

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Armitage & Kenmore Avenues

Chicago, IL 60614



July 23, 2017

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Faith & Spirit.
Alive



Those who are just
must be kind.

— Wisdom 12:19

Stewardship

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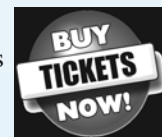
Stewardship Opportunities

- Host hospitality after 9:00 am Mass: Hosts needed in July, August & September. Sign up at 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 for details.
- Loaves & Fishes dinner: Fridays, 3:30-6:30 pm, or socialize during dinner from 5:00 pm-6:00 pm. Register signup.com/go/NUtfbV.
- Food Pantry: Saturdays, 9:00 am-12:00 noon. 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.



Raffle and Ticket Presale!

Tickets are now on sale for this year's annual fundraising bash. Snag your tickets early to this sell-out event and you'll save some money while ensuring that St. Teresa maintains a strong cash flow over the summer season. Tickets are \$125/person now through August 30th, and \$150/person in September and beyond.



Raffle tickets are on sale and our goal is to raise \$50,000 this summer by encouraging our friends, family, coworkers, or fellow philanthropists, to buy a ticket. \$100 gets you a chance at winning your choice of four great trips: Jamaica, Paris, San Diego, or American Music Awards.

Visit timeofyourlifegala.com to purchase raffle tickets or event presale tickets. To donate items for auction, email Mike at usiak@sbcglobal.net.

Thank You from the Healing Corner!!

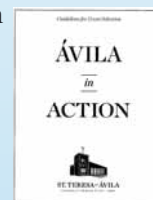


On July 15th St. Teresa of Avila sponsored a meal in West Garfield Park for the Healing Corner, a community building event that offers free food, hugs, and resources while having an open dialogue with the community around the issue of violence. Many thanks to all who contributed to this effort by volunteering or donating food. The event was eye opening and rewarding. To learn more, send an email to robrien@stteresaparish.org.

Thank you John Eiffert, Stephanie Good, Theresa Jabaley, Anmarie & Steve Kolinski, Kelly McCartney, Ellen Moiani, Rebecca O'Brien, and Colleen Uveges.

Avila in Action

Just two weeks left to apply for an Avila in Action grant! Know of a group that is working to make the world a better place? Let them know about your amazing Parish and have them apply for one of the 2017 Avila in Action grants to help them continue to change the world. All applications are due by July 31. Application and more information can be found at st-teresa.net/stewardship/avila-in-action.



Questions may be directed to Rebecca O'Brien at robrien@stteresaparish.org or (773) 528-6650.

Refugee Updates:

Our Syrian Refugee Family, Abdulkarim, Latifa and Bisan are expecting the arrival of their new baby this week! Latifa and Abdulkarim insist that they have everything for the baby, but if you would like to write a card or contribute something small like a pack of diapers or a children's book (which Bisan could use too), it would be a nice gesture. At our most recent meeting, Abdulkarim expressed that he would like a bike to help him get to and from work. They're having trouble saving up for it with the baby coming. The family is very firm on their desire to be financially independent, but if you or someone you know has an old bike to donate, Abdulkarim would put it to good use! Email Margaret at margaretannmiles@gmail.com, if you can help.



Catholic Charities reached out to us recently about Congolese girl named Tereza who was accepted to Josephinum Academy. She and her family do not have sponsors as they arrived in the U.S. before that program was created.

Tereza was fortunate to receive a partial scholarship to Josephinum, but needed financial help with registration fees, a portion of tuition, school supplies and uniforms.

We are collecting Old Navy gift cards to help Tereza purchase uniforms. Gift cards can be sent to the parish of-fice, or email robrien@stteresaparish.org.



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

Win a \$10 Starbuck's Card for Capital Expenses Poll #4!

