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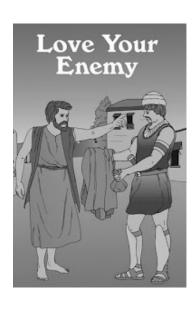
"Truth suffers, but never dies."- St Teresa of Avila

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2023







Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

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1037 W. Armitage Ave. Chicago, Illinois 60614

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 6 PM French Mass

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

www.teresa.church

Welcome

"St. Teresa of Avila Parish is an engaged community rooted in the beauty of the Eucharist and our Catholic faith. We want to make a difference in the lives of the people, especially those who are searching to discover how much God loves them and is calling them to join in the Mission of Christ to live His Gospel. We do so by welcoming people of all backgrounds and cultures in our parish, respecting their desires and questions, crossing borders and learing from those we encounter. You are welcomed to join in the Mission of building bridges and sharing the Good News of Christ."

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

Welcome

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 opportunites 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 Shephard 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

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

This Sunday's Readings:

First Reading:

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy.

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Are you not aware that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 5:38-48

My command to you is: love your enemies, pray for your persecutors.

Feasts and Saints:

2/21- St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

2-23- St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr



Baptism February 19th, 2023

Vito Alexander Favia



Food Pantry Needs Bags:

In an attempt to reduce the use of plastic bags, the Food Pantry is always in great need of DOUBLED PAPER GROCERY BAGS WITH HANDLES. If you have a collection that you would like to contribute, please drop it off at the parish office or at the pantry. Thank You

Reflections for Today:

Is there someone in my life whom I consider an "enemy"?

How can praying for someone who has hurt me be beneficial for me also?



Financials

November 2022

Basket	\$9,212.00	
Give Central	\$37,583.00	
Total	This Year	Previous Year
	\$46,795.00	\$45,430.00
		\$1,365.00

FY 23	FY22
22,696	15,432
32,569	33,772
This Year	Previous Year
\$55,265	\$49,204
	\$6,061
	22,696 32,569 This Year

Parish Life

From Fr. Frank:

As you know, Ash Wednesday is approaching. The archdiocese reached out asking if our parish was going to send out volunteers to distribute ashes on Armitage Ave and on the EL. In years past, different groups came forward to carry out this public ministry. If anyone is interested, please let me know ASAP. I will be celebrating 4 masses on Ash Wednesday: 6:39 am; 8:00am; 12Noon; 7:00pm

We will be having soup nights on Tuesday's during Lent from 6:00pm- 7:00. These evenings will include quiet prayer during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, having some hot soup, the opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation. Donations will go to Operation Rice Bowl. These evenings will bring together the Lenten traditions of prayer and alms giving.

The old palms will be burned after the 10:00 am Mass this Sunday. I need volunteers to take care of this. The ashes from the burned palms will be used on Ash Wednesday. The palms from last year's Palm Sunday celebration will be burned cresting the ashes for this year's Ash Wednesday, a ritual that connects the liturgical seasons. The fresh palms of last year, now dried and brittle, lead us into a new Lent. And new fresh palms. The cycle continues until Christ returns at the end of time, leading to an eternal Easter.

Hospitality: Parish Center

Please join us after the 10am Sunday Mass for hospitality

This is a wonderful way to catch up and visit with fellow parishioners as well as meeting new ones and getting to know them.

If you would be interested in hosting a Sunday here is the link to sign uphttps://signup.com/go/uwfqUZ

Please join us for Hospitality and Fellowship after the 6pm Mass

We look forward to seeing you



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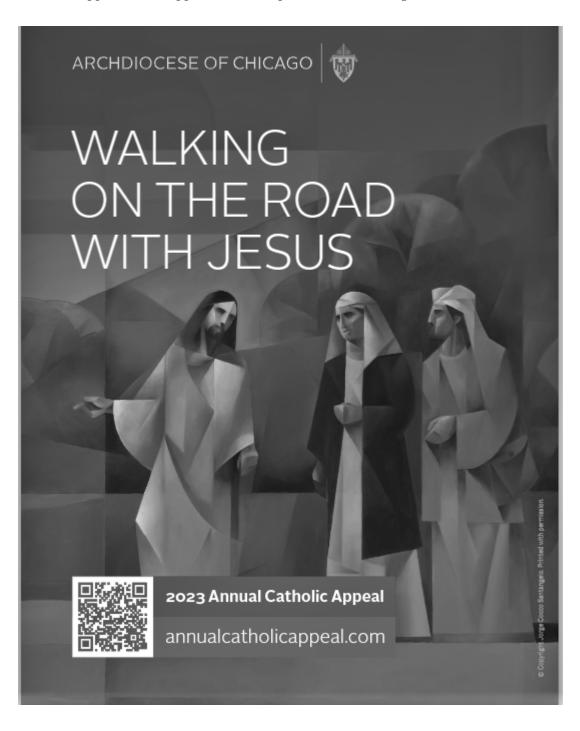
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IN PERSON

