

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Armitage & Kenmore Avenues

Chicago, IL 60614



September 4, 2016

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Faith & Spirit. *Alive*



Fill us at daybreak with your
kindness, that we may shout for
joy and gladness all our days.

— Psalm 90:14

Stewardship

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An Excerpt from *Stewardship is YOU*

Editor's Note: With this issue, we'd like to continue our new series of articles entitled *Stewardship is YOU*. The aim of *Stewardship is YOU* is to engender thought and dialogue on a host of issues about the many programs of our Parish and to remind us all that Stewardship is alive in everyone at St. Teresa. For the full article, visit st-teresa.net.

*Jessica and Caleb Marx are active and engaged at St. Teresa despite the rigors of demanding careers and raising two young children. Caleb volunteers as a manager of the Food Pantry, and Jessica is the Parish Council president. They are true champions of our parish, and many fellow parishioners have found St. Teresa by way of introduction from Caleb and Jessica. With this edition of **Stewardship is YOU**, we ask them about how they've approached the idea of evangelization in today's world.*

While you may not think of it as evangelization, you've both been active in sharing your experiences in the church with others and inviting them to visit St. Teresa. How does that discussion with others begin for you?

The social programs and special events at St Teresa's have been great opportunities for us to invite our friends to participate in and personally experience the St. Teresa community. For us, these programs have included Food Pantry, Time of

Your Life, the Worlds Smallest Block Party, the Baptism of our children, and Cuisine De Coeur.



Are there things about our church that you emphasize or are sure to convey to others?

St. Teresa is an active community with a diverse group of people who demonstrate a commitment to supporting each other and the city we love.

What have you learned through your experience in trying to describe St. Teresa to others and how has affected your own faith?

Every time we volunteer, attend social functions, or help one of the Ministries in supporting other parishioners or our wider community, it leads to a deeper and more enriching experience with our faith

personally. That's very motivating for us to share that with those we care about.

What feedback have you received from some who have come to St. Teresa - what have they since shared with you about their experiences here?

For a person who hasn't been inside a Church in awhile, or relies on general media sources to frame their idea of what a Church is, St. Teresa's is a refreshing and positive experience. Here is a small, unique, personal place where smart, vibrant people explore their faith and together make a positive impact throughout our community.

What does Stewardship mean to you?

As parishioners, we're accountable for the well-being of St. Teresa's. Through service to, rather than control of, those in our communities, we bring the spirit and ideal of our Church alive.

For the full article, visit st-teresa.net.

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

**Most
Wanted
Volunteers**

Catechists

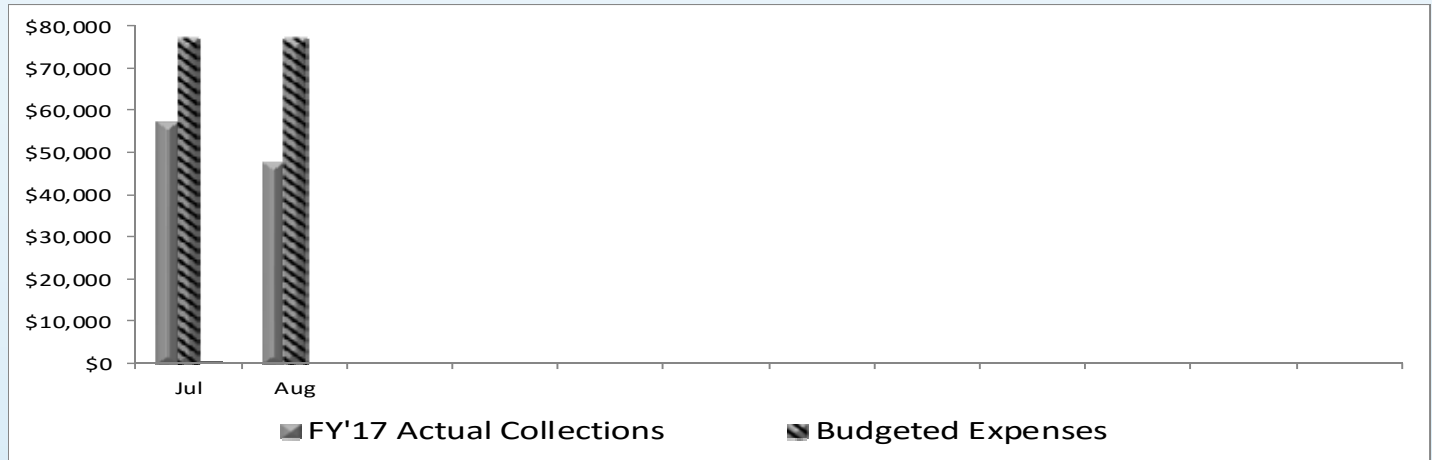
**Fundraising
Committee
Members**

Greeters

**Historical
Website
Admin**

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.
- Please contact the Business Manager, Maggie Fernandez with any questions at mfernandez@stteresaparish.org, or Matt Donner, our Finance Council chair. Our financials are also available on our website at www.st-terea.net.
- The next Finance Council meeting is September 19th.

Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

	Weeks:	7-31-16	8-7-16	8-14-16	8-28-16	9-4-16	9-11-16	9-18-16	9-25-16	10-2-16
Average Daily Mass Attendance		6	6	6	6					
Average Friday Communion Service		1	1	1	1					
Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass Attendance		38	50	40	64					
Saturday, 6:30 pm Mass Attendance (French)		-	25	-	-					
Sunday, 9:00 am Mass Attendance		165	180	170	190					
Sunday, 10:30 am Mass Attendance (Spanish)		-	55	-	-					
Sunday, 12:00 pm Mass Attendance		120	85	100	115					
Sunday, 6:00 pm Mass Attendance		90	90	95	132					
Total Weekend Mass Attendance		413	485	405	501					
Confessions this Week		0	0	0	2					
Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week		1	2	0	0					
Funerals since January 2016		5	5	5	5					
Weddings since January 2016		5	5	7	7					
Infant Baptisms since January 2016		14	15	15	16					



There are 351 parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago; only 55 parishes have weekend attendance that exceeds 2,000. Last year, St. Teresa of Avila's October Count was an average 545 people attending weekend Masses. In the Archdiocese there is 1 priest for every 1,525 parishioners; in the USA the ratio is 1:1,653 Catholics; 27 percent of US parishes do not have a resident priest. In comparison, South America has a ratio of 1:7,094 Catholics.

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September Baptisms



Emily Angela Rose (9-4-16)
James Levi Rose (9-4-16)
Charles Alexander Sutton (9-11-16)
Caroline Grace Roccasalva (9-18-16)
Elena Kenise Hamilton (9-18-16)

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 Catholic or in another Christian denomination, and want to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith, please contact Fr. Frank at (773) 528-6650.

Calendar at a Glance

Sunday, September 4

- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 7:00 pm, Food Pantry Meeting

Monday, September 5

- Office Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, September 6

- 6:00 pm, REC, CGS Training
- 6:15 pm, Church, Lectio Divina
- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, September 7

- No Activities Planned

Thursday, September 8

- No Activities Scheduled

Friday, September 9

- 10:00 am, Kitchen, Loaves & Fishes Cooking
- 5:00 pm, PC, Loaves and Fishes Dinner
- 7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

Saturday, September 10

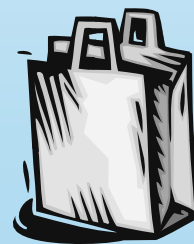
- 10:00 am, PC-GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 4:30 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis
- 6:30 pm, Church, French Mass

Saints & Special Observances

- Sunday:** Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Labor Day
Thursday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday: St. Peter Claver
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary
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- Domingo:** Vigésimo Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes: Día del Trabajo
Jueves: La Natividad de la Santísima Virgen María
Viernes: San Pedro Claver
Sábado: Santa María Virgen

September 2016 Food Pantry Schedule

- Saturday, September 3**
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
- Saturday, September 10**
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
- Saturday, September 17**
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
- Saturday, September 24**
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.

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Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray

Saturday, September 3

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

Sunday, September 4

9:00 am Theresa Matussek
 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

Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

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

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.

Celebrant and Minister Schedule

DATE	TIME	Celebrant	Sacristan/ Lector	Eucharistic Host	Eucharistic Cup
9-10-16	5:00 PM	Rev. Tony Dosen, CM	Lisa Marquez/ Lisa Hanzelka	Minister Needed (H2)	Kevin Ludden Kari Richardson
Next French Mass 9-10-16	6:30 PM	Fr. Timothy			
9-11-16	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Frank Swiderski/ Children's Service	Jamie Lutkus Carly Johnston Margaret Burke	Rose Ohiku Geneva Gorgo Michael Zost Christopher Parente
Next Spanish Mass 10-2-16	10:30 AM	Rev. Tom Ess, OFM			
9-11-16	12:00 PM	Rev. Tony Dosen, CM	Minister Needed (Sacristan)/ Barb Schell	Mike Usiak	Maria Montes Minister Needed (C2)
9-11-16	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Krista Kutz/ Adam Hock	Ellen Moiani John Eiffert Mary Serrahn	Sharon Lindstrom Dani Shain Sara Hock Eileen Raia

