

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Armitage & Kenmore Avenues

Chicago, IL 60614



November 1, 2015

All Saints

Faith & Spirit. *Alive*



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See what love the Father
has bestowed on us that we may be
called the children of God.

— 1 John 3:13

Stewardship

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Avila in Action

Stewardship is rooted in the idea that all we have is a gift from God, and with grace we gratefully give back to God from what we have been given. In the same way the Church teaches these principles, the church itself strives to live by them. St. Teresa of Avila parish has historically given 3% of our collections to charities outside of our walls.

This year, the Stewardship Committee along with the Finance Council have made a prayerful decision to increase our giving percentage to 6%, and to seek input from the parish on how the funds are distributed. This initiative has been named *Avila in Action*. There will be more details available soon, and I am looking forward to opening a dialogue on the joy of giving.

If you have any questions about this, or other Stewardship related matters, please call or email me. I'm also happy to meet for coffee and discuss how you can get involved. Thanks for being a part of the community.

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

Help Us Reach 350!

Our biggest fundraiser of the year is just two weeks away. Whether you've already purchased tickets, are planning to get tickets soon, or even if you cannot make the event, here are a few ways you can help:



If you are free on the 14th:

- Buy tickets and join us
- Call two friends and invite them to join you
- Sign up to work as a volunteer for the evening

Anyone! Even if you cannot attend:

- Buy a raffle ticket! \$100 gets you a good chance of winning your choice of a great vacation.
- View the auction items online and bid by absentee
- Donate items to the auction (we are still in need of sports tickets and other silent auction items)

For more information visit st-teresa.net, or contact Rebecca: robrien@stteresaparish.org or call/text (312) 523 8902.

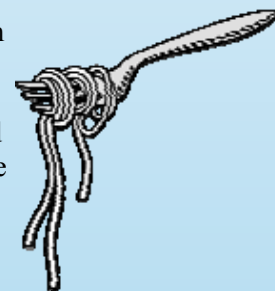
Spaghetti Dinner a Huge Success

The Spaghetti Dinner last Saturday was by all measures a big success. This year we saw the largest crowd ever, the most money raised, and the most fun! The attendance included new parishioners, long standing parishioners, neighbors & friends. At the end of the evening there was nary a crumb left.

Thanks to our wonderful volunteers that made the night remarkable:

- St. Teresa staff for all their help with coordinating;
- Jason Krumweide for technical support;
- Marilyn, Geneva, Janet, Lily and Tom who all helped in the kitchen;
- Karen, Mark, and Brian who made certain that the bar was always ready to serve;

- Lisa, Dan, Amir, and Dean were great as the wait staff;
- Imelda, Edgar, Nancy, and Frank who ensured that the tables were clean, the guests were happy and the bills were correct; and,
- Lynn and her family for helping us with setting up and for decorating the tables beautifully.



The Parish appreciates your support and commitment.

