

THE JOURNEY

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

Third Sunday of Lent
March 12th, 2023



Pastor

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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

“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 learning 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

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.

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.

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.

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:

Exodus 17:3-7

God tells Moses to bring forth water from the rock.

Second Reading:

Romans 5:1-2,5-8

Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

Gospel Reading:

John 4:5-42

Jesus reveals himself to the Samaritan woman at the well.

Feasts and Saints:

3/17- St. Patrick , Bishop

3/18- St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church



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:

The woman at the well encounters Jesus and then preaches the Good News to all she knows. We really don't know much about the woman. Jesus says she has had five husbands. Is she divorced? Widowed?

Jesus' knowledge of her personal life convinces her that he is a great prophet. When he reveals himself as the Messiah, she believes. Then she goes and tells everyone she knows. They believe her because of her personal testimony

This woman is a great model of one important role of women in the Church, evangelizing and preaching the Good News to their friends and family

Reflection

Financials:

Semi-Annual Report to the Parish:

	ACTUAL			BUDGET	
	First Half			First Half	
	FY 23	FY 22	Variance	FY 23	Variance
Collections	\$317,815	\$313,724	\$4,091	\$362,010	(\$44,195)
Fundraising	146,046	220,719	(74,673)	150,500	(4,454)
Other	53,645	35,181	18,464	30,304	23,341
Total Revenue	\$517,506	\$569,624	(\$52,118)	\$542,814	(\$25,308)
Expenses	(415,660)	(460,467)	44,807	(493,070)	77,410
Net Ordinary Surplus/(Deficit)	\$101,846	\$109,157	(\$7,311)	\$49,744	\$52,102
Other Revenue	21,861	9,137	12,724	-	21,861
Other Expense	(39,592)	2,757	(42,349)	(40,000)	408
Net Other Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$17,731)	\$11,894	(\$29,625)	(\$40,000)	\$22,269
Subt: Ord & Other	\$84,115	\$121,051	(\$36,936)	\$9,744	\$74,371
Investment Earning	(56,630)	78,171	(134,801)	-	(56,630)
Total Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$27,485	\$199,222	(\$171,737)	\$9,744	\$17,741

Parish Life

From Fr. Frank:

March 12, 2023

In just a few weeks, several of our young people will be confirmed, a moment in which the Holy Spirit will strengthen their Baptism with gifts to guide them on their journey through life. As the Bishop is the instrument of the calling down of the Spirit through his outstretched arms, as he then anoints them with the beautifully scented Chrism on their foreheads, he will then send them back into their individual worlds to live out their discipleship. The Christian life compels us to keep moving forward, being engaged in the whatever life places in front of us. It's all about movement in the Spirit to grow and be transformed.

Abraham and Sarah are called to move out of their familiar homeland into a new land. They were the bearers of the Covenant forged by the Living God to set in motion (movement, again) a new People, moving from family, to tribe, to a nation, to many nations... to the whole world. These two individuals were well into old age when God called them to a new land. God even asked them to give birth to a child who would keep things moving forward. You are never too old!!!!

In the gospel, Jesus is leading the three disciples UP the mountain where His appearance is transformed, transfigured, right before their eyes. In this magnificent vision of the glorified Christ, they here the voice telling them, "This is my beloved Son," the voice of the Father. But He adds, "Listen to Him." God "speaks" to us by what inspires us, in our desires, and most importantly, in our intuitions. We can't follow God's calling, His voice, if we aren't listening.

The three disciples are so taken by the vision that they become filled with fear as they drop to the ground. Jesus tells them to "rise and not be afraid."

And then....back to "movement" DOWN the mountain and into life. They can't remain immobilized, stuck on the mountain of glory. No, they move back down with the beautiful memory of the moment.

God is calling us like Abraham, Sarah, the disciples to keep moving forward in life, treasuring the moments that make us shine, but accepting the experiences of trial and suffering. The mountain of the Transfiguration led to the mount of Calvary, the crucifixion. Glory and suffering go hand in hand. We can't choose only the glory, shutting ourselves off from difficult and unsettling realities, the many realities of suffering around us. Walls of protection become walls of isolation and inner loneliness.

The saddest thing I experience is when an adult Catholic, a church goer, never got beyond Confirmation in their faith life. Reducing their faith to a checklist of rituals needed to make it into heaven, they never "moved forward" in deepening their understanding of God, Christ, the Church, the Sacraments. Ironically, the rest of their lives is filled with movement: their careers, promotions, higher education, but their discipleship remains a past memory. How sad.

Jesus wants us to have life and have it in abundance. He wants us to keep moving forward in our faith life: learning new ways of praying, studying Scripture and Church Teaching, living out the teachings of social Justice. We are slowly being "transfigured" as we share in the beauty of Christ's divinity. Yes, we are all slowly being "divinized", becoming more and more like God. But only if we keep listening to God's voice and moving forward.



Parish Life

Intentional Parish Offertory Kick-Off Weekend:

As we embark upon our 3-week intentional Offertory Initiative, I invite you to reflect upon the blessings you have received from God as well as the hopes you have for our parish. Prayerfully consider how your generosity of time, talent and treasure- can strengthen our mission, ministries and operations. At the conclusion of this 3-week journey, I will ask you to specifically re-evaluate your financial commitment to St. Teresa of Avila so that , together we have the needed resources to reach more people with the Gospel, bring them into a life-giving relationship with Jesus Christ and support one another on our shared journey as His disciples.

Daylight Savings Time:

This Sunday March 12th, 2023 we will Spring ahead one hour. At 2:00AM clocks are turned forward one hour to 3:00am.

Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour later on Mar 12, 2023 than the day before. There will be more light in the evening.



