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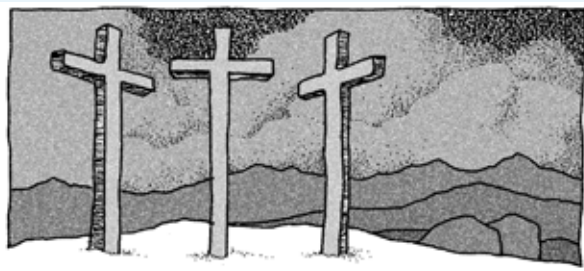
Chicago, IL 60614



March 19, 2017

Third Sunday of Lent

Faith & Spirit.
Alive



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While we were still sinners
Christ died for us.

— Romans 5:8

Stewardship

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Upcoming Stewardship Opportunities

- Host hospitality after 9:00 am Mass: Hosts needed in April, May & June. Sign up at signup.com/go/BnYEHC
- Attend the Time of Your Life Gala kickoff planning party: Tuesday, March 21st. Time and location TBD. For Details, Email Rebecca at robrien@stteresaparish.org
- Join the Welcoming Committee: Are you interested in greeting people on Sunday's, hosting a hospitality, giving tours of the church or helping with new member dinners? Email kmkutz@gmail.com for details.
- Loaves & Fishes dinner: Fridays, 3:30-6:30pm, or socialize during dinner from 5pm-6pm. Register signup.com/go/NUtfbV.
- Food Pantry: Saturdays, 9am-12noon. Sign up at signup.com/go/nLVPbN
- Night Ministry: Every other Wednesday. Bake cookies, cook a meal, or serve on the streets. Sign up at signup.com/go/gxXR2u.



Refugee Ministry Update!

Our Parish is standing together with refugees who have come to Chicago seeking a new life. To help them, we are working with Catholic Charities to find employers willing to hire them. Many need entry level jobs as they improve their English and get acclimated. Many others have well developed skills they would like to put to use. They are all eager to work and contribute to their new country.

We are currently looking for the following positions :

- Janitorial
- Construction and General Labor
- Tiling/Flooring
- Painting
- Driving
- Retail

If you think you may have an opening, please call or e-mail me to arrange an interview. If you have, or know of, any **other opening**, please let us know. We will try to match your position with one of the refugees.

Pat Murray (312) 388-9112 patrickfmurray@mac.com

Donations to the refugee fund can be made at: givecentral.org/location/209/10945.

Kickoff Meeting Time of Your Life Gala

A limited number of space remains for St. Teresa Annual Fondue Party on **Saturday, April 1st**. \$75/ person, 100% of the proceeds benefit St. Teresa of Avila.

This year's party is being hosted in the home of Janel & Mike Palm, along with co-hosts Rebecca & Kerry O'Brien.

Come out to have a great time with fellow parishioners, and make some new friends along the way. Enjoy food, drinks and fondue donated by Geja's Cafe. Basketball fans fear not! The Final Four games will be on for you to cheer on your favorite teams.



Interested in helping plan this year's annual gala? Join us for our kickoff meeting on **Tuesday, March 21st at Kincade's from 6pm-8pm.**