— Mike Usiak

**Most
Wanted
Volunteers**

**Time of Your Life
Volunteers**

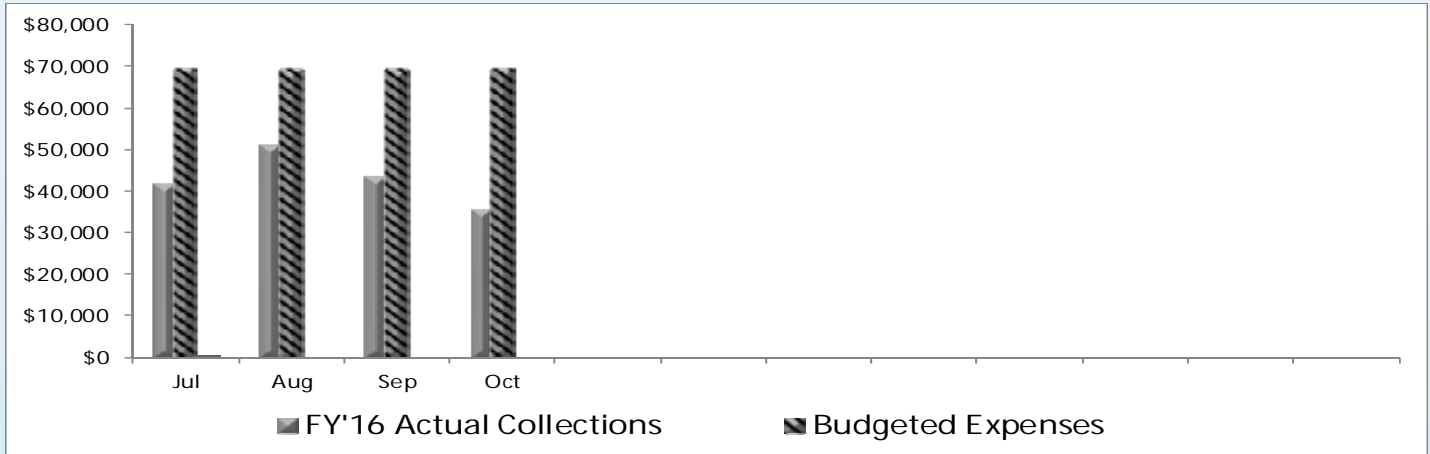
**Hospitality
Hosts**

**2 Children's
Liturgy
Leaders**

**8
Catechists**

Interested in volunteering? Contact Rebecca at 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 met 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.
- Please contact the Business Manager, Erica Saccucci with any questions at esaccucci@stteresaparish.org, or Matt Donner, our Finance Council chair. Our financials are also available on our website at www.st-teresa.net.
- The next Finance Council meeting is on November 16th 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.

Parish Calendar

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November Baptisms



Jonah Gray Nayman (11-8-15)
Conrad Leo Marx (11-8-15)
Audrey Kathryn Baxter (11-8-15)
Christopher Francis Tongelidis (11-15-15)
Jacob Joseph Kmec (11-22-15)

Come On Out And Sing!!

Singing and music a passion or a joy of yours? Wanting to find ways to become involved with St. Teresa of Avila parish? Join our **contemporary choir for the 6:00 pm Mass.**



The commitment is easy; the fulfillment and fun are rewarding! The choir sings on the 3rd Sunday of the month and rehearsal takes place at 4:30 that afternoon.

Contact Jason Krumwiede, with any questions or to join musicalnut1@mac.com

Calendar at a Glance

Sunday, November 1

- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 10:00 am, PC, Hospitality
- 10:20 am, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 7:00 pm, REC, Edge

Monday, November 2

- 4:00 pm, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Tuesday, November 3

- 4:00 pm, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 6:00 pm, REC, SPRED
- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, November 4

- 5:30 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis

Thursday, November 5

- 9:00 am, Food Depository Delivery

Friday, November 6

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

Saturday, November 7

- 9:00 am, PC, GS, Food Pantry Setup
- 10:00 am, PC, GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 2:00 pm, Church, Baum-Kolodgy Wedding
- 3:40 pm, Church, Bjerke-Leibrandt Wedding
- 4:00 pm, Church, Our Lady of Fatima Rosary
- 4:30 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis 8th & 9th
- 5:00 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis 1st & 2nd

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: All Saints Day
Monday: All Souls Day
Tuesday: St. Martin de Porres
Wednesday: St. Charles Borromeo
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

Domingo: Todos los Santos
Lunes: Conmemoración
Martes: San Martín de Porres
Miércoles: San Carlos Borromeo
Viernes: Primer Viernes
Sábado: Santa María Virgen; Primer Sábado

November 2015 Food Pantry Schedule

Saturday, November 7

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

Saturday, November 14th

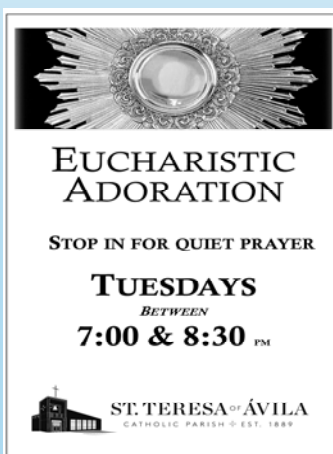
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 am Distribution

Saturday, November 21st

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

Saturday, November 28th

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

October 31

5:00 pm For Fr. Thaddeus Dzieszko and the Parishioners of St. Constance *

November 1

9:00 am Robert Rooney; and for Fr. Matthew O'Donnell and the Parishioners of St. Columbanus *
 12:00 pm Kenneth & Joyce Jaszczor on the 53rd wedding anniversary; Robert Rooney; and for Fr. Charles Watkins and the Parishioners St. Columba *
 6:00 pm For Fr. Peter Galek and the Parishioners of Colette (Rolling Meadows) *

* 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

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.

