



# ST. TERESA OF ÁVILA

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Faith & Spirit, *Alive*



## Nativity of St. John the Baptist June 24, 2018

*“I will make you a light  
to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to  
the ends of the earth.”*

-- Isaiah 49:6



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Rev. Frank John Latzko, Pastor

### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday at 5 PM & 6:30 PM (En Française<sup>1</sup>)  
Sunday at 9 AM, 10:30 AM (En Español<sup>2</sup>) 12 PM, 6 PM

<sup>1</sup>First & Second Saturdays <sup>2</sup>First Sundays

### Daily Mass Schedule

Monday — Thursday at 7:30 AM  
Friday Communion Service at 7:30 AM

### Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays 6 PM to 7:30 PM

### Baptism Preparation

2nd Sunday of the Month 10 AM

### Office Hours

Monday – Friday 9 AM to 7:00 PM  
Saturday 9 AM to 12 PM

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# Stewardship

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## Welcome New Members!



Thanks to all who attended our New Member Dinner! Guests enjoyed a church tour led by Fr. Frank, dinner prepared by parishioner, Mike Usiak, and fellowship with members of the Stewardship committee. Be sure to say hello and introduce yourself when you see these friendly faces in the pews!



Special thanks to our volunteer host, Mark Van Grinsven (left)



### Time of Your Life Gala

Looking to get involved with a fun and social ministry at St. Teresa of Avila? This year's Time of Your Life Gala committee needs volunteers to help pull off our biggest fundraiser of the year. Experience is great, but not necessary - we need your energy and enthusiasm!

RSVP to [Annmarie.p. Kearney@gmail.com](mailto:Annmarie.p. Kearney@gmail.com) or text/call: 616-403-9975.

### Avila in Action

Do you know of an organization or individual who is working to make the world a better place?

Nominate them for an Avila in Action grant award! The application window will be open from June 15th-July 31st on our website at [st-teresa.net/avila-in-action](http://st-teresa.net/avila-in-action).

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

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

## Update from Fr. Frank

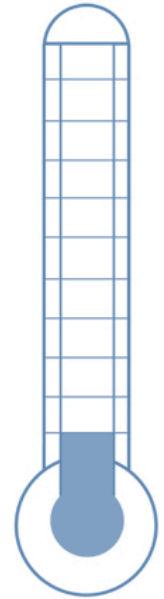
Thank you to all who have responded to my call to sign up for automated giving or increase your Sunday offertory amount. We've had more than 20 new givers sign up through givecentral.org and our goal is to find 30 more givers in the next week.

I recently preached on "maintenance vs mission." Maintenance is the death of the Holy Spirit. It stunts the Spirit's ability to help us to GROW! We have to be willing to dive down under the surface - to go deeper. We have to be willing to enter into mission mode.

There is often talk of maintaining our Sunday collections over the summer season, so that we can maintain our buildings, our ministries, our community. Forget maintaining. We are a missionary parish and Jesus didn't take summers off. We can do better than maintain.

The single most helpful thing you can do, if you have not already done so, is to sign up for automated giving through Give Central. Give Central ensures we receive steady, predictable income so that our ministries can grow. I thank you for your commitment to the mission of Jesus Christ, and I will do all that I can to ensure our parish remains in mission mode.

You can sign up at [givecentral.org/location/209/3495](http://givecentral.org/location/209/3495)



## Tax Credit Scholarships

Are you interested in supporting low income students at Archdiocesan schools with your tax dollars? A 75 percent state tax credit is available through the new Illinois tax credit scholarship program. Contact the office for more information or visit [www.archchicago.org/tcs](http://www.archchicago.org/tcs) to learn more.



## Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

	<b>Sunday: 6-17-18</b>
Saturday, 5:00pm Mass Attendance	42
Saturday, 6:30pm Mass Attendance (French)	87
Sunday, 9:00am Mass Attendance	175
Sunday, 10:30am Mass Attendance (Spanish)	-
Sunday, 12:00pm Mass Attendance	110
Sunday, 6:00pm Mass Attendance	100
<b>Total Weekend Mass Attendance</b>	<b>514</b>
Average Weekday Mass Attendance	11
Average Friday Communion Service Attendance	5
Confessions this Week	0
Anointin/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week	0
Funerals since January 2018	4
Weddings since January 2018	4
Baptisms since January 2018	20

There are 351 parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago; only 55 parishes have weekend attendance that exceeds 2,000. St. Teresa's October Count averaged for 2016, 550; for 2017, 628 people at weekend Masses.

The 2017/2018 monthly averages are: January 489/644; February, 570/566; March, 640/637; April, 705/810; May, 573/583; June, 541; July, 463; August, 510; September, 566; October, 621; November 622.

In the Archdiocese there is 1 priest for every 1525 parishioners; in the USA the ratio is 1:1653 Catholics; 27 percent of US parishes do not have a resident priest. In comparison, South America has a ration of 1:7094 Catholics.

# Parish Calendars

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## Celebrant/Minister Schedule

Date	Time	Celebrant	Sacristan/Lector	Eucharistic Host	Eucharistic Cup
Saturday 6-30-18	5:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Lisa Hanzelka Lector: Eric Fredericks	Kari Richardson	Leigh Hartley Daniel Kang
Sunday 7-1-18	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Anastasia Bullinger	Rose Ohiku Molly Malloy Philip Malloy	Elizabeth Cuda Michael Zost Barb Schell Jocelyn Lutkus
Sunday 7-1-18	10:30 AM	Rev. Jose Garcia, CM			
Sunday 7-1-18	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Raquel Bech	Bob Pedro	Aimee Jaszczor Laura Moran
Sunday 7-1-18	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Amir Rafizadeh Lector: Andrew De Leonardis	Pete Doyle Anne Seigenthaler Cara Gannon	Veronique Caffrey Roberto Martinez Margaret Burke Mike Usiak

### Week's Activities

**Sunday, June 24**  
10:00am, PC, Tuition Tax Credit Meeting

**Monday, June 25**  
No Activities Planned

**Tuesday, June 26**  
6:30 am, PC, Men's Spirituality  
6:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration  
7:30, PC, Women's Spirituality

**Wednesday, June 27**  
5:00 pm, Kitchen, Night Ministry

**Thursday, June 28**  
9:00 am, PC, Food Pantry Delivery  
6:30 pm, PC-2, Bible Study

**Friday, June 29**  
10:00 am, Kitchen, Loaves & Fishes  
Cooking  
5:00 pm, GS-PC, Loaves & Fishes Dinner  
7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

**Saturday, June 30**  
9:00 am, GS-PC, Food Pantry  
10:30 am, Church, Funeral

### Saints & Special Observances

**Sunday:** The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

**Monday:** Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time

**Wednesday:** St. Cyril of Alexandria

**Thursday:** St. Irenaeus

**Friday:** Ss. Peter and Paul

**Saturday:** The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church; Blessed Virgin Mary

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**Domingo:** La Natividad de san Juan Bautista

**Lunes:** Decimosegundo Semana del Tiempo Ordinario

**Miércoles:** San Cirilio de Alejandria

**Jueves:** San Ireneo

**Viernes:** Santos Pedro y Pablo

**Sábado:** Santos Protomártires de la santa Iglesia romana; Santa María Virgen

### Upcoming Food Pantry Dates

**Saturday, June 30**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

**Saturday, July 7**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

**Saturday, July 14**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

**Saturday, July 21**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

**Saturday, July 28**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

**Saturday, August 4**  
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, June 23

5:00 pm Special Intention of the Wagner Family;  
Marvin Ott

### Sunday, June 24

9:00 am Joanna Parial

12:00 pm Joyce Jaszczor; Pedro Garcia

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

## Let Us Pray

### Please pray for the deceased ...

*Jeffrey Bergen, Michael Dudash, Andrea Harris, Edward Nevera, Andrea Mastro Hoinacki, Chuck Jabaley, Joyce Jaszczor, Elizabeth Kunkel, Marie Koesters-Ranley, Frank Kolman, Thomas Latoski, Sage Mesen, Bob Semmer, Pat Stanley, Noemie Sylvestre, Eddy Velazquez, and the Victims of War & Domestic Violence*