Readings/Lecturas

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Readings for the Week

Monday:	1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11, or “For the Blessings of Human Labor,” nos. 907-911
Tuesday:	1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
Friday:	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday:	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

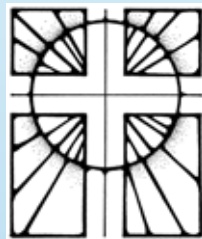
Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes:	1 Cor 5:1-8; Sal 5:5-7, 12; Lc 6:6-11, o de la Misa “Por la santificación del trabajo”
Martes:	1 Cor 6:1-11; Sal 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lc 6:12-19
Miércoles:	1 Cor 7:25-31; Sal 45 (44):11-12, 14-17; Lc 6:20-26
Jueves:	Mi 5:1-4a o Rom 8:28-30; Sal 13 (12):6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
Viernes:	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Sal 84 (83):3-6, 12; Lc 6:39-42
Sábado:	1 Cor 10:14-22; Sal 116 (115):12-13, 17-18; Lc 6:43-49
Domingo:	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Sal 51 (50):3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tim 1:12-17; Lc 15:1-32 [1-10]

Treasures from Our Tradition

Sometimes, this “Treasures” column can seem to be a species of crib-notes for Catholic *Jeopardy*. Indeed, you may never know when knowledge of our particular vocabulary may come in handy. Such is the case with papal bulls, which conjure up all sorts of images, but are actually not what you might expect. A bull is a papal letter on a matter of great consequence, such as a decision about a crisis in the Church, the declaration of a doctrine, the summoning of a council, or the canonization of a saint. It has a more solemn intention than a mere letter or even an encyclical, a teaching letter circulated through the whole Church. Its odd name comes from the Latin *bullā*, which is the stamp used to apply a signatorial design to the hot lead, or even molten silver or gold, that seals the decree.

The format for the bull is the name of the pope in Latin, followed by the title “servant of the servants of God,” also in Latin, and then the text. The title of the bull is always the first two words of the text. Some famous papal bulls are *Exsurge Domine* (Arise, O Lord), written against Martin Luther’s Ninety-five Theses in 1520; *Munificentissimus Deus* (The Most Bountiful God), the promulgation of the dogma of the Assumption in 1950 by Pope Pius XII; or *Humanae Salutis* (Human Salvation), by which Pope John XXIII convened the Second Vatican Council in 1962. — Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

En 1976 un grupo de madres argentinas comenzó una vigilia silenciosa en frente de las oficinas gubernamentales en la Plaza de Mayo. Vestían de negro, con un pañuelo blanco en la cabeza y protestaban la desaparición de sus hijos. Poco a poco esta protesta de madres se fue expandiendo a El Salvador y otros países donde agentes del gobierno hacían desaparecer a los que obraban por la justicia y el bienestar del pueblo.

En Latinoamérica la Virgen de los Dolores que viste de negro y llora la muerte de su hijo quien estaba en la flor de la vida se ha transformado en la Madre de los Desaparecidos. Ella acompaña silenciosamente en la protesta de tanta latina que ha perdido hijos, maridos y hermanos a autoridades injustas o cobardes.

La vigilia de las Madres de la Plaza de Mayo terminó en enero de 2006 cuando por fin se encontraron con un gobierno que busca los desaparecidos con ellas. Lamentablemente en muchos lugares las madres de los desaparecidos todavía no pueden contar con las autoridades civiles. Con ellas María se une en protesta silenciosa. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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Invited

The Good News is that we have all been invited—invited to the Kingdom, invited to be disciples. It's a life-changing invitation, and like so many other such invitations, it requires a great deal of deliberation and discernment. Whether we choose marriage, ordination, single life, or community life, we know the serious planning and consideration that accompany these profound decisions.

Like the tower-builder in the Gospel, we have weighed both the monetary and emotional cost. We have pondered and planned our lives in the direction to which we believe God has called us. And while we pray for guidance and acceptance of God's will, we often fail to understand so much. Like Solomon, we turn to God for wisdom and counsel in our life-changing decisions. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Invitado

La Buena Nueva es que todos hemos sido invitados – invitados al Reino, invitados a ser discípulos. Es una invitación que cambia nuestra vida y, como tantas otras invitaciones, requiere mucha consideración y discernimiento. Así escojamos el Matrimonio, el Orden sagrado, la vida célibe o comunitaria, sabemos la seria planificación y consideración que requieren estas importantes decisiones.

