

THE JOURNEY

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

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 9, 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: Zechariah 9:9-10

The Lord shall come to reign in Zion.

Second Reading: Romans 8:9,11-13

Those in whom the Spirit of God dwells must now live according to the Spirit, not the flesh.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus prays in thanks to God, who has revealed himself to the lowly.

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!

Feasts and Saints:

7/11- St. Benedict, Abbot

7/13- St. Henry

7/14- St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

7/15- St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church



Reflections for Today:

Should I turn to God immediately when I face difficult times, or should I try to rely on myself first?

Am I more inclined to depend solely on my own strength and abilities, or do I seek God's guidance and assistance from the beginning?

Reflection

Financials:

MAY 2023

	FY 23	FY22
BASKET:	14,355	21,584
GIVE CENTRAL:	46,442	40,697
TOTAL:	THIS YEAR	PREVIOUS YEAR
	\$ 60,797	\$62,281

\$(1,484)

Actual Collections Vs. Weekly Budget



Parish Life

From Mark:

July 2023

Dear Friends,

I hope you are doing well and enjoying the Summer months. Even though the neighborhood has slowed down, our ministries have not. We just wrapped up the final session of our Pride month events. As I said in a previous message, there are numerous “starting points” to talk about ones faith in God. While many people focus solely on the ethical dimension of LGBTQ+ people’s lives, I believe that we should start with one’s encounter with the living God. This does not mean we stop asking the ethical questions but we let God move in peoples lives and work upwards from there. I am proud to say that our Pride month events were successful in giving our LGBTQ+ siblings and members of our community the space and time to share how God has been and is moving in their lives. We are looking forward to continue our LGBTQ+ ministry and co-working together to build God’s kingdom in the heart of Lincoln Park.

I am also excited to share that our summer session of Alpha has launched successfully. Alpha is a space where folks who may hold doubts about any part of the Christian life can share their perspective and build intentional community with others. We usually run two sessions, one in the fall and one in the spring, but with our great success at St. Teresa we have decided to try running one in the summer. Every monday about seven people gather together to share a meal, watch a presentation, and have honest conversations about what they think and feel about it. If you are interested in joining Alpha, let me know and I would love to connect you to the group. A few months ago, I asked members of the community to fill out a survey called the Discipleship Maker Index. All parishes in the Archdiocese were asked to do this so that parish and Archdiocesan leaders could get to know what is working and not working in the community.

About 200 folks filled out the survey from Teresa and we recently got the results. I will be communicating with the community moving the specifics of our results but I am happy to say that, according to the data, we are doing very well as a parish. While there are always things that can be improved, we are generally doing well!

Finally, I wanted to thank all the people who sent me kind messages on the occasion of my graduation from Catholic Theological Union with my Masters in Theology. This journey was ultimately a result from lots of hard work, spiritual development, and prayers and support from you! I have good news! I am not done with school as I will be continuing to work towards my full M.Div.

Thank you!

Mark

Sunday July 9th, 2023

Archer Merrick Lyons



Parish Life

Food Pantry Volunteers Needed:

The Food Pantry is open throughout the summer and we often have a harder time finding volunteers during this time. If you have time on a Saturday morning, please think about volunteering. It is only a few hours commitment (9am-11:45am) and it is time well spent. Below is a link to the site to sign up. Thanks in advance.

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

We're using SignUp (the leading online SignUp and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming SignUps.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp: <https://signup.com/go/skdEmDW>
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.

Note: SignUp does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Email Amy Long at amy_h_long@yahoo.com if you have any questions.



Calling All Those Who Enjoy Cooking!

Hearing the call to serve those less fortunate? Always wanted to (learn to) cook for a crowd? Our Loaves and Fishes Ministry is seeking cooks (and their helpers) to prepare a warm dinner for the elderly and homeless in our area, served each Friday afternoon. For a 3-6 hour commitment one Friday a month, you'll meet a wonderful group of people to work with, share kitchen tips and feel good about helping those in need. For more info, please contact Charisse Gioia cgioia@stteresaparish.org Thank you!

Rewarding Volunteer Opportunity

Planning for our Fall religious education programs is in full swing. We are looking for additional catechists and assistants to help with our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program (ages 3 to 12) and our Confirmation Preparation program (13-15). Serving as a catechist is a rewarding opportunity to share our faith with the young people of St. Teresa's. AND, exploring the unconditional love of the Good Shepherd with curious, open-minded children can revive your own faith.

You do not need prior experience to join our team. We are very fortunate to have a certified trainer in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in our parish. She has graciously offered to provide CGS training for our new volunteers again this year! Thank you Marrey!!

We offer CGS at three different times, Sunday mornings (8:45-10:00), Sunday afternoons (4:30-6:00), and Monday afternoons (4:00-5:30). It is wonderful to have catechists and assistants who can help with one of the classes each week, but we also need people who can fill in when someone is out of town or just help check kids in at the door. So, whatever time you can give, would be appreciated. If you have any interest in helping with faith formation for our young people, please reach out to Barb McHugh (bmchugh@stteresaparish.org).

Parish Life

Join us at the best event of the year - Together in Joy Gala!

Join us for our annual gala to celebrate and support our parish ministries serving the Lincoln Park community. The evening will consist of entertainment, dinner, and a silent and live auction.

The Together in Joy Gala is integral to our continued support of our many outreach programs in our community including the weekly food pantry, Loaves and Fishes meal, and our refugee and prison ministries.

