

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Armitage & Kenmore Avenues

Chicago, IL 60614



November 20, 2016

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Faith & Spirit.

Alive



I rejoiced because they said to me,
“We will go up to the house
of the LORD.”

— Psalm 122:1

Stewardship

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Welcome, Babies!



You did it again! Your unbelievable response to our *Welcome, Babies!* project emptied the clotheslines. With the exception of a few major items (cribs and car seats), we are well on our way to outfitting four newborns with a wonderful start.

Please attach your tag to the item/s and return them unwrapped to the parish center by December 4. Gently used or new baby clothes, newborn to two years, may be brought separately with no tags. And of

course, cash gifts are welcomed to put toward cribs and car seats.

Didn't get a tag? Not to worry. Just keep an eye open for the next clothesline announcing the arrival of new members to the human family. With great thanks for your always generous, quick response to families in need.



Thank you for your always generous response to help families in need.

Volunteer Help Wanted

Night Ministry Meal Service Wednesday Evenings

Join us by cooking, contributing or serving a meal alongside the Night Ministry Health Outreach Bus in Uptown. Volunteers are needed to bake cookies and drop off at the church, to cook with other volunteers in the kitchen at St. Teresa, or to pick up the meal and serve it to those in need. Children are welcome to participate in the baking and cooking portion, the serving portion requires children be 8th grade or older.

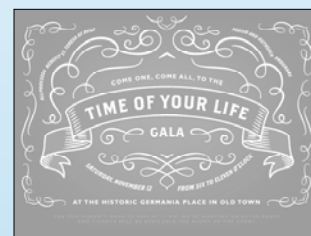
Food Pantry Distribution Saturday Mornings

Help with Saturday Food Pantry Distributions... including set-up from 9:00-10:00 am, and distributing to our guests from 10:00 am -12:00 pm. Children are welcome to volunteer along with a responsible adult.

Teens may volunteer without an accompanying adult if an adult checks them in with the manager on duty that day and specifies any instructions regarding how the teen will go home afterward.

Many Thanks...

Many thanks to those who supported the *Time of Your Life Gala*. Whether you attended as a guest, were a member of the committee, helped out as a volunteer on the night of the event or made a donation of goods or services, we are deeply grateful for the role you played.



The event raised nearly \$150,000, funds that are very necessary to support our parish. Without these funds, we would not be able to serve the community in the way that we do.

Believe it or not, planning for next year's gala will begin very soon. We are always looking for new committee members and no experience is necessary. If you're interested in getting involved in this very worthwhile ministry, please contact Rebecca in the parish office at robrien@stteresaparish.org.

