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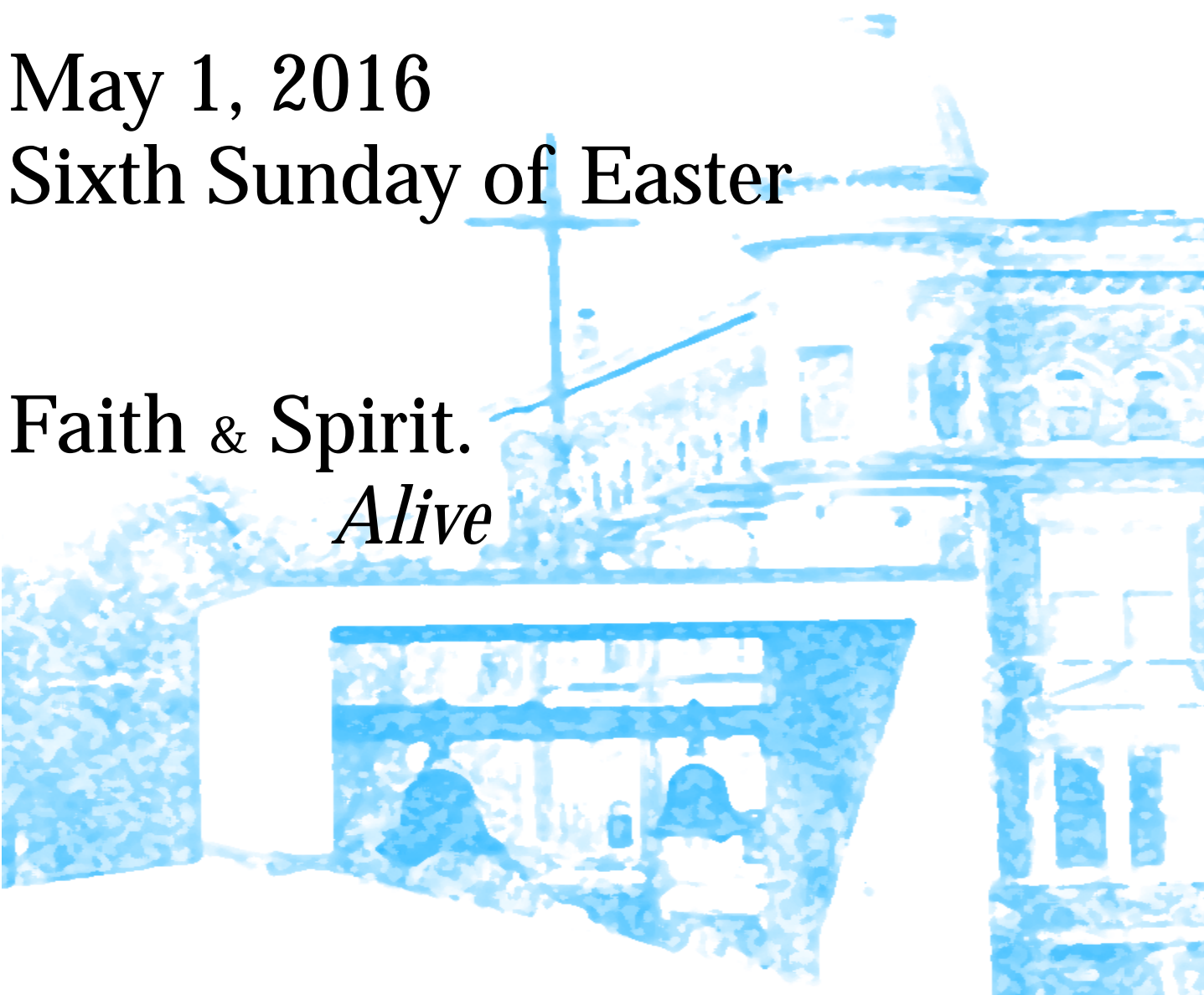
Chicago, IL 60614



May 1, 2016

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Faith & Spirit.
Alive



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May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you!

