida religiosa de los hebreos. Los fariseos eran gente común: eran laicos. No obstante, estos laicos no se conformaban con sólo cumplir el requisito de la oración y asistir a la sinagoga. Los fariseos pueden compararse con los carismáticos, ministros de la comunión y otros cristianos laicos que no se conforman sólo con asistir a la misa cada semana. Los fariseos también deseaban aprender más acerca de la Palabra de Dios y practicar su fe en todas partes. Probablemente, Jesús mismo, en algún momento perteneció al grupo de los fariseos.

Entonces ¿de dónde viene el pleito cristiano con los fariseos? Con la destrucción del Templo judío (año 70 d.C.) se acabó la clase sacerdotal. Cuando se escribieron los cuatro evangelios, quienes estaban al frente de la religión hebrea eran los fariseos, no los sacerdotes. Ellos, en su afán de preservar la fe judía, no permitían novedades como las de los judíos cristianos. Por esto se creó una división entre los fariseos y los cristianos, división que aparece en los evangelios una y otra vez. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz,

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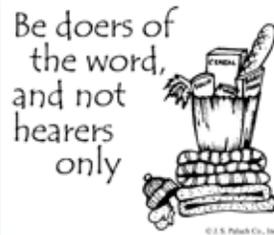
## Tradition

Tradition is long human memory set, not in stone, but in human interaction. Without this active memory, the bonds of relationship and affection fray and fall apart. Communities dissolve as surely as neglected buildings do. After participating in events, celebrations, and even small rituals, we remark about how good it is to gather and remember.

Today's readings remind us of foundations laid deeper than the human will to relate. Today we hear about God's will to relate to us—to be our God as we are called to be God's own beloved people.

Today in three readings and three ways we remember the covenant bonds that create us as a people and the obligation and responsibility that express the innermost attitude of soul. You are mine. I am yours. These are God's words that created a people as surely as "Let there be light" created the sun and moon and all the stars.

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## Tradición

La tradición es la memoria humana a largo plazo, mantenida no en piedra sino en la interrelación humana. Sin esta memoria activa, los lazos de relaciones y de afecto se debilitan y se deshacen. Las comunidades se separan tan de seguro como caen los edificios abandonados. Después de participar en acontecimientos, celebraciones y hasta en pequeños ritos, comentamos lo bueno que es el reunarnos y recordar.

Las lecturas de hoy nos recuerdan aquellos fundamentos que van más hondo que la voluntad humana para relacionarse. Hoy escuchamos sobre la voluntad divina de relacionarse con nosotros —de ser nuestro Dios tal como nosotros somos llamados a ser el pueblo amado de Dios.

Hoy recordamos en tres lecturas y de tres maneras los lazos de la alianza que nos establece como pueblo, y las obligaciones y responsabilidades que expresan lo más hondo del alma. Tú eres mío. Yo soy tuya. Estas son palabras de Dios que crearon a un pueblo, tan seguramente como "Hágase la luz" creó el sol y la luna y todas las estrellas. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Hagan lo que dice la Palabra



## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — Moses directs the people to observe the commandments of the Lord (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8).

**Psalms** — The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

**Second Reading** — Welcome the word that you have received and become doers of the word, not hearers only (James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).

**Gospel** — You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).



## Lecturas de Hoy

**Primera lectura** — Moisés ordena al pueblo guardar los mandamientos de Yavé porque así serán conocidos como pueblo sabio e inteligente (Deuteronomio 4:1-2, 6-8).

**Salmo** — ¿Quién será grato a tus ojos, Señor? (Salmo 15 [14]).

**Segunda lectura** — Reciban la palabra sembrada entre ustedes, y pongan por obra lo que dice la palabra y no se conformen con oírla (Santiago 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).

**Evangelio** — Lo que nos hace impuros son las maldades que salen de dentro, de nuestro propio corazón, no las cosas de afuera (Marcos 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).

## Join in the Men's *Silent Retreat* At Bellarmine Hall, September 11-13

A group from St. Teresa will be attending the Men's Silent Retreat at Bellarmine Hall in Barrington the



weekend of September 11 -13. Our participation has been growing the last few years, and we want to continue that momentum as the experience is even more meaningful when one shares the "silence" with friends. **All men 18 and older are welcome!**

Past participants know this as a powerful opportunity to take time for yourself, get away from distractions of the day and have space for reflection, meditation and come into closer contact with God. You can attend the retreat master talks, meet one-on-one with a priest, participate in Mass and other traditions, or simply spend the time alone on the beautiful grounds.

**Sign-ups are at [bellarminehall.org](http://bellarminehall.org), click on Retreat Listings / Retreats for Men / Sept 11-13 Retreat.** Please indicate you are with the Matt Carpenter group, which has special priority for the weekend. The retreat lasts from Friday evening until late morning on Sunday. We will arrange car pools for those headed out from the city and toast the weekend with a beverage at a local watering hole before the retreat begins.

