



# ST. TERESA OF ÁVILA

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Faith & Spirit, *Alive*



## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 15, 2018

*So they went off and preached repentance. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.*

-- Mark 6:12-13

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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## Summer Service Opportunities

We need you this summer! Attendance often drops during vacation season but we promise to maintain our commitment to service - our mass schedule will remain the same, and our ministry to the poor continues. We cannot do this without volunteers. Read on for opportunities and sign up to help. Thank you for dedicating some time this season to serving others!

**Food Pantry:** Every Saturday morning from 9am - 12pm. Supervised kids welcome.

**Loaves & Fishes Dinners:** Every Friday night, supervised kids welcome. Set up and serve from 3:30pm-6:30pm, or share a meal with our guests from 5:30pm-6:30pm.

**Night Ministry Meal Service:** Every other Wednesday. Bake cookies and bring to St. Teresa. Help cook a meal from 6:00pm-8:30pm, or take the meal out to the streets from 9pm-11pm.

**Host Fellowship:** Every Sunday following the 9am Mass. Bring treats, juice, make coffee and clean up. A great way for individuals, couples and families to help grow our community.

**Browse spots and register online at [signup.com/go/stteresa](http://signup.com/go/stteresa).**

## Time of Your Life /Ice Cream Social

The Time of Your Life Gala returns to Germania Place for one more year, Saturday, November 17th. Enjoy a “magical” evening of dinner, drinks, dancing, and stellar auctions to support the ministries of St. Teresa of Avila. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we cannot do it without your support. There are two ways to help right now!

1) Purchase your tickets at [timeofyourlifegala.com](http://timeofyourlifegala.com). Tickets are \$150/person, or \$1500 for a table of 10. Purchase in July and receive a \$25 auction credit for each ticket purchased.

2) Donate items or sponsorships! Do you have sports or theater tickets, a boat, a vacation home, airline vouchers, etc? Do you have a business, or are you able to commit to a sponsorship for our event? Email [Annmarie.p.kearney@gmail.com](mailto:Annmarie.p.kearney@gmail.com) to donate items for auction, or to discuss sponsorship packages.

Join us on July 29th for an Ice Cream Social following every Mass! Fr. Frank will be dishing up ice cream sundaes and snapping selfies with everyone who has purchased their Time of Your Life tickets in July!

## Tax Credit Scholarships

Are you interested in supporting low income students with your tax dollars? A 75% state tax credit is available for donations toward a qualified scholarship granting organization (SGO). St. Teresa of Avila has partnered with St. Benedict the African, one of just two schools still servicing Chicago’s Englewood neighborhood, to encourage funding scholarships through the new Illinois tax credit scholarship program.

This program is a great way to maximize your charitable dollars. For example, a net contribution of \$1,045 (\$4180 donation with a \$3,135 tax credit) you can support a full scholarship.

Visit [archchicago.org/tcs](http://archchicago.org/tcs) to learn more, or contact the parish office.

## 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).

To nominate an organization, forward the application, along with instructions to include your name and contact information as the “parishioner sponsor.”

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

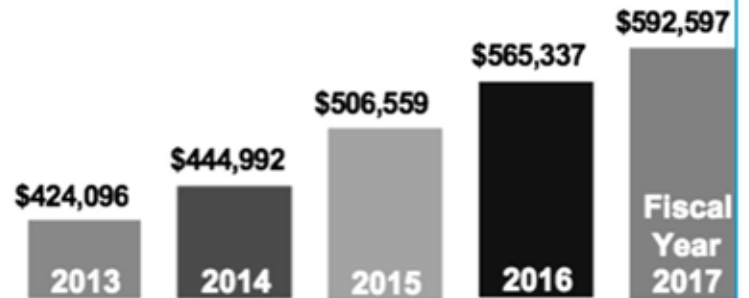
## SUNDAY COLLECTION

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(7/1/2016 – 6/30/2017)

**\$592,597\***

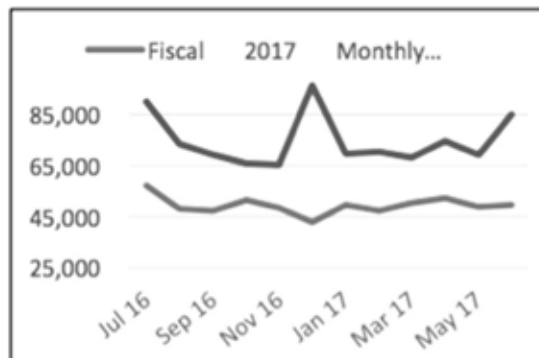
### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS BY YEAR



\* Our budget for Fiscal 2017 was \$584,000, we surpassed our budgeted collections by \$7,400!

