

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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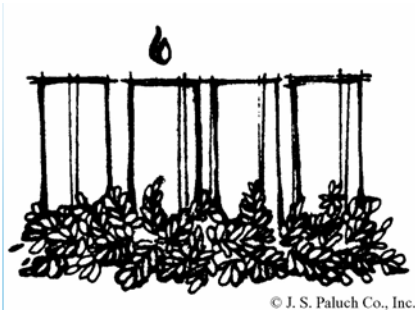
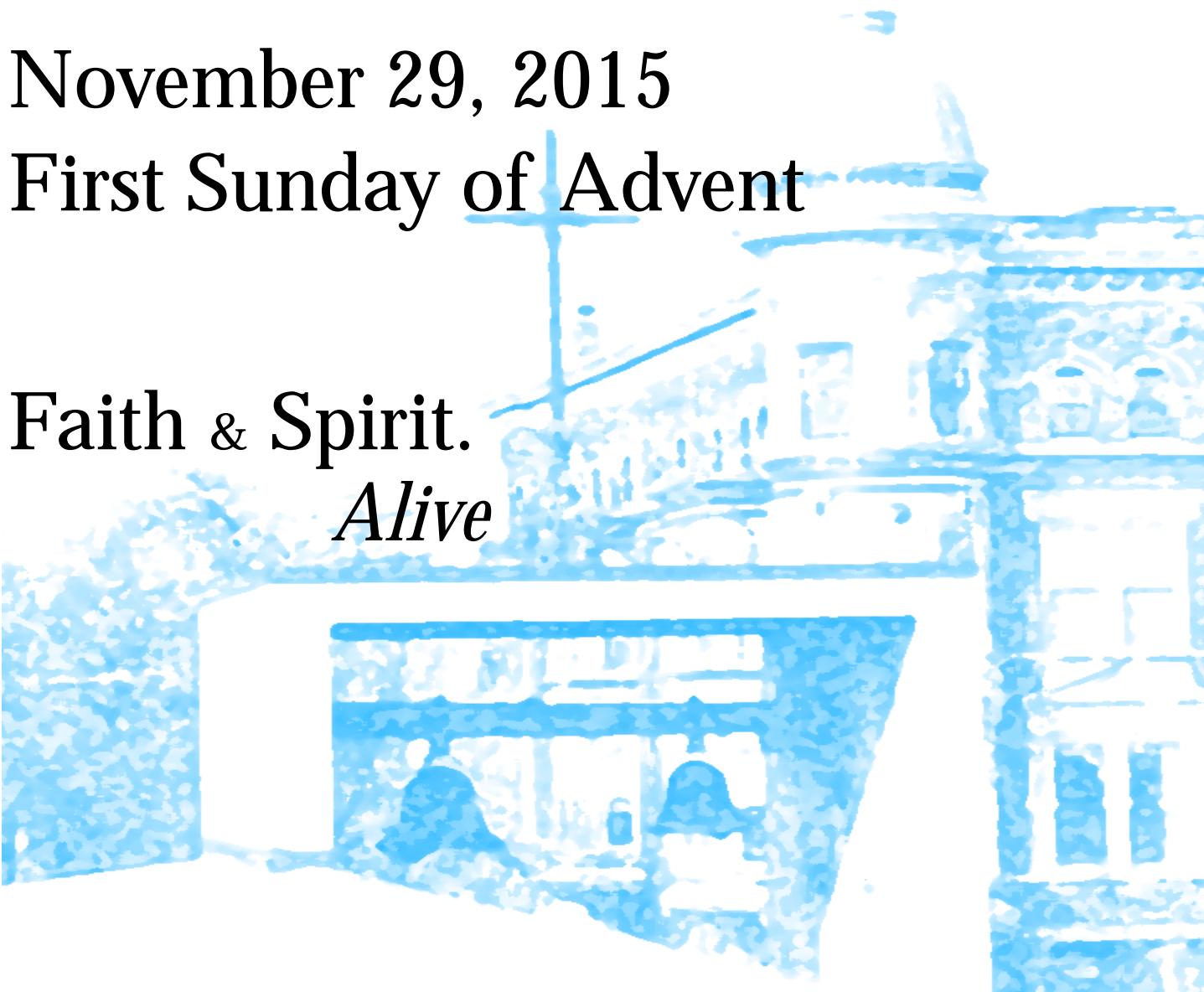
*Chicago, IL 60614*



## November 29, 2015

## First Sunday of Advent

### Faith & Spirit. *Alive*



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I will raise up for David a just shoot;  
He shall do what is right  
and just in the land.