Como el constructor de la torre en el Evangelio, hemos sopesado los costos tanto monetarios como emocionales. Hemos reflexionado y planificado nuestra vida en la dirección en la que creemos Dios nos ha llamado. Y mientras oramos por orientación y aceptación de la voluntad de Dios, con frecuencia no comprendemos muchas cosas. Como Salomón recurrimos a Dios para pedirle sabiduría y consejo al tomar decisiones que cambiarán nuestra vida. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Today's Readings

First Reading — Who can ever know God's counsel unless God gives wisdom and sends the Holy Spirit from on high? (Wisdom 9:13-18b).

Psalm — In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — Paul asks Philemon to accept back his slave Onesimus, not as a slave but as a brother (Philemon 9-10, 12-17).

Gospel — To be a disciple of Jesus one must carry one's own cross and renounce all possessions (Luke 14:25-33).



Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — ¿Quién puede saber los caminos de Dios a menos que Dios le dé sabiduría y le envíe el Espíritu Santo de lo alto? (Sabiduría 9:13-18b)

Salmo — Tú eres, Señor, nuestro refugio (Psalm 90 [89]).

Segunda lectura — Pablo pide a Filemón que acepte a su esclavo Onésimo como hermano (Filemón 9-10, 12-17).

Evangelio — Para ser discípulo de Jesús uno debe cargar con su cruz (Lucas 14:25-33).

Sign Up for the September 10-11 Annual Men's Retreat

The Men's Spirituality Group invites and welcomes all men 18 and older to join us to our annual retreat at Bellarmine Retreat House in Barrington, Illinois, September 9-11.



This special weekend is a silent retreat, providing a restful atmosphere away from the distractions of daily life, a chance to hear God speaking to you.

This year we also have an excellent retreat master in Fr. Michael Sparough, S. J., well known author and speaker who many of you will know from his work across Chicago. Whether you spend reflective time on your own or participate in Mass and the retreat talks, this will be a rejuvenating weekend, especially among friends who are sharing the silence.

You can sign up directly at jesuitretreat.org/retreatschedules/
(Please indicate Matt Carpenter Group.)

Contact Craig Dean at cdean@aegpartners.com or (312) 948-5605, for more information.

Carpooling will be available.

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**After All the Masses
Saturday & Sunday
September 17th and 18th**

All proceeds benefit special needs charities and SPRED at St. Teresa of Avila Parish.

Thank you for your generosity.

Do you have a passion for mentoring young people?

The Lawndale Christian Legal Center is seeking adult mentors to share their experience and time with court-involved youth from the North Lawndale community. Come to a Mentor Orientation on September 17, 2016 at 10:00 am at 1530 S. Hamlin Ave to learn more! The majority of the young people we work with are African-American young men ages 13-24.

Contact Maggie Lamb at 773-762-6381 or mlamb@lclc.net to learn more!



LAWNDALE CHRISTIAN
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Volunteer Opportunity: Host a Student through Rough Times

Non-profit *Depaul USA* is linked with the university in addressing a need unnoticed by many -- *DePaul University students confronting homelessness*-- and is working to house them and help them stay on the path towards a degree.



A student is maybe reeling from losses or trapped in an unsafe environment. The *Dax Host-Home Program* provides such a student with room and board for an academic quarter (12 weeks). *Depaul USA* provides mentoring and case management to access the other resources.

Consider hosting a student going through rough times. We will work closely with you.

Please contact Dax Program Coordinator Sister Judy Warmbold for more information:

312-802-9703

judy.warmbold@depaulusa.org

www.depaulusa.org

Catechists Urgently Needed

Volunteer catechists are needed this fall to work with children ages 3-12 years old in our Montessori-based program called Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (www.cgsusa.org).

We need catechists who can serve on either Monday or Tuesday, 4:00-5:30 pm. If you have the flexibility in your work or daily life, you may be a perfect fit as a catechist in St. Teresa's program. And becoming a catechist will greatly enrich your understanding of scripture, prayer and liturgy.

Complete training will be provided.

Training begins Tuesday, September 6 and classes begin the week of September 18.

For more information, please contact Kate Lynch at klynch@stteresaparish.org



Two SPRED Catechists Needed

St. Teresa's SPRED group needs YOU. We invite you to join this beautiful ministry as a catechist. We host 11- to 16-year-old friends who have disabilities. Right now, we have four friends and five catechists. We need two more catechists.

No prior experience in teaching or working with persons with disabilities is required. Our group supports each other in the training and we are always learning together.

We meet on Tuesday evenings only 12 times each semester, six of these meetings are with our friends called Total Community and six of the meetings are with only the catechists called our Prep Sessions which prepare us for Total Community.