## COLLECTION AS % OF OPERATING EXPENSES

The goal of the Archdiocese of Chicago is to have collections cover Parish expenses on a 1:1 basis. For every \$1.00 of Parish expenses, \$.75 are covered by our Collections. The remaining \$.25 of Parish expenses are covered by our fundraisers. Our operating expenses include salaries, utilities, health insurance, archdiocese assessments.



## Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

### Sunday: 7-8-18

Saturday, 5:00pm Mass Attendance	65
Saturday, 6:30pm Mass Attendance (French)	30
Sunday, 9:00am Mass Attendance	185
Sunday, 10:30am Mass Attendance (Spanish)	-
Sunday, 12:00pm Mass Attendance	125
Sunday, 6:00pm Mass Attendance	140
<b>Total Weekend Mass Attendance</b>	<b>545</b>
Average Weekday Mass Attendance	10
Average Friday Communion Service Attendance	5
Confessions this Week	0
Anointin/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week	0
Funerals since January 2018	5
Weddings since January 2018	4
Baptisms since January 2018	24

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, 541/523; 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 7-22-18	5:00 PM	Rev. Tom Ess, OFM	Sacristan: Lisa Marquez Lector: Raquel Bech	Carly Johnston	Nancy Gerstad Connie Becker
Sunday 7-23-18	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Laura Strybel	Elizabeth Smith Ann Finlay Mary Serrahn	Brian Barb Schell Jamie Lutkus Margaret Burke <b>MINISTER NEEDED</b>
Sunday 7-23-18	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Krista Kutz	Carmen Ubides Maria Montes Colleen Sulewski	Laura Moran Mary Stanton* Alejandro Lopez Bob Pedro
Sunday 7-23-18	6:00 PM	Rev. Tony Dosen, CM	Sacristan: Amir Rafizadeh Lector: Claire Kenkel	Sharon Lindstrom Hannah Toohey Dani Shain	Pete Doyle Alyssa Stella* Eileen Raia Carol Coffey

\* Sub Requested

### Week's Activities

**Sunday, July 15**  
No Activities Planned

**Monday, July 16**  
7:00 pm, PC, Finance Council Meeting

**Tuesday, July 17**  
6:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

**Wednesday, July 18**  
No Activities Planned

**Thursday, July 19**  
9:00 am, PC, Food Pantry Delivery

**Friday, July 20**  
10:00 am, Kitchen, Loaves & Fishes  
Cooking

5:00 pm, GS-PC, Loaves & Fishes Dinner  
7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

**Saturday, July 21**  
9:00 am, GS-PC, Food Pantry  
9:00 am, Church, Let It Be US Meeting

### Saints & Special Observances

**Sunday:** Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel

**Wednesday:** St. Camillus de Lellis

**Friday:** St. Apollinaris

**Saturday:** St. Lawrence of Brindisi; Blessed Virgin Mary

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**Domingo:** Decimoquinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

**Lunes:** Nuestra Señora del Carmen

**Miércoles:** San Camilo de Lelis

**Viernes:** San Apolinario

**Sábado:** San Lorenzo de Brindis; Santa María Virgen

### Upcoming Food Pantry Dates

**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

**Saturday, August 11**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

**Saturday, August 18**  
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

**Saturday, August 25**  
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, July 14**

5:00 pm John Trilla

**Sunday, July 15**

9:00 am Sabrina D'Orio

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

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*

## July Baptisms

*Madieu Liam Sheriff (7-1-18), Soraya Ava Bitdinger (7-7-18),  
Savanah Nicole Klester (7-15-18), Nathan Connor Bowles (7-22-18),  
Mary Abigail Ramirez (7-22-18)*

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 -- **Daniel Carter; Vincent Blackwell; Marquell Hicks; David Kirkwood; Titus Daily; Terrell Eason; and Earl Taylor.**

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



# Parish Life

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♥ Want a special gift for your spouse?