— Psalm 67:6

Stewardship

May 1 — May 7

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Getting Involved

St Teresa of Avila runs nearly 40 ministries with the help of more than 400 volunteers. Read through this page for a few ideas on what's happening now and how you can help. If you'd like more information on any of our ministries, or to discuss how to put your God-given talents to work at St. Teresa, give me a call or an email. I'm always happy to meet up and chat about how you can find your best volunteer fit.



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

World's Smallest Block Party

Plans are underway for this year's "World's Smallest Block Party", slated to take place in early September. We are currently recruiting for the planning committee, seeking volunteers with an interest in decorations, entertainment, raffle, food service, kids' activities, and more! Please join us for our kickoff planning meeting on Monday, May 9 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

For more information please contact Sara Hock at saramhock@gmail.com.

6:51 Club Looking for Hosts

The 6:51 Team is currently looking for hosts for May 15, June 19, July 17, and August 21. As the weather warms up, you are invited to us the parish grill and BBQ for dinner.



Please contact Sara Hock, at saramhock@gmail.com

30 Under 40

All are invited to attend our 30 under 40 parties, mini-fundraisers hosted by our under 40 community. If you have questions or would like to host a party, email Christopher.parente@gmail.com. For more information, or to sign up visit st-teresa.net/30under40.



The Schmanski 5K
Saturday, May 7th at 10:00 am
Cost: \$20/runner

Host Matt Schmanski will lead us off as we meet at Montrose Avenue Beach for a great out-and-back run along Chicago's famous running path, followed by a picnic in Montrose Park. Food and drinks included. Custom race bibs will be provided and prizes will be awarded for fastest male and female, adult and under 13, runners. Family friendly event, so bring your kids and your strollers!

Flavor Tripping
Saturday, May 14th at 7:00 pm
\$100/person

Join host Anna Althoff for a flavor tripping party on a beautiful rooftop in Streeterville! When the fleshy part of a miracle berry is eaten it coats the tongue and tricks the taste buds, causing both bitter and sour foods to taste surprisingly sweet. And, that's where the fun and experimentation begins!! At this flavor tripping party we will sample a wide variety of foods. Wine and more traditional appetizers to also be served!

Shoe Drive for Immigrants

Donate a new pair of shoes for immigrants awaiting deportation at Broadview detention center. Shoes should be new, soft-soled, with no laces or buckles. Men's and women's shoes in a variety of sizes are needed. Place shoes at the foot of the cross near the stained glass window of Jesus washing the feet of Peter.

"That which you do for the least of my people, you do to me."

Visit st-teresa.net/volunteer to browse and sign up for a selection of recurring volunteer opportunities.

**Most
Wanted
Volunteers**

Catechists

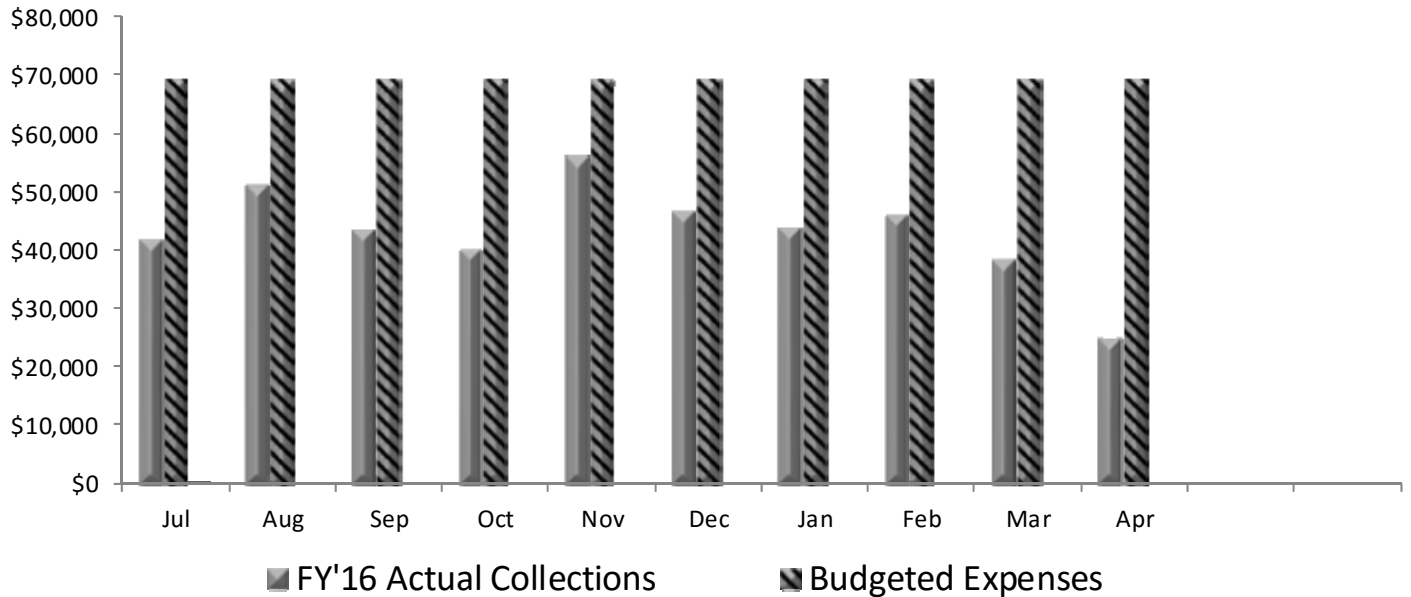
Fundraising
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Members