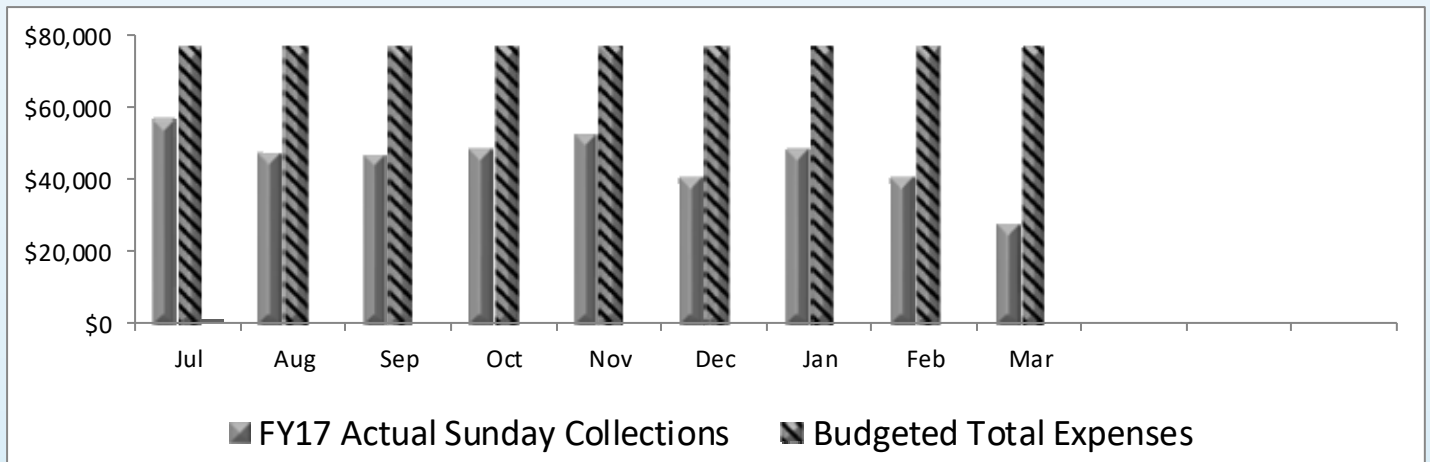
Beer, wine, and light food will be provided. Come ready to discuss ideas on theme, entertainment, sponsorships, auction items, and how we can make this year's event the best one yet!

Email robrien@stteresaparish.org to RSVP.



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

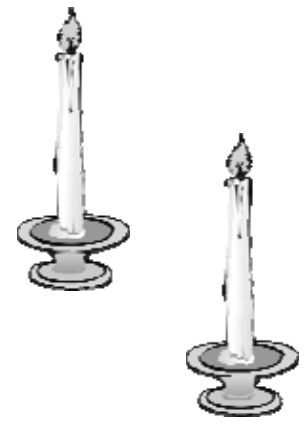
Fiscal Year (07/1 - 6/30) Comparison to Date



- 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.
- 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.
- This year, the Christmas Collection was \$33,580; the Greenery sale netted \$1,511.
- 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.

Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

	Advent Weekend Count:	3-5-17	3-12-17
Average Daily Mass Attendance		8	12
Average Friday Communion Service		3	3
Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass Attendance		75	80
Saturday, 6:30 pm Mass Attendance (French)		65	-
Sunday, 9:00 am Mass Attendance		240	190
Sunday, 10:30 am Mass Attendance (Spanish)		60	-
Sunday, 12:00 pm Mass Attendance		140	145
Sunday, 6:00 pm Mass Attendance		150	210
Total Weekend Mass Attendance		730	625
Confessions this Week		0	0
Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week		1	1
Funerals since January 2017		0	1
Weddings since January 2017		1	3
Infant Baptisms since January 2017		3	3



There are 351 parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago; only 55 parishes have weekend attendance that exceeds 2,000. St. Teresa's 2016 October Count averaged 550 people at weekend Masses. The 2017 monthly averages are: January, 489; February, 570. 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 Calendars

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Celebrant-Minister Schedule & Events

Date	Time	Celebrant	Sacristan/ Lector	Eucharistic Host	Eucharistic Cup
3-25-17	5:00 PM	Rev. Jim Osendorf, CM	Sacristan: Lisa Marquez Lector: Eric Fredericks	Jennifer Barrett	Linda Harmer Luke Kolman
Next French Mass 4-1-17	6:30 PM	TBA			
3-26-17	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Laura Strybel	Margaret Burke Kevin Ludden Michael Zost	Jocelyn Lutkus Geneva Gorgo Carly Johnston Theresa Jabaley
Next Spanish Mass 4-2-17	10:30 AM	Rev. Jeremy Dixon, CM	Carmen Ubides Carmen Vazquez	Carmen Cruz	Maria Gonzales
3-26-17	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Mike Usiak	Alice Morales-Villenas	Laura King Bob Pedro
3-26-17	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Adam Hock Lector: Sara Hock	Cara Gannon Elizabeth Cuda	Bert Olson Minister Needed (C2) Sharon Lindstrom Adam Hock