Get Away for a Weekend Devoted to Each Other!



August 10-12, 2018

Wyndham Garden Hotel in Elk Grove Village, IL

WWME begins with a private weekend experience including presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships, and continues with ongoing enrichments in the community after the weekend. Learn more and apply online today!

**WWME supports living in love!**

For 50 years and in nearly 90 countries, Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) provides enrichments to millions of couples, priests, and religious to fulfill our mission to proclaim the value of Marriage and Holy Orders in the Church and in the world! We live out God's call to love one another – want to see? Follow us on Facebook and Twitter!

Website: [wwme-chicagoland.org](http://wwme-chicagoland.org)



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Questions? Call (630) 577-0778

or e-mail

[applications@wwme-chicagoland.org](mailto:applications@wwme-chicagoland.org)

## Learn it. **Grow it.** Serve it.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
**THEOLOGY ON TAP**



Join us this summer for our Theology on Tap speaker series! Our parish will be focusing on the "Grow it" track, where we will journey together and deepen our relationship with the Holy Spirit while learning about the Catholic faith from a millennial point of view.

**Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

**Zella, 1983 N Clyborn Ave., Chicago**

For more information on all of the Theology on Tap events taking place across the Archdiocese of Chicago and at (Parish Name) this summer, please visit [www.totchicago.org](http://www.totchicago.org) or contact our organizer, Margy Enright at [margy.enright@gmail.com](mailto:margy.enright@gmail.com).

## St. Teresa's Men's Retreat

Our annual fall retreat at

**Bellarmino September 7 – 9.**

This year's retreat will focus on the Spiritual Exercises:

*Familiar Themes and New Images  
(it is a Jesuit Retreat House after all).*

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



## Conversations with Cook County Sheriff's Office

Join us in a Panel Discussion with Cook County DOC Staff on:

**Monday July 30**

Come listen to the experiences and impressions of four recent visitors from our community who toured the Cook County jail as well as Staff members from Sheriff Tom Dart's office who will describe some of the programs currently offered to Cook County Jail detainees. The DOC staff will engage us in conversation about how we may be able to support their important work of reducing recidivism and preparing inmates to reenter their communities. It promises to be a very insightful and educational experience. The event will be held at St. Clement School, Fireside Hall, 2524 N Orchard Street, Chicago, 60614. For more information, please contact: Monique Fouant at [mmfmmf1@yahoo.com](mailto:mmfmmf1@yahoo.com).

## 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.

## Women's Spirituality

The next Women's Spirituality gathering is on

**Tuesday, July 31st, 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 [cglaherty@aol.com](mailto:cglaherty@aol.com) with any questions.



## NEW! Sunday Family Playgroup

Join Families from St. Teresa's for Sunday morning playtime in the park!

**Sunday, July 22 at 10:15am**

after the 9:00am mass for a family playgroup!

We will be heading to nearby Adam's Park.



# Readings/Lecturas

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## Readings for the Week

<b>Monday:</b>	Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
<b>Thursday:</b>	Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
<b>Friday:</b>	Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
<b>Saturday:</b>	Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
<b>Sunday:</b>	Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

## Lecturas de la Semana

<b>Lunes:</b>	Is 1:10-17; Sal 50 (49):8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
<b>Martes:</b>	Is 7:1-9; Sal 48 (47):2-8; Mt 11:20-24
<b>Miércoles:</b>	Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Sal 94 (93):5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
<b>Jueves:</b>	Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Sal 102 (101):13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
<b>Viernes:</b>	Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
<b>Sábado:</b>	Mi 2:1-5; Sal 10 (9):1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
<b>Domingo:</b>	Jer 23:1-6; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Ef 2:13-18; Mc 6:30-34

## Treasures From Tradition

At the time of the Reformation, although England broke away from papal authority under Henry VIII, a silent majority clung to the Catholic faith. Henry's eldest daughter, Mary, restored the "old religion" in a fierce persecution of Protestants (she is called "Bloody Mary" for good reason.) His youngest daughter, Elizabeth, rejected papal ties. Under her reign, beginning with legislation in 1593, Catholics were persecuted again, and only the very wealthy could afford the fines for not attending Anglican services on Sunday. They were called "recusants," from a Latin word meaning "refuse," since they refused to attend the liturgy of the Church of England. Many families maintained Catholic tradition in secret, and today their descendants claim "Recusancy" as a mark of family pride. For generations they sent their young people abroad to be educated in convents and monasteries. It is not surprising that the first monastery in colonial America springs from Holland with the daughters of patrician English recusant families. Port Tobacco, Maryland, proved fruitful soil for the Carmelite tradition.