## May Baptisms

*Britton Doar (6-10-18), Riley Lutkus (6-17-18),  
Lux Wonzer (6-23-18), Lenox Wonzer (6-23-18)*

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

*Alicia Anderson  
Dorothy Barns  
Berta Billalvazo  
Michelle Brandt  
Patricia Chuck  
Elizabeth Ryan Dean  
Michael De Blasis  
Alex DeNoma  
Kathy Derrick  
Kim Duffy  
Isabelle Eiffert  
Jackson Fineske & Family  
Pat Folland  
Alice Flynn  
Eloisa Gallegos  
Michael Gibbons  
Angela Goldberg  
Kaylee Gommel  
Bolivar Gonzales, Jr.*

*Les Gordon  
Mrs. Grabarczyk  
George Halloran  
Kellar Harris  
Peg Hausen  
David Ivanac  
Ronald Jakubec  
Krista Kutz  
Betty LaCour  
Carmen D. Lorenzana  
Gabriel Lozada  
Madeline 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  
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*

*Elizabeth Ann True  
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 pray for those who lost their lives to violence in the City of Chicago last week -- **Maurice Granton; Curtis Britt; Jechon Anderson; Kennedy Blount; and Lavontae Brown**

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 leave the names of the deceased parishioners and friends on the list for about twelve months.



# Parish Life

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## Bulletin Survey

- Do you read the bulletin?
- Do you ignore the bulletin?
- Do you have favorite parts?

We want to know! Keep an eye for a

### St. Teresa's Bulletin Survey

Look in your pews or your emails and give us your feedback. This will help us improve the bulletin and better serve our parish!

## Volunteers Needed St. Vincent de Paul's Soup Kitchen

St. Vincent de Paul's Soup Kitchen (1010 W Webster) is in need of volunteers to help serve daily meals throughout the summer. Volunteers are needed:

**7:45am-10am  
Monday to Saturday**

If you'd like more information or know how to sign up, please email [outreach@stvdep.org](mailto:outreach@stvdep.org)

## St. Vincent de Paul Children's Clothing Sale

**Thursday & Friday, June 28 & 29  
11am till 3pm**

Nearly New! Chicago's St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store since 1958 has a tremendous inventory of gently used and like-new children's clothing that must go and will be priced to sell!! Nearly New is located at the St Vincent de Paul Center on Halsted. The entrance to Nearly New is around the corner at 735 W Webster. Proceeds support Community Outreach Services at Marillac St. Vincent Family Services including case management, senior programs, and the food pantry. Learn more at [marillacstvincent.org](http://marillacstvincent.org)

## The Gift that Keeps On Giving

*"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." – 1 Peter 4:10*



Vacation season is upon us, and while you're away we'll be here, joyfully serving those in need of spiritual nourishment and the poor who benefit from our food-based ministries.

Please help us remain financially stable during this season by maintaining your financial commitment to the parish. Automated giving through Give Central is an easy way to ensure our collections won't dive when attendance is low.

If you've already signed up for automated giving, please be sure your credit card information is up to date. If you have questions or need assistance, call the parish office at (773) 528-6650.

## Peter's Pence International Collection

**"Be a Witness of Charity"**

Peter's Pence is an international collection in the Catholic Church on July 1. The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease.

How can you help?

**PRAY:** Pray for the Holy Father as he reaches out to make the world less cold and more just for those around the world who are suffering and will benefit from this collection

**SHARE:** As a way to spread the message of mercy and peace share this information with those who might be interested and tell others how Pope Francis supports the marginalized

**GIVE:** Please give generously to this collection as a witness of charity and offer hope to those who suffer around the globe

## Women's Spirituality

The next Women's Spirituality gathering is on

**Tuesday, June 26th, at 7:30 pm  
In the Parish Center.**

Women of St. Teresa's are invited to join the circle for prayer, reflection and conversation.

