

THE JOURNEY

"Truth suffers, but never dies." - St Teresa of Avila

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 26, 2022



Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Sunday 10 AM, 12 PM, 6 PM

Daily Mass Schedule

Wednesday- 8:00AM

Friday Communion Service

Friday-7:30 AM

Baptism, Reconciliation, Anointing

Please call the office to arrange.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays- 6 PM to 7:30 PM

Office Hours

Weekdays: 9 AM - 7:30 PM

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

Email eric.fredericks+lm@gmail.com for more information.

Eucharistic Ministers

teresa.church/eucharistic-ministers

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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.

Welcome the Stranger

Join with parishioners from St. Teresa of Avila, St. Josaphat and others in the Lincoln Park Community to support a refugee family's journey in Chicago. Please fill out this link and we will add you to our updates and emails! <https://bit.ly/welcomethestrangerLP>. Additionally, if you would like to work directly with a refugee family, you can sign up at any time for a 3 hour Engaging with Refugees: Cross-Cultural Training <https://exodusworldservice.org/register/>.

Night Ministry

Support our partnership with The Night Ministry by providing sack suppers to the homeless. Participation is easy and safe! For more information and to sign up, please contact Susan Matejka at smatejka@hpschicago.com.

Loaves and Fishes Dinner

teresa.church/loaves-and-fishes

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

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 virtually every Tuesdays at 7am to come together and discuss what it means to be a disciple. Email cdeanhockey@gmail.com to get the link and join.

La Posada Border Ministry

teresa.church/border-ministry

Travel to the border to help and understand those seeking asylum.

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.

Care for Creation Ministry

teresa.church/care-for-creation

Our mission, an authentic social and moral commitment, is to educate and inspire our parish to accept the health of the planet and all creation as a personal and communal responsibility, thereby instilling a desire to make choices that result in actions for the stewardship of God's creation.

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.

Food Pantry Needs Bags:

The Food Pantry is in great need of **DOUBLED PAPER GROCERY BAGS WITH HANDLES**. Please drop off at the parish office or the pantry. **THANK YOU!!**

Bible Education 101- Part 2!

Experience the bible in a PRACTICAL, INSPIRATIONAL & HISTORICAL way. Read the remaining 10 narrative books, while learning the influences on God's chosen people through to the establishment of The Church. Part 2 begins on April 21st at 7pm in the St. Teresa of Avila parish hall. Bring a revised Catholic Education Bible; other materials provided. Sign Up & Questions? Contact Debbie at dbichimer@gmail.com.

Giving Options:

You can now donate to St. Teresa of Avila through **Zelle!**

For more information go to teresa.church/give **OR**

TEXT SUNDAY to 312-313-2444 **OR** scan the QR code



Prayer of the Day:

Gracious God, my soul waits for you.

You are my help and my shield.

My heart is glad in you, because I trust your holy name.

Let your steadfast love be upon me, O Holy One.

I hope in you. Amen

Facts for Today-June 26th:

Today marks the 177th day of the year. Today is officially National Beautician's Day and Chocolate Pudding Day

1498: Toothbrush invented in China using boar bristles

1927: The Cyclone Rollercoaster opened at Coney Island

1977: Elvis Presley performed his final performance in Indianapolis, IN



Financials

All, just a short note of thanks for stepping forward with your weekly gifts in the second half of the fiscal year. We will have a more complete update on St Teresa's finances after fiscal year end (June 30), but the situation is much improved versus last December when Fr. Frank wrote to you about the slow, but steady decline in offertory during the pandemic.

At the end of December 2021 (the fiscal halfway point), year to date Sunday and Holy Day Collections were \$21k below budget and \$22k below last year. At the end of May 2022, year to date Sunday and Holy Day Collections were \$26k above budget and \$23k above last year. This significant turnaround reflects an increase of more than 25 percent in average monthly collections between the first and second halves of the year.