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



## Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Mañana celebramos la fiesta de Nuestra Señora del Carmen, reconocida en Chile como Maipú. Chile es un país con mucha industria marinera y la Virgen del Carmen es la patrona de los marineros por el peligro al cual se exponen en el mar.

Los frailes Carmelitas han difundido la devoción a la Virgen del monte Carmelo desde el siglo XIII. En aquella época María regaló el escapulario al general de los Carmelitas, Simón Stock, prometiendo que todos los que lo usasen serían recibidos por ella en el cielo, evitando así el infierno. Con el tiempo el escapulario Carmelitano se modificó para uso de todo cristiano. Por esto ella es patrona de todo oficio que tiene peligro de muerte como el de los soldados, camioneros, pilotos, troqueros, etc.

Por entender el escapulario como algo mágico, Nuestra Señora del Carmen ha sido tomada como patrona de los pandilleros porque viven en peligro de ser matados en sus riñas callejeras. Piensan que llevar puesto el escapulario es lo necesario para evitar el infierno e ignoran que usar el escapulario es vivir como María, en paz y al servicio de los demás.

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



## Called By God

Today's scriptures invite us to listen to two calls. The first is the call issued by the Lord to the prophet Amos, the "shepherd and a dresser of sycamores" (Amos 7:14). The second is the call the Lord Jesus issued to the Twelve, whom he sent out "two by two" (Mark 6:7). These faithful people responded to the call, prophesying and preaching to the people to whom they had been sent. Each of us received a call when we were baptized. The second reading invites us to ponder that call as we are reminded that we are chosen in Christ and that, in love, God "destined us for adoption" (Ephesians 1:5). As adopted daughters and sons of God we are called to bring the presence of Christ into our marriages, families, schools, and places of work. Let us be inspired today to say yes to the call we hear once again through God's living word.

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## Llamados Por Dios

Las lecturas de hoy nos invitan a escuchar dos llamados. El primero es el llamado del Señor al profeta Amós, el "pastor y cultivador de higos" (Amós 7:14). El segundo es el llamado del Señor Jesús a los Doce, a quienes envió "de dos en dos" (Marcos 6:7). Estas personas fieles respondieron al llamado, profetizaron y predicaron a aquellos a quienes habían sido enviados. En el Bautismo, cada uno de nosotros recibió un llamado. La segunda lectura nos invita a reflexionar sobre ese llamado ya que se nos recuerda que hemos sido elegidos en Cristo y que, por amor, Dios "nos eligió... para que fuéramos sus hijos" (Efesios 1:5). Por ser hijos adoptivos de Dios se nos llama a llevar la presencia de Cristo a nuestro matrimonio, familiares, escuelas y sitios de trabajo. Sintámonos inspirados a decir "sí" hoy al llamado que escuchamos una vez más en la palabra viva de Dios.

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## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — Amos said, "The Lord took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people" (Amos 7:12-15).

**Psalm** — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

**Second Reading** — The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1:3-14 [3-10]).

**Gospel** — Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two (Mark 6:7-13).



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## Lecturas de Hoy

**Primera lectura** — Amós es enviado por Dios a profetizar al pueblo de Israel (Amós 7:12-15).

**Salmo** — Muéstranos, Señor, tu misericordia y danos tu salvación (Salmo 85 [84]).

**Segunda lectura** — El Dios y Padre de Cristo Jesús nuestro Señor nos ha elegido y nos ha bendecido con toda clase de bendiciones espirituales (Efesios 1:3-14 [3-10]).

**Evangelio** — Jesús envía a los doce apóstoles de dos en dos a predicar, invitando a la conversión (Marcos 6:7-13).

## New Miracles

Even with all the available advice about finding your God-given vocation, it's hard to be absolutely certain you've gotten it right. Why can't God just directly and clearly tell us what to do?

