

# THE JOURNEY

*"The feeling remains that God is on the journey too." -- St. Teresa of Avila*

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

April 25, 2021



## **Pastor**

Reverend Frank John Latzko

## **Address**

1037 W. Armitage Ave.  
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## **Weekend Mass Schedule**

**Sunday** 10 AM - Sign Up Required  
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## **Daily Mass Schedule**

**Wednesday** 8:00 AM - Sign Up Required  
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## **Eucharistic Adoration**

Tuesdays 6 PM to 8:00 PM

## **Office Hours**

**Please call ahead.**

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.

Community Ministries

If you want to serve the St. Teresa’s community in our liturgies or our planning, there are many opportunities for you!

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)**  
teresa.church/rcia

If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church, or helping those through that process as a companion.

**Lectors**  
teresa.church/lectors

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
teresa.church/eucharistic-ministers

**Pastoral Council**  
teresa.church/pastoral-council

Represent the parish and help advise the pastor in our mission and vision for our community.

**Finance Council**  
teresa.church/finance-council

Reviews financial documents and position of the parish and advise pastor and business manager on financial decisions.

Interested in Joining Our Parish?

Are you interested in making St. Teresa’s your spiritual home? Or just want to learn more about our community? Fill out the below form and drop it in the collection basket or join online at **teresa.church/join**.

Name

Email

Phone

Address

Ministries of Interest

In fulfilling our mission to be “Faith & Spirit. Alive.” we invite you to get involved with your family here at St. Teresa of Avila parish.

## Outreach Ministries

We have a variety of opportunities you can join to get involved and help serve our community, the Lincoln park area, and the city of Chicago.

### Loaves and Fishes Dinner

[teresa.church/loaves-and-fishes](https://teresa.church/loaves-and-fishes)

Weekly soup kitchen feeding and sitting with people in need of a meal.

### La Posada Border Ministry

[teresa.church/border-ministry](https://teresa.church/border-ministry)

Travel to the border to help and understand those seeking asylum

## Spiritual Ministries

There are many ministries at St. Teresa's that celebrate our faith via small christian communities, serving in our liturgies, and learning more.

### Women's Spirituality

[teresa.church/womens-spirituality](https://teresa.church/womens-spirituality)

Meets the Last Tuesday of the month to provide a supportive space for prayer and reflection.

### Men's Spirituality

[teresa.church/mens-spirituality](https://teresa.church/mens-spirituality)

Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month in the morning to come together and discuss what it means to be a disciple.

### Food Pantry

[teresa.church/food-pantry](https://teresa.church/food-pantry)

Our parish food pantry is a welcoming, dependable source of nutritious food, respect and social contact to the needy of our community.

### Refugee Ministry

[teresa.church/refugee-ministry](https://teresa.church/refugee-ministry)

Support a family's transition to living in the United States with donations and time.

## Bible Studies/Discussion Groups

Throughout the year there are bible studies you can join or maybe a book study with Fr. Frank. Schedules change throughout the year, so stay tuned!

### Religious Education

[teresa.church/religious-education](https://teresa.church/religious-education)

Whether it's our Montessori based Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children, EDGE Middle School ministry, QUEST High School Ministry, or SPRED Ministry for those with special needs, St. Teresa's has a wide array of programs to meet the needs of our children.

## Communauté Catholique Francophone de Chicago

[teresa.church/french-community](https://teresa.church/french-community)

St. Teresa's is home to a wonderful and vibrant French community.

# Parish Life

## Together in Joy 2021 - Poll

We want to hear from you on how you would like to attend this year's Together in Joy Gala. A survey was emailed to all parishioners earlier this week, but if you have not yet responded, please take 1 minute and select the format that you would feel most comfortable with (event to be held on Saturday, November 13th). Please make your voice heard by Friday, April 23rd.

## Cuisine de Coeur presents Le Tour De France

**Sunday, May 2, Anytime 11am - 2pm**

Enjoy homemade French gastronomy from the north to south of France.

**Must purchase food in advance: <http://bidpal.net/cdc2021>:**

**\$50 Adults**

**\$30 Young Adults (under 30)**

Choice of different menus, wine, savory French market baskets also available.

This is sponsored by St. Teresa of Avila Parish and the Francophone Catholic Community of Chicago. Proceeds benefit the parish and its outreach programs.

## 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*

Please help us remain financially stable by maintaining your financial commitment to the parish. Automated giving through Give Central is an easy way to ensure our collections won't dry while 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, please call the parish office at (773) 528-6650.

## St. T's, YOU and SOCIAL MEDIA!

Follow St. T's on social media. Yes-YOU can post messages, share your experiences and photos.

Stay connected sharing your experience at our church, ministry experience, attending a virtual network/education event and more. Perhaps create your own St. T's Selfie Sunday!

We Care for Each Other, our Faith and our Community.

