

THE JOURNEY

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

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 14, 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- 8:00AM

Baptism, Reconciliation, Anointing

Please call the office to arrange or email
cgioia@stteraparish.org

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:

THANK YOU to the generous anonymous donor for the shipment of handled brown bags for use in the St. Teresa Food Pantry. We continue to need doubled brown paper bags (150-200 per week) for food distribution. Thanks to you we are no longer using plastic bags!

Tuesday Evening Bible Study:

Join us for Bible Study on Tuesday evenings at 7PM in the Parish Center with **Mark Neuhengen**.

French Mass:

Next Mass August 20th at 6PM

Binge Jesus Season One:

“Binge Jesus” with us for Season One of THE CHOSEN in the St. T of A cafeteria TODAY Aug. 14 – 1 – 5 PM: Episodes #5-8. Dinner & Fellowship will be provided at 5 PM

Watch some or ALL with us! Bring a friend! RSVP - Not necessary. Big screen streaming! Air Conditioned! Stay for Mass at 6 PM on Sunday. Questions? Mark: mneuhengen@stteresaparish.org

Register for Fall 2022 Catechesis:

It is time to register for our 2022/2023 catechesis programs. We offer a Montessori based program called Catechesis of the Good Shepard, for children ages three through 6th grade. Our CGS program is offered on Sunday mornings, Sunday afternoons and Monday afternoons.

We also have a toddler program during the 10AM Mass on Sundays and Confirmation preparation for the 7th and 8th graders on Sunday afternoons. Please take a few minutes to fill out the Google form to register your children and let us know which time you prefer. If you have any questions, please contact Barb McHugh at bdmchugh@mac.com



Financials

	Semi-annual Report to the Parish				
	ACTUAL			BUDGET	
	Full Yr			Full Yr	
	FY 22	FY 21	Variance	FY22	Variance
Collections	711,008	668,848	42,160	665,249	45,759
Fundraising	226,281	247,308	(21,022)	156,000	70,281
Other	56,015	57,427	(1,412)	69,243	(13,228)
Total Revenue	993,304	973,578	19,726	890,492	102,812
Expenses	(940,601)	(890,542)	(50,059)	(848,192)	(92,409)
Net Ordinary	52,703	83,036	(30,333)	42,300	10,403
Other Revenue	56,026	54,603	1,423	-	56,026
Other Expense	(96,190)	(148,258)	112,068	(46,000)	9,810
Net Other	19,836	(93,655)	113,491	(46,000)	65,836
Subtotal	72,539	(10,619)	83,158	(3,700)	76,239
Investment Earnings	(12,722)	143,934	(156,656)	35,508	(48,230)
PPP Repay Release	-	101,328	(101,328)	-	-
Total Net	59,817	234,643	(174,826)	31,808	28,009

St. Teresa's fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The Finance Council and staff planned for a modest surplus as we continue to emerge from the pandemic. Social distancing restrictions on Mass were completely lifted as of June 2021, but the virus persisted, and weekly attendance remained below pre-pandemic levels.

As outlined in the table, this year's surplus equaled \$60k, somewhat above budget but well below last year due to a current year investment loss versus a large prior year gain and the absence of the 2021 PPP loan repayment release. For purposes of further discussion, results are segregated between Net Ordinary and Net Other in accordance with Archdiocese reporting guidelines.

Net Ordinary Results: 2022 Net Ordinary results, excluding investment earnings, equaled \$53k, \$10k above budget but lower than last year. The better-than-budget result reflected higher Collections and Fundraising, partly offset by higher expenses. As previously reported, Collections trailed budget and last year in the first half of the year but improved significantly during the second half. Fundraising, mainly Together in Joy, exceeded budget by a wide margin but fell somewhat below the record 2021 level.

Ordinary Expenses increased versus budget and last year notably due to the cost of a full year of in person events and two retreats compared to little such activity in the pandemic limited prior year. Salaries and Benefits also increased.

Net Other Results: 2022 Net Other results, excluding PPP loan release, equaled a surplus of \$20k. Other expenses decreased versus budget and last year due to the lower Capital Improvement spending and the absence of Avila in Action grants in 2022.

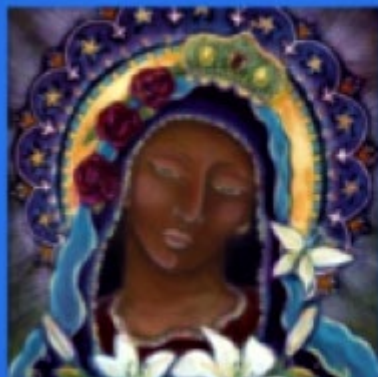
Investment Earnings and PPP Loan: The Parish shifted certain assets to the Archdiocese's Growth Fund in February 2021. The Growth Fund involves more risk and greater volatility than our prior investment in a CD but is expected to generate higher returns over the long-term. The current year loss reflects the overall decline in the value of equity and fixed income assets during the fiscal year. As previously noted, 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 2023. The coming year's budget again plans for a modest surplus. Although Collections improved significantly during the second half of fiscal 2022, they fell again in June. Your offering through Give Central or the weekly basket is critical to the Parish's success.

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

Don Eldred
Chair, Finance Council

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Join St. Teresa of Avila Parish as we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass at 7 PM on August 15th

Pizza provided after mass

St. Teresa of Avila is a diverse Catholic community of faith that welcomes you, without exception.

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Prayer

Mass Intentions

10AM - Joyce Jaszczor (D)

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

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

Feasts and Saints

8/15-The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary

8/16- St. Stephen of Hungary

8/19- St. John Eudes, Priest

8/20- St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Let Us Pray For: The Sick, The Deceased and Peace in Our World:

We pray for everyone who suffers from illness of mind or body.

We pray for the intentions on our prayer cards;

We pray for those who have passed away this week.

We pray for survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse.

We pray for peace in our city and around the world.

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday, 8/21 10am - Fr. Udovic

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Sunday, 8/21 6pm - Fr. Alphonse

Baptism

Welcome to the Parish

Lauren Smith

Fun Facts for August 14th

Tattoo Removal Day and Creamsicle Day

We're now on the 226th day of the year, and have 139 days left.

1979-A rainbow lasting three hours was recorded over the Gwynedd coast in Wales.

It was the longest-lasting rainbow in meteorological history at the time.

1935-Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Social Security Act, creating a government pension system for the retired.



A Great Gnashing of Teeth:

A preacher of the old school was describing the events of Judgment Day and, of course, he used Biblical phrases whenever he could. "Oh, my friends," he shouted, "Imagine the suffering of the sinners as they find themselves cast into the outer darkness. removed from the presence of the Lord and given to eternal flames. My friends, at such a time there will be weeping, wailing and a great gnashing of teeth!" At this point, one of the elders of the congregation interrupted. "But Reverend," he said, "what if one of those hopeless sinners has no teeth?" The preacher crashed his fist on the pulpit, "My friends, the Lord is not put out by details. Rest assured.... teeth will be provided!"



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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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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.