Please enter at the 1950 N. Kenmore Avenue doorway.

Contact Cathy Flaherty at [cgflaherty@aol.com](mailto:cgflaherty@aol.com) with any questions.



## Daily Prayer, Scripture and Eucharist Weekdays at 7:30 AM

A great way to start the day...attend morning Mass Monday through Thursday at 7:30 am. Mass is over by 7:50 am.

There is a brief communion service on Friday mornings, also at 7:30 am, for those who want to pray, reflect on scripture, and receive Eucharist.



## 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 beginning at 6:30am for prayer and conversation.

**The Next Men's Spirituality Meeting is Tuesday, June 26th**

For more details, contact Craig Dean at [cdean@aegpartners.com](mailto:cdean@aegpartners.com).

## Divine Renovation Reading Group

Divine Renovation is an engaging guide for parishes seeking to cultivate communities of discipleship and vibrant, dynamic faith. Highly acclaimed for his work with parish renewal and the New Evangelization, author Fr. James Mallon shares with us the many ways for bringing our parishes to life.

Through humorous and colorful stories, Mallon challenges us to rethink our models of parish life, from membership-based communities to assemblies of disciples of Jesus who proclaim and share the good news with all peoples. Accessible and engaging, Divine Renovation turns to the Church's many writings on evangelization and mission so as to articulate practical ways for injecting new life into our parishes.

**If you're interested in reading and discussing Divine Renovation, see Fr. Frank after Mass or email him at [fjsasso@aol.com](mailto:fjsasso@aol.com).**

## Communion for the Homebound

The Ministry of Care program at St. Teresa of Avila brings the Eucharist to the faithful who are unable to attend church.

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 to arrange for a visit.



# Readings/Lecturas

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## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:** 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday:** 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Ps 119:33-37, 40; Mt 7:15-20

**Thursday:** 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8, 9; Mt 7:21-29

**Friday:** *Vigil:* Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19  
*Day:* Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

**Saturday:** Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:15-17

**Sunday:** Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]

## Lecturas de la Semana

**Lunes:** 2 Re 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Sal 60 (59):3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5

**Martes:** 2 Re 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Sal 48 (47):2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Miércoles:** 2 Re 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Sal 119 (118):33-37, 40; Mt 7:15-20

**Jueves:** 2 Re 24:8-17; Sal 106 (105):1b-5; Mt 7:21-29

**Viernes:** *Vigilia:* Hch 3:1-10; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19  
*Día:* Hch 12:1-11; Sal 34 (33):2-9; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

**Sábado:** Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Sal 74 (73):1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:15-17

**Domingo:** Sab 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Sal 30 (29):2, 4-6, 11-13; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mc 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]

## Treasures From Tradition

It's midsummer day! We have the advantage of celebrating one of the great hidden treasures of our liturgical calendar on a Sunday this year. There are only three "nativity" feasts on our calendar: for the Lord, the Blessed Mother (September 8), and today's birth of the Baptist. Today's date is anchored by the Annunciation (March 25), when Mary learns not only of her own child's advent, but of Elizabeth's child. We are exactly half a year away from Christmas Eve. There are strong traditions around this feast. Just as the winter solstice provides a rich vocabulary for Christmas, so does the abundance of light at midsummer inform this celebration. Just as at Christmas, a religious festival spills over into culture. As summer light reaches its peak, the sun-drenched zones of northern Europe see people staying up all night, lighting "St. John's fires" in the long summer twilight. Bonfires seem to be the unifying force in all these celebrations, kindled along the shores of the St. Lawrence in Quebec and Montreal, with harbor illuminations in France. You may be most interested in the custom in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the Baptist's own city. People there will leap into the sea between midnight and dawn to honor John. Why not find your way to a pool, a lake, or a sandy beach today and plunge in to recall your baptism? It's a tradition!



## Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Hoy recordamos a san Juan Bautista, primo de Jesucristo y precursor del Mesías. Juan se hizo famoso predicando la penitencia y bautizando con agua, insistiendo que vendría uno que bautizaría al mundo con fuego y el Espíritu Santo. Hoy es uno de los santos más festejados en el mundo, especialmente en zonas donde su fiesta coincidía con la llegada del verano.

Para celebrar a este santo pariente de Jesús la gente en Alicante, España, hace fogatas durante la noche de su vigilia y baila en torno a ellas. En América el pueblo Boliviano también recibe al santo con hogueras, para quemar la tierra en busca de fertilidad y purificación. Los Bolivianos también festejan echándose agua los unos a los otros.

San Juan ha sido honrado en el hemisferio Americano desde 1509 cuando Juan Ponce de León nombró la Isla de Puerto Rico en su honor. También allí hacen el juego del agua en la fiesta de san Juan ya que los fieles se echan de espaldas al océano tres veces en busca de purificación y celebración.

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



## John the Baptist

Since June 24 falls on a Sunday this year, the Church has the opportunity for a more intense celebration of the birth of John the Baptist, who is often described as the last of the Old Testament prophets and the bridge between Judaism and Christianity. More commonly, John is known as the “precursor” of our Lord Jesus Christ. All the Gospels report John’s basic message: Repent, the kingdom is near at hand. One greater than I is coming.

Though he was a wandering preacher who dressed in camel skins and ate grasshoppers, John’s legacy is one of true royalty. His origins are similar to those foretold by God through the prophet Isaiah: “You are my servant, he said to me, Israel through whom I show my glory” (Isaiah 49:3). John’s humility—“I am not he”—was surpassed only by that of his Lord Jesus, the humble servant who followed.

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## Un Excelente Cuentista

Ya que el 24 de junio de este año cae en domingo, la Iglesia tiene la oportunidad para una celebración más vibrante del nacimiento de Juan el Bautista, a quien se le describe como el último de los profetas del Antiguo Testamento y también como el puente entre el judaísmo y el cristianismo. Comúnmente a Juan se le conoce como el “precursor” de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Todos los evangelios narran el mensaje básico de Juan: Arrepiéntanse, el Reino de Dios está cerca. Uno más grande que yo está cerca.

Aunque él era un predicador itinerante, vestido con piel de camello, que comía saltamontes; el legado de Juan es uno de verdadera realeza. Sus orígenes son parecidos a aquellos anunciados por Dios por medio del profeta Isaías “Tú eres mi siervo, Israel; en ti manifestaré mi gloria”. La humildad de Juan, “Yo no soy él”, fue superada por la de su Señor Jesús, el siervo humilde a quien siguió.

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## Today’s Readings

**First Reading** — I will make you a light to the nations (Isaiah 49:1-6).

**Psalm** — I praise you for I am wonderfully made (Psalm 139).

**Second Reading** — John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance (Acts 13:22-26).

**Gospel** — John is his name (Luke 1:57-66, 80).



## Lecturas de Hoy

**Primera lectura** — Te convertiré en luz para las naciones (Isaías 49:1-6).

**Salmo** — Te doy gracias porque me has escogido portentosamente (Salmo 139 [138]).

**Segunda lectura** — De los descendiente de David Dios sacó al salvador Jesús (Hechos 13:22-25).

**Evangelio** — Isabel dio a luz a un hijo a quien puso por nombre Juan (Lucas 1:57-66, 80).

## Built With Humility

Today we celebrate the birth of John the Baptist. The Gospel recounts his naming, but besides distinguishing one person from another, what's in a name?

I knew a 2-year-old who, for a week or so, refused to answer to her given name. Instead, convinced she was Disney's famous mouse, she answered only to Mickey. It caused confusion when someone called out, "Hi! Julia," only to be ignored. But perhaps that little one knew something about the importance of a name: It reflects who we are. Or in her case, who she thought she was.

