

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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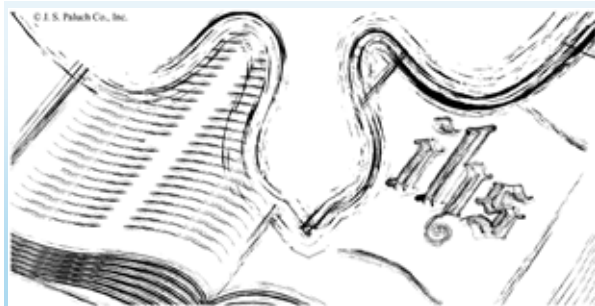
*Chicago, IL 60614*



May 21, 2017

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

Faith & Spirit.  
*Alive*



“I will ask the Father, and he will give you  
... the Spirit of truth.”

— John 14:16-17

# 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](http://signup.com/go/BnYEHC)
- 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](mailto: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](http://signup.com/go/NUtfbV).
- Food Pantry: Saturdays, 9am-12noon. Sign up at [signup.com/go/nLVPbN](http://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](http://signup.com/go/gxXR2u).



## Volunteer Appreciation Party

To anyone who has volunteered in any capacity over the past year we want to thank you for your participation in our community. Join us for a margarita and a taco or two and let us raise our glass to YOU, for all that you do to make St. Teresa a special place.



**Broken English Taco Pub –  
at the corner of Lincoln & Sheffield  
Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> – 6pm to 8pm**

Evite invitations have been sent and a RSVP is kindly requested.

**If you did not receive your evite,  
email Rebecca at [robrien@stteresaparish.org](mailto:robrien@stteresaparish.org).**

## Peace & Violence Recap

On Wednesday, May 3 St. Teresa's hosted an event at which a keynote speaker and thirteen organizations who are working to fight gun violence in Chicago all presented their perspectives on what's happening in our city. We are pleased to say that over 200 attended! Thank you to all our parishioners who joined us that night. We also want to say a special thank you to those who volunteered to help things run smoothly. Another great example of St. Teresa's pulling together for a meaningful purpose! If you're interested in learning more about the organizations that participated here is a list of their websites.

- Daniel Murphy Scholarship Fund – [dmsf.org](http://dmsf.org)
- UCAN – [ucanchicago.org](http://ucanchicago.org)
- Chicago Jesuit Academy – [cjademy.org](http://cjademy.org)
- Chicago Survivors – [chicagosurvivors.org](http://chicagosurvivors.org)
- Urban Gateways – [urbangateways.org](http://urbangateways.org)
- Boy Scouts of America – [pathwaytoadventure.org](http://pathwaytoadventure.org)
- G-PAC – [gpacillinois.com](http://gpacillinois.com)
- Illinois Council against Handgun Violence – [ichv.org](http://ichv.org)
- Strengthening Chicago's Youth – [scy-chicago.org](http://scy-chicago.org)
- Umoja – [umojacorporation.org](http://umojacorporation.org)
- PEAK – [peakchicago.org](http://peakchicago.org)
- The BLOC – [theblocchicago.org](http://theblocchicago.org)
- Healing Corner – [youcaring.com/thehealingcorner](http://youcaring.com/thehealingcorner)

— Nancy Van Grinsven, Ellen Moiani, Rebecca O'Brien

**Visit [st-teresa.net/prayforpeace](http://st-teresa.net/prayforpeace) for upcoming event info including 6/1 Strides for Peace 5k, and 6/11 #prayforpeace Mass.**

### Refugee Ministry

Join us after the 6:00 pm Mass on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> to learn more about the refugee ministry's efforts in sponsoring and mentoring a family from Syria. We'll watch the Academy Award Winning, *White Helmets*, a 40-minute documentary on the refugee crisis, and hear more about our refugee family from the mentors involved.

**Interested in volunteering? Contact Rebecca at [robrien@stteresaparish.org](mailto:robrien@stteresaparish.org) or (773) 528-6650**

## Finance Council News

Do you know how your money is spent? Would you like to help St. Teresa of Avila Parish fulfill its mission? The Finance Council needs your help.

In 2014, 2015, and 2016, our parish could not cover the daily operating expenses with our Sunday and holy day collections. How can you help? Be informed about our finances and continue to be engaged at St. Teresa.

We rely on our main fundraiser, *Time of Your Life*, to cover a large portion of our operating expenses. Naturally, this puts a lot of pressure on the event and its organizers. We'd like this and other fundraisers to pay for special projects, such as fixing the 20-year-old boiler, installing a new air conditioner, or expanding our current building. We do not want to use our main fundraiser to cover daily operating expenses such as health insurance, utility bills, or salaries.