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

**Most
Wanted
Volunteers**

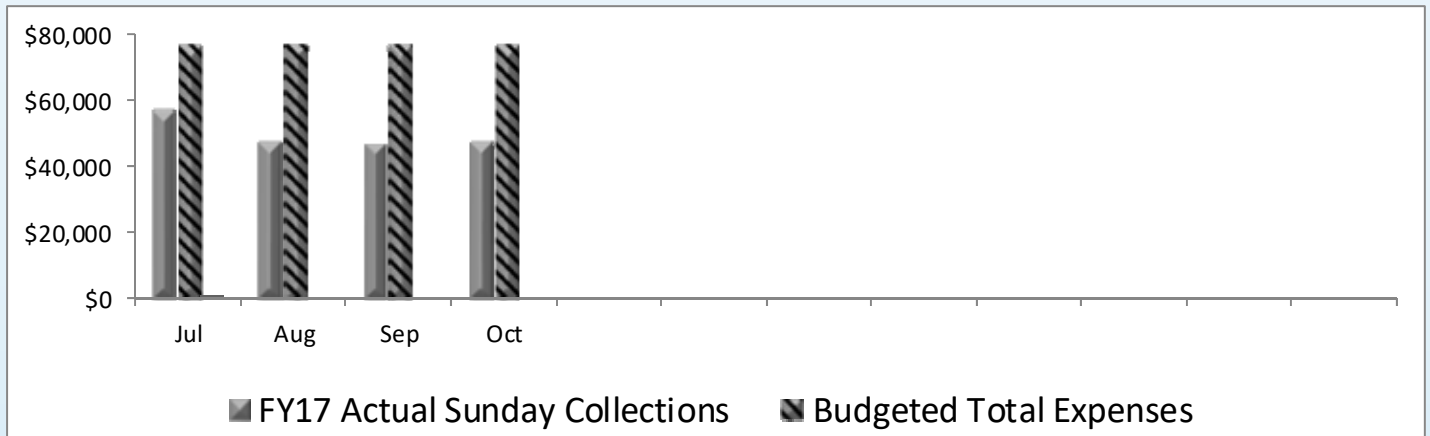
Catechists

**Fundraising
Committee**

**Members
Greeters**

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, Christmas and Easter collections, fundraising and miscellaneous donations. The above graph is repeated from October 30.
- 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 goal of the Finance Council and Fr. Frank to increase weekly giving to meet ongoing expenses and to use the proceeds from fundraisers for special initiatives and outreach programs.
- Please contact our Business Manager, Maggie Fernandez, with any questions at mfernandez@stteresaparish.org, or Matt Donner, our Finance Council chair, at mtonner19199@gmail.com.
- The next Finance Council meeting is yet to be determined.

Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

| | Weekend Count: | 10-16-16 | 10-23-16 | 11-6-16 |
|--|----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Average Daily Mass Attendance | | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Average Friday Communion Service | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass Attendance | | 65 | 75 | 59 |
| Saturday, 6:30 pm Mass Attendance (French) | | 91 | - | 95 |
| Sunday, 9:00 am Mass Attendance | | 186 | 187 | 272 |
| Sunday, 10:30 am Mass Attendance (Spanish) | | - | - | - |
| Sunday, 12:00 pm Mass Attendance | | 96 | 97 | 127 |
| Sunday, 6:00 pm Mass Attendance | | 140 | 135 | 9 |
| Total Weekend Mass Attendance | | 578 | 494 | 516 |
| Confessions this Week | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Funerals since January 2016 | | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Weddings since January 2016 | | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Infant Baptisms since January 2016 | | 24 | 24 | 26 |



There are 351 parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago; only 55 parishes have weekend attendance that exceeds 2,000. **St. Teresa of Avila's 2016 October Count was an average 550 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.

Parish Calendar

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November Baptisms



Lila Michele Zann (11-5-16)
Jackson Victor Zann (11-5-16)
James Charles Medek (11-20-16)

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, November 20

- 9:00 am, Church, Children's Liturgy
- 10:15 am, PC-REC, Advent Workshop
- 7:00 pm, PC, 6pm Mass Dinner Club

Monday, November 21

- 1:00 pm, PC, Cuisine du Coeur Meeting

Tuesday, November 22

- 6:30 am, PC, Men's Spirituality Group
- 6:15 pm, Church, Lectio Divina
- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, November 23

- 5:00 pm, Kitchen-PC, Night Ministry Cooking

Thursday, November 24

- Office Closed
- 9:00 am, Church, Thanksgiving Day Mass

Friday, November 25

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

Saturday, November 26

- 10:00 am, PC-GS, Food Pantry Distribution

Saints & Special Observances

- Sunday:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
- Monday:** The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Tuesday:** St. Cecilia
- Wednesday:** St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro
- Thursday:** St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc & Companions; Thanksgiving
- Friday:** St. Catherine of Alexandria
- Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary
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- Domingo:** Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo
- Lunes:** La Presentación de la Santísima Virgen María; Tiempo Ordinario
- Martes:** Santa Cecilia
- Miércoles:** San Clemente I; san Columbano; Beato Miguel Agustín Pro
- Jueves:** San Andrés Dũng-Lạc y compañeros; Día de Acción de Gracias
- Viernes:** Santa Catalina de Alexandria
- Sábado:** Santa María Virgen

November 2016 Food Pantry Schedule

- Saturday, November 5**
 9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
- Saturday, November 12**
 9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
- Saturday, November 19**
 9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
- Saturday, November 26**
 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

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 19

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

Sunday, November 20

9:00 am Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila

12:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila

6:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila

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.

Let Us Pray

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...