Let Us Pray

Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

Sr. Barbara Jean Ciszek, Georgina Garcia, Bolivar Gonzales, Fred Jabaley, Rev. Oscar Lukefahr, CM, James H. Mack, Frank Mirabella, Jennifer Mosher, Walter and Germaine Mulvihill, John and Margaret O'Neill, Robert Rooney, Bridie Ryan, Rev. David Stagaman, SJ, Lucille Stanko, John Wagner, Victims of War & Domestic Violence

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

<i>Alicia Anderson</i>	<i>David Hoffman</i>	<i>Clayton Poe</i>
<i>Dorothy Barns</i>	<i>David Ivanac</i>	<i>Carol Poyner</i>
<i>Dolores Berendsen</i>	<i>Chuck Jabaley</i>	<i>Marie Koesters-Ranley</i>
<i>Berta Billavazo</i>	<i>Ronald Jakubec</i>	<i>Deacon Hector Rivera</i>
<i>Ann Buehler</i>	<i>Tom Kinsella</i>	<i>Hector J. Rivera</i>
<i>Susan Conway</i>	<i>Liz Kunkel</i>	<i>Pedro Rodriguez</i>
<i>Michael De Blasis</i>	<i>Betty LaCour</i>	<i>Ray Romero</i>
<i>Kathy Derrick</i>	<i>Carmen D. Lorenzana</i>	<i>Jeffrey Roscoe</i>
<i>Kim Duffy</i>	<i>Palmira Mancini</i>	<i>Sr. Camilla Mary Marney, OCD</i>
<i>Jackson Fineske & Family</i>	<i>George Maroquin</i>	<i>Sr. Jean Ryan, OCD</i>
<i>Alice Flynn</i>	<i>Jose Maroquin</i>	<i>Jack Schank</i>
<i>Padraig Gallagher</i>	<i>Lisa Marquez</i>	<i>Laura Szejka</i>
<i>Eloisa Gallegos</i>	<i>Margaret Sue Meadors</i>	<i>Mima Tome</i>
<i>Michael Gibbons</i>	<i>Daniel Meyer</i>	<i>JoAnn Jahnke Trainer</i>
<i>Angela Goldberg</i>	<i>Bill Mobley</i>	<i>Susan Violapiano</i>
<i>Kaylee Gommel</i>	<i>John Monier</i>	<i>Jack Williams</i>
<i>Bolivar Gonzales, Jr.</i>	<i>Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M.</i>	<i>Mae Witry</i>
<i>Les Gordon</i>	<i>Elda Myers</i>	<i>David Zeunert</i>
<i>Mrs. Grabarczyk</i>	<i>John Paul Nelson</i>	
<i>George Halloran</i>	<i>Angel Nieves</i>	<i>Survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse</i>
<i>Kellar Harris</i>	<i>Msgr. Kevin O'Neill</i>	
<i>Peg Hausen</i>	<i>Frank O'Toole</i>	

We pray for those who have died and those who are ill every Tuesday at Eucharistic Adoration, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Come join us in quiet prayer.

Celebrant and Minister Schedule

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC BREAD	EUCCHARISTIC WINE
Saturday 11-7-15	5:00 PM	Rev. Chas Shelby, CM	Karen Carpino	Eric Fredericks	Rob Harmer Linda Harmer
Next French Mass Saturday 11-7-15	6:30 PM				
Sunday 11-8-15	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Children's Service	Lina Hilko Minister Needed (H3) Carmen Ubides	Ellen Moiani Rose Ohiku Barb Schell Jamie Lutkus
Next Spanish Mass 11-15-15 Sunday	10:30 AM	Rev. Tom Ess, OFM			
Sunday 11-8-15	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Claire Kenkel	Bob Pedro	Minister Needed (C1, P) Alice Morales-Villenas
Sunday 11-8-15	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sharon Lindstrom	Dani Shain Sara Hock Eileen Raia	Elizabeth Cuda Jane Bronson Veronique Caffrey Carol Christiansen

Readings/Lecturas

November 1 — November 7

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Tuesday:	Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday:	Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes:	Sab 3:1-9; Sal 23 (2):1-6; Rom 5:5-11 o 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, o lecturas de entre las Misas para los difuntos
Martes:	Rom 12:5-16b; Sal 131 (130):1bcde-3; Lc 14:15-24
Miércoles:	Rom 13:8-10; Sal 112 (111):1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lc 14:25-33
Jueves:	Rom 14:7-12; Sal 27 (26):1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lc 15:1-10
Viernes:	Rom 15:14-21; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Lc 16:1-8
Sábado:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Sal 145 (144):2-5, 10-11; Lc 16:9-15
Domingo:	1 Re 17:10-16; Sal 146 (145):7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mc 12:38-44 [41-44]

Treasures from Our Tradition

Eight hundred years ago, the church's practice of penance underwent major revision as theologians, called scholastics, reflected on the practice of their day. By then, penance was normally a very secret rite, celebrated completely apart from the community. Public penance had mostly disappeared behind the walls of monasteries and convents. The scholastics trimmed penance down to its essentials, even sweeping aside age-old traditions like a laying on of hands and prayers of absolution. All that was left was the confessor's simple statement, "*Ego te absolvo*," "I absolve you."