Greeters

Historical
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Interested in volunteering? Contact Rebecca at robrien@stteresaparish.org or (773) 528-6650

Fiscal Year (07/1 - 6/30) 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.
- The 2016 Easter collection was \$18,921.
- 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 May 16th at 7:00 pm

Parish Calendar

May 1 — May 7

May Baptisms



Santiago Abel Zavala (5-1-16)
Theodore James Heissel-Tracy (5-8-16)
Adella Grey Fitz (5-15-16)
Cameron Ann Wendeln (5-29-16)

April Confirmations



Congratulations to all the young adults from St. Teresa who were confirmed April 23rd at St. Josephat:

Grace Lovett
Keely Lovette
Lili McArdle
Ben Pryor
Lauren Riedstra
Dayton Stickney
Scotty Szykowny
Patrick Colby
Samantha Walter
Abby Weis
Ania Wisneski

Elias Artemakis
John Bloomer
Rebekah Gross
Ian Hicks
Gillian Koptik

Calendar at a Glance

Sunday, May 1

- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 12:00 pm, Church, First Communion
- 1:00 pm, Church, Praying with Icons
- 1:00 pm, PC, First Communion Reception

Monday, May 2

- No Activities Planned

Tuesday, May 3

- 1:00 am, PC, Archdiocesan Emergency Planning
- 6:15 pm, Church, Lectio Divina
- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, May 4

- 10:00 am, PC, Memory Care Meetings
- 7:00 pm, PC, Parish Transformation

Thursday, May 5

- 6:30 pm, PC, Bradley Methods Class

Friday, May 6

- 9:30 am, REC, Playgroup
- 1:00 pm, Church, Aceves-Melia Rehearsal
- 5:00 pm, PC, Loaves and Fishes Dinner
- 7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

Saturday, May 7

- 10:00 am, PC, GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 2:00 pm, REC, Aceves-Melia Wedding
- 4:00 pm, Church, Fatima Rosary Group
- 4:30 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis
- 6:30 pm, Church, CCFC Mass

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. Athanasius
Tuesday: Ss. Philip and James
Thursday: Cinco de Mayo
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: First Saturday

Domingo: Sexto Domingo de Pascua
Lunes: San Atanasio
Martes: Santos Felipe y Santiago, apóstoles
Jueves: Cinco de Mayo
Viernes: Primer viernes
Sábado: Primer sábado

May 2016 Food Pantry Schedule

Saturday, May 7th

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

Saturday, May 14th

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

Saturday, May 21st

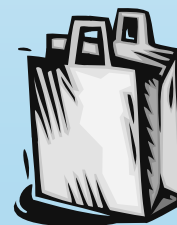
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

Saturday, May 28th

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



**STOP IN
 FOR QUIET PRAYER
 TUESDAYS
 7:00 TO 8:30 PM**



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

April 30

5:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish

May 1

9:00 am David Keyes
 10:30 am Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish
 12:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish
 6:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish

Our **Mass Intentions** have many openings. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone alive or deceased, contact Deacon Dean 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 Deacon Dean in the parish office.