The last bulletin question was: *What represented 7% (\$54,526) of St. Teresa's Operational Income for 2016?*

The answer was: *"Charitable Outreach Donations." St. Teresa parishioners donated \$54,526 via Charitable Outreach Donations. This comprised 7% of our total operating income for fiscal 2016.*

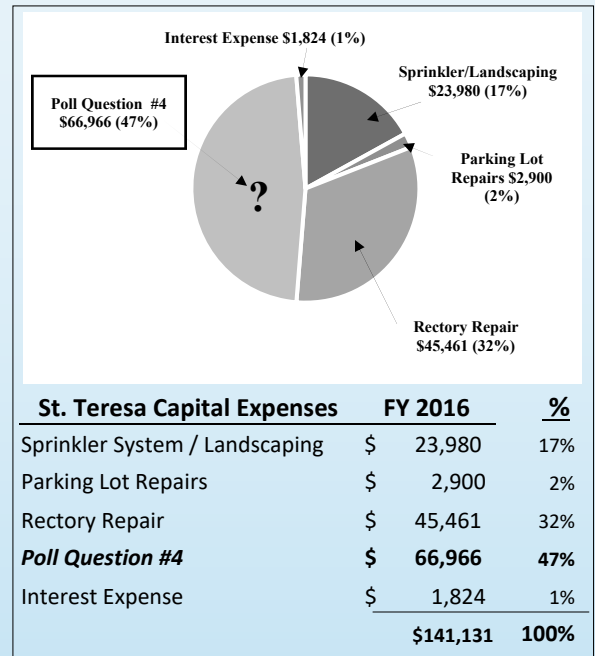
Janel Palm was our winner! Thank you Janel and the other person who participated (**Thanks, Mom!**). We didn't have as many participants as we did for the previous bulletin. In fact, participation from the previous question was comprised 95% by Finance Council members, so it didn't really count.

To improve the response, we're doubling the Starbucks reward to \$10.00! A maximum of 10 people can win the gift card, but everyone's name will be published.

In this bulletin, we'll focus on St. Teresa's Capital Expenses. The two-fold question is: *What category is the "Poll Question #4" in this graph? And where did the money go?*

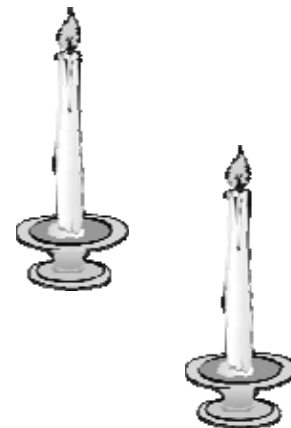
You don't have to answer both questions correctly to win. **Hint:** literally any answer will do. But perhaps the weekly bulletin finds its way from Mass to the inside of your car door and then the garbage when you clean your car while filling up with gas. **Can you prove the finance committee wrong, show us you read this column, and participate?**

Finance council and church staff are most welcome to participate (but you can't reference your notes). Please email me, Justin Alden, at justin.alden@gmail.com or Maggie Fernandez, our Business Manager, at mfernandez@stteresaparish.org with your guesses. We'll publish the winner's names next time.



Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

| Advent Weekend Count: | 7-2-17 | 7-9-17 | 7-16-17 |
|--|------------|------------|------------|
| Average Daily Mass Attendance | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| Average Friday Communion Service | 5 | 3 | 3 |
| Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass Attendance | 105 | 57 | 49 |
| Saturday, 6:30 pm Mass Attendance (French) | - | 29 | - |
| Sunday, 9:00 am Mass Attendance | 130 | 140 | 140 |
| Sunday, 10:30 am Mass Attendance (Spanish) | 35 | - | - |
| Sunday, 12:00 pm Mass Attendance | 75 | 130 | 190 |
| Sunday, 6:00 pm Mass Attendance | 70 | 130 | 105 |
| Total Weekend Mass Attendance | 415 | 486 | 454 |
| Confessions this Week | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Funerals since January 2017 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Weddings since January 2017 | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| Baptisms since January 2017 | 18 | 20 | 20 |



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; May, 573; June, 541. 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 7-29-17 | 5:00 PM | Fr. John Rybolt, CM | Sacristan: Minister Needed Lector: Eric Fredericks | Jennifer Barrett | Mary Jo Weis Carly Johnston |
| Next French Mass Saturday 8-12-17 | 6:30 PM | | | | |
| Sunday 7-30-17 | 9:00 AM | Fr. Frank | Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Mark Van Grinsven | Geneva Gorgo Dana Vance Andrew De Leonardis | Nancy Van Grinsven Rose Ohiku Philip Malloy Jocelyn Lutkus |
| Next Spanish Mass Sunday 8-6-17 | 10:30 AM | Rev. Jose Rubio, CM | Tony Rivera Carmen Ubides | Carmen Cruz | Maria Gonzales |
| Sunday 7-30-17 | 12:00 PM | Fr. Frank | Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Maria Montes | Anne Seigenthaler | Bert Olsen Tyler Paul |
| Sunday 7-30-17 | 6:00 PM | Fr. Frank | Sacristan: Minister Needed Lector: Claire Kenkel | Sharon Lindstrom Robert Martinez Peter Doyle | Jane Bronson Dani Shane Kevin Ludden Chris Parente |