— Jeremiah 33:15

# Stewardship

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## October Stewardship Numbers

- Food pantry service was up 46% this month distributing 1,169 bags of groceries;
- Loaves & Fishes volunteers and chefs served 22% more meals this month: 390 guests, 3,236 meals served year-to-date;
- 41 families were photographed for our photo directory;
- 21 volunteers served up 11 gallons of pasta, 5 gallons of sauce, 60 ft. of garlic bread, and over 200 meatballs;
- 32 donors gave life at our blood drive, which was run by six volunteers;
- Five people signed up for automated contributions via Give Central;
- 31 new individual or families have registered as parishioners (welcome!);
- Eight families hosted a post-Mass hospitality.

It costs more to help more. Our ministries are expanding and we are joyful to serve others. The budget for our social outreach programs has nearly doubled over the past few months as our programs increase their reach.

Did you know our outreach programs are funded by St. Teresa of Avila? When you donate to our Sunday collections, you not only support the operations of the parish, but our outreach missions as well. A simple way to help is by signing up for regular automated contributions on Give Central.

**Visit [st-teresa.net](http://st-teresa.net) and click on “donate” or contact the parish office for support.**

## Clothes Urgently Needed

Every week many men are deported from Broadview Detention Center in only the clothing they were detained in: summer clothes, sleepwear, etc.



As a parish community of St. Teresa of Avila, please consider participating in our clothes collection program by donating new, small or medium men sweatshirts and sweatpants as well as medium and large men’s coats, to alleviate the physical suffering of our immigrant brothers and sisters.

Bring your donated items to St. Teresa after any Mass between December 29th and January 3rd.

**This project is organized in collaboration with the Office for Immigrant Affairs of the Archdiocese of Chicago.**

**[www.cstholicsandimmigrants.org](http://www.cstholicsandimmigrants.org)**

Sign up for online giving at

*GiveCentral*

for your weekly offertory and other donations!

Three reasons to sign up:

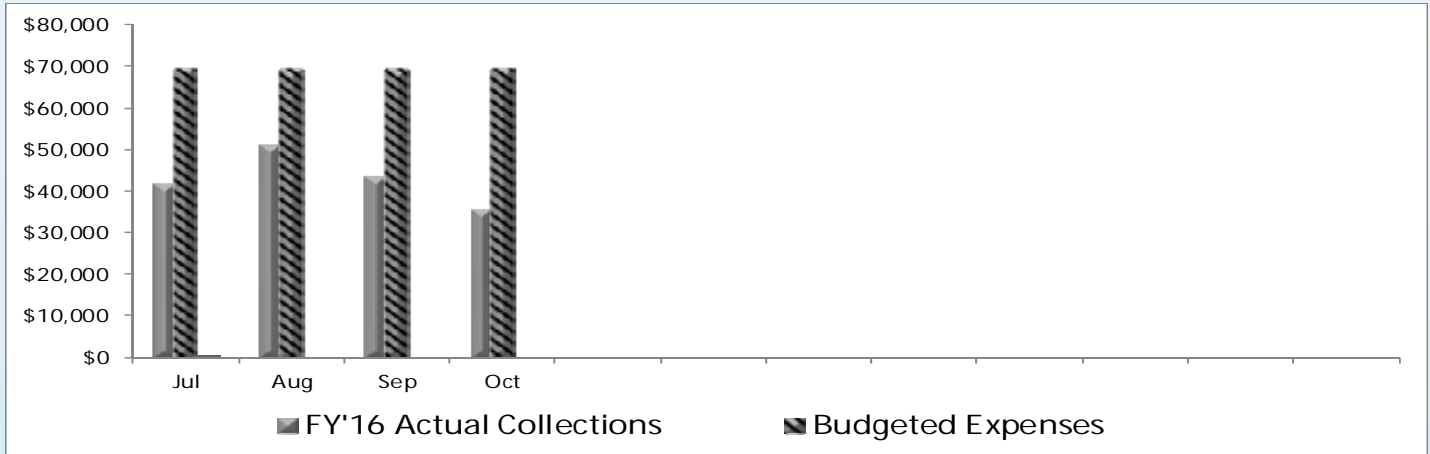
1. Give Central is completely safe and secure as it follows SSL encryption standards.
2. It's easy to sign up, update throughout the year, and review your gifts as often as you like.
3. You can make your gifts through most credit cards or online checking.