*Alicia Anderson
Dorothy Barns
Berta Billalvazo
Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu
Elizabeth Ryan Dean
Michael De Blasis
Kathy Derrick
Kim Duffy
Isabelle Eiffert
Jackson Fineske & Family
Alice Flynn
Padraig Gallagher
Eloisa Gallegos
Michael Gibbons
Angela Goldberg
Kaylee Gommel
Bolívar Gonzales, Jr.
Les Gordon
Mrs. Grabarczyk
George Halloran
Kellar Harris
Peg Hausen
David Hoffman
David Ivanac*

*Chuck Jabaley
Ronald Jakubec
Krista Kutz
Tom Kinsella
Liz Kunkel
Betty LaCour
Carmen D. Lorenzana
Gabriel Lozada
Palмира Mancini
George Maroquin
Jose Maroquin
Lisa Marquez
Margaret Sue Meadors
Daniel Meyer
Bill Mobley
John Monier
Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M.
Elda Myers
John Paul Nelson
Angel Nieves
Msgr. Kevin O'Neill
Frank O'Toole
Clayton Poe
Carol Poyner*

*Marie Koesters-Ranley
Deacon Hector Rivera
Hector J. Rivera
Luis Rivera
Pedro Rodriguez
Ray Romero
Jeffrey Roscoe
Sr. Camilla Mary Marney, OCD
Sr. Jean Ryan, OCD
Jack Schank
Will Sullivan
Laura Szejka
Mima Tome
JoAnn Jahnke Trainer
Marianne Usiak
Sara Vega
Susan Violapiano
Jack Williams
Valerie Williams
Mae Witry
David Zeunert
Survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse*

Celebrant and Minister Schedule

| DATE | TIME | Celebrant | Sacristan/ Lector | Eucharistic Host | Eucharistic Cup |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------|---|--|---|
| 11-24-16 | 9:00 AM | Fr. Frank | Sacristan: Sharon Lindstrom Lector: Peggy Teterycz | Sharon Lindstrom | Lisa Marquez Minister Needed (C2) |
| 11-26-16 | 5:00 PM | Rev. Jim Osendorf, CM | Sacristan: Lisa Hanzelka Lector: Karen Carpino | Lisa Hanzelka | Kevin Ludden Minister Needed (C2) |
| French Mass 12-3-16 | 6:30 PM | Fr. Timothy | | | |
| 11-27-16 | 9:00 AM | Fr. Frank | Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Laura Strybel | Minister Needed (H2,T) Luke Kolman Christopher Parente | Jamie Lutkus Frank Swiderski Geneva Gorgo Michael Zost |
| Spanish Mass 12-11-16 | 10:30 AM | Rev. John Rybolt, CM | Alejandro Lopez | | |
| 11-27-16 | 12:00 PM | Fr. Frank | Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Raquel Bech | Maria Montes | Aimee Jaszczor Minister Needed (C2) |
| 11-27-16 | 6:00 PM | Fr. Frank | Sacristan: Adam Hock Lector: Doug Lovette | Elizabeth Cuda Laura King Sharon Lindstrom | Sara Hock Ellen Moiani Bert Olson Cara Gannon |

Readings/Lecturas

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28 Thanksgiving Day: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes: Ap 14:1-3, 4b-5; Sal 24 (23):1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lc 21:1-4
Martes: Ap 14:14-19; Sal 96:10-13; Lc 21:5-11
Miércoles: Ap 15:1-4; Sal 98 (97):1-3ab, 7-9; Lc 21:12-19
Jueves: Ap 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Sal 100 (99):1b-5; Lc 21:20-28 Día de Acción de Gracias: Sir 50:22-24; Sal 145 (144):2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lc 17:11-19
Viernes: Ap 20:1-4, 11—21:2; Sal 84 (83):3-6a, 8a; Lc 21:29-33
Sábado: Ap 22:1-7; Sal 95 (94):1-7ab; Lc 21:34-36
Domingo: Is 2:1-5; Sal 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Treasures from Tradition

Among the Catholics seeking religious freedom in America were the Carrolls of Maryland, who arrived in 1649 from Ireland via England. Charles Carroll, born in Annapolis in 1737, was the only Catholic signer of the Declaration of Independence, and was the longest-surviving signer. As was the custom for English Catholics, he attended English schools in Belgium and later university in France. By the time he signed the Declaration, he was the richest man in America, and his decision to sign would hardly go unnoticed by the king.

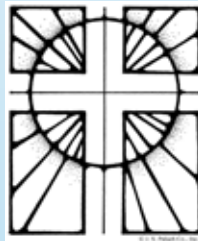
Because Carroll was so wealthy and because he was a Catholic, he had more to lose than the others. Those who signed became traitors to the Crown and risked losing everything. It is said that someone grumbled that there were many men in the world named Charles Carroll, and he could dodge responsibility if he had to. For that reason, he added a flair to his signature, “of Carrollton,” making it clear that he put everything at risk.