The Finance Council is rolling out a new initiative. Our goals are to:

- Show you where your money goes;
- Increase the number of parishioners who use Give Central;
- Increase the consistency and size of contributions.

Next week, we will highlight one area of our finances. Remember, the parish bulletins are all posted on the St. Teresa website at [www.st-teresa.net](http://www.st-teresa.net) so you can always review past information.



**Since you've read this far, would you like to win a free \$5.00 gift card?** The first five parishioners (excluding finance council members and pastoral staff) who email [justin.alden@gmail.com](mailto:justin.alden@gmail.com) with an answer to the following question will receive a Starbuck's gift card:

*What percentage of St. Teresa's operating expenses (salaries, insurance, assessments, utilities, flowers, general church maintenance, etc.) are covered by our Sunday and holiday collections (also known as operating income)?*

**Hint: Our collections and donations don't cover 100% of our operating expenses, but collections do cover at least 50% of our operating expenses.**



## Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

	Advent Weekend Count:	5-7-17	5-14-17
Average Daily Mass Attendance		10	10
Average Friday Communion Service		5	4
Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass Attendance		45	64
Saturday, 6:30 pm Mass Attendance (French)		90	-
Sunday, 9:00 am Mass Attendance		320	170
Sunday, 10:30 am Mass Attendance (Spanish)		38	-
Sunday, 12:00 pm Mass Attendance		105	185
Sunday, 6:00 pm Mass Attendance		120	105
<b>Total Weekend Mass Attendance</b>		<b>718</b>	<b>524</b>
Confessions this Week		1	0
Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week		0	0
Funerals since January 2017		1	1
Weddings since January 2017		4	4
Baptisms since January 2017		8	10



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; March, 640; April, 705. 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
Saturday 5-27-17	5:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Lisa Marquez Lector: Minister Needed	Minister Needed (H2)	Lisa Hanzelka Lisa Marquez
Next French Mass Saturday 5-20-17	6:30 PM				
Sunday 5-28-17	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Jayme Nicholas	Rose Ohiku Phillip Malloy Michael Zost	Barb Schell Geneva Gorgo Brian Shea Molly Malloy
Next Spanish Mass Sunday 6-4-17	10:30 AM	Rev. Jose Rubio, CM			
Sunday 5-28-17	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Minister Needed	Aimee Jaszczor	Tyler Paul Maria Montes
Sunday 5-28-17	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Rebecca O'Brien Lector: Mike Usiak	Cara Gannon Veronique Caffrey Anne Seigenthaler	Dani Shane Abel Gonzalez Minister Needed (C2) Bert Olson

### Sunday, May 21

- 8:00 am, PC, Blood Drive
- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word

### Monday, May 22

- No Activities Planned

### Tuesday, May 23

- 6:15 am, PC, Men's Spirituality
- 6:00 pm, REC, CGS Training
- 6:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

### Wednesday, May 24

- 8:00 pm, Church, CCFC Rosary

### Thursday, May 25

- 6:00 pm, PC, Sisters' Serenade Dinner
- 7:00 pm, Church, Sisters' Serenade Concert

### Friday, May 26

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

### Saturday, May 27

- 10:00 am, PC-GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 4:00 pm, Church, Wedding Rehearsal

### Saints & Special Observances

- Sunday:** Sixth Sunday of Easter
- Monday:** St. Rita of Cascia
- Thursday:** The Ascension of the Lord (transferred to Sunday)
- Friday:** St. Philip Neri
- Saturday:** St. Augustine of Canterbury

- Domingo:** Sexto Domingo de Pascua
- Lunes:** Santa Rita de Casia;
- Jueves:** La Ascension del Señor (transferida al domingo)
- Viernes:** San Felipe Neri
- Sábado:** San Agustín de Canterbury

### May 2017 Food Pantry Schedule

#### Saturday, May 6

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

#### Saturday, May 13

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

#### Saturday, May 20

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

#### Saturday, May 27

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



# Mass Intentions & Prayers

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## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, May 20

5:00 pm Robert Woods

### Sunday, May 21

9:00 am Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish  
12:00 pm Concepción Ramirez; Eusébio Lopez  
6:00 pm Frank Kolman

## Let Us Pray

### Please pray for deceased ...

*Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu, Andrzej Jastrzebski, Andrea Harris, Dave Hilko,  
Joseph Kamalick, Anthony Mastro, Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M.,  
Angel Luis Neris, and the Victims of War & Domestic Violence*