Happy St. Patrick's Day Friday March 17th, 2023:

May good luck be with you wherever you go, and your blessings outnumber the shamrocks that grow. May your days be many and your troubles be few, May all God's blessings descend upon you, May peace be within you, May your heart be strong, May you find what you're seeking wherever you roam.

Wishing you all the luck of the Irish this St. Patrick's Day!



Parish Life

PLEASE JOIN US FOR HOSPITALITY

AFTER THE 10AM AND 6PM MASS

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

If you would be interested in hosting a Sunday after the 10am Mass here is the link to sign up-

<https://signup.com/go/uwfqUZ>



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](https://www.teresa.church)

Parish Life

Lenten Tuesday's:

All are welcome to join us on Tuesday evening for an evening of prayer and meal sharing.

Soup Will Be Served 6:00-7:30pm

Adoration and Confession 6:00-7:30pm

Tuesday March 14th, 2023- Tomato Soup

Third Sunday of Lent

Station with San Lorenzo fuori le Mura (St. Lawrence Outside the Walls):

The Station is in the basilica of St. Lawrence outside the walls--the walls being the old walls that marked the boundary and protected Rome. The name of this, the most celebrated of the martyrs of Rome, would remind the catechumens that the faith they were about to profess would require them to be ready for many sacrifices. In the primitive Church, the third Sunday in Lent was called Scrutiny Sunday, because it was on this day that they began to examine the catechumens, who were to be admitted to Baptism on Easter night.

The First Scrutiny – Third Sunday of Lent – The Woman at the Well. The primary symbol in the reading of this Sunday is water. Water is a symbol of life, and it indicates that God wishes to give us life, as shown in the stories of the Israelites in the desert and the woman from Samaria at the well.



Prayer

Mass Intentions

10AM - Joyce Jaszczor (D)

12 PM - Steve Openshaw (D)

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 3/19 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 3/19 12pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday 3/19 6pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday Funday- March 12th

Today is- Girl Scout Day, Plant a Flower Day and Working Moms Day

1894- Coca-Cola bottles were sold to the public for the first time in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

1912- The Girl Guides (later renamed the Girl Scouts of the USA) were founded in the United States.

1933- New resident Franklin D. Roosevelt gave his first national radio address or "fireside chat," from the White House.

1987- Les Miserables (Broadway Musical) Opened on March 12, 1987, and Closed on May 18, 2003



On the Lighter Side: Rope will help you curse

A priest buys a lawn mower at a yard sale. Back home, he pulls on the starter rope a few times with no results. He storms back to the yard sale and tells the previous owner, "I can't get the mower to start!" "That's because you have to curse to get it started," says the man. "I'm a man of the cloth. I don't even remember how to curse." "You keep pulling on that rope, and it'll come back to you."



Parish Life

St. Patrick Feast Day March 17th Patron Saint of Ireland

St. Patrick of Ireland is one of the world's most popular saints. He was born in Roman Britain and when he was fourteen or so, he was captured by Irish pirates during a raiding party and taken to Ireland as a slave to herd and tend sheep. At the time, Ireland was a land of Druids and pagans but Patrick turned to God and wrote his memoir, *The Confession*.

Patrick's captivity lasted until he was twenty, when he escaped after having a dream from God in which he was told to leave Ireland by going to the coast. There he found some sailors who took him back to Britain and was reunited with his family.

A few years after returning home, Patrick saw a vision he described in his memoir.

"I saw a man coming, as it were from Ireland. His name was Victoricus, and he carried many letters, and he gave me one of them. I read the heading: 'The Voice of the Irish.' As I began the letter, I imagined in that moment that I heard the voice of those very people who were near the wood of Foclut, which is beside the western sea-and they cried out, as with one voice: 'We appeal to you, holy servant boy, to come and walk among us.'" The vision prompted his studies for the priesthood. He was ordained by St. Germanus, the Bishop of Auxerre, whom he had studied under for years, and was later ordained a bishop and sent to take the Gospel to Ireland. He often used shamrocks to explain the Holy Trinity and entire kingdoms were eventually converted to Christianity after hearing Patrick's message.

Patrick preached and converted all of Ireland for 40 years. He worked many miracles and wrote of his love for God in *Confessions*. After years of living in poverty, traveling and enduring much suffering he died March 17, 461. He died at Saul, where he had built the first Irish church. He is believed to be buried in Down Cathedral, Downpatrick. His grave was marked in 1990 with a granite stone.



Join
BISHOP MARK BARTOSIC

LENTEN TRIDUUM
Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
for Healing, Repentance, and Peace

March 27, 28, & 29 7pm-8pm

Monday Tuesday Wednesday

Prayerfully journey 1, 2, or 3 evenings
Uniting the faithful regarding the clergy sexual abuse crisis

Mary, Mother of God Parish
SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH
5545 N Paulina St., Chicago IL

 
<https://www.facebook.com/stgregschicago>

 **SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS WILL BE PRESENT**

For more info: vii.taskforce@gmail.com
Organized by AOC Vicariate II Committee for Healing and Atonement

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MAYFEST

FEATURING
The Armitage Art Show

**SAVE
the
DATE**

Live Music, Food, Drinks, Kids Area
Art Show, Premium Shopping.

May 12-14, 2023
Fri 5-10pm | Sat & Sun Noon-10pm
Lincoln Park
Armitage from Sheffield to Racine

 Proceeds Benefit The Ranch Trangle 

The Clark Street Jesuit Community in Lincoln Park is looking for a cook to prepare dinner Monday through Thursday every week. Normally, there are from six to ten home for dinner which is at 6:15pm. If you are interested, please get in touch with Father Tom Lannon, SJ at tlannon@jesuits.org



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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.