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<i>Most Wanted Volunteers</i>	<b>Social Media Admin</b>	<b>Graphic Designer</b>		
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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 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](mailto:esaccucci@stteresaparish.org), or Matt Donner, our Finance Council chair. 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 December 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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## About parents, St. Teresa said...

It was a help to me to see that my parents favored nothing but virtue. And they themselves possessed many.



## Three Comings of Christ

There are three distinct comings of the Lord of which I know, His coming to humankind, His coming into humankind, and His coming against humankind.

— St. Bernard: *Third Sermon for Advent*

Sabemos de una triple venida del Señor: su venida a la humanidad, su venida en la humanidad y su venida contra la humanidad.

— San Bernardo: *Tercer Sermón para Adviento*

## Calendar at a Glance

### Sunday, November 29

- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 10:00 am, PC, Hospitality
- 10:20 am, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 10:30 am, Kitchen, Night Ministry Cooking

### Monday, November 30

- 12:30 pm, PC, Chicago House

### Tuesday, December 1

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

### Wednesday, December 2

- 5:00 pm, Kitchen, Night Ministry Cooking
- 5:30 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis

### Thursday, December 3

- No Activities Planned

### Friday, December 4

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

### Saturday, December 5

- 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
- 4:30 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis
- 6:00 pm, GS, Christmas Greenery Sale
- 6:30 pm, Church, CCFC Mass
- 7:30 pm, PC, CCFC Potluck Dinner

### Saints & Special Observances

- Sunday: First Sunday of Advent  
Monday: St. Andrew  
Thursday: St. Francis Xavier  
Friday: St. John of Damascus; First Friday  
Saturday: First Saturday

- Domingo: Primer Domingo de Adviento  
Lunes: San Andrés  
Jueves: San Francisco Javier  
Viernes: San Juan Damasceno; Primer Viernes  
Sábado: Primer Sábado

### December 2015 Food Pantry Schedule

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

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

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

**Saturday, December 26th**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution



# Mass Schedule & Intentions

## Mass Intentions

### November 28

5:00 pm For Fr. Waclaw Lech and the Parishioners of St. Camillus\*

### November 29

9:00 am Robert Rooney; and for Fr. Frank Kurucz and the Parishioners of St. Cajetan\*  
 12:00 pm Jeremy A. Rivera; Robert Rooney; James Woods; and for Fr. Antoni Bury and the Parishioners St. Bruno\*  
 6:00 pm For Fr. Miguel Martinez and the Parishioners of St. Bronislava\*

### December 2

7:30 am Isabella Feliciano

\* 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.

## Let Us Pray

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

Barbara Byrd, 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...

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

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 12-5-15	5:00 PM	Rev. Chas Shelby, CM	Karen Carpino	Linda Harmer	Luke Kolman Leigh Hartley
Next French Mass Saturday 12-5-15	6:30 PM				
Sunday 12-6-15	9:00 AM	Rev. Tony Dosen, CM	Michael Zost	Barb Schell Minister Needed (H3) Jennifer Barrett	Mary Serrahn Mike Usiak Jocelyn Lutkus Minister Needed (C4)
Next Spanish Mass 12-6-15 Sunday	10:30 AM	Rev. John Rybolt, CM			
Sunday 12-6-15	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Daniel Kang	Minister Needed (H2,T)	Alice Morales-Villenas Maria Montes
Sunday 12-6-15	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Callie Pogge	Katie Assell Sharon Lindstrom Jon Assell	Sara Hock Dani Shane Minister Needed (C3) Cara Gannon