## May Baptisms

*Edison James Affeldt (5-14-17) Isabelle King Johnston (5-14-17)  
Joseph Austin Scime (5-21-17) Bodey Shea Bartolucci (5-21-17)*

## May Baptism Anniversaries

*Dean Vaeth (5-4); Luke Kolman (5-6); Dani Shane (5-7); Lydia Hawkins (5-10);  
Douglas Dean (5-11); Nicole Murphy (5-15)*

## 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  
Frank Kolman  
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  
  
For the intentions of prayer  
cards; for survivors and perpetra-  
tors of sexual abuse*

## #prayforpeace

We continue to pray for those who lost their lives to violence in the city of Chicago between May 11th and May 17th: *Jamari Richmond; Devonta Brownlee; Warren Delton; DeShawn Johnson; Breyon Cowans; Donnell Hudson; Tatyanna Lewis; Zieyeal Easterling; Jerry Austin; Terrance Bingham; Mack McClinton; Jacobie James; Derrick Nelson; Kaveon Walton; Jermaine Brown*

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](mailto: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 about twelve months.

# Readings/Lecturas

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## Readings for the Week

<b>Monday:</b>	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
<b>Thursday:</b>	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
<b>Friday:</b>	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
<b>Saturday:</b>	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
<b>Sunday:</b>	Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; or (for Ascension) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

## Lecturas de la Semana

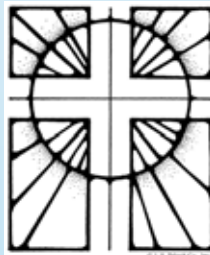
<b>Lunes:</b>	Hch 16:11-15; Sal 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
<b>Martes:</b>	Hch 16:22-34; Sal 138 (137):1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
<b>Miércoles:</b>	Hch 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Sal 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
<b>Jueves:</b>	Hch 1:1-11; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 6-9; Ef 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20 (para la Ascensión); o Hch 18:1-8; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Jn 16:16-20
<b>Viernes:</b>	Hch 18:9-18; Sal 47 (46):2-7; Jn 16:20-23
<b>Sábado:</b>	Hch 18:23-28; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
<b>Domingo:</b>	Hch 1:12-14; Sal 27 (26):1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pe 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; o (para la Ascensión) Hch 1:1-11; al 47 (46):2-3, 6-9; Ef 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

## Treasures from Tradition

The custom of genuflection is not found everywhere in the Catholic Church. In fact, it is a bit of breach of etiquette to genuflect in most Eastern Catholic Churches. If you're visiting an Eastern Catholic or an Orthodox church, the "when in Rome" rule should be adopted. Watch what the home team is doing! Usually, Eastern Catholics and Orthodox reserve a small portion of the eucharistic bread for the dying in a cupboard or eucharistic dove, but it is not a center of attention or devotion. The rule is to make a profound bow, called a "metasis," toward the altar—bowing deeply while making the sign of the cross.

East and West split years before we Westerners began to reserve the Blessed Sacrament prominently in our churches. Thus, the East never changed the original custom of bowing toward the altar. Increasingly, as tabernacles became more widespread in the West and moved into prominent placement within churches, we replaced the bow toward the altar with a genuflection toward the Blessed Sacrament when its place of reservation is visible.

In a church where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in a special chapel or off the main axis of the building, normally you should bow toward the altar when you enter your pew, because the Eucharistic table is the principal sign of Christ's presence in the church building. If you have ever participated in the liturgy of Dedication of a Church and Altar, there is no mistaking the altar's significance: it is first slathered with chrism and then adorned with a brazier billowing clouds of incense that fill the whole church as a sign of prayer and presence! — Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



## Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

En Uruguay se celebra la fiesta patronal más grande durante el mes de junio. Celebran a san Cono, un santo italiano del siglo doce. En el siglo diecinueve los inmigrantes italianos que vivían en Uruguay deseaban tener una capilla para honrar la memoria de este santo, oriundo de la provincia de Salerno, Italia.

En junio de 1885, las campanas de una modesta capillita anunciaron el recibimiento de una imagen de san Cono que llegó en procesión. Desde entonces esta costumbre italiana se fue haciendo parte integral de la devoción cristiana en Uruguay.