His cousin John, also an ardent supporter of the American Revolution, was ordained a Jesuit priest and returned to Maryland at the outbreak of hostilities. Upheavals in Europe forced the Jesuit order to dissolve, leaving Carroll a secular priest. Ultimately, it was John Carroll who was asked to organize the Catholic Church in the new nation. No one was better positioned for this task, a cultured man from an esteemed family, a cherished friend of Benjamin Franklin and George Washington, and a man so thoroughly attuned to an undercurrent of anti-Catholicism in the colonies that he could charm powerful people to a new point of

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

Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

En la frontera entre México y El Paso en Texas en los Estados Unidos hay una grandísima imagen de Cristo Rey con sus brazos extendidos en bienvenida y sobre una cruz.



En el continente Americano encontramos imágenes de Cristo en las montañas como Cristo Redentor en Brasil, o Cristo de los Andes, entre Chile y Argentina, o el Cristo Rey en Colombia; todos observando calladamente pesares y progresos de sus pueblos y naciones. En toda Latinoamérica se grita esperanzadamente “Viva Cristo Rey”.

La Iglesia universal honra a Cristo con el título de Rey solo desde 1925, pero siempre tuvo la certeza que el pobre Jesús de Nazaret es nuestro Maestro y Señor y, contra él no pueden las fuerzas del mal ni la injusticia. Terminando el Año Litúrgico, es justo y necesario recordar y festejar que Jesús reina para siempre.

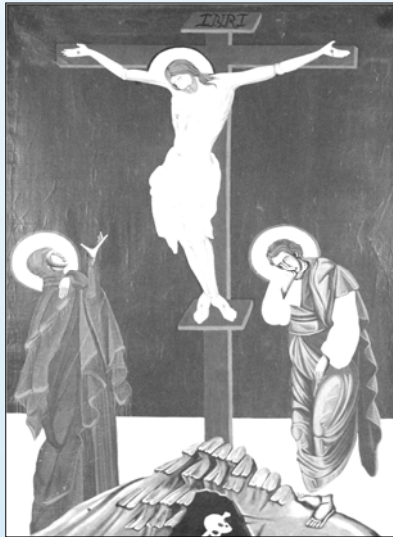
En Latinoamérica y en todas partes donde la injusticia parece dominar, Cristo Rey es continuo recuerdo de la promesa divina; de la esperanza de un mundo mejor no allá en el cielo sino aquí en la tierra renovada. Por eso terminemos el año litúrgico gritando “Viva Cristo Rey”.

— Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright, © J. S. Paluch Co.

Kingship

The book of Samuel recounts for us today the anointing of David as king of Israel. It was the elders of Israel who declared David king that day, but it was God who called David to shepherd Israel. Thus mandated by the citizens of his kingdom and by his God, David took his place in a long line of kings.

The apostle Paul speaks to us of kingship as well, but on a much higher plane: the kingship of Jesus our Lord. As great as David was, he and all earthly monarchs who came before and after him in their kingdoms around the world are minor kings by comparison to the true King. And lastly, we hear the story of that true King in perhaps his weakest moment: near death, hanging on a cross, taunted by a common criminal and by the world at large. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Reinado

El libro de Samuel nos relata la unción de David como rey de Israel. Fueron los ancianos de Israel quienes declararon a David como rey ese día, pero fue Dios quien llamó a David para que pastoreara a Israel. Mandado así por los ciudadanos de su reino y por el Señor, David ocupó su lugar en un largo linaje de reyes.

El apóstol Pablo también nos habla de realeza, pero en un plano muy superior: la realeza de Jesús nuestro Señor. Tan grande como fue David, él y todos los reyes terrenales anteriores y posteriores, en sus reinos, son reyes menores en comparación con el verdadero Rey. Finalmente, escuchamos el relato del verdadero Rey en, tal vez, su momento más débil: cerca de la muerte, colgando en una cruz, insultado por un criminal común y por el mundo en su totalidad. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Today's Readings

First Reading — David is anointed king of Israel (2 Samuel 5:1-3).

Psalm — Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord (Psalm 122).

Second Reading — The Father delivered us to the kingdom of his beloved Son (Colossians 1:12-20).

