

THE JOURNEY

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

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

May 16, 2021



Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

Address

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Sunday 10 AM - Sign Up Required
Visit teresa.church/reopening to sign up

Daily Mass Schedule

Wednesday 8:00 AM - Sign Up Required
Visit teresa.church/reopening to sign up

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

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

La Posada Border Ministry

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

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

Men's Spirituality

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

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

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

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

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

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 dive 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

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Name Tags

After years of talking about the need to have name tags so everybody knows our actual names, we have received the approval of the Parish Council and the Finance Committee to begin the process.

The name tags will be permanent and have a magnetic clip to use so that your clothes are not damaged when wearing it. The name tag will have your name and the area that you live in (i.e. "Lincoln Park", "Park Ridge", "Rogers Park").

Watch for the email from the parish announcing the name tag project and letting you sign up right on line.

If you don't receive the parish weekly email contact cgioia@stteresaparish.org with your email and she will start sending them to you.

Financials

February 2021

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

March 2021

Basket	\$18,030.00	
Give Central	\$44,884.00	
Total	This Year	Previous Year
	\$62,914.00	\$50,204.00
		\$12,710.00

A Joyful Thought, A Thank You, and a Reminder From Fr. Frank

The first weekend in May was a beautiful weekend at St. Teresa's. It was the first time in over a year that I actually felt as though the parish was like it was before this pandemic. We had three baptisms, two Sunday Masses, a Confirmation retreat and preparation, Food Pantry, Loaves and Fishes, and last, but certainly not least, Cuisine de Coeur. Our French Community of parishioners worked tirelessly for this magnificent meal that was "picked up" by those who purchased the ticket. The meals were not only prepared with love and commitment to our mission, they were packaged with such care in colorful reusable bags.

I can't thank our French parishioners enough for making this event inspiring, successful and absolutely delicious. In the midst of this pandemic, they rise to the occasion and made this annual event so memorable. All of us came together this past weekend in so many wonderful ways, strengthening the Eucharist that connects us in faith and in love. Christ was truly present in the preparation of the meal, in the feeding of the poor, in the teaching of our young people and in the Breaking of the Bread.

More signs of encouragement: several people stepped up to my call for more Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. Thanks be to God!!! Also, some parishioners expressed an interest in starting a ministry of environmental concern. We can do so much here at St. Teresa's to better care for God's Creation. My hope is to have a committee with leadership by the Fall.

Just a reminder: May 23 is Pentecost Sunday, which means try and wear RED, anything red that can be seen. We will also celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 6:00pm Mass with a number of our young people. Let's make our parish celebrate the birth of the church with joy of spirit, worship and community.

Peace,
Fr. Frank

Erika's Lighthouse has an official entry to the 2021 Chicago Marathon for YOU!!!

Walkers, joggers and runners of all abilities are welcome!

Erika's Lighthouse for nearly 20 years has been supporting teenagers across the USA and internationally with their world class programs to overcome depression at no cost.

Please consider joining ELH's TEAM RESILIENCE in participating in 2021 Chicago Marathon to help fund these important programs that teenagers need now, more than ever.

All ELH team members will have outstanding benefits that include free entry to the Marathon, a complete training program conducted by Coach Mark Buciak, QCC who has over 47 years of running experience and an indoor VIP lounge on race day complete with Athletico's PT's before and after Marathon.

It's going to be a great Summer to achieve new goals! Join Team Resilience and run the 2021 Bank of America Chicago Marathon this October! Spots are extremely limited so hurry. Registration ends May 25th. Take the first step towards a memorable achievement for a wonderful cause!

Full details at: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/teamresilience21/classification/257469/>

Prayer

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Mass Intentions

Manuel Gomez

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday, 5/23 10am - Fr. Udovic

Sunday, 5/23 6pm - Fr. Frank

March Baptisms

Nora Anne Trivella - May 2, 2021

Alexis Isabelle Klester - May 2, 2021

Luca Patrick Lamprecht - May 2, 2021

Tucker Dean Niego - May 9, 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

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, Gary Schell, 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:

John Wesley-Reese Allen; Derrick Metcalf; Eujon Eversley; Terrance Billops; Eddie Thigpen (14); Robert Hogan; Robert Webster; Diqawan Harmon; William London; and Christian Schroeder.



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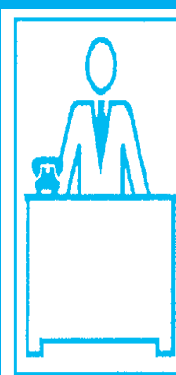


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The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body to the pastor and represents a cross section of the parish. Together with the Pastor, the PPC helps to craft and carry out the Mission of the Parish.

Finance Council

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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

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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.

Contributing to the Bulletin

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

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.