Cono fue el hijo único de una pareja anciana que vivía en la ciudad de Teggiano, Salerno. Según la leyenda, una noche mientras dormían, esta pareja soñó un cono de luz que brotaba de la madre. Al nacer el niño decidieron llamarlo Cono. Desde muy niño, Cono mostró un afán por las cosas de Dios y a los dieciséis años ingresó a un monasterio benedictino siguiendo el consejo de una voz interior que lo invitaba a consagrarse al Señor. A los dieciocho, su monasterio se llenó de luz y una voz anunció su muerte, y al día siguiente falleció. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

## People of Hope

Throughout this Easter season the readings have drawn us into the experience of the early church. We have tasted the excitement and zeal of the first Christians. Now, with them, we listen to the words of Saint Peter, who reminds us that when people notice that we are people of hope, we should be ready to explain why. This challenges us. Do others even notice that we are people of hope? In a world often marked by cynicism and hopelessness, do we stand out as people who offer hope and reassurance to others? In today's Gospel Jesus promises that when he leaves the earth he will not leave us orphaned. Today he promises to send his Advocate, the Spirit of truth who will be with us always. Let us acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit and ask the Spirit to make us people of hope. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



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## Pueblo de Esperanza

Durante este tiempo de Pascua las lecturas nos han llevado por la experiencia de la Iglesia en sus primeros días. Hemos saboreado el entusiasmo y el celo de los primeros cristianos. Ahora, con ellos, escuchamos las palabras de san Pedro, que nos recuerda que cuando la gente note que somos pueblo de esperanza, debemos estar preparados para explicar por qué, lo cual nos presenta un reto. ¿Será que otros sí notan que somos pueblo de esperanza? En un mundo marcado por el cinismo y la desesperanza, ¿nos destacamos por ser personas que ofrecen esperanza y confianza a los otros? En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús promete que cuando deje esta tierra no nos dejará huérfanos. Hoy promete enviar al Consolador, el Espíritu de la verdad que siempre permanecerá con nosotros. Reconozcamos la presencia del Espíritu Santo y pidamos al Espíritu que nos haga pueblo de esperanza. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — The people of Samaria accepted the word of God preached by Philip; they received the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:5-8, 14-17).

**Psalm** — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66).

**Second Reading** — Act with gentleness and reverence toward all, so that when you are maligned those who defame you will be the ones put to shame (1 Peter 3:15-18) *or* 1 Peter 4:13-16.

**Gospel** — I will not leave you orphans, but will come to you (John 14:15-21) *or* John 17:1-11a.



## Lecturas de Hoy

**Primera lectura** — Pedro y Juan les impusieron las manos, y recibieron el Espíritu Santo (Hechos 8:5-8, 14-17).

**Salmo** — Que aclame a Dios con alegría toda la tierra (Salmo 66 [65]).

**Segunda lectura** — Cristo murió en la carne, y luego resucitó por el Espíritu

(1 Pedro 3:15-18) *o* 1 Pedro 4:13-16.

**Evangelio** — Yo rogaré al Padre y les dará otro Protector. No los dejaré huérfanos (Juan 14:15-21) *o* Jn 17:1-11a.

## #prayforpeace 6/11/17 | 6pm St. Teresa of Avila

Join us for a liturgy for peace, and to pray for those affected by violence.

St. Teresa of Avila Parish  
1950 N Kenmore Avenue, Chicago  
[st-teresa.net/prayforpeace](http://st-teresa.net/prayforpeace)



### Friday Morning *Playgroup*



Join us on Friday Mornings at the St. Teresa baby-toddler playgroup

**9:30 to 11:30 am**

in the  
Religious Education Center

**(Enter at 1950 N. Kenmore)**

### Women's Spirituality May 30th

On Tuesday, May 30th, Women's Spirituality will meet at St. Teresa for an evening of quiet prayer, reflection and discussion in the Religious Education Center, Atrium III, at 7:30 pm.



Enter directly into Atrium III at the first door south of the main Parish Center at 1940 N. Kenmore Avenue.

**Contact Cathy Flaherty, [cghlaherty@aol.com](mailto:cghlaherty@aol.com), with any questions.**



## Join Men's Spirituality

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



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

**Next Meeting**  
**Tuesday, May 23rd**

For more details, please contact Matt Priesbe at [mpriesbe@aol.com](mailto:mpriesbe@aol.com).



CATHOLIC  EXTENSION

## Sisters' Serenade

**Thursday, May 25**

**6 p.m. Dinner with the Sisters**  
**7 p.m. Concert in the Church**

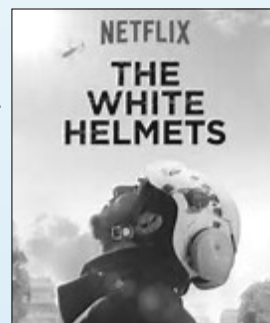
**St. Teresa of Avila Parish**  
1950 N. Kenmore Ave. in Chicago

Join us for an evening of cultural and religious music sung by 50 Latin American sisters serving immigrant communities in poor areas across the U.S.