The parish's challenge will be to sustain this improvement into the future, but we are grateful for your generous response during a challenging time. Thanks again.

On behalf of the Finance Council,

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

When the days for Jesus' being taken up were fulfilled, he resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem

This Sunday, as we return to Sundays in Ordinary Time, Jesus sets out for Jerusalem. The name "Jerusalem" literally means "city of peace". Yet Jesus knew that Jerusalem would be the place of His crucifixion and death. When the event in today's Gospel Reading occurred, Jesus knew that the easy life of His first thirty-some years was over.

The Church will be celebrating the Sundays of Ordinary Time until the Church year concludes at the end of November. Over the course of these weeks, our Gospel passage each Sunday will follow this journey of Jesus towards Jerusalem as Saint Luke the Evangelist recorded it.

As Jesus heads resolutely to the City of Peace, He knows that His vocation is to bring peace to each human person. Jesus at the Last Supper said, "Peace I leave you, my peace I give you" [John 14:27]. For Jesus, this physical trek towards Jerusalem symbolized the more important journey that he would later make on Good Friday up the hill of Calvary. We cannot overestimate the importance of Jesus' death. Without that moment, everything in our own lives would be meaningless, because to paraphrase Our Lord: "what would it profit a man if he could gain everything in this world, but not eternal life in the next?"

Within your life, ask yourself how seriously you take the two most important moments in your life: the two moments that determine whether your life will be one of peace. You speak of and pray about these two moments when you pray the "Hail Mary". The first is now, and the second is the hour of your death. You don't pray in the "Hail Mary" about the hour of your birth or the birth of your first child, nor about your graduation or the graduation of your last child; nor about the day of your wedding or about the day you bought your first house. You don't even pray about the day of your baptism.

The two most important moments of your life are now and the hour of your death. Maybe we know other persons who live as if the moment of death will never arrive: they live only for "now". The fact is, though, that every "now" of our life bears a direct impact on which eternal dwelling God will send us packing for at the moment of our death. Everything we do now, or don't do now, bears on that moment at the hour of death.

Each of us as a Christian does not control his or her life. If you do believe you are in control of your life, the life you're imagining as your own is certainly not the life God wants for you, and which Jesus died to give you. If you are firmly resolved to prepare your self for the moment of your death, you will be firmly resolved in the "now" of every moment to follow what God is calling you to do.

Prayer

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Mass Intentions

10AM - Joseph Kachnik

12 PM - Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Living and Deceased

6 PM - Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila living and Deceased

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday, 7/3 10am - Fr. Alphonse

Sunday, 7/3 12pm - Fr. Alphonse

Sunday, 7/3 6pm - Fr. Trail

Prayer for Ukraine

May God protect them from harm and provide them with food, shelter and medical care.

May they be kept from violence and persecution.



June 26th, 2022

William Anthony Sopchik

Boden Lee Conway

Declan James Conway

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.

Mike Noonan
Kathy Hoinacki
David Filer
Drew Williams
Jack Strang

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

Pray for the Deceased

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 two weeks to violence in the City of Chicago:

Kalil Austin, Daniel Smith, Terrell Pittman, Bobbye Farmby and James Lewis.

On The Lighter Side: Adam and the frog

Adam was spending the day naming all the creatures in the garden when he realized he was alone as a human being.

Then came the very last creature and he named it "frog". He spoke to the frog in his loneliness and asked it if it had any ideas as to how he could not be so lonely. To Adam's surprise, the frog opened it's mouth and replied, "Rib-It"! , then the rest was history....



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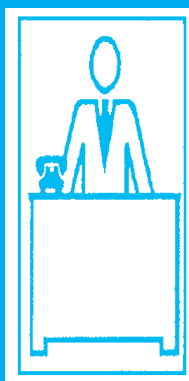


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The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body to the pastor and represents a cross section of the parish. Together with the Pastor, the PPC helps to craft and carry out the Mission of the Parish.

Finance Council

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

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Chair

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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.