Let Us Pray

Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

Rodolfo Bech, Barbara Byrd, Dolores Berendsen, Shaun Cantrell, Sr. Barbara Jean Ciszek, Jerica Elaine Harris, Dorothy Holdsworth, Fred Jabaley, Rev. Oscar Lukefahr, CM, Carmela Nurmi, John and Margaret O'Neill, Robert Rooney, Bridie Ryan, Rev. David Siagman, 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>Chuck Jabaley</i>	<i>Luis Rivera</i>
<i>Dorothy Barns</i>	<i>Ronald Jakubec</i>	<i>Pedro Rodriguez</i>
<i>Berta Billavazo</i>	<i>Tom Kinsella</i>	<i>Ray Romero</i>
<i>Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu</i>	<i>Liz Kunkel</i>	<i>Jeffrey Roscoe</i>
<i>Elizabeth Ryan Dean</i>	<i>Betty LaCour</i>	<i>Sr. Camilla Mary Marney, OCD</i>
<i>Michael De Blasis</i>	<i>Carmen D. Lorenzana</i>	<i>Sr. Jean Ryan, OCD</i>
<i>Kathy Derrick</i>	<i>Palmira Mancini</i>	<i>Jack Schank</i>
<i>Kim Duffy</i>	<i>George Maroquin</i>	<i>Will Sullivan</i>
<i>Isabelle Eiffert</i>	<i>Jose Maroquin</i>	<i>Laura Szejka</i>
<i>Jackson Fineske & Family</i>	<i>Lisa Marquez</i>	<i>Mima Tome</i>
<i>Alice Flynn</i>	<i>Margaret Sue Meadors</i>	<i>JoAnn Jahnke Trainer</i>
<i>Padraig Gallagher</i>	<i>Daniel Meyer</i>	<i>Susan Violapiano</i>
<i>Eloisa Gallegos</i>	<i>Bill Mobley</i>	<i>Jack Williams</i>
<i>Michael Gibbons</i>	<i>Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M.</i>	<i>Mae Witry</i>
<i>Angela Goldberg</i>	<i>Elda Myers</i>	<i>David Zeunert</i>
<i>Kaylee Gommel</i>	<i>John Paul Nelson</i>	<i>Survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse</i>
<i>Bolivar Gonzales, Jr.</i>	<i>Angel Nieves</i>	
<i>Les Gordon</i>	<i>Msr. Kevin O'Neill</i>	
<i>Mrs. Grabarczyk</i>	<i>Frank O'Toole</i>	
<i>George Halloran</i>	<i>Clayton Poe</i>	
<i>Kellar Harris</i>	<i>Carol Poyner</i>	
<i>Peg Hausen</i>	<i>Marie Koesters-Ranley</i>	
<i>David Hoffman</i>	<i>Deacon Hector Rivera</i>	
<i>David Ivanac</i>	<i>Hector J. Rivera</i>	

Celebrant and Minister Schedule

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC BREAD	EUCCHARISTIC WINE
5-7-16	5:00 PM	Rev. Chas Shelby, CM	Luke Kolman	Lisa Hanzelka	Rob Harmer Lisa Marquez
Next French Mass 5-7-16	6:30 PM				
5-8-16	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Children's Mass	Nancy Van Grinsven Rose Ohiku Carly Johnston	Barb Schell Jamie Lutkus Ellen Moiani Mark Van Grinsven
Next Spanish Mass 6-5-16	10:30 AM	Rev. Tom Ess, OFM			
5-8-16	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Alejandro Lopez	Bob Pedro	Laura Moran Maria Montes
5-8-16	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sara Hock	Kevin Ludden Eileen Raia Laura King	Mary Serrahn Dani Shain Carol Christiansen Eric Fredericks

