

THE JOURNEY

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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 23, 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: Wisdom 12:13,16-19

God has shown himself to be a God of justice and mercy.

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit intercedes for us with God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:24-43

Jesus offers parables about the Kingdom of Heaven and explains them to his disciples.

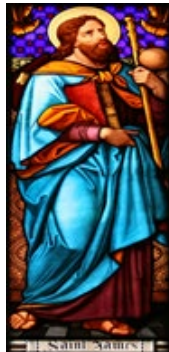
Feasts and Saints:

7/24- St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest

7/25- St. James, Apostle

7/26- Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7/29- Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus



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:

Consider the influence you have on others through your words, actions, and attitudes.

Are you spreading the "yeast" of love, hope, and faith in your interactions?

Reflection
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

STS Joachim and Anne, Parent of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Feast Day July 26th

On July 26 the Roman Catholic Church commemorates the parents of the Virgin Mary, Saints Joachim and Anne. The couple's faith and perseverance brought them through the sorrow of childlessness, to the joy of conceiving and raising the immaculate and sinless woman who would give birth to Christ.

The New Testament contains no specific information about the lives of the Virgin Mary's parents, but other documents outside of the Biblical canon do provide some details.

The "Protoevangelium of James," which was probably put into its final written form in the early second century, describes Mary's father Joachim as a wealthy member of one of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Joachim was deeply grieved, along with his wife Anne, by their childlessness. "He called to mind Abraham," the early Christian writing says, "that in the last day God gave him a son Isaac."

Joachim and Anne began to devote themselves to rigorous prayer and fasting, in isolation from one another and from society. They regarded their inability to conceive a child as a surpassing misfortune, and a sign of shame among the tribes of Israel.

An angel revealed this to Anne when he appeared to her and prophesied that all generations would honor their future child: "The Lord has heard your prayer, and you shall conceive, and shall bring forth; and your seed shall be spoken of in all the world."

After Mary's birth, according to the Protoevangelium of James, Anne "made a sanctuary" in the infant girl's room, and "allowed nothing common or unclean" on account of the special holiness of the child. The same writing records that when she was one year old, her father "made a great feast, and invited the priests, and the scribes, and the elders, and all the people of Israel."

"And Joachim brought the child to the priests," the account continues, "and they blessed her, saying: 'O God of our fathers, bless this child, and give her an everlasting name to be named in all generations' ... And he brought her to the chief priests; and they blessed her, saying: 'O God most high, look upon this child, and bless her with the utmost blessing, which shall be forever.'"

The protoevangelium goes on to describe how Mary's parents, along with the temple priests, subsequently decided that she would be offered to God as a consecrated Virgin for the rest of her life, and enter a chaste marriage with the carpenter Joseph.



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!

Registration for Catechesis is OPEN

Registration for our Fall 2023 religious education programs is open. Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program for children 3 years old through 6 th grade will begin on Sunday, Sept 17, and our Confirmation Preparation program for children in 7 th grade and older who are interested in being Confirmed will begin on Sunday, Sept 24. You can register for these programs by scanning the QR code below, going to the Religious Education section of the St. Teresa website, or by going to the following web address <https://forms.gle/kr6HdUzkcAzHJRfs8>. If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to Barb McHugh at 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

Tickets : \$200

Tickets can be purchased at togetherinjoy.com

Raffle Prize

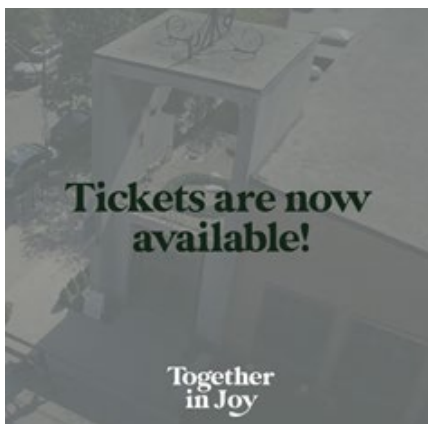
Have you ever wanted to win \$5,000? Now is your chance! Purchase a raffle ticket for \$100 and be entered to win \$5,000. Odds increase the more tickets you buy! Proceeds go directly to the parish.

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 Trivia

“Wipe Out” was the summer hit of 1963. Who created it? - The Surfaris

What 1/2 mile beach in Hawaii has been consistently ranked among the best beaches in the world? - Lanikai Beach

What three flavors make up Neapolitan ice cream? -Vanilla, chocolate, and strawberry

What day signals the unofficial kickoff to summer? - Memorial Day

Where does Weekend at Bernie’s take place? - The Hamptons

Which city will the U.S. host the Summer Olympics in 2028? - Los Angeles

What are the three zodiac signs of summer? - Cancer, Leo, Virgo

What is considered the hottest place on Earth? - Death Valley, California

What refers to exceptionally hot and humid weather that occurs during summer? - Dog Days



Prayer

Mass Intentions

10AM - Ken Bredemeier (D)

12 PM - Roldolfo Umberto Montes (D)

6 PM - Lilly and John Jones (D)

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday 7/30 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 7/30 12pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday 7/30 6pm- Fr. Frank

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.