Sometimes, I imagine what that would be like. The thrilling sense of purpose unmixed with any doubt that I'm making a mistake, the deep peace from knowing I'm doing God's will, the joy of doing whatever work is meant particularly for me.

Perhaps this is how the apostles feel in today's Gospel. Jesus gives them authority over unclean spirits and sends them out in pairs with detailed instructions, even dictating their wardrobe and what they should bring. I envy them until I start to imagine their journey.

Picture two apostles entering a town, tired and hungry but with no means to purchase food or lodging. They are totally dependent on the hospitality of the people they meet, who they know may not welcome them. They are not sure exactly what to say, when to give up and shake the dust off their feet, or how they will survive if they do. And Jesus isn't there to answer their questions.

Or consider the prophet Amos in today's first reading. He has just delivered God's eloquent call for social justice, condemning those who try to please God with sacrifice and praise while their luxurious lifestyle is based on dishonesty and oppression of the poor. The high priest, used to prophets who make a living telling people what they want to hear, makes it clear that Amos isn't welcome and should take his message elsewhere. Amos replies that this isn't his day job or even his choice — he is responding to God's call to prophecy.

While Amos isn't silenced by this rejection, we don't learn what happens to him next. Does the high priest resort to more drastic measures to get rid of him? Is Amos imprisoned, deported or even killed?

When we read biblical stories like these, we realize how terrifying it could be not to have any excuse to "mishear" our call. We recognize what we might have to leave be-

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hind and that our safety and success aren't guaranteed. Maybe it's not the lack of clear instructions that stops us from following God's call, but the suspicion of what God might call us to do. It's easier to convince ourselves we're supposed to take the comfortable and secure path.

Yet, as Paul reminds us in today's reading from Ephesians, God's will for us is a mystery, but also a blessing. While God's plan may frighten us, it is still the source of our hope; God wants something better for us than we could ever plan for ourselves.

Through their trust in Jesus, the apostles were able to drive out demons and cure the sick. And while Amos' call to let "justice surge like waters, and righteousness like an unfailing stream" (5:24) was ignored by ancient Israel, it was heard thousands of years later when Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. quoted it in his "I Have a Dream" speech.

There are many times when we have to make hard choices and engage in discernment, but on a basic level, we know what we're called to do. The Bible and our faith tradition are full of guidance on what God asks of us. Like Amos, we're called to denounce injustice, even when it's unpopular. Like the apostles, we're called to offer healing to others, even if we may be rejected.

We can also hear God's call on a more personal level, when we are suddenly faced with a situation where our gifts and talents are needed, feel drawn to a particular cause, or receive an invitation or a cry for help from another person. And, of course, we can always strive to be more attuned to God's voice through prayer.

Whatever the means, God's call will come. We can choose to follow where it leads, knowing that ultimately, God's plan can only be for good.



# St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

## Pastoral Council

Jessica Marx  
Anna Althoff  
Bertel Olson  
Luke Kolman  
Kate Lynch

Chris Parente  
Jose Cervantes  
Mary Paz Ramirez  
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

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Andrew O'Dekirk

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Justin Alden is chair of the Parish Finance Council.  
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## Stewardship Committee

Daniel Cortese  
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Rebecca O'Brien  
Mary Serrahn  
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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 John at [bulletin@stteresaparish.org](mailto:bulletin@stteresaparish.org) for more information.

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## Ministry Leadership Chart

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<b>Buildings &amp; Facilities</b> Sergio Mora <a href="mailto:smora@stteresaparish.org">smora@stteresaparish.org</a>	<b>Special Events &amp; Fundraising</b> Rebecca O'Brien <a href="mailto:robrien@stteresaparish.org">robrien@stteresaparish.org</a>	<b>Stewardship</b> Rebecca O'Brien <a href="mailto:robrien@stteresaparish.org">robrien@stteresaparish.org</a>	<b>Evangelization</b> Seeking a Leader

**Our Mission:** Saint Teresa of Avila Parish is a diverse Catholic community of faith that embraces everyone, without exception. We see ourselves as uniquely able to engage in dialogue with people of all faiths and act as peacemakers in our city. Challenged by the Gospel, nourished by the Eucharist, and inspired by the teachings of Saint Teresa of Avila, we are called to be witnesses of Christ's Love for the salvation of all people. We are a stewardship parish. 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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