**Questions? Contact Craig Dean at [cdeanhockey@gmail.com](mailto:cdeanhockey@gmail.com) or 312-948-5605.**

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

STOP IN FOR QUIET PRAYER

**TUESDAYS**  
BETWEEN  
**7:00 & 8:30 PM**

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CATHOLIC PARISH • EST. 1889

The poster features a central image of a monstrance with a host, surrounded by rays of light. At the bottom, there is a small icon of a church building.

## Children's Participation Masses Scheduled

St. Teresa continues its tradition of holding monthly Children's Participation Masses at the 9:00 am Sunday Mass. This year's schedule is: September 13; October 11; November 8; December 13; January 10; February 7; March 13; April 10; and May 8.



**All children are invited to help as greeters, collection basket ushers, or gift bearers at these masses.** Families in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd already receive emails inviting their children to sign up for a role at a given Mass. **If you would like to receive monthly reminders but are not in CGS, please email Kate Lynch at [kolynchdre@gmail.com](mailto:kolynchdre@gmail.com) to be added to that special distribution list.**

We are also **seeking children in 4th through 8th grades interested in serving as lectors** at these Masses. A training session will take place near the end of September. If your 4th-8th grade child is interested, please contact Kate Lynch [kolynchdre@gmail.com](mailto:kolynchdre@gmail.com) or Lina Hilko [LHilko@aol.com](mailto:LHilko@aol.com). We would like to train about 10 children in this role this year.

## First Saturday—Primer Sábado September 5 — 5 de Septiembre

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



Todos son bienvenidos a unirse a la devoción del rosario de primer Sábado a Nuestra Señora de Fátima el 05 de Septiembre a las 4:00 pm en la iglesia.

## About Faith, St. Teresa said...

**The Lord said to me, "Why are you afraid? Do you not know that I am all-powerful? I will fulfill what I have promised."**



## Next Men's Spirituality September 8th

Are you interested in enriching your faith through discussion with men of all ages?



Join the Men's Spirituality Group on one of the Tuesdays below at 6:30am in the Parish Center. Please contact Matt Priesbe at [mpriesbe@aol.com](mailto:mpriesbe@aol.com) for more information.

## 6:51 Club Hospitality

The **6:51 Club** meets on the third Sunday of every month after the 6:00 pm mass. Please join us for food and fellowship! Our next **6:51 Club** is Sunday, September 20.

We are also looking for hosts to prepare dinner for upcoming 6:51 Clubs. Couples or groups of friends have had a lot of fun with this in the past!

Available dates are September 20, October 18, November 15, and December 20.

**Please email Sara Hock,  
at [saramhock@gmail.com](mailto:saramhock@gmail.com) to volunteer.**

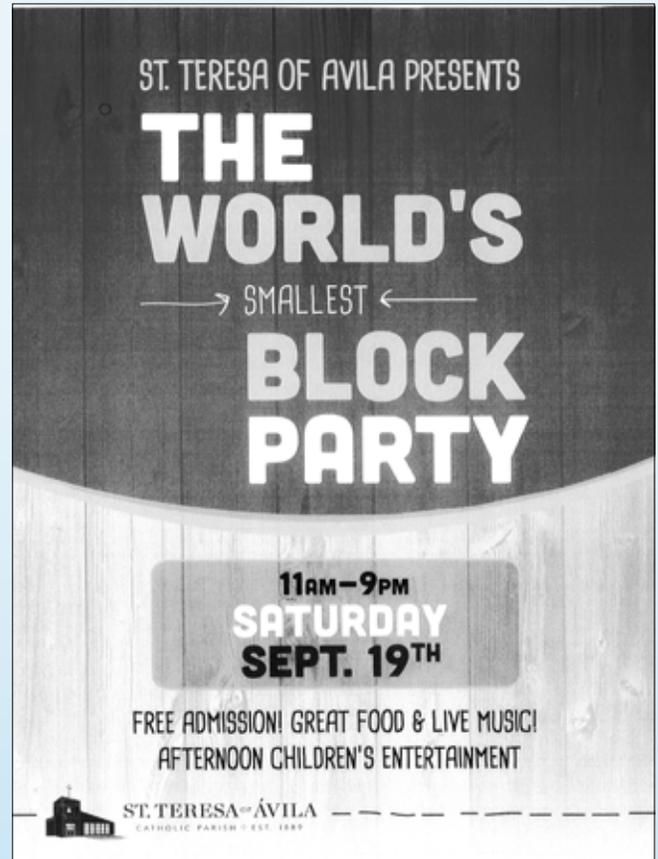
## Food Pantry Shopping List

There are four items the Food Pantry could *really* use:

- **Oatmeal**
- **Boxed Cereal (sweetened and unsweetened)**
- **Hearty Canned Soups**
- **Extra-strength grocery bags with handles**



If you are interested in volunteering at the Food Pantry, please contact Dave Hilko at [dahilko@deloitte.com](mailto:dahilko@deloitte.com).