In the ancient Hebrew world, a name often indicated not only the identity of a person, but also their mission.

Today's first reading is one of the four Servant Songs found in Isaiah. The speaker declares that God called him from birth, giving both name — my servant, Israel — and the mission to witness God's glory with words strong and true as a sharp-edged sword. The servant was not only to restore the tribes of Jacob and survivors of Israel's exile; he was to be light to the nations so all people could know God's goodness.

While we might squirm at the designation of "servant," in Isaiah's time, to be the king's servant meant being particularly close to the ruler, the one who knew him well and who was entrusted with matters of great importance. To be the king's servant was an honor.

The psalmist echoes the servant's words, proclaiming that God intimately knows him, forming him in the womb. He gives thanks that he is wonderfully made.

We, too, are known and wonderfully made. "Not me," you might object. We aren't as handsome or beautiful as we'd like. When we compare ourselves to others, we don't measure up.

But what makes us wonderfully made isn't our looks, our IQ or the material goods we amass. It's the bit of God's self that has been knit into our bones. We have been given a name by God and a mission that grows out of it. We are made servants in Isaiah's sense of the word, entrusted with the sacred task of being God's love in the world.

*That spark of divinity, planted in each of us, gives us our name and our mission.*

In Acts, Paul quotes from 1 Samuel: "I have found David, son of Jesse, a man after my own heart." The Hebrew word used here for "heart" is *lêbâb*. It isn't simply the home of emotions, love and valentines. It's the center of everything. God's heart is God's being. When searching for the next king, God was looking for someone who could carry out the divine purpose and love with God's own heart.

John the Baptist had a unique part in carrying out that purpose. Gabriel announced the name to Zechariah before his son was conceived. It would be "John," meaning "God has shown favor." The messenger also revealed the child's call to go before the Lord and prepare the people to receive him.

John lived up to his name. After years in the desert listening and growing in the Spirit, he fearlessly witnessed to the greatest of God's favors: the coming of Jesus, the Servant-God. Jesus was not just close to God's heart. He was God's heart. And just as he shared it with the servant, with David and with John, he shares it with us.

That spark of divinity, planted in each of us, gives us our name and our mission.

Today, with our country and world torn by fear and division, we ask ourselves, "What can one person do?" Today's readings provide an answer. Listen deep within yourself and hear God speaking your name. Be faithful to it and be God's love in the world.

You may think that your efforts will be in vain. But like the servant in Isaiah, like John, place your trust in God, for it's God's love shared that transforms the world.



# St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

## Pastoral Council

Jessica Marx  
Anna Althoff  
Bertel Olson  
Luke Kolman  
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Chris Parente  
Jose Cervantes  
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Rebecca O'Brien

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

## Finance Council

Justin Alden  
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Steve Fortino  
Becky Francis  
Andrew O'Dekirk

Chris Toups  
Cooper Cohen  
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Steve Kolinski  
Ann Finlay  
Laura Lueninghoener

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

## Stewardship Committee

Daniel Cortese  
Kelly Dean  
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Claire Kenkel  
Lisa Marquez

John Mitchell  
Rebecca O'Brien  
Mary Serrahn  
Dan Summins  
Mark Van Grinsven

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Stewardship Committee meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

## Office Information and Bulletin Deadlines

Parish Offices are located at 1037 W. Armitage Ave. Phone is (773) 528-6650. FAX is (773) 871-6766. Hours are: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday through Friday, and Saturday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

The submission deadline for most Sunday bulletins is 11:00 am on the Monday before; deadlines are accelerated for the holidays. The bulletin is also published electronically on [st-teresa.net](http://st-teresa.net). Please contact Dean at [dvaeth@stteresaparish.org](mailto:dvaeth@stteresaparish.org) for more information.

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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. Six percent of our Sunday collections 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.

### Stop In For Quiet Prayer

**Tuesdays**  
**6:00 to 7:30PM**



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### For More 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 More Information About...

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