Gospel — The repentant criminal receives Jesus' promise of Paradise (Luke 23:35-43).



Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — Se unge a David rey de Israel (2 Samuel 5:1-3).

Salmo — Vayamos con alegría al encuentro del Señor (Salmo 122 [121]).

Segunda lectura — El Padre nos trasladó al Reino de su Hijo amado (Colosenses 1:12-20).

Evangelio — El malhechor arrepentido recibe la promesa del paraíso de boca de Jesús (Lucas 23:35-43).

2016 Giving Tree

Giving Tree tags are displayed this weekend for the benefit of the nearly 200 children between the ages of 5 and 13 at the Marillac-St. Vincent Family Services Center (Halsted and Webster).



Please return your gifts wrapped and with the tag by Monday, December 19th, so that the gifts can be given to the children before they begin their Christmas Holiday.

Suggested gifts are: art supplies, school supplies and book bags, and age-appropriate toys.

Thank you for your generosity.



Holiday Greenery December 3-4

I know fall just arrived, but the holidays are around the corner. As St. Teresa has done in the past, we are going to offer a Greenery Sale after all masses the first weekend in December.



We will be offering some of our most popular items such as wreaths, swags, centerpieces, and even mini table top live trees. There are no pre-orders taken on these items; it will just be first come, first serve, until we run out.

Just mark your calendar for December 3rd and 4th and plan to buy your traditional decorations and greenery at St. Teresa.

If you are interested in helping with the Greenery Sale, we are looking for volunteers for the weekend of December 3rd and 4th.

Please reach out to Kristen Castelloni at kristen@rlcanning.com.

Advent Workshop This Sunday

All are welcome to join in on this Sunday, November 20th from 10:15 am to 12:00 pm in the Parish Center. Make an Advent Wreath to take home and learn about Advent traditions. Bacon and eggs will be served.



Results of Our Blood Drive

On Sunday, October 23rd, we held our Fall Blood Drive in honor of Fr. Frank's 60th birthday. More than 50 people came to donate and we collected 37 pints of blood.

Lisa Donofrio was the winner of a 60 minute massage in our donor appreciation raffle which was donated by parishioner, Adreana Mauer, NCBTMB. Thanks also to Scott Davis, LMT, for giving chair massages to our donors.

We had wonderful volunteers to greet our donors. I would like to thank everyone involved in making this a successful blood drive.

Special thanks to our donors for sharing God's gift of life with other most in need.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Mark Buciak
Blood Drive Director



Advent Reconciliation December 5th

A combined Advent Reconciliation for our parish grouping (St. Teresa; St. Vincent; St. Michael; Immaculate Conception-St. Joseph) will be held at 7:00 pm, on Monday, December 5th at Immaculate Conception-St. Joseph.



Immaculate Conception-St. Joseph is located at 1431 N. North Park.

Guaranteed Entry: 2017 Chicago Marathon

All St. Teresa members plus their family and friends are invited to join one of the following charity teams: The Taller de José and Erica's Lighthouse.



Earlier this year both charities received an Avila in Action grant! Now they are looking for people to join their marathon teams.

Further information concerning these charities running teams including their mission statements and team members benefits can be found on their web pages or by contacting Coach Mark Buciak at: theroadtoboston.info

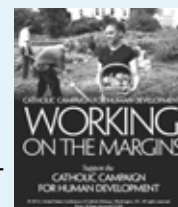
Runners, joggers and walkers of all abilities are welcome, especially first time marathoners! Coach Mark has customized training program to get you to the finish line.

2016 Catholic Campaign for Human Development

“Open to me the gates of justice; I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord”

CCHD empowers the poor by funding organizations that:

- Increase access to affordable housing
- Work towards criminal justice reform
- Advocate for the right of seniors, workers, immigrants, and people with disabilities.



**Please support the CCHD collection
November 19-20, 2016**

Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Working on the Margins Archdiocese of Chicago
esegura@archchicago.org

Advent Baby Bottle Project



Beginning on November 27th, the First Sunday of Advent, 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. This is a simple, but crucial fundraising effort for *The Women’s Centers*. Thank you for supporting *The Women’s Centers of Greater Chicagoland* again this year.

Please take a Baby Bottle home with you next weekend and bring it back to St. Teresa no later than Sunday, January 8th.

