

# THE JOURNEY

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

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

August 22, 2021



## Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

## Address

1037 W. Armitage Ave.  
Chicago, Illinois 60614

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## Weekend Mass Schedule

**Sunday** 10 AM, 6 PM

## Daily Mass Schedule

**Wednesday** 8:00 AM - Sign Up Required  
Visit [teresa.church/reopening](https://teresa.church/reopening) to sign up

## Baptism, Reconciliation, Anointing

Please call the office to arrange.

## 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](https://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](https://teresa.church/lectors)

### Eucharistic Ministers

[teresa.church/eucharistic-ministers](https://teresa.church/eucharistic-ministers)

### Pastoral Council

[teresa.church/pastoral-council](https://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](https://teresa.church/finance-council)

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

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## 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](https://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 virtually every Tuesdays at 7am to come together and discuss what it means to be a disciple. Email [cdeanhockey@gmail.com](mailto:cdeanhockey@gmail.com) to get the link and join.

### 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 in any way you can! Please fill out this link and Ellen will contact you! <https://bit.ly/sttsrefugee>.

There is also immediate need to support the Mwamikazi family, a Congolese refugee family, through purchasing items on their amazon wish list. Items are anywhere from \$10-\$100. Buy what you can! <https://bit.ly/sttswish>

## 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 for 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.

## 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").

Simply send us your name (as you want it to appear on the name tag) and the area you identify as living in.

Go to <https://forms.gle/5JpLRru8jZWBHuiR6> to sign up (or look out for the link in the weekly email). Add your name as you want it to appear and the area you identify as living in.

Example:



# Financials

## May 2021

Basket	\$7,271.00	
Give Central	\$35,637.00	
Total	This Year	Previous Year
	\$42,908.00	\$62,755.00
		-\$19,847.00

## June 2021

Basket	\$8,502.00	
Give Central	\$43,428.00	
Total	This Year	Previous Year
	\$51,930.00	\$65,885.00
		-\$13,955.00

# Finance Update

St. Teresa's fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The Finance Council planned for our most financially challenging year in recent memory due to the pandemic. However, this year's results exceeded our expectations and the prior year thanks to your continued generosity, higher investment earnings, and release from repayment of a PPP loan. As outlined in the table, fiscal 2021 net income equaled \$234k, \$219k higher than the prior year and \$353k higher than the budget. Results are explained further below.

**Net Ordinary Results:** 2021 net ordinary results, excluding investment earnings, equaled \$83k, slightly lower than last year and \$128k higher than the budget. The better-than-expected result largely reflected record fundraising results and your continued weekly support through Give Central. Collections exceeded budget, but declined somewhat versus last year, reflecting the suspension of in person Mass from March to July 2020 and resumption thereafter at reduced capacity.

**Net Other Results:** 2021 net other results, excluding PPP loan release, equaled a loss of \$94k, \$10k better than last year and \$16k favorable versus budget. Other expense decreased by \$73k versus last year due to lower capital improvements spending, the absence of expenses covered by insurance (the absence of the insurance recovery reduced other revenue), and lower Avila in Action grants. This year's larger capital projects included the completion of the audio-visual project and the replacement of both air conditioning units.

**Investment Earnings and PPP Loan:** The higher investment earnings resulted from the previously announced February 2021 shift of certain assets to the Archdiocese's Growth Fund. The Growth Fund involves more risk and greater volatility than our prior investment in a CD but is expected to generate higher returns over the long-term. The Parish was released from repayment of a PPP loan in May 2021.

**Looking Ahead:** Earlier this year, we reviewed and approved the budget for fiscal 2022. The coming year's budget plans for a modest surplus as we gradually emerge from the pandemic. Social distancing restrictions on Mass were completely lifted as of June 2021, but the virus persists, and weekly attendance remains below pre-pandemic levels.

Thanks for your continued support to St. Teresa's. Please reach out if you have questions.

Don Eldred  
Chair, Finance Council

	ACTUAL			BUDGET	
	FY 2021	FY 2020	Variance	FY 2021	Variance
Collections	668,848	669,880	(1,032)	632,194	36,654
Fundraising	247,303	212,074	35,229	111,157	136,146
Other	57,427	111,236	(53,809)	79,656	(22,229)
Total Revenue	973,578	993,190	(19,612)	823,007	150,571
Expenses	(890,542)	(908,978)	18,436	(867,951)	(22,591)
Net Ordinary	83,036	84,212	(1,176)	(44,944)	127,980
Other Revenue	54,603	117,944	(63,341)	-	54,603
Other Expense	(148,258)	(221,127)	72,869	(109,200)	(39,058)
Net Other	(93,655)	(103,183)	9,528	(109,200)	15,545
Subtotal of Ordinary & Other	(10,619)	(18,971)	8,352	(154,144)	143,525
Investment Earnings	143,934	35,014	108,920	35,496	108,438
PPP Repayment Release	101,328	-	101,328	-	101,327
Total Net	234,643	16,043	218,600	(118,648)	353,290

\*previous year reflects the 2019 (aug-nov) adjustments from collections to fundraisers

## Mass Intentions

10AM - Cherlyn Webb (Deceased)  
6PM - Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila  
Living and Deceased

## Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday, 8/29 10am - Fr. Udovic  
Sunday, 8/29 6pm - Fr. Alphonse

## August Baptisms

Leah Rose Dirnberger -August 1st  
Lucas Jordi Volsky - August 15th  
Theodore Adeleye Gordon - August 22nd

## 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	For the intentions on our
Tracy Bolger	prayer
Henry Bira	cards; for survivors and
Martha Dilla	perpetrators
Pat Koesters	of sexual abuse
Ellen Rask	

## Pray for the Deceased

Marilyn, 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:

The homicide database was down this week, but let us continue to keep the lives of all affected by violence in Chicago in our hearts and prayers, as well for those around the world. In particular, let us pray for the people of Afghanistan, for their freedom and safety in these difficult times.



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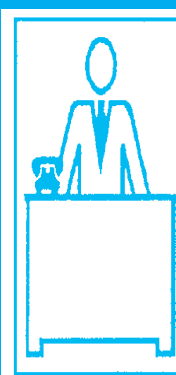


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## Parish Council

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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.