Sunday, July 23

- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, July 24

- 7:00 pm, Kincade's Bar, Theology on Tap

Tuesday, July 25

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

Wednesday, July 26

- No Activities Planned

Thursday, July 27

- 9:00 am, PC, Food Pantry Delivery

Friday, July 28

- 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

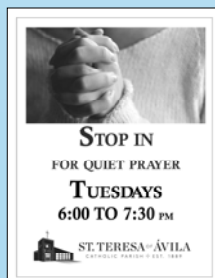
Saturday, July 29

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

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf
Tuesday: St. James
Wednesday: Ss. Joachim and Anne
Saturday: St. Martha

Domingo: Decimosexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes: San Sharbel Makhlūf
Martes: Santiago
Miércoles: San Joaquín y Santa Ana
Sábado: Santa Marta



July 2017 Food Pantry Schedule

Saturday, July 1

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

Saturday, July 8

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

Saturday, July 15

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

Saturday, July 22

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

Saturday, July 29

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

Let Us Pray

Saturday, July 22

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

Sunday, July 23

9:00 am John & Lilly Jones

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

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

Tuesday, July 25

7:30 am Miguel Sinchi Barreto

Please pray for deceased ...

Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu, Eddy Velazquez, Andrea Harris, Dave Hilko, Joseph Kamalick, Edward Nevera, Andrzej Jastrzebski, Anthony Mastro, Andrea Mastro Hoinacki, Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M., Angel Luis Neris, Noemie Sylvestre, and the Victims of War & Violence

July Baptisms

Reid Paul Eck (7-2-17), Charles Robert Donovan (7-9-17), Blake Consiglio (7-9)

July Baptism Anniversaries

Caroline Mondschean (7-14), Anne Heller (7-26), Christopher Parente (7-29)

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 Duffey
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
Joyce Jaszczor
Frank Kolman
Krista Kutz
Liz Kunkel
Betty LaCour
Carmen D. Lorenzana
Gabriel Lozada
Palmira Mancini
George Maroquin
Jose Maroquin
Lisa Marquez
Margaret Sue Meadors
Sage Mesen*

*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
Bob Semmer
Will Sullivan
Mima Tome
JoAnn Jahnke Trainer
Marianne Usiak
Sara Vega
Susan Violapiano
Jack Williams
Valerie Williams
Mae Witry
David Zeunert

For the intentions on our
prayer cards; for survivors
and perpetrators of sexual
abuse*

#prayforpeace

We continue to pray for those who lost their lives to violence in the City of Chicago between July 13th and 19th: *Rashaad Crawford; Robert Sharpe.; Christopher Johnson, Jr.; Gustavo Garcia (10 years old); Michael Whitford; David Marin; Maurice Hunter; Cerci Robinson; Dante Neely; Gregory Williams, Jr.; Vincent Hubbard; Dautreau Bates; Terbord Williams; Derrick Murray; Laquante Smith; Alejandro Montalvo; Robert Warren; Rhonda Hughes; Norman White; Shaundel Wimberly; and Cedron Doles.*

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 about twelve months.

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Readings for the Week

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| Monday: | Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42 |
| Tuesday: | 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28 |
| Wednesday: | Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 |
| Thursday: | Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52-56; Mt 13:10-17 |
| Friday: | Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23 |
| Saturday: | Ex 24:3-8; Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42 |
| Sunday: | 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46] |

Lecturas de la Semana

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|-------------------|---|
| Lunes: | Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42 |
| Martes: | 2 Cor 4:7-15; Sal 126 (125):1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28 |
| Miércoles: | Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Sal 78 (77):18-19, 23-28; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 |
| Jueves: | Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52-56; Mt 13:10-17 |
| Viernes: | Ex 20:1-17; Sal 19 (18):8-11; Mt 13:18-23 |
| Sábado: | Ex 24:3-8; Sal 34 (33):2-11; Jn 11:19-27 o Lc 10:38-42 |
| Domingo: | 1 Re 3:5, 7-12; Sal 119 (118):57, 72, 76- 77, 127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46] |

Treasures from Tradition


For centuries, the only Eucharistic Prayer we heard as Western Catholics was the old Roman Canon, usually recited in a low voice by the priest, in Latin. By the 1940s, many Catholics were learning to follow along with the actions of the priest by means of a bilingual missal, with Latin on one side and English on the other. Drawings of the priest's position at the altar, moving from one side to the other, or bowing or standing with uplifted hands at the center, helped the readers stay on track.