Sunday, March 19

- 10:20 am, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Monday, March 20

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

Tuesday, March 21

- 4:20 pm, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 6:00 pm, REC, CGS Catechist Training
- 6:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm, REC, SPRED TC

Wednesday, March 22

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

Thursday, March 23

- 9:00 am, PC, Food Pantry Delivery

Friday, March 24

- 10:00 am, Kitchen, Loaves & Fishes Cooking
- 5:00 pm, PC, Loaves and Fishes Dinner
- 5:30 pm, PC, Bescher-Van Lone Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

Saturday, March 25

- 10:00 am, PC-GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 2:00 pm, Church, Besscher-Van Lone Wedding

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent
Monday: St. Joseph; Spring begins
Thursday: St. Toribio de Mogrovejo
Friday: Abstinence
Saturday: The Annunciation of the Lord

Domingo: Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma
Lunes: San José, Esposo de la Virgen María; Comienza la primavera
Jueves: Santo Toribio de Mogrovejo
Viernes: Abstinencia
Sábado: La Anunciación del Señor

March 2017 Food Pantry Schedule

Saturday, March 4

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

Saturday, March 11

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

Saturday, March 18

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

Saturday, March 25

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 Intentions & Prayers

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 18

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

Sunday, March 19

9:00 am Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila
12:00 pm Dorothy Holdsworth; Georgina Garcia;
Rodolfo Humberto Montes
6:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila

Let Us Pray

Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

Rodolfo Bech, Barbara Byrd, Dolores Berendsen, Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu, Shaun Cantrell, Jerica Elaine Harris, Dorothy Holdsworth, Fred Jabaley, Andrzej Jastrzebski, Dave Hilko, Joseph Kamalick, Anthony Mastro, Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M., 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

Please pray for all those who are ill, especially for ...

*Alicia Anderson
Dorothy Barns
Berta Billalvazo
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
Bolivar Gonzales, Jr.
Les Gordon
Mrs. Grabarczyk
George Halloran
Kellar Harris
Peg Hausen
David Hoffman
David Ivanac*

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

*Marie Koesters-Ranley
Hector J. Rivera
Luis Rivera
Pedro Rodriguez
Ray Romero
Jeffrey Roscoe
Sr. Camilla Mary Marney, OCD
Sr. Jean Ryan, OCD
Jack Schank
Will Sullivan
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*

#prayforpeace

Please pray for those who lost their lives to violence in the city of Chicago between March 9th and 15th:

† Vogels Anderson, Jr.	† Chaz Johnson	† Alex Strong
† Devontae Watson	† Rolan Johnson	† Jawon Carter
† Ryan Hamilton	† Miguel Cabrales Vasquez	† Lavelle Cox
† Quentin Payton	† Jarrod Johnson	† Kamari Belmont

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@sttereseparish.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.

Readings/Lecturas

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Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Sal 89 (88):2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a o Lc 2:41-51a
Martes: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Miércoles: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Sal 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Jueves: Jer 7:23-28; Sal 95 (94):1-2, 6-9; Lc 11:14-23
Viernes: Hos 14:2-10; Sal 81 (80):6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mc 12:28-34
Sábado: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Sal 40 (39):7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lc 1:26-38
Domingo: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Ef 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

Treasures from Tradition

Long ago, the custom of sending some pieces of consecrated bread from the Lord's table began to take hold. Originally it was a way of assuring the sick and imprisoned of their bonds of faith and affection with the community from whom they were separated. By the third century, at least in Rome, we have evidence that the bishop would consign some of the sacred elements to presbyters or deacons.

There was a crisis in the unity of the church early on, called the quartodeciman controversy, since some people wanted to celebrate the Pasch on the fourteenth day of the Jewish month Nissan, even if it didn't fall on a Sunday. The debate so fractured the church that Eusebius reported a new development to the pope. He wrote that the churches holding to the Lord's Day sent out consecrated bread to the disgruntled people of the "quartodeciman" pastors with whom they were quarreling. Meanwhile, bishops complained about people taking the Eucharist home. St. Cyprian told a cautionary tale of a sinful woman who tried to open the "casket" containing the consecrated bread in her home; she was deterred from receiving, he said, by flames erupting from the box.