# Readings/Lecturas

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## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22  
**Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24  
**Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37  
**Thursday:** Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27  
**Friday:** Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31  
**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8  
**Sunday:** Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

## Lecturas de la Semana

**Lunes:** Rom 10:9-18; Sal 19 (18):8-11; Mt 4:18-22  
**Martes:** Is 11:1-10; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lc 10:21-24  
**Miércoles:** Is 25:6-10a; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Mt 15:29-37  
**Jueves:** Is 26:1-6; Sal 118 (117):1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27  
**Viernes:** Is 29:17-24; Sal 27 (26):1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31  
**Sábado:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Sal 147 (146):1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8  
**Domingo:** Bar 5:1-9; Sal 126:1-6; Fil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lc 3:1-6

## Treasures from Our Tradition

Advent is a time rich in family traditions. Many of them have been so effectively absorbed into our culture that their religious origins are hidden. Some of us will set candles in our windows tonight. The custom began in Ireland during the so-called “penal” days, extending from 1691 to the “Catholic Emancipation” in 1829 and beyond. There were harsh penalties and fines for not attending the government church. Priests were forced into hiding, but people were resourceful and determined in guarding their faith. At Christmas, Irish families, particularly in the countryside, placed a lighted candle in the cottage window and left the door unlatched, hoping that a priest might come by and celebrate the Christmas Mass for them.

The possibility of the Mass coming into the family home gave rise to other Irish customs at the beginning of Advent. The cottage received a fresh coat of whitewash, the threshold was swept especially clean, and fresh curtains were hung in the windows. The house was scrubbed until it gleamed, including all the pots and pans, and all garments and table linens were laundered. The custom of the Irish window candle was so admired in Catholic Europe that it was widely copied there, and now finds a welcome in households that may not exactly expect a priest to wander in!

— Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Es más que justo empezar el tiempo litúrgico de Adviento con la Virgen María. Esta semana celebramos la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de María. Esta es una fiesta especial para varios países americanos como Nicaragua, Panamá, Paraguay y los Estados Unidos que tienen como patrona nacional a la Madre de Jesús bajo este título.



Esta creencia tiene siglos de ser discutida por teólogos cristianos como Ambrosio, Agustín, Buenaventura y Tomás de Aquino, pero fue solo con la Constitución *Ineffabilis Deus* del Papa Pío IX en 1854 que pasó a ser doctrina oficial de la Iglesia. La enseñanza de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Madre de Jesús insiste que María nació y permaneció sin pecado. Según el teólogo franciscano Juan Duns Escoto, María fue salvada del pecado desde el vientre de su madre Ana. De esta manera Jesús pudo salvarla no después de haber pecado como ha hecho con nosotros, sino antes de que ella hubiera pecado.

La Inmaculada Concepción se hizo en vista de la venida de Jesús quien nos puede hacer inmaculados gracias al perdón y la gracia que nos ofrece. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## The Coming Kingdom

Jeremiah could see it coming—the kingship of Jesus and the restoration of Jerusalem. But was anybody listening? Is anybody listening now? It must have been tough being a prophet, but Jeremiah was persistent in his message because he knew that it needed to be heard.

Also persistent in his message is Paul as he encourages the Thessalonians—and all of us—to live in accordance with the kingship that Jeremiah foretold. He encourages us to conduct ourselves in ways of holiness so that we may be well prepared for the king's coming. Finally, Jesus himself tells us to be ever diligent so that we may gain favor before our God and King.

Jeremiah could see the kingship of Jesus coming. As we begin the season of Advent, Paul and Jesus tell us not only how to prepare for the Kingdom, but how to live it day to day. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



## La Venida del Reino

Jeremías lo veía venir – el reinado de Jesús y la restauración de Jerusalén. Pero, ¿había alguien que le escuchara? ¿Alguien escucha ahora? Ser profeta tenía que haber sido muy difícil, pero Jeremías era persistente en su mensaje, porque sabía lo necesario que era escucharlo.