The Roman Canon is a long prayer, and since it was done every day for every occasion, priests had a way of galloping through it. Even though long, its structure is fairly simple, with the consecration and sacrifice clearly marked out. Sadly, this surviving prayer had triumphed over many treasures of our tradition that emphasized other dimensions of Eucharist. The *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* in 1963 did not call directly for new Eucharistic Prayers, but that direction was inevitable. Discussion began almost immediately, and by 1967 the Vatican approved three new Eucharistic Prayers. In 1974, the Congregation for Worship unveiled the experiment of two Eucharistic Prayers for Masses of Reconciliation, and three for Masses with Children. At last, a period of creativity and enrichment had begun. — Rev. James Field,

Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Bartolomé de las Casas, el gran defensor de los indígenas, nació en Sevilla, España en 1474 y falleció en Madrid en el año 1566. Su larga vida fue dedicada a la presencia española en América.



Bartolomé llegó a la Nueva España para encargarse de una Encomienda. Después fue ordenado sacerdote y recibió a cargo una encomienda de mineros amerindios. Poco a poco su corazón cristiano le abrió los ojos a las injusticias españolas en América.

Por eso se hizo fraile dominico e hizo varios viajes a España en defensa de los derechos humanos de los amerindios ante los reyes de España, los cuales le dieron tierras en Venezuela y Chiapas para poner en práctica su teoría humanista acerca de los indígenas.

Hasta el fin de su vida este fraile y teólogo dominico luchó por los derechos de los nativos americanos, buscando convencer a los reyes españoles y a los Papas que la conquista no favorecía la evangelización de los pueblos. Gracias a sus esfuerzos se abolió la esclavitud indígena y se instituyó el diálogo, en lugar de la espada, como instrumento de conversión. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S.

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The Love of God

The first reading today, from the book of Wisdom, makes its point over and over, at least five times in five verses! God is mighty, but lenient to all. God's power is shown in kindness and clemency, not in harshness and condemnation, and those who govern God's people must govern in the same way, with kindness. This loving kindness and gentleness is not contrary to God's might, but is a direct result of God's primacy over all. Who are we, then, to judge what is in the hearts of our fellow Christians and all people, when God commands justice with love and clemency?

Likewise, the Holy Spirit makes up for our ignorance of what we need, speaking in a language we do not yet understand. But God knows our needs before we do, understands the intercessions of the Spirit, and helps us in our weakness. This is our hope: God's mercy, power, and love. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



El Amor de Dios

La primera lectura de hoy, del libro de la Sabiduría, va al punto una y otra vez, ¡al menos cinco veces en cinco versículos! Dios es poderoso, pero compasivo con todos. La fuerza de Dios se muestra en la bondad y la clemencia, no en la aspereza o la condenación, y quienes gobiernan al pueblo de Dios deben gobernar de igual manera, con bondad. Esta amorosa bondad y delicadeza no son contrarios al poder de Dios, sino directo resultado de la primacía de Dios sobre todo. ¿Quiénes somos nosotros, entonces, para juzgar el corazón de nuestros hermanos cristianos y a toda la gente, cuando Dios ordena justicia con amor y clemencia?

De igual manera, el Espíritu Santo suple nuestra ignorancia de lo que necesitamos, hablando en un lenguaje que no comprendemos todavía. Pero Dios conoce nuestras necesidades antes que nosotros, entiende las intercesiones del Espíritu, y nos ayuda en nuestra necesidad. Esta es nuestra esperanza: la misericordia, el poder y el amor de Dios. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Today's Readings

First Reading — You taught your people that those who are just must likewise be kind (Wisdom 12:13, 16-19).

Psalm — Lord, you are good and forgiving (Psalm 86).

Second Reading — The Spirit comes to aid us in our weakness (Romans 8:26-27).

Gospel — Jesus proposes parables to the crowds, teaching them of the reign of God (Matthew 13:24-43 [24-30]).



Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — Tenemos la esperanza bien fundada de que se nos perdonarán nuestros pecados (Sabiduría 12:13, 16-19).