**Please plan on attending our parish Block Party on September 19th! We will have live music from noon to nine, and kid's activities from noon to five.**

And we're looking for many volunteers as well! Sign up by clicking "Block Party" on the parish website [st-teresa.net](http://st-teresa.net).

## Loaves & Fishes Shopping List

Our Loaves & Fishes team could really use the following three items for the preparation of their Friday evening meals:

- **Flour**
- **Vegetable Oil**
- **Sugar**



If you're interested in volunteering to either cook for Loaves & Fishes or serve our guests, contact Amir at [amir@staying-true.com](mailto:amir@staying-true.com).

## Show Mercy

Obedying the commandments helps us to structure our lives with habits that keep us from sin and protect the common good. But law is not enough. Only an interior change purifies our intentions.

The Pharisees observed many external practices that gave them a sense of virtue. Everyone could see that they were pious and disciplined. The rituals of diet and hand-washing began as health precautions during the desert years. Exclusion from the camp or quick penalties for violating rules were necessary to protect the community from disease or moral breakdown. Once the people were settled again, these practical rules became ritual observances. But ritual purity soon became an excuse to avoid the unwashed poor, the uneducated, the smelly beggars who might contaminate the righteous people.

Jesus challenged this perspective. Good and evil are first matters of intent. The proud hypocrite is more of a threat to the community than a poor person who is doing his or her best despite obstacles.

Shakespeare's "Hamlet" has the line "There is nothing either good or bad but thinking makes it so." T.S. Eliot, in "Murder in the Cathedral," poses the paradox: "The last temptation is the greatest treason: to do the right deed for the wrong reason." There is no moral certainty that relieves us of discernment.

For Jesus, as Paul later noted, God's grace replaced law not



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by excusing us from rules, but by elevating us to the spirit of the rule by writing it on our hearts, so we could obey freely from within, not out of fear of punishment. Strict rules may be appropriate for children, to protect them, but free obedience is a more mature stage of development.

Jesus criticized the Pharisees for using their status as teachers to judge others. He criticized them for trying to control people by inducing scrupulosity and fear to get them to conform, rather than helping them come to maturity and freedom.

During the Holy Year, Pope Francis wants to create a church of mercy, a more pastoral church, a field hospital for the wounded rather than a tribunal that withholds

the sacraments until people conform to the ideal. A different model of church threatens those who only know how to enforce the letter of the law. They lose their power as arbiters. Facing life's ambiguity, dealing with each case individually, requires more pastoral skills. Imposing the rules does not require discernment. Mercy is the greater challenge. The minister of mercy must accompany sinners as they make progress. Critics fear moral gradualism and relativism. Some prefer all or nothing, in or out, a smaller, purer church rather than a big tent filled with saints and sinners together. But how will we ever tell the difference?

Jesus' approach is not to deny the reality of sin, but to question the possibility of one person judging another. Only God sees the heart. Who knows the burdens and limitations one person faces in doing their best, or the hidden sins of someone else who lords it over others? James 5:20 reminds us that "mercy covers a multitude of sins," including our own. If we suspend judgment and extend mercy to others, we receive it ourselves.

The beatitude "Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God" sums up Jesus' challenge to us to be like God, merciful to everyone. For when we show mercy, we see God at work in one another, where God dwells.

Celebration Publications, Pat Marrin

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

## Pastoral Council

Jessica Marx  
Bert Olson  
Anna Althoff  
Alex Lopez

Justin Peters  
Amir Rafizadeh  
Laura King

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

## Finance Council

Jane Bronson  
Jack Halpin  
Chris Parente  
Ray Genellie  
Elissa Sirovatka

Justin Alden  
Dave Hilko  
Steve Fortino  
Becky Francis

Matt Donner is president of the Parish Finance Council; his email is mdonner19199@gmail.com

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

## Building Committee

Steve Kolinski  
Caleb Marx  
Bill Mack  
Jane Bronson  
Jose Cervantes  
Carol Christiansen  
Dave Hilko

Dan Hurley  
Karen Kinsella  
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The Building Committee meets to discuss renovation fundraising issues in the Parish Center.

## Renovation Committee

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Jack Halpin

Marilee Halpin  
Justin Peters  
Nancy Van Grinsven  
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Dante Domenella, *Architect*  
Dwayne Piyatilake, *Stained Glass Artist*  
Fr. Frank

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### Evangelization

Seeking a Leader

**Our Mission** 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.

### Dealing with Stress...

The Holbrook Center, a service of Catholic Charities, provides confidential counseling at many locations, including its newest office at Holy Name Cathedral. Licensed counselors, affordable fees, and convenient appointment times, including evenings.

The Holbrook Counseling Center is in the network with BC/BS PPO. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call at (312) 655-7725.

### 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

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

<sup>+</sup> First and third Saturdays, October through June

<sup>\*</sup> First Sundays

### Weekday Masses

7:30 am Monday through Thursday  
7:30 am Fridays Communion Service