Persistente en su mensaje también es Pablo, animando a los tesalonicenses –y a todos nosotros – a vivir de acuerdo al reino que Jeremías anunció. Nos motiva a comportarnos en el camino de santidad para que estemos bien preparados para la llegada del rey. Finalmente, Jesús mismo nos dice que estemos siempre atentos para lograr el agrado de nuestro Dios y Rey.

Jeremías podía ver que se acercaba el reinado de Jesús. Al comenzar el tiempo de Adviento, Pablo y Jesús nos enseñan no sólo cómo prepararnos para el Reino, sino cómo vivirlo día a día. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

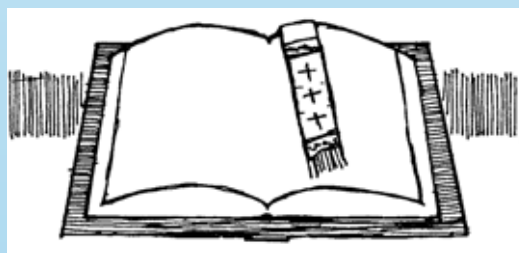
## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — The days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16).

**Psalm** — To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Psalm 25).

**Second Reading** — May the Lord make you increase and abound in love that you may be blameless in holiness; conduct yourselves so as to please God (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

**Gospel** — There will be signs and you will see the Son of Man coming with power and great glory. Be vigilant (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).



## Lecturas de Hoy

**Primera lectura** — Se acercan los días cuando el Señor cumplirá su promesa que hizo a Israel y a Judá (Jeremías 33:14-16).

**Salmo** — Descúbrenos, Señor, tus caminos (Salmo 25 [24]).

**Segunda lectura** — Que el Señor los llene y los haga rebosar de amor para que sean irreprochables en santidad; pórtense de tal manera que complazcan a Dios

(1 Tesalonicenses 3:12 — 4:2).

**Evangelio** — Habrá señales y verán al Hijo del hombre venir con gran poder y majestad. Estén alerta (Lucas 21:25-28, 34-36).

## Greenery Sale December 5-6 After All Masses

This year, St. Teresa's will offer a Greenery Sale once again.

Mark your calendars that the first weekend in December (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>) after all of the mass will have fresh Greenery Items for Sale (Wreaths, Swags, and miniature Christmas Trees).



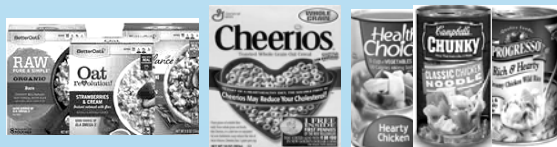
We have a finite amount of items that will be delivered and sold, so please get there early to purchase. Payment will be due at time of purchase, and the sales will take place in the Gathering Space after mass.

All proceeds go to the St. Teresa of Avila Parish, and assist with securing some of the fresh greenery we will use to decorate the church.

## Food Pantry Shopping List

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](mailto:dahilko@deloitte.com).**

## First Saturday—Primer Sábado December 5 — 5 de Diciembre

Everyone is welcome to join the First-Saturday rosary devotion to Our lady of Fatima on December 5th 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 5 de Diciembre a las 4:00 pm en la iglesia.

## 2015 Christmas Giving Tree

St. Teresa Parish is again working with St. Vincent de Paul Center (Halsted and Webster) who are providing us with the names of 195 needy children between the ages of 5 and 13.



Suggestions for gifts and return instructions will be on the gift tag.

We're being asked to return the gifts wrapped by December 15th so they can be given to all the children before Christmas.

**Please keep the tag with your gift no later than December 15th. Thank you for your generosity.**

## 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).**



## Baby Bottle Project

Beginning on this weekend, St. Teresa of Avila will participate in the Baby Bottle Project benefiting *The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland*.



This non-profit organization directly assists families experiencing crisis pregnancies by offering emotional, financial, material and spiritual support through counseling, clothing and monetary provisions, prayer and other aid. Each year the three Chicagoland locations of *The Women's Centers* handle 5,000 appointments with expectant mothers.

Please take a Baby Bottle home with you on November 29th, fill it with your spare change, and return it the week of January 4th.