Salmo — Tú, Señor, eres bueno y clemente (Salmo 86 [85]).

Segunda lectura — Cuando no sabemos qué pedir, el Espíritu ruega por nosotros (Romanos 8:26-27).

Evangelio — El Hijo del Hombre siembra buena semilla, que son los hijos del reino (Mateo 13:24-43).

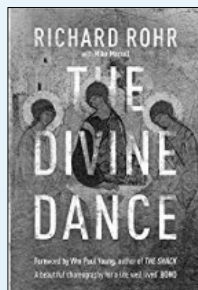
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Book Club this Weekend!

St. Teresa is going to be hosting a young adult book study over Richard Rohr's *The Divine Dance*. If you are interested in meeting with a group of 20 and 30 somethings to discuss this book, your faith, and enjoy some great community, we want you!



We will start meeting on **Sunday, July 9th, after the 6:00 pm Mass** for an hour or so each week.

If you are interested please email john.dewyze@gmail.com

Catholic Charities Volunteer Opportunities

Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer? Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago is looking for volunteers to serve throughout our more than 150 locations helping improve the lives of the people we serve.



For more information, visit the Catholic Charities Website at www.volunteerbridge.com, or email volunteer@catholiccharities.net, or call the Volunteer Relations department at (312) 655-7322.

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

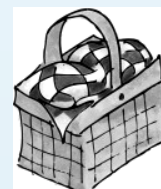


If you are interested in volunteering at the Food Pantry, contact Lisa Hanzelka at lhanelka@gmail.com.

Save the Date: September 17th!

Join us for a "Party in the Park" benefiting St. Teresa of Avila's Border Ministries.

Mark your calendar for September 17th, 1:00-4:00 pm and join us in Lincoln Park for a good old-fashioned church picnic to benefit our new Border Ministry.



Details coming soon. Got questions? Email Sara Hock at sara.m.hock@gmail.com

Learn it. Grow it. Serve it.

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THEOLOGY ON TAP



Join us this summer for our Theology on Tap speaker series! Our parish will be focusing on the "Learn it" track, where we will partner with parishes in our community to host exciting events that will focus on how each one of us can further develop our relationship with Jesus and deepen our understanding of the Catholic faith.

We look forward to seeing you this summer at the events below!

Mondays at 7:00 p.m. Socializing begins at 6:30pm

Kelly's Pub, Marge's Still, Kincade's, Orso's Rooftop

Week One

July 17, 7:00 p.m.

Kelly's Pub: 949 W Webster

Jesus and the Avengers

Darius Villalobos

Week Three

July 31, 7:00 p.m.

Marge's Still: 1758 N Sedgwick

Athletics and Faith

Sr. Stephanie Baliga

Week Two

July 24, 7:00 p.m.

Kincade's Bar and Grill: 950 W Armitage

Get the Heck Out!

Margaret Motto

Week Four

August 7, 7:00 p.m.

Orso's Rooftop: 1401 N Wells

The Four Commandments of

Contentment

Fr. Ed Shea

For more information on all of the Theology on Tap events taking place across the Archdiocese of Chicago and at the Lincoln Park and Old Town parishes this summer, please visit www.totchicago.org or contact Suzanne Gillen at 773.325.8612 or sgillen1@depaul.edu

Sign Up for the Annual Men's Retreat on September 8th-10th

Looking for an opportunity to hear God speaking to you? Silence speaks volumes.

St Teresa's Men's Spirituality Group invites and welcomes all men 18 and older to join us at our annual retreat at Bellarmine Retreat House in Barrington, Illinois, September 8th-10th.

This special weekend is spent in silence, providing space to let go of the preoccupations of daily life to allow room to hear God in the depths of your soul.

Retreat master Fr. Peter Etzel, S. J., who has been leading retreats for more than 20 years, will lead a series of talks on *Who Is the Man I Want to Be?* Whether you spend reflective time on your own or participate in Mass and the retreat talks, this will be

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 either
 (312)948-5605 or cdean@aegpartners.com
 for more information.

Carpooling will be available.



Immaculate Conception & St. Joseph Parish SPRED Program

Immaculate Conception and Saint Joseph Parish will be hosting a SPRED program (Special Religious Development) designed for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities such as Autism, Down Syndrome, Fragile X Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, and other challenges.