It is a meaningful experience which you get more than you give. Please consider joining SPRED and please feel free to contact Carrie Mondschein with any questions at cmondsch@hinshawlaw.com or (312) 320-1160.



Save the Date!

**7th annual Spaghetti Dinner
& Bon Voyage Party**

**Saturday October 1, 2016 from 5-8 pm
PARISH CENTER 1950 N Kenmore Ave**



**Send Fr. Frank off on the Camino at our
All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner.**

**Dine on salad, pasta, garlic bread, dessert, and
soft drinks for only \$12 for adults, \$6 kids.**

**We will also have tapas, beer, sangria & wine
and amazing meatballs!**

Bring your Friends and Family!

**Proceeds from this event will be used for parish operating
expenses including Social Outreach.**

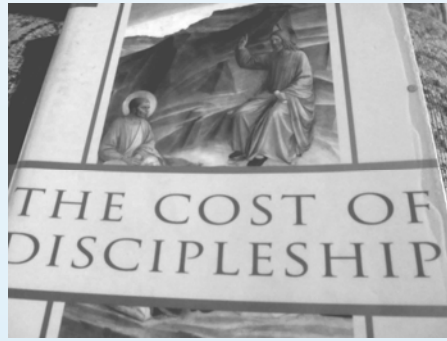
Cost of Discipleship

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives a clear call and instruction on "discipleship." Being a disciple is more than being a follower. We see instances in the Gospels of people who were followers of Jesus who turned away when they were challenged to become disciples. Discipleship involves accepting and integrating into our lives the teachings and values of the one whose disciple we become.

One clear experience of discipleship for me has to do with encountering and living with the poor at the border of Mexico. A group of us were living with other volunteers in Tijuana. Those who were guiding our experience had specific challenges for us. Among them was that we eat what was offered and not seek our own food. Another was to beg outside a grocery store, asking for food for those who were hungry. A third challenge was that we set aside things that used energy — such as hair dryers, etc. — that the poor probably did not own and couldn't afford the utility bill to operate.

In this experience, we were challenged to internalize and activate the message of what it means to live in solidarity with people of God who do without much of what we considered ordinary, or even necessary. We were challenged to become disciples of Jesus.

Some of our group accepted the challenges. Some struggled with them and decided to go along only for the time being. A few rejected the challenges outright.



Today it is still as true as it was in the time of Jesus: Not all followers are disciples, but all followers are called to become disciples.

Those who fully accepted the challenges became disciples.

In today's Gospel, Jesus lays out a clear challenge to his followers. To paraphrase: "You must not let any person in this world stand in the way of your following me." "Figure out what it is going to take for you to become my disciple. Don't be unprepared." And, finally, "Renounce any possessions that stand in the way of being my disciple."

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German Lutheran pastor in the first half of the 20th century, wrote a book titled *The Cost of Discipleship*. Bonhoeffer himself knew that cost firsthand. As a disciple of Jesus, Bonhoeffer risked everything, including his life, in order to resist Hitler and the spread of Nazism.

Bonhoeffer contrasted the cost of discipleship with what he called "cheap grace." Cheap grace implies that the believer wants to have forgiveness without really

being repentant, to have baptism without living the life of the church, to have Communion without really believing, and to be a disciple without accepting the cross. In other words, cheap grace means wanting to be a Christian without Jesus Christ!

In contrast to "cheap grace," Bonhoeffer defines the costly grace of discipleship this way: "Costly grace confronts us as a gracious call to follow Jesus; it comes as a word of forgiveness to the broken spirit and the contrite heart. It is costly because it compels a person to submit to the yoke of Christ and follow him; it is grace because Jesus says: 'My yoke is easy and my burden is light.'"

Bonhoeffer argues that as Christianity spread, the church became involved with the state, and secularization set in. The call to discipleship became exclusive to religious professionals like monks and nuns. Ordinary Christians, even some clergy, saw their Christian life as a practice of keeping rules rather than submitting to the "yoke of Christ" in full discipleship.

Today it is still as true as it was in the time of Jesus: Not all followers are disciples, but all followers are called to become disciples.

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

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Luke Kolman
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Jose Cervantes
Mary Paz Ramirez
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Stewardship Committee

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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.

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Please contact Rebecca O'Brien for information on joining the Stewardship committee; her email is robrien@stteresaparish.org.

The Stewardship Committee meet one Thursday per month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

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Linda & Rob Harmer
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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.

Help 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](mailto:klynch@stteresaparish.org)
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For information about ...

Baptism, Marriage, Reconciliation, Mass Intentions, RCIA or Communion for the Sick
[Contact Dean in the Parish Office](mailto:dvaeth@stteresaparish.org)
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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