In 1614 a new ritual book tried to make penance more public and solemn. It suggested, but did not require, that the priest wear a surplice and stole, and hear the confession in a confessional. For the first time, we have the directive that the priest be separated from the penitent by a screen, a rule that some bishops applied very strictly. By the 1940s, large numbers of Catholics availed themselves of the sacrament of confession every Saturday, and most thought confession was a prerequisite for Communion. In some urban parish churches, confessionals were staffed, usually by the junior priest, for several hours every day, even during the celebration of Mass. It is remarkable how quickly things changed, but as we have seen, the system has collapsed before and what often comes next is an impulse of the Spirit, new life, and a fresh start. — Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

En el Evangelio de san Mateo se encuentra el sermón más largo de Jesucristo. Abarca tres capítulos y contiene una serie de instrucciones para quienes desean ser sus discípulos. El famoso Sermón de la Montaña, es para Jesús y los cristianos lo que los Diez Mandamientos son para Moisés y los judíos. Jesús proclama la nueva Ley. La Ley de Israel se sintetiza en los Diez Mandamientos, mientras que la ley cristiana se resume en ocho bienaventuranzas.

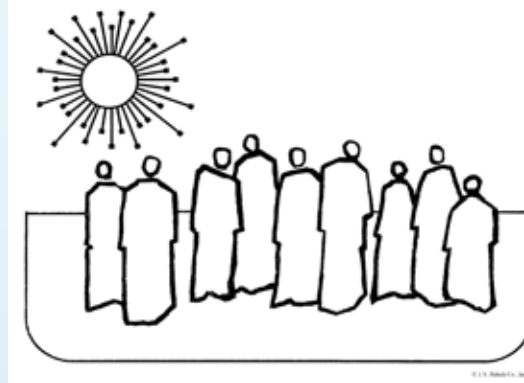
Estas bienaventuranzas son algo extrañas ya que unen cosas completamente opuestas a la felicidad, y las beatíficas. Es decir, son cosas aparentemente contradictorias: "Dichosos los que lloran"; "felices los pobres"; "bendito tú cuando te calumnien por causa mía". Jesús toma lo que la sociedad maldice y lo convierte en camino de bendición, porque nuestros caminos y pensamientos no son los de Dios. Dios ve mucho más de lo que podemos ver o imaginar. Por eso las bienaventuranzas son ocho y no diez, porque más que una ley para cumplir, las bienaventuranzas son la esperanza de un nuevo día. Son la promesa de un nuevo inicio para la humanidad, gracias a Dios. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

We Long to See God's Face

Anhelamos Ver el Rostro de Dios

“Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.” This antiphon for today’s responsorial psalm offers the focus for today’s readings. As we on earth celebrate the triumph of all the saints—the ones officially canonized by the Church, and the countless others who have also reached heaven—we add nothing to their glory. But we give ourselves reason to hope. We too long to see the face of God and believe that we can one day be counted among those whose robes, as John tells us in the book of Revelation, are washed “white in the blood of the Lamb.”

The passage from John’s First Letter offers further assurance: we are God’s children who will one day see God. But today’s Gospel pulls us past longing and reassurance into action. Jesus clearly tells us what we must do to be counted among the saints. We must be poor in spirit, hungry for holiness, merciful, single-hearted, and peacemakers! Then we too will see the face of God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



“Esta es la raza de los que buscan tu rostro Señor”. Esta antífona para el salmo responsorial de hoy brinda el tono de la lecturas de hoy.

Cuando en la tierra celebramos la victoria de todos los santos, de los que están canonizados oficialmente por la Iglesia y de los sinnúmero que también han llegado al cielo, no sumamos nada a su gloria. Sino que recibimos un motivo más para tener esperanzas. Nosotros,

también, anhelamos ver el rostro de Dios y creemos que un día podremos estar entre aquellos cuyas túnicas, como nos dice Juan en el libro del Apocalipsis, han sido lavadas y blanqueadas “con la sangre del Cordero”.