Contact [RSVP@catholicextension.org](mailto:RSVP@catholicextension.org) or (312) 795-6070 by May 18th to reserve your spot for dinner

## This Weekend: Refugee Ministry Screens *The White Helmets*

The Refugee Ministry invites you to learn more about the refugee crisis by attending a discussion and film viewing **after the 6:00 pm Mass, Sunday, May 21st.**



Please come to learn more about the new Syrian family St. Teresa is sponsoring and to watch the 2017 Short Documentary Award Winner, *The White Helmets*, which follows volunteer first responders in their rescue of victims from the rubble of air strikes against civilians in Syria.

**Drinks and snacks will be provided.**

**All are welcome!**

## 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 & tooth-paste



**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](mailto:lhanelka@gmail.com).**

## Proclaim the Christ

Over the past few decades, California pediatrician Dr. Harvey Karp has popularized the idea of the “fourth trimester.” Theorizing that human infants (due to their growing head circumferences) are necessarily born three months too soon, he proposes a method of parenting that simulates life in the womb by incorporating rocking movement, skin-on-skin contact, and rhythmic sounds that echo a mother’s heart-beat, as ways to ease newborns into their new existence post-birth.

Following the death and resurrection of Jesus, their friend and teacher, the disciples of the early church faced a transition just as shattering and transformational as the one from womb to world. Their understanding and experience of life had been fundamentally altered in their encounter with the risen Jesus. And, we could say, in the 40 days from resurrection to ascension, Jesus offers the disciples their own “fourth trimester” of sorts to become acclimated to this new way of interacting with him.

But just as their time with the earthly Jesus ended, so too will the time they share with him post-resurrection. And after the ascension once again they will transition to a new way of being in this world, a new way of being connected to Jesus, the True Vine, and listening for the voice of Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

In today’s Gospel Jesus prepares his friends for this time that will come. He assures them, “I will



**In all that we encounter, we can hold on to Jesus’ promise, “I will not leave you orphans.” We know that we have an advocate who remains with us and an attentive parent who holds us close ...**

not leave you orphans.” This verse in John is the only time the term “orphan” is heard in all four Gospels. And it gives us a new image of Jesus, that of a parent. In this parenting, Jesus is joined by a new figure he introduces as the “Advocate ... the Spirit of truth.”

The disciples are moving into a new time — one of great hope and also of great pain. Shortly after promising to send them the Advocate, Jesus tells the disciples why they will need one: “If they persecuted me, they will persecute you” (John 15:20).

Our first reading picks up after Stephen is stoned in Jerusalem — the first of the apostles to be martyred. As many disciples are scattered from Jerusalem, Philip

finds himself in Samaria. Instead of seeking shelter and protection, we are told he “proclaimed the Christ to them” thereby sharing the joy of the good news at every opportunity. The second reading is drawn from the First Letter of Peter, who, tradition suggests, wrote it shortly before his martyrdom in Rome. Peter urges the community to “always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope.” Indeed, that is the audacious message of these first followers of Jesus — continue to proclaim the Christ to all who will listen even as your very lives are demanded of you.

In our own lives as Christians we also face challenges, persecutions and transitions. Some may be as simple as bearing with a difficult coworker or cranky child, but others (the death of a spouse, mental illness, addiction) may demand everything of us. In all that we encounter, we can hold on to Jesus’ promise, “I will not leave you orphans.” We know that we have an advocate who remains with us and an attentive parent who holds us close as we embrace a new reality. We now are the ones who must proclaim the Christ to a world desperately in need of mercy and love.

May we always be ready to give an explanation for our hope.

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

## Pastoral Council

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

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

## Finance Council

Jane Bronson  
Jack Halpin  
Ray Genellie  
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## Stewardship Committee

Paolo Basil  
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Rebecca O'Brien  
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Please contact Rebecca O'Brien for information on joining the Stewardship committee; her email is [robrien@stteresaparish.org](mailto:robrien@stteresaparish.org).

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

## Parish Transformation Committee

Marilyn Aleide  
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Rick Blair  
Mark Buciak  
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

**Parish Offices** are at 1950 N. Kenmore, (773) 528-6650, FAX (773) 871-6766. Hours are: 9:00 am to 7:30 pm Monday through Friday, and Saturday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

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

Contact Dean at [dvaeth@stteresaparish.org](mailto:dvaeth@stteresaparish.org)

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## Ministry Leadership Chart

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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 ...

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](mailto: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

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

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

\* First Sundays

### Weekday Masses

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