The Council of Nicaea defined the "old rule of the church" as allowing for reserving the eucharistic bread for the sake of the dying. The same council could foresee circumstances of persecution when people might have the Eucharist on hand to administer to one another in a time of great danger, literally, at the point of a sword. The first and enduring purpose for reserving the Eucharist is viaticum for the dying. — Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Para ser cristiano en la Iglesia católica necesitas recibir los tres sacramentos de Iniciación, es decir, el Bautismo, la Confirmación y la Eucaristía. Si te falta uno de estos sacramentos no estás completamente iniciado. Algunos cristianos insisten que si no estás confirmado no te puedes casar por la Iglesia, pero esto no es completamente cierto. Según las leyes de la Iglesia, los cristianos que desean contraer Matrimonio deberían buscar ser confirmados, si les es posible sin grave dificultad (Canon 1065).

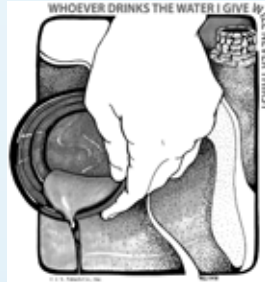
Todos conocemos el Bautismo y la Eucaristía, pero ¿qué es la Confirmación? El nombre lo dice todo. Con la Confirmación, confirmamos ante Dios y la Iglesia que deseamos ser cristianos por el resto de nuestra vida. Confirmarse es comprometerse, es entregarse al servicio de Dios ayudando al prójimo con la gracia y el poder del Espíritu Santo. Por eso es importante recibir una buena preparación.

La mayoría de nosotros no tuvimos opción cuando nuestra mamá y nuestro papá nos bautizaron. Nuestros padres y padrinos dijeron sí por nosotros y, si cumplieron con su compromiso, nos enseñaron con palabras y buen ejemplo como decir sí al Evangelio de Cristo. Sea que nos hayamos bautizado como infantes o como adultos, la Confirmación nos da la oportunidad de dar un sí pleno. ¡Sí! a ese bautizo, ¡Sí! a la Iglesia y en especial ¡Sí! a Cristo.

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

Thirsting for Life-Giving Waters

Especialmente durante the Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter seasons, the prayer texts of the Eastern Church revel in paradoxical images of Christ: the eternal life who is put to death, the host of the supper who is also its meal, the thirsty crucified one with living water streaming from his side. These images flow from the evangelists' portrayals of Jesus and from his very ministry, during which he often upset or reversed people's expectations about him or the ways of God. This "reversal" is at play in today's Gospel, as Jesus speaks to an enemy foreigner who is also a woman beneath his status. In addition he, the thirsting one, shows the woman to be the one truly thirsting. He—whose parched lips will say "I thirst" before he dies—is the source of life and life-giving water. Lent calls upon us to dwell on how each of us is thirsting for Christ, and it leads us, ultimately, back to the life-giving waters of our baptism into his Body. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Sedientos de las Aguas Que Dan Vida

Especialmente durante la Cuaresma, la Semana Santa y el tiempo de Pascua, los textos de oración de la Iglesia Occidental se deleitan con imágenes paradójicas de Cristo: la vida eterna que muere, el anfitrión de la cena que es también alimento, el crucificado sediento del que mana agua de vida de su costado. Estas imágenes fluyen de las representaciones de Jesús por parte de los evangelistas y de su mismísimo ministerio, durante el cual muchas veces cambió o invirtió las expectativas que las personas tenían sobre él o sobre los designios de Dios. Esta "inversión" está en juego en el Evangelio de hoy, cuando Jesús habla con una extranjera enemiga que está por debajo de su condición social. Además él, el que tiene sed, demuestra que la mujer es la única que tiene sed verdadera. Él—cuyos labios secos dirán "Tengo sed" antes de morir—es la fuente de vida y del agua que da vida. La Cuaresma nos llama a reflexionar sobre cómo cada uno de nosotros tiene sed de Cristo y nos lleva, en última instancia, de vuelta a las aguas dadoras de vida de nuestro bautismo en su Cuerpo. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Today's Readings

First Reading — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the LORD heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

Gospel — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).



Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — Agua salió de la roca para apagar la sed del pueblo (Éxodo 17:3-7).

Salmo — Si hoy oyen su voz, no endurezcan su corazón (Salmo 95 [94]).

Segunda lectura — El amor de Dios se ha derramado en nuestro corazón por el don del Espíritu

Santo (Romanos 5:1-2, 5-8).

Evangelio — El agua que yo les daré se convierte en el manantial de vida eterna (Juan 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39, 40-42]).

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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 Lisa Hanzelka at lhanelka@gmail.com.

Coffee? Tea? Bible Study?

Join fellow St. Teresa members in studying the *Acts of the Apostles*, just down the street at Starbucks. Each study runs for nine weeks - join at any time. Participants will be provided two books: the scripture and a workbook to respond to questions about the scripture. Pick a night and join the group!



All groups meet at Starbucks, 1001 W. Armitage Ave.

- Monday at 7:00 pm, leader Jackie Koesters
- Tuesday at 7:00 pm, leader Marisol Sarabia
- Wednesday at 7:00 pm, leader Karen Carpino

Questions? Email Jackie Koesters at jackiekoesters@gmail.com

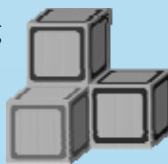
Friday Morning Playgroup Forming

A new baby-toddler playgroup is forming at St. Teresa of Avila.

**Friday Mornings
9:30 — 11:30 am**

Religious Education Center
1940 N. Kenmore Ave.

**Contact Kate Lynch for more information
klynch@stteresaparish.org**



An Evening in El Salvador

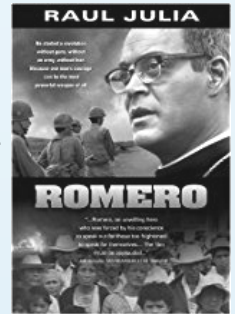
All are invited to join Fr. Frank for *An Evening in El Salvador* on Sunday, March 26...for a movie and discussion; 6:00 pm Mass; and afterwards, some Pupusa.

4:00 pm –View the 1hour, 45 minute movie *Romero*, about the life and work of Archbishop Oscar Romero who died for his opposition to the tyrannical repression in El Salvador on March 24, 1980.

6:00 pm – Attend Mass with Fr. Frank

7:00 pm – Then partake in a Pupusa tasting while discussing the movie and Fr. Frank's last visit to El Salvador.

Pupusas were first created centuries ago by the Pipil tribes who inhabited the territory now known as El Salvador, and is the only extant traditional native dish remaining.



Join us for this celebration in support the 2017 Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Project.

Please let Fr. Frank know if you plan to attend.



Next Men's Spirituality March 28th

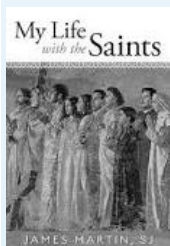
Are you interested in deepening your faith life through discussion with fellow male parishioners?



The St. Teresa's Men's Spirituality Group invites you every second and fourth Tuesday at 6:30 am for prayer and conversation.

For more details, please contact Matt Priesbe at mpriesbe@aol.com.

Lenten Book Study for Young Adults



If you are a young adult in the parish (out of college and approximately more or less about under 35ish) and are still looking for a way to engage your prayerful side during lent, St. Teresa is going to be hosting a book study over James Martin's *My Life with the Saints*. It is Fr. Martin's story of becoming a priest and how the lives of the saints influenced his journey. If you aren't familiar with Fr. Martin, he was the Jesuit advisor on the movie *Silence*, the unofficial chaplain of "The Colbert Report," and is a gifted and approachable writer.

We are considering meeting weekly during lent on Sundays or Tuesdays, so if you are interested please email john.dewyze@gmail.com.