Readings/Lecturas

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Readings for the Week

Monday:	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday:	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday:	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes:	Hch 16:11-15; Sal 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Martes:	1 Cor 15:1-8; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Miércoles:	Hch 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Sal 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Jueves:	Hch 1:1-11; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 6-9; Ef 1:17-23 o Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lc 24:46-53 (para la Ascensión); o Hch 18:1-8; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Viernes:	Hch 18:9-18; Sal 47 (46):2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Sábado:	Hch 18:23-28; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Domingo:	Hch 1:1-11; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 6-9; Ef 1:17-23 o Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lc 24:46-53

Treasures from Our Tradition

One ancient Roman custom that was approved by the church was the veiling of the bride. When a single woman pledged her life to Christ, in a way of life not dissimilar to today's religious women, the outward sign of this commitment was a veiling. In ancient Rome, a woman with uncovered head was unmarried, and a veiled woman was "off limits to suitors." It was one small step to decide that a bride should receive a veil from the hands of the church as a sign of her new state in life. The prayer that accompanied the veiling was beautiful, and sung, a kind of consecratory prayer that was very similar to the prayer of ordination, or the prayers for blessing holy water or chrism. The "nuptial blessing" originally mentioned only the woman, although we know that the veil was often extended to cover the husband's shoulders also. The blessing was located before the kiss of peace, which the priest gave to the husband, and the husband to his new bride. Remember that this is in the early centuries, long before the kiss of peace virtually disappeared from liturgy.

The veiling and blessing was required when priests or deacons married, was recommended to laypersons, but forbidden for certain public sinners and second marriages. The veiling of the couple was preserved in England until the Reformation, and is returning to practice among Swedish Lutherans after having fallen into disuse about seventy-five years ago. — James Field, Copyright

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Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Tristemente una vez que muchos latinoamericanos llegan a los Estados Unidos es difícil regresar a sus tierras de origen, ni siquiera para visitar. Por esta razón, muchos pueblos latinoamericanos han construido santuarios a sus vírgenes y santos patronos en tierra estadounidense. De esta manera buscan estar cerca al suelo que les trajo a luz, que les nutrió con frutas, verduras, flores, cantos, costumbres y tradiciones.

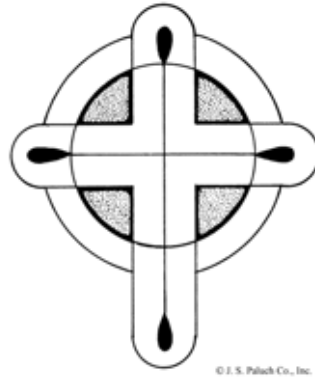
En Miami el pueblo cubano ha construido una ermita dedicada a la Virgen de la Caridad del Cobre, cuya capilla del Santísimo fue bendecida en la fiesta de la Ascensión del Señor. Debajo de su altar principal se guarda una piedra hecha con tierra de las distintas provincias de Cuba. Es bello el hecho, porque de esta manera todo cubano que se acerca al altar del Señor puede estar cerca de su terruño aunque sea solo por un momento.

Que hay en la tierra que nos llama tanto a nosotros los latinos. Será que el libro del Génesis tiene razón, Dios forma toda persona del polvo y el corazón latino anhela la tierra de la que fue sacado. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

The Gift of Peace

We are offered another vision in today's second reading, a vision of the New Jerusalem, "coming down out of heaven from God" (Revelation 21:10). Read between the lines describing the radiant city, and we find that the greatest beauty revealed is the beauty of perfect symmetry and order, a city founded on the faith of the twelve tribes of Israel and the Twelve Apostles, lit only by the glory of God.

The first reading and the Gospel are linked to this idealized description of the New Jerusalem. In both we read of distress and disturbance countered by the gift of peace. "[M]y peace I give to you," Jesus assures his disciples at the Last Supper (John 14:27). In keeping with that gift, the apostles and elders, in the reading from Acts, decide not to disturb the peace of new Gentile believers. The undue burden of circumcision will not be imposed on them. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



El Don de Paz

Se nos ofrece una visión distinta en la segunda lectura de hoy, una visión de la Nueva Jerusalén, "que descendía del cielo, resplandeciente con la gloria de Dios" (Apocalipsis 21:10). Si buscamos el significado detrás de la descripción de la radiante ciudad, vemos que la belleza mayor que se revela es la belleza de una perfecta armonía y orden, una ciudad fundada en la fe de las doce tribus de Israel y los doce Apóstoles, alumbrada únicamente por la gloria de Dios.

