

THE JOURNEY

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2023



Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

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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

“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.

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: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

The early Christian community chooses seven people to serve at table so that the Twelve can devote themselves to prayer and the ministry of the word.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

Those who have faith are chosen in Christ to be a holy priesthood.

Gospel Reading: John 14:1-12

Jesus tells his disciples, "I am the way and the truth and the life."

Feasts and Saints:

5/10- St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church

5/12- Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs and St. Pancras, Martyr

5/13- Our Lady of Fatima



Financials:

MARCH 2023

	FY 23	FY22
BASKET:	27,978	17,482
GIVE CENTRAL:	38,956	44,938
TOTAL:	THIS YEAR	PREVIOUS YEAR
	\$ 66,934	\$62,420
	\$4,514	

Food Pantry:

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**. Please drop off at the parish office or at the pantry.

Help our Food Pantry by donating cans of **HEARTY SOUP** or **BOXES OF CEREAL**.

Please bring to Mass each week to be Presented during The Presentation of the Gifts.

Note: We only ask for soup and cereal as most items needed come from the Greater Chicago Food Depository.

Thank You!

Reflections for Today:

How can we better follow the path that Jesus has laid out for us in our daily lives?

What are some practical ways we can continue Jesus' work in the world?

How can we maintain our trust in Jesus during difficult times?

Reflection
REFLECTION

Parish Life

SPRED Mass April 30th, 2023



Parish Life

Refugee Welcome Amazon Gift List: Welcome the Stranger Ministry

Refugees often arrive in the U.S. with only a few personal possessions. Help turn an empty apartment into a home through your purchase. All items must be new. This shows respect and provides dignity. The items on this list are required by the U.S. Government Office of Resettlement. All you need to do is click and buy! The items will be delivered to the location provided in the Amazon List.

Go to <https://bit.ly/3yyz1SN> or use the QR code below



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 our website to fill out the form- teresa.church

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>



St. Teresa of Avila Bags Tournament

Saturday, June 3rd, 11am-1pm at St. T's
\$50 buy-in per team - drinks and snacks provided!
Email mollymdeprenger@gmail.com to join



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ANNUAL VOCATIONS APPEAL

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Sunday, April 30**

We see in Jesus, the Good Shepherd, the heart of every calling. Everyone is called, and everyone has a vocation in the Church. Please pray for an increase in vocations in the Archdiocese of Chicago!

**Mass and Adoration with
Cardinal Blase Cupich
Friday, May 12, 5:30–7 p.m.
Holy Name Cathedral**

All are invited to pray for vocations and all those who will be ordained.

If you have questions regarding your vocation, please contact Fr. Tim Monahan at 847.531.0148 or tmonahan@archchicago.org.

Parish Life

LET'S BREAK THE CHAINS TOGETHER ON JUNE 4TH
AFTER ALL MASSES
OPOP FUNDRAISER FOR TEAM ROBERT



Many of you have been asking how can we help our One Parish One Prisoner (OPOP) ministry? We are ready to answer that question.

June 4th is our moment. Please join us for St. Teresa's first OPOP Fundraiser for Team Robert which will take place after the Masses on June 4th in the Parish Center lobby. (Team Stephen's Fundraiser will occur in the Fall closer to his discharge date.)

Did you know that St. Teresa and one other parish (ICSJ is the other) are the only parishes in the Archdiocese to be selected to be in this ministry. We are the pilots or guinea pigs, so to speak and it has been a ride. The goal is to have OPOP spread to other parishes and grow the program. It's success kind of depends on us.

As you have heard, St. Teresa is sponsoring 2 prisoners to assist in reentry. Robert is the first to reenter after over 20 years. A lot has changed since he was incarcerated in 1997 and he will need financial assistance to begin to live in today's world. Robert has no family on the outside. He hadn't had a visitor since 2011 until our OPOP team visited him. Just imagine that - no one visiting you for over 11 years. He took a chance and applied to be involved in our OPOP program. His only connection with the outside world is St. Teresa of Avila parish.

June 4th is the opportunity for us to get Robert on his feet for the first months of his period of reentry. We will be speaking about Robert and our journey with him after each of the Masses. We ask you to open your hearts and generously contribute to his new life. Robert is entitled to a rebirth and resurrection of his Life just like what we celebrate on Easter. We are Easter People after all! Please join us.

With gratitude – Team Robert and the entire OPOP ministry.

In the meantime, if you'd like to donate please use this QR Code
or givecentral.org St. Teresa of Avila



Mass Intentions

10AM - Healing Prayers for Kitty McCrane

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 5/14 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 5/14 12pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday 5/14 6pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday Funday- May 7

Today is- Roast Leg of Lamb Day and Spouse Appreciation Day

1789-George Washington was inaugurated as the first US President

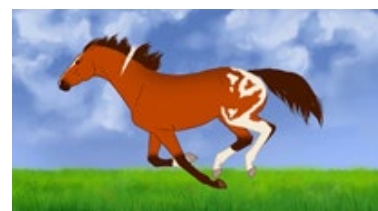
1963-NASA launched the Telstar 2 communications satellite on behalf of AT&T.

1994-Norway's most famous painting The Scream by Edvard Munch (1893), was recovered almost three months after it was stolen from a museum in Oslo.



On the Lighter Side: Too Much Praise

A Christian guy named Bill saw an ad online for a Christian horse, so he went to check it out. The horse's owner said, "It's easy to ride him. Just say 'Praise the Lord!' to make him go and 'Amen!' to make him stop." Bill got on the horse and said, "Praise the Lord!" Sure enough, the horse started to walk. "Praise the Lord!" he said again, and the horse began to trot. "Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!" he yelled, and the horse broke into a gallop. Bill was enjoying his ride so much that he almost didn't notice the cliff he and the horse were about to go over. Bill shouted "AMEN!" at the top of his lungs, and the horse stopped right at the edge of the cliff. Relieved, Bill said, "Phew! Praise the Lord!"





**Sunday
June**

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8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

**Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy
meal and drink plenty of
water before donating.
Medical questions call
800-7TO-GIVE**



**St. Teresa of Avila Church
1950 N. Kenmore Ave., Chicago**

Appointments preferred, walk-ins welcomed.
To schedule, use link or scan QR code:
https://donate.illinois.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/5604541



Donate blood and be entered for a chance to win a motorcycle! *

*NO PURCH. NEC. MI, OH, IL, IN, and WI residents only; 18+. Ends 6/30/23. One drawing; two (2) winners. Enter by blood donation or online. See Official Rules and online entry form at versiti.org/ride. Sponsor: Versiti, Inc., 638 N. 18th St., Milwaukee, WI 53233.



HOSPALITY VOLUNTEERS WELCOME:

Perhaps you can't donate blood but we still need YOU and your smile!!!
Could you donate an hour or two as the hospitality volunteer?
Text or call Mark Buciak at: 773-307-0033
Thank you for your kindness

MayFest 2023

Next weekend May 12th-14th is Mayfest on Armitage from Sheffield to Racine.

Please be aware of the street closures. The church parking lot can be accessed through the alley.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS

The annual spring clean up and planting of the gardens that surround the church will be Saturday, May 13 from 9 - 11 am. No experience needed. Bring your gloves and a garden trowel. Let us know if you are coming, but feel free to just show up. Rrauschpt@gmail.com.



Operation Rice Bowl:

If you have not done so, please return your Rice Bowl. Thank You

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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.