We will welcome adults with special needs 22+ years old from the near north and mid-north parishes that do not have this ministry yet. We presently work in collaboration with St. Vincent de Paul, St. Teresa of Avila, and St. Josaphat Parishes.

We invite volunteer catechists from all nearby parishes to share God's love for us with those who are so often forgotten.

For more information about serving as a SPRED catechist or to be a participant in SPRED, please contact Julia Hess at jchqofa3@gmail.com

For information on SPRED, link to
<http://www.spred-chicago.org>



49th Annual
Sheffield Music Festival
 & Garden Walk
 Sat. & Sun. **July 22-23**

Noon to 10:00 p.m. Daily • On Sheffield Ave.
 between Webster & Fullerton • Chicago, IL

Gardens • Kids' Korner • Architectural Tours • Church Tours
Local Food & Beverage • Live Music • And Much More!

BUD LIGHT Main Stage Entertainment

Tickets Only \$20 Per Day In Advance!
 \$25 at the gate.

Saturday
 6:25pm - Jessica Lea Mayfield
 8:30pm - Foxygen

Sunday
 6:35pm - Lucky Boys Confusion
 8:30pm - We The Kings

North Stage Entertainment

Saturday
 12:15pm - Fool House Band
 2:15pm - All Tuned Up
 4:15pm - One Night Band
 6:30pm - 97Nine
 8:30pm - Catfight

Sunday
 12:30pm - Trippin Billies
 3:30pm - Kashmir
 5:45pm - Wedding Banned
 8:00pm - Rod Tuffcuris








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Jesus the Storyteller

Many names are used to address Jesus in the Gospels. He is known as Emmanuel, Christ, Son of God, Son of Man, Master, Logos, Son of David, Lamb of God, Light of the world, and Rabbi. From today's Gospel we might add another title: Storyteller. Not just any storyteller, either, Jesus tells a particular genre of stories known as parables. Jesus spoke to his first listeners, and continues to speak to us today, in simple images that invite us into the great mystery of the kingdom of heaven.

Parables were not unknown in the Jewish world. Amy-Jill Levine, a Jewish scholar of the Christian Scripture, tells us in her book *Short Stories by Jesus* that at the time of Jesus, "[Parables] would have been told at home in the evening after dinner or in the workshops and the fields and the synagogues." Though familiar, parables, in Jesus' culture, were not meant to be entertaining children stories or moralistic fables; instead, Levine says, Jesus' first listeners would have known "that parables and the tellers of parables were there to prompt them to see the world in a different way, to challenge, and at times to indict." Today's Gospel offers three such parables.

In the Gospel, Jesus begins each parable by saying "The kingdom of heaven is like ..." It is important for us to remember that this mystery that Jesus speaks about — the mystery of the kingdom of heaven — cannot be reduced to just



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one image. It is a mystery so vast and incomprehensible as to require a multiplicity of similes to explore as we grapple with what it might mean. Unlike proclamations or definitions, which can be passively received, teaching through parables requires active participation on the part of the listener. In the parables, answers and insights aren't doled out in neatly packaged portions; instead, we have to work for them.

What might be the meaning today as we listen again to the familiar words of the parables of the wheat and the weeds, the mustard seed, and the leaven? All three parables speak of a slow, silent

growth. Almost in secret, wheat and mustard seeds planted in the ground crack open to allow a sprout of new life to take hold in the soil.

By the time the tiniest green shoot is visible to a passing human, a vast system of roots has already firmly established itself below ground. Nourished by the roots the plant grows and grows, day by day transforming itself into something that can bring forth fruit and offer shelter. What might this everyday transformation tell us about the kingdom of heaven's silent growth in the here and now?

The vast majority of Jesus' parables deal with everyday occurrences such as a merchant buying pearls, a woman searching for a coin, or a traveler in need of help. Instead of pointing to the fantastical, Jesus calls attention to reality. As he tells the crowds in Luke's Gospel, "the kingdom of God is among you" (17:21). In order to live in this kingdom, we need only eyes to see it and ears to hear.

To enter into a parable, one must be willing to let go of the security offered by answers and definitions. What might we discover if we dare to open ourselves to the incomprehensible mystery of the kingdom of heaven? Perhaps like the seeds of mustard and wheat, we will also experience transformation. The only way to find out is to trust Jesus, the parable teller, as he gently calls us to become "parable people."

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Contact Kate in the Parish Office
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For information about ...

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