La primera lectura y el Evangelio también van conectados a esta descripción idealizada de la Nueva Jerusalén. En ambos leemos como la angustia y los altercados se contrarrestan con el don de la paz. "Mi paz les doy", les asegura Jesús a sus discípulos en la Última Cena (Juan 14:27). De acuerdo con ese don, los apóstoles y presbíteros, en la lectura de los Hechos, deciden no alterar la paz de los nuevos creyentes gentiles. No han de imponerles la excesiva carga de la circuncisión. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Today's Readings

First Reading — The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

Psalm — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23) or Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20.

Gospel — The Holy Spirit, sent by the Father in Jesus' name, will teach us everything (John 14:23-29) or John 17:20-26.



Lecturas de Hoy

Primera Lectura — La cuestión de si los gentiles necesitaban ser circuncidados para salvarse (Hch 15:1-2, 22-29).

Salmo — Que te alaben, Señor, todos los pueblos. Aleluya (Salmo 67 [66]).

Segunda lectura — Juan tiene una visión de la ciudad santa, la nueva Jerusalén (Apocalipsis 21:10-14, 22-23) o Apocalipsis 22:12-14, 16-

17, 20.

Evangelio — El Espíritu Santo, enviado por el Padre en nombre de Jesús, nos enseñará todo (Juan 14:23-29) o

Juan 17:20-26.

Parish Life

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Night on the Camino May 18th

Come on out for a *Night on the Camino* with Fr. Frank on Wednesday, May 18th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

Find out about what it takes to walk *Camino de Santiago* – what to wear, what to eat, where to stay, and everything else you wanted to know.

View a 30-minute documentary on the *Camino de Santiago*. Wine, beer, snacks. No bedbugs.



First Saturday—Primer Sábado May 7 — 7 de Mayo

Everyone is welcome to join the First-Saturday rosary devotion to Our lady of Fatima on May 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 Mayo a las 4:00 pm en la iglesia.

Food Pantry Shopping List

There are five 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



We no longer need extra-strength grocery bags. If you are interested in volunteering at the Food Pantry, contact Dave Hilko at dahilko@deloitte.com.

Blood Drive May 15th

Please join us in the parish center by sharing God's gift of life with others who are most in need.

Date: Sunday, May 15th, the Sunday after Mother's Day

Time: 9:00am to 1:30pm

Invite a friend or family member to join you. Two or three pints are better than one!

Kindly make an appointment so we can serve you better at: www.heartlandbc.org



Blood Drive Hospitality Volunteers Needed
If you can't donate blood, we still need you and your smile.

Could you volunteer for an hour or two?

**Please contact Mark Buciak at:
mark.buciak@rcn.com**

Also looking for massage therapists to give our donors a chair massage before they donate.

Fit with Fr. Frank May 21st

We are starting a weekly Fitness Club with Fr. Frank beginning May 21st!

In an effort for parishioners to support Fr. Frank's training for the Camino in October, *The Club* will meet at 10:00 am Saturday mornings. We will run to a nearby park to participate in interactive drills. Following the training, we will congregate with Fr. Frank to discuss Faith & Community.

**Email Eric Conway to join.
Conway14@gmail.com**

***All participants must sign waiver**

Icon Series Starts May 1st



On May 1st, 15th and 22nd Tom Kosnik will offer three one-hour sessions after the 12:00 pm Mass at St. Teresa Parish to “break open” some of our beautiful icons in order to seek out some of the symbolism and meaning and to learn how to pray with them. This special three-part expose is something you will not want to miss.

Icons are a doorway into the spiritual world; they are alive, and they can tell us something about ourselves and our relationship with God when we learn how to unlock their meaning. Praying with icons is about learning how to “gaze” upon the icon while remaining open and listening to our inner voice. Praying with icons is learning how to “reflect” on what was communicated to us.

**Please join us for
this wonderful Easter experience.**



Circle of Care Ministry

In discouraging and challenging moments in your life, find a link to caring hearts and hands at St. Teresa of Avila.