This is a simple, but crucial fundraising effort for *The Women's Centers*. Please return the baby bottles; they are recycled afterwards.

Thank you for supporting *The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland*.

## Men's Spirituality December 8th

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.

- **December 8:** The Immaculate Conception and Rosary
- **December 22:** Octave of Christmas

Please contact Matt Priesbe at [mpriesbe@aol.com](mailto:mpriesbe@aol.com) for more information.



## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

STOP IN FOR QUIET PRAYER

**TUESDAYS**

*BETWEEN*

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



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## 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](mailto:kolynchdre@gmail.com).**

## Open Our Hearts

Advent tells us to go forward. Hope is always in the future. Tradition points the way but can change in the face of surprises. God is free to do new things, and the biggest surprise of all is that God consults us and invites us to create the future together.

So there is no staying behind to defend the past or to think we can control the trajectory of history to keep everything the same. Doors open. A fresh spirit is upon us. Advent is about renewal and adaptation. We are pregnant with the future, and so birth is inevitable, bringing both tribulation and joy. We can only go forward.

A week from now, on December 8, Pope Francis will open the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica to begin a Year of Mercy for the church. He has invited us to get beyond the thickets of judgment and conflict that have characterized our church for too long. He speaks of pilgrimage, of missionaries of mercy, of forgiveness through the sacrament and in our personal relationships, of delving into the scriptures to recover the radical message of mercy.

If we want to travel light, like Mary on the road to visit her cousin Elizabeth, we must leave behind our baggage. Mary and Elizabeth carry the one thing necessary, expectation and promise, the forerunner leaping up in the presence of the savior. We hold the same mystery by our baptism, rebirth in water and the Spirit. "Mercy" is our nametag for



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**Mercy is a revolution, for it changes the story. The landscape expands, mountains are razed, valleys filled in, a road appears in the wilderness.**

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the year, our passport to freedom from old wounds, unfinished business, resentments and revenge that have stifled our souls. Time to let go and let God sort out the blame and heal the hurts so everyone can move on.

Change is difficult. Jesus saw that it would take an earthquake of new attitudes and the shaking of the heavens to bring forth the new creation out of the shell of the old. He told his disciples not to be afraid, but to stay awake, to be ready to move when crisis opened the way forward. Mercy is a revolution, for it changes the story. The landscape expands, mountains are razed, valleys filled in, a road appears in the wilderness. Stones are rolled back from old tombs, rivers once blocked flow again, deserts bloom

and trees, dormant or dead, blossom and bear fruit again.

A year of mercy is called a "jubilee," from a Hebrew word for ram's horn or trumpet. It was proclaimed every 25 or 50 years to remind the people about the covenant God formed with Israel when they were led up out of slavery. As God freely chose them and loved them, so they were to love one another. Debts were to be forgiven to restore the balance in the community between the rich and poor, the gifted and the needy. The land and the animals were to be allowed to rest so they could regenerate. It was a time of gratitude and generosity.

When Jesus returned after his baptism and time in the desert, he went to Nazareth, his hometown, and in the synagogue declared a jubilee year by reading Isaiah 61: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me and has anointed me to announce good news to the poor."

Pope Francis is calling us to celebrate such a year in the church, just as Jesus did. This special time of openness to God's grace will mark 50 years since the close of the Second Vatican Council on Dec. 8, 1965, which is also the feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. May she open our hearts to Advent and to the mercy Jesus was born to give to the world.

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

## Pastoral Council

Jessica Marx  
Bert Olson  
Anna Althoff

Alex Lopez  
Justin Peters

Jessica Marx is president of the Parish Pastoral Council; her email is [chicago2381@hotmail.com](mailto:chicago2381@hotmail.com)

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 [mddonner19199@gmail.com](mailto:mddonner19199@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  
Frank Swiderski  
Dave Espinoza  
John Mitchell  
Dan Summins

Dan Summins is president of the Building Committee; his email is [dsummins@hotmail.com](mailto:dsummins@hotmail.com)

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

## Renovation Committee

Frank Swiderski  
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 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  
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### Weekend Masses

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

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

\* First Sundays

### Weekday Masses

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