El pasaje de la primera carta del apóstol San Juan nos garantiza que somos hijos de Dios y un día veremos a Dios tal cual es. Pero el Evangelio de hoy nos hace pasar del anhelo y la certeza a la acción. Jesús nos dice claramente qué debemos hacer para estar entre los santos. Debemos ser pobres de espíritu, misericordiosos, limpios de corazón, tener hambre y sed de justicia y trabajar por la paz. Entonces, nosotros también veremos el rostro de Dios. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Today's Readings

First Reading — John’s vision of a vast throng from every nation and people, whose robes had been made white in the blood of the Lamb (Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — By God’s love, we may be called God’s children (1 John 3:1-3).

Gospel — The Beatitudes: your reward will be great in heaven (Matthew 5:1-12a).



Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — Visión de Juan de una muchedumbre de todos los pueblos y naciones cuyas vestiduras habían sido blanqueadas con la sangre del Cordero (Apocalipsis 7:2-4, 9-14).

Salmo — Señor, este es el pueblo que espera ver tu rostro (Salmo 24 [23]).

Segunda lectura — Por el amor de Dios podemos ser llamados hijos suyos (1 Juan 3:1-3).

Evangelio — Las Bienaventuranzas: Su recompensa será grande en el cielo (Mateo 5:1-12a).

Thanks for Your Generous Response

Thank you for your generous response. Parishioner food donations picked up dramatically. In addition to needed food items, we also had a large donation of toothpaste and shampoo this week.



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

- Pasta & rice (all kinds)
- Oatmeal
- Boxed cereal
- Hearty canned soups
- Regular- and family-size deodorant & shampoo; tooth-brushes & toothpaste
- Extra-strength grocery bags with handles

If you are interested in volunteering at the Food Pantry, contact Dave Hilko at dahilko@deloitte.com.

First Saturday—Primer Sábado November 7 — 7 de Noviembre

Everyone is welcome to join the First-Saturday rosary devotion to Our lady of Fatima on November 7th at 4:00 pm in the church.

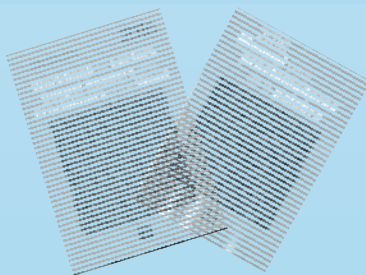


Todos son bienvenidos a unirse a la devoción del rosario Primera-sábado a Nuestra Señora de Fátima el 7 de Noviembre a las 4:00 pm en la iglesia.

2016 Lector Workbooks Available

Lector Workbooks for 2016 Liturgical Year are available in the sacristy in both English and Spanish.

The workbooks cover Sundays and Holy Days from November 29, 2015, the First Sunday of Advent, through November 20, 2016, the feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.



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.

This Year's Greenery Sale

This year, St. Teresa will sell wreaths, swags, and miniature Christmas trees on the weekend December 5th and 6th after all the Masses.

We will have a limited amount of items that will be delivered and sold, so please get there early to purchase. Payment is due at time of purchase.

Proceeds from the sale help fund the Church's decorations for the holidays and all extra profits go to St. Teresa.

Last year, we had requests for fresh roping and extra-large wreaths. These items can't be ordered in bulk, but can be ordered in advance ...outdoor 25-ft. Balsam roping sells for \$35; indoor 25-ft. mixed Douglas Fir/Western Cedar roping sells for \$45.

If you are interested in either of these items, please contact Kristen Castelloni by Sunday, November 1st at (773) 710-0068 or email kristen@rlcanning.com.



Hosts Still Needed at 9AM Mass

Many thanks to all who have signed up to host refreshments. We are still in need of volunteers to host the refreshments after the 9:00 am Mass on Sunday, November 29th and December 6th.



Please sign up today on the sheet at the refreshment table. Or you can click on the word "Volunteer" from St. Teresa's website home page to get to the parish VolunteerSpot Sign-Up site (or go directly to <http://vols.pt/XV1s5m>).

Thank you for sharing a spirit of welcome and helping to build community at St. Teresa.

Questions/training, contact Mairead at mairead.Reidy@yahoo.com.

Children's Participation Masses

St. Teresa's next monthly Children's Participation Mass will be Sunday, November 8th at the 9:00 am.



All children are invited to help as greeters, collection basket ushers, or gift bearers at these Masses. Children in 4th grade and up can serve as lectors upon receiving preparation.