Lenten Book Study for Young Adults

Do you like to sing church music? You're invited to join other parishioners once a month to sing as a choir at 6:00 pm Mass. This is a friendly group that has no weekly rehearsals, no robes, no age limits, and no auditions. Simply meet by the piano at 4:30 pm for a warm-up and brief rehearsal before 6:00 pm Mass. Mark your calendar to sing with the choir for any of these Masses:



- Easter Sunday, April 16th at 9:00 am
- Sunday, May 21st at 6:00 pm

Email Krista Kutz at kmkutz@gmail.com if you're interested in joining. All are welcome!

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays in Lent.



Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics 18 years old but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.

The Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy /Saturday.

Regulaciones de Cuaresma

La abstinencia de carne es para ser observado por todos los católicos de 14 años o mayores en el Miércoles de Ceniza y todos los viernes de Cuaresma.

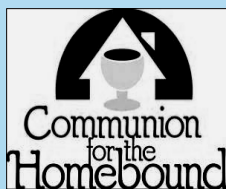


El ayuno es para ser observado el miércoles de ceniza por todos los católicos de 18 años, pero aún no 59. Los que están obligados por la presente puede tomar sólo una comida completa. Dos comidas más pequeñas se permiten si es necesario para mantener la fuerza de acuerdo a las necesidades de uno, pero comer alimentos sólidos entre comidas no está permitido.

El ayuno, así como la abstinencia Pascual, se prescriben para el Viernes Santo y alentó para el Sábado Santo.

Ministry of Care

The Ministry of Care program at St. Teresa of Avila brings the Word and Eucharist to those who are unable to attend church on Sundays for any reason.



If you know of someone who cannot come to Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call Dean in the office at (773) 528-6650 or email dvaeth@stteresaparish.org to arrange a visit.

Listen

Water is life. We have to have water to live. A person can live up to three weeks without food but only three days without water. Water is all around us; seventy-one percent of the earth is covered with water. However, safe, clean, running water in homes throughout the world is not readily available to all.

Millions of families live without it. The not for profit organization, Water.org, works to bring sustainable clean water projects to those in need in Africa, Asia, Latin American and the Caribbean. They report that worldwide one in ten people do not have access to safe, clean water. That number is equal to twice the population of the United States, approximately seven hundred million people. For those millions, it means spending many hours each day carrying water from sources with no assurance that it is safe for drinking, cooking and bathing. Often the heavy physical work of carrying water for the home is done by women today.

A woman encounters Jesus at Jacob's well while drawing water for her household. Their thirst brings them together. They both need water. Jesus' thirst is physical. After walking in the heat of the day and at a considerable distance his body is hot, tired and thirsty. The woman, too, thirsts. She longs to have the burdensome work of hauling water completed for another day. Given the strict rules of public decorum regarding encounters between men and women not of the



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same family this chance meeting could have been over before it began. Women and men that were not related did not talk or have any association with one another in public. Add to this that Jews and Samaritans had been the bitterest of enemies for centuries. Their hatred for one another and hostility toward the other knew few if any equals.

But yet, the two sit, talk and *listen* to one another. Through their mutual acceptance of the other, the walls, boundaries, hostilities and hatreds, which had long separated Samaritans and Jews, melt away and disappear. The Samaritan woman comes to understand who Jesus is. Initially he is a Jew, the despised and hated other. As he

candidly speaks of her marital history, she comes to believe that he is a prophet. As Jesus teaches her and reveals more of his identity the woman says, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes he will tell us everything." Jesus replies, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." The woman then hurries away excitedly, to tell others in the town about this extraordinary man at the well. She asks, "Could he possibly be the Christ?" After *listening* to the woman and then *listening* to Jesus, the townspeople come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah.

The author of John's Gospel says, "The woman left her water jar and went into the town." Perhaps, knowing she was coming back, she knew she could retrieve it later. Or, did the author intend another meaning? Could the jar left behind serve as a metaphor for the life she had been living?

As she came to know more fully the person of Jesus, by talking with him and *listening* to him, was her life changed? Had she come to believe that by drinking of the water he gives, that she would never thirst again? Leaving water jars behind can be risky. Perhaps she was willing to take the risk. Maybe we should ask ourselves: What is our water jar? Would we be willing to take the risk and leave it behind?

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

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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 ...

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Contact Kate in the Parish Office
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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, September through June

* First Sundays

Weekday Masses

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