Saturday, October 14, 2023

Artifact Events

4325 N Ravenswood Ave

Chicago, IL 60613

Tickets

Earlybird Tickets (now through July 9): \$150

Tickets (July 10 onward): \$200

Tickets can be purchased at togetherinjoy.com

Raffle Prize

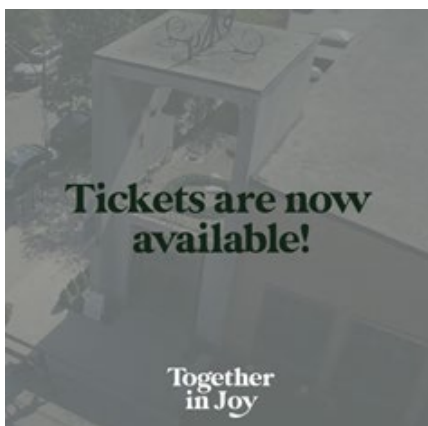
Have you ever wanted to win \$5,000? Now is your chance! Purchase a raffle ticket for \$100 and be entered to win \$5,000. Odds increase the more tickets you buy! Proceeds go directly to the parish.

Raffle Prize Tickets can be purchased at togetherinjoy.com

Sponsor the Event

Demonstrate your support for the St. Teresa of Avila community by becoming a Gala Sponsor and receive unprecedented exposure to the hundreds of families attending the parish and the gala. As a Sponsor, you will join other local businesses and individuals committed to making a significant difference in our community. Sponsorship opportunities start at \$500 and include event tickets. This is a great way for your company to support our ministries as well while receiving exposure to over 600 families.

View Sponsorship opportunities at togetherinjoy.com



Parish Life

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/uwfqUZN>



Summertime Food Favorites

7 Best Picnic Foods

Fried Chicken
Deviled Eggs
Watermelon
Sandwiches
Lemonade
Brownies

Top 5 Ice Cream Flavors

1. Vanilla
2. Chocolate
3. Cookies and Cream
4. Strawberry
5. Chocolate Chip

Best Foods to BBQ

Steak
Hot Dogs/ Sausages
Ribs
Burgers
Seafood
Chicken

HAPPY SUMMER EATING!!



Mass Intentions

10AM - Dorothy Kadzielawski (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. (Liset Correa)

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 7/16 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 7/16 12pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday 7/16 6pm- Fr. Frank

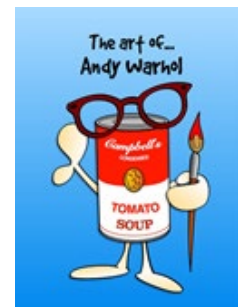
Sunday Funday- July 9

Today is- Dimples Day, and Sugar Cookie Day

1937- The Fox vault fire destroyed the silent film archives of Fox Film Corporation.

1962- Andy Warhol's Campbell's Soup Cans exhibition opened at the Ferus Gallery in Los Angeles.

1981-Donkey Kong, a video game created by Nintendo, was released, featuring the debut of Mario.



On the Lighter Side: THE ONE ABOUT THE FISHERMEN AND THE ANGEL

Three guys are fishing when an angel appears. The first guy says, "I've suffered from back pain for years. Can you help me?" The angel touches the man's back, and he feels instant relief. The second guy points to his thick glasses and begs for a cure for his poor eyesight. When the angel tosses the lenses into the lake, the man gains 20/20 vision. As the angel turns to the third fellow, he instantly recoils and screams, "Don't touch me! I'm on disability!"



Parish Life

St. Bonaventure Feast Day July 15

Saint Bonaventure was a Bishop, and a Doctor of the Church. He was born in Tuscany, in 1221. He received his name when his mother was pleading in prayer to St. Francis of Assisi, for John's recovery from a dangerous illness. Foreseeing the future greatness of little John in a vision, she cried out, "O Buona Ventura", meaning, "O good Fortune". From that day on, John was called Bonaventure.

St. Bonaventure did suffer from a life threatening illness effecting the bowels as a young child, and that prayer to St. Francis of Assisi saved his life. At age twenty two, St. Bonaventure entered the Franciscan Order.

He did much for his Order and was the composer of the "Life of St. Francis". He also assisted at the translation of the relics of St. Anthony of Padua. He was asked to be Archbishop of York, by Pope Clement IV. In his humility he begged not to be forced to accept that position. Gregory X assigned him to even a greater position, the Cardinal and Bishop of Albano, one of the six Sees of Rome.

St. Bonaventure died of natural causes while he was assisting at the Second Council of Lyons, on July 15th, 1274. He is the Patron Saint of bowel disorders.

July Blessings

"July is hollyhocks and hammocks, fireworks and vacations, hot and steamy weather, cool and refreshing swims, beach picnics, and vegetables all out of the garden."

"July is hot afternoons and sultry nights and mornings when its joy just to be alive. July is a picnic and a red canoe and a sunburned neck and a softball game and ice tinkling in a tall glass. July is a blind date with summer."

"July, with its days of blue skies and time that seemingly stands still, holds a special place in my heart."

When life gives you lemons,
squirt someone in the eye.



Around the Parish

Is there More to Life than My Job?



Join St. Teresa of Avila for a small group experience where you can explore the basics of Christianity rooted in your own opinions and questions

Join us on Monday at 7 PM



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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

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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.