Facebook: St Teresa of Avila Church

Instagram: stteresaofavilachurchchicago

Twitter: @StTsChurch

YouTube: StTeresaofAvilaChicago

# Financials

## January 2021

<b>Basket</b>	\$40,597.00	
<b>Give Central</b>	\$36,538.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Previous Year</b>
	\$77,135.00	\$54,484.00
		\$22,651.00

## February 2021

<b>Basket</b>	\$5,688.00	
<b>Give Central</b>	\$37,994.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Previous Year</b>
	\$43,682.00	\$42,606.00
		\$1,076.00

# A Letter From Fr. Frank

Dear St. Teresa of Avila Parishioners,

I would like to start a ministry in our parish that will address the crisis regarding the environment. The beginnings of this permanent ministry would involve forming a committee of parishioners who have a passion and background in how we can respond to protecting our environment. This could entail looking at the materials used in distribution of food, growing parish gardens, use of water and how kitchen items are cleaned, use of energy, connecting with Fair Trade, and many others.

I see the committee being comprised of between 5 and 10 parishioners who will come together and develop a mission statement with a vision that has clear, reachable goals that can be measured. This ministry must become a part of the culture of our entire parish operations if it is to succeed. This will necessitate a change in how we do things and our ability to see the Creation of God as part of our own humanity.

Through the Incarnation of Christ, ALL Creation is blessed and gives glory to God. Our throw away culture, extreme waste of food, obsession with consumption, and the many ways we pollute the water, air and earth are signs that we have severed our connection with beauty of Creation. We have manipulated and misused the environment, causing terrible disparities for the poor around the world, who live in such vulnerable areas and can't afford to simply pick up and move.

We can't change the world, nor can we engage in a multitude of endeavors, but must start slowly and take on a few practices that will help us become a part of the solution. I have two interested parishioners and hope for more who are willing and able to commit to this ministry. I'm hoping to start by the Fall with an in-person gathering. Email me at [frfrankjohn56@gmail.com](mailto:frfrankjohn56@gmail.com) if you are interested.

On the floor of our church is embedded gold medallions depicting an aspect of creation: water, earth, air, fire, animals. Within the architecture of our church is a symbolic connection to all aspects of the environment and Creation. We are walking, literally, on a floor dedicated to Creation and the Canticle of Creation, St. Francis' hymn to Brother Sun and Sister Moon.

To God Be the Glory!!!  
Fr. Frank

## Mass Intentions

Paul Moran and Frankie Wahlen

## Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday, 5/2 10am - Fr. Frank

Sunday, 5/2 6pm - Fr. Frank

## March Baptisms

Aurora Mary Finn- April 18, 2021

Finnegan Ward Miller- April 18, 2021

Roy Ruxton Bianchini- April 25, 2021

## Let Us Pray For...

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 on the list for about three months.

Braden Ahern  
Tracy Bolger  
Henry Bira  
Martha Dilla  
Pat Koesters  
Ellen Rask

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

## Pray for the Deceased

Gregg Kerr, Marilyn, Monica McNally, Caroline Mondschean, Rafaela Morena, Rob Vihon, Alicia Villenas, and the Victims of War & Domestic Violence.

## #PrayForPeace

We pray for those who lost their lives last week to violence in the City of Chicago:

Nykere Curtis; Ricky Fulton; Felipe Villalobos-Calderon; Larry Green; Ahmad Johnson; Lydia Jimenez (17); Vicky Braboy; Jawon Ward (18); Devon Jackson; Verico Veal; Martanisha Robinson (18); Carl Taylor; Paul Williams; and Jaslyn Adams (7).



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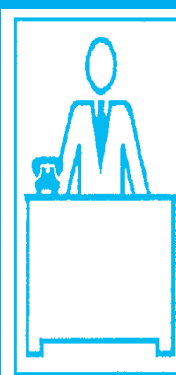


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## Parish Council

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The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body to the pastor and represents a cross section of the parish. Together with the Pastor, the PPC helps to craft and carry out the Mission of the Parish.

## Finance Council

**Don Eldred**

Chair

The St. Teresa Finance Council reviews the financial documents and position of the parish and advises the pastor and business manager on financial matters, including the preparation of the annual parish budget.

## Stewardship Committee

**Dan Summins**

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The Stewardship Committee's goal is to foster a sense of gratefulness and response of increased sharing of gifts in the parish and communities we seek to support. We do this by creating, encouraging and communicating ideas and programs that help parishioners recognize and share their gifts.

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## Contributing to the Bulletin

Past bulletins and guidelines for submitting to the bulletin are available on our website at:

[www.teresa.church/bulletins](http://www.teresa.church/bulletins)

## How to Report Sexual Abuse

To report an allegation of sexual abuse and/or neglect of minors, contact the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) Hotline at 800.25.ABUSE (800.252.2873) and/or contact your local police department.

You can also contact the Office of Protection of Children and Youth (OPCY) at 312.534.5254.