BUT PICKUP BASKETS STILL AVAILABLE

Parish Life

2023 Annual Catholic Appeal

Our parish is conducting our campaign for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Please remember that the Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make your gift payable in installments. The new Annual Catholic Appeal theme, "Walking on the road with Jesus," is an important theme as we prayerfully consider our support for the Appeal but also important for embracing the life that the Lord want us to live.



Parish Life

Fat Tuesday is Paczki Day:

Stop by the Parish Center on Tuesday February 21st, 2023 starting at 8am until we run out and enjoy a Paczki!

2022 Contribution Statement:

To request your 2022 Contribution Statement please contact Charisse Gioia in the Parish Office 773-528-6650 or email **cgioia@stteresaparsh.org**



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).

Please go to to our website to fill out the form- teresa.church

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

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 survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse.

We pray for those who have passed away.

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

We pray for the intentions on our prayer cards.

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday 2/26 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 2/26 12pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday 2/26 6pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday Funday-February 19th

Today is- National Chocolate Mint Day and Tug of War Day

1878-The patent for Thomas Edison's phonograph was granted.

1985-Cherry Coke was introduced by Coca-Cola.

2006-The Rolling Stones performed in front of the largest open show for the public in Copacabana Beach in Brazil, 1.3 Million people attended



On the Lighter Side: Presidents Day Jokes

What did Abe Lincoln put on his pancakes?

Lincoln Log Cabin Syrup.

What did they call George Washington's false teeth?

Presidentures.

Who was the youngest US president?

BABE Lincoln.

If you crossed a zucchini with our first president, what would you get?

George Squashington.



Ash Wednesday February 22nd, 2023

Ash Wednesday is one of the most popular and important holy days in the liturgical calendar and it begins the Lenten season taking place 46 days before Easter Sunday.

Ash Wednesday comes from the ancient Jewish tradition of penance and fasting. The practice includes the wearing of ashes on the head. The ashes symbolize the dust from which God made us. As the priest applies the ashes to a person's forehead, he speaks the words: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." It is important to remember that Ash Wednesday is a day of penitential prayer and fasting.

The ashes are made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday celebration of the previous year. The ashes are christened with Holy Water and are scented by exposure to incense. While the ashes symbolize penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts.

Ashes are a symbol of penance made sacramental by the blessing of the Church, and they help us develop a spirit of humility and sacrifice.

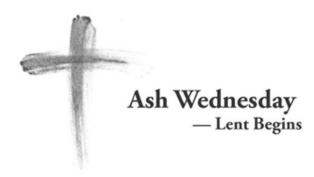
It is not required that a person wear the ashes for the rest of the day, and they may be washed off after Mass. However, many people keep the ashes as a reminder until the evening.

Catholics abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Fridays during Lent and ages of 18-59 fast on Ash Wednesday. Fasting entails eating one regular-size meal and two small meals.

Why do people give things up until Easter Sunday?

Millions of people do this during Lent as a sign of sacrifice and to test their self-discipline.

Christians believe that this is to represent Jesus Christ's sacrifice when he went into the desert to pray and fast for the 40 days before later dying on the cross.



Mass Schedule 6:30am, 8:00am, Noon, and 7:00pm



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Life Matters

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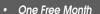


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The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body to the pastor and represents a cross section of the parish. Together with the Pastor, the PPC helps to craft and carry out the Mission of the Parish.

Finance Council

Don Eldred

Chair

The St. Teresa Finance Council reviews The Stewardship Committee's goal is 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

Chair

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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.