St. Mary of the Angels School
1810 N Hermitage Ave Chicago, IL 60622 773-486-0119







Preschool - 8th Grade
21st Century Learning
STEM
Latin & Spanish
Fine Arts
School of Character

Come to an Open House:

Dec. 15th
Jan. 19th
Jan. 29th
Feb. 23rd
Mar. 23rd

RSVP khable@sma-school.org



God's Calling Card

*"This is the King of the Jews."
Lk 23:38*

Throughout the Middle Ages, the church adopted many of the trappings we associate with people of power. As a consequence, little by little, the church began mimicking the dress, titles and palaces of the princes and lords of Europe.

These developments were intended to serve as a constant reminder to secular authorities that the rule of God was more important and more commanding than any human rulers. The thinking went something like this: If a king wears a crown, then the pope should wear a triple crown. Hence, the creation of the tiara, which was eventually retired in the late 20th century.

But in the course of making those changes, many in the church failed to remember the scene so powerfully depicted in today's Gospel.

Here, there is no jeweled tiara. Only a crown of thorns. Here, there is no gold-plated throne. Only a wooden cross. Here, there are no trumpets blaring, no choirs chanting, no drums booming. Only a stark inscription claiming, "This is the King of the Jews."

And yet, today the church celebrates the feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. In doing so, the church attempts to emphasize the kind of kingship that Jesus represents ... a kingship that redefines what true authority in this world really is.

It's a kingship that refuses all of the riches common to leaders of the world. It's a kingship that uses language like mercy and forgiveness. It's a kingship that can be summa-



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rized in one word: servant-hood.

That virtue of servant-hood is on full display in the crucifixion scene as found only in the Gospel of Luke featuring two criminals hanging alongside Jesus. One of the two recognizes that he is in need of forgiveness. He says to Jesus: "Remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus, amidst excruciating agony while undergoing the cruelest and most degrading form of death imaginable, remains true to his identity as the face of God. He not only forgives, but embraces the man as one "who will be with me in Paradise." The idea of "paradise" is also richer than we usually think. "Paradise" not only refers to a blessed life

hereafter, but also to the reality of a God who enters into the pain, hurt and heartache of people suffering throughout the world; a God who embraces a world immersed in the consequences of violence, homelessness and despair.

Paradise is there for all – if they can be reached by the power of love so overwhelmingly demonstrated by the God of the cross.

Mercy has been designated as the defining virtue to this Year of Faith that Pope Francis declared last December. Mercy, he told us, is "the name of God; it is his calling card."

Luke's gospel is replete with examples of the boundless nature of God's mercy and forgiveness. He demonstrates this endearingly, beginning with the story of Mary who in the poverty of a stable praised God for knocking the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly. The story of Jesus healing the sick and raising the dead or the father welcoming his prodigal son. Finally to today's story of the cross where Jesus is mocked and spat upon and nailed to a piece of wood.

All of it tells a story with one overarching theme: our God is the Lord of the universe – a God who comes to live with us as a merciful and infinitely loving Servant.

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

Pastoral Council

Jessica Marx
Anna Althoff
Bertel Olson
Paolo Basil
Justin Peters
Luke Kolman
Kate Lynch

Alex Lopez
Chris Parente
Jose Cervantes
Mary Paz Ramirez
Tom Micinski
Rebecca O'Brien

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Jack Halpin
Ray Genellie
Justin Alden

Dave Hilko
Steve Fortino
Becky Francis
Andrew O'Dekirk

Stewardship Committee

Paolo Basil
Anastasia Bullinger
Kelly Dean
Lisa Marquez
John Mitchell

Rebecca O'Brien
Chris Parente
Mary Serrahn
Dan Summins
Mark Van Grinsven

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.

Matt Donner is chair of the Parish Finance Council; his email is mddonner19199@gmail.com

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

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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Shannon & Jonathan Clinton
Michael Gallo
Lisa Hanzelka
Linda & Rob Harmer

Sara & Adam Hock
Michael Kmec
Jackie Koesters
Fr. Frank Latzko
Barbara McHugh
Tom Micinski
Rebecca O'Brien

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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
klynch@stteresaparish.org

For information about ...

Baptism, Marriage, Reconciliation, Mass Intentions, RCIA or Communion for the Sick

Contact Dean in the Parish Office
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Weekend Masses

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| 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, September through June

* First Sundays

Weekday Masses

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