A group of parishioners would like to design a process for finding out how to link up with any of their fellow parishioners who might need a bit of extra care and communication, in challenging moments.



We are not professional care-givers or therapists, but we'd like to be sure that within St. Teresa's family, we all feel that somebody knows our name and cares to help.

Perhaps you've had difficult medical news, for example, and some activities are more complicated than they used to be. Would you like an occasional call, a special prayer, a card, or some discrete, practical help with errands and tasks? Perhaps folks just need a sense that in overwhelming times, the parish around you has helping hearts and hands.

If you are interested in receiving help or giving helping with this newly forming ministry, contact Mary Russell at marway842@aol.com or Kate Lynch at kolynchdre@gmail.com.

Emergency Appeal: Ecuador

At this time, Catholic Relief Services teams are evaluating needs and preparing to assist local partners in providing emergency relief and support to the victims of the 7.8 magnitude earthquake that struck the coast of Ecuador on April 16th.

Please pray and consider donating to help Catholic Relief Services strengthen their response to the loss and devastation in Ecuador:

**[www.chicagopeaceandjustice.org/
emergencyappeal](http://www.chicagopeaceandjustice.org/emergencyappeal)**



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We Carry On

A number of years ago a friend of mine was dying of cancer. She was aware of her situation and faced it head-on. She welcomed anyone who wanted to visit.

Mary Elizabeth was the mother of four, in her early 60s. When I went to visit her in her final days, family filled the house. “Mary Liz” was weak, but able to visit. She encouraged me to pull up a chair by her bedside. I welcomed her invitation and the graciousness of her family.

Mary Liz and I talked about things going back decades. The conversation was slow; her energy was waning.

The phone rang. A family member answered. “Mom, it’s the doctor.” I said I would excuse myself so that she could take the call. Mary Liz motioned for me to stay seated. Uncomfortable, I started to rise, but a hand on my shoulder told me that the family knew Mom, and I should stay where I was.

The phone was propped on the pillow next to Mary Liz’s head. “Hello, doctor.” Silence in the room as she listened to the doctor’s voice. Finally, Mary Liz spoke. “I’m OK. I’m going slowly, but I am comfortable.” You could have knocked me off my chair with a feather. Such awareness and honesty. I felt like I was intruding on a very private moment. The doctor picked up the conversation and Mary Liz would occasionally respond with a few words.

Finally, the call was over. “You know, I am not afraid to go,” she



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said. “Burt knows how much I love him, and I know how hard it will be for him when we are apart.” Our eyes acknowledged that communication.

“I have told the kids what I want to say to them. They know what is in my heart.” A squeeze of hands. No words can I say.

“They will all be OK. There is a good spirit among them; you know; you’ve been around us long enough.” More silence. “The family will be at peace once all this has sunk in.”

I told Mary Liz that I knew that her family would miss her terribly, but they would put it all together down the road and be stronger than ever before.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus is talking with the disciples on the

night before his death. This is his going away conversation. It is the Father who is “on the line” rather than the doctor. Jesus is aware of all that can happen, and that the Father sees it and will bring good out of it.

Jesus has taught the disciples what they need for now. Down the road, the “Advocate,” the Holy Spirit, will bring into clarity all that they have experienced together and all that he has taught them. They will mourn his passing, but they will find new life in the message he has given them. The Spirit will grow in them.

Today we read this Gospel as we reflect on the lives of the disciples just before Jesus departs from them at his ascension. They will again experience the loss of his companionship. They will again need their faith strengthened. They must rely on the strength of their relationship with Jesus and the presence of his Spirit in them.

We are in that space ourselves today. Our relationship with Jesus, who is not physically present, must carry us. Our participation in the life of the Spirit enlightens us and lifts our lives.

The life and work of Mary Elizabeth was carried on in her children and family. The life and work of Jesus is carried on in us.

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

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

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Caleb Marx
Bill Mack
Jane Bronson
Jose Cervantes
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Dave Hilko

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Karen Kinsella
Frank Swiderski
Dave Espinoza
John Mitchell
Dan Summins

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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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The submission deadline for Sunday bulletins is 11:00 am on the Monday before. The bulletin is also published electronically on st-teresa.net.

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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 ...

Friday 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