Other Children's Masses this year and next are: December 13; January 10; February 7; March 13; April 10; and May 8.

To RSVP for a certain task, to indicate interest in lectoring, or to receive monthly reminders and invitations, please email Kate Lynch at kolynchdre@gmail.com.

Next Men's Spirituality is November 10th

Men of the parish: Are you looking to deepen your faith and meet peers on the same journey? Have you been curious about the St. Teresa Men's Spirituality Group? Turn over a new leaf and join us in the parish center on the following Tuesday mornings at 6:30am. We meet for an hour and adjourn before morning Mass. This group has meant a lot to its members during the past seven years. Find out why.

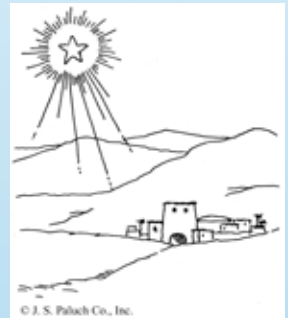


- **November 10:** Video presentation
- **November 24:** Lectio Divina
- **December 8:** The Immaculate Conception and Rosary
- **December 22:** Octave of Christmas

Please contact Matt Priesbe at mpriesbe@aol.com for more information.

Gifts from the Holy Land Nov. 7-8

On the weekend of November 7th and 8th, Little Bethlehem Arts and representatives of the Catholic Community from Jerusalem and Bethlehem in the Holy Land will be in our gathering space, displaying olive wood hand-crafted religious figures and articles for sale.



The Catholic Christian community in the Holy Land depends on olive wood carving and tourism. Due to the political conflicts and the lack of tourism there, many Christians have been forced to leave the Holy Land.

Please take a look after Mass. Proceeds from the sale of religious items will help Christians remaining in the Holy Land survive and keep their community alive.

Holy Persons

All saints, today is your day ... and my day. That's scary. At least I think so for myself. I am far too ordinary and flawed to consider myself "saint material."

Well, as you know, there are saints with a small "s" and Saints with a capital "S." All throughout the church year we celebrate feast days of saints with a capital "S." That list continues to grow.

In recent years we have seen more than the usual number of people declared saints by the church. The process they must go through is what we call canonization.

It seems like the Vatican saintmakers in recent years have been working overtime as they try to process a great number of candidates thoroughly for canonization. Always, candidates who make it through have brought some baggage with them. No one is perfect; we all have flaws and blind spots. So, how do you determine who is really a saint? The bottom line is: Did this or that person live their life with integrity, fully cooperating with God's grace to advance the reign of God on this earth — no matter what the cost? This, despite the human flaws that they carried with them?

With that understanding of being a saint, the door is open for anyone to be truly a saint, at least one with a small "s." One does not even need to be a Catholic or a Christian to be a saint. The important thing is that the person lives her or his life fully in accord with the graces God gives them. I like to



All of us are saints-in-progress, called to bring the reign of God to the 21st century.

greet all people with "Holy Person," at least in my heart. If they are living according to God's call to them, they are indeed holy; they are saints in the making.

Now, some people have special helps to live their life in ways that promote the reign of God on this earth. We who have been baptized into Christ have major and abundant gifts to enhance our lives in response to God's call. The scriptures reveal to us God's plan. Jesus Christ gives us the supreme example of how to cooperate with God. The Christian community nurtures, supports and inspires us, especially in the sacraments we share.

All of those elements of Christian life also come with special challenges for us. As we read in Revelation today, those who come through to the reign of God

are those "who have survived the time of great distress." The time of great distress did not end with the early church persecutions. It continues today. We live with a whole array of 21st-century challenges to the establishment of the reign of God on this earth.

Jesus' teaching in the Beatitudes that we heard in the Gospel, if applied to our day, will "knock our socks off" as we try to live his call with integrity.

Consider: "Blessed are the poor in spirit." How can we bring that to bear on our lives in a society that prizes "wealth management" above the sharing of our resources with those in need?

Consider: "Blessed are they who mourn." Do we truly mourn and take action when violence impacts our community; when killing becomes acceptable at all stages of life? Do we mourn when a species is lost, a forest is destroyed?

The apostle John says we now are "children of God," and in the world to come "we shall see him as he is." "All who have this hope," he says, strive to live their lives with the integrity and singlemindedness of Christ.

All of us are saints-in-progress, called to bring the reign of God to the 21st century

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

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

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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
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Weekend Masses

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

⁺ First and third Saturdays, October through June

* First Sundays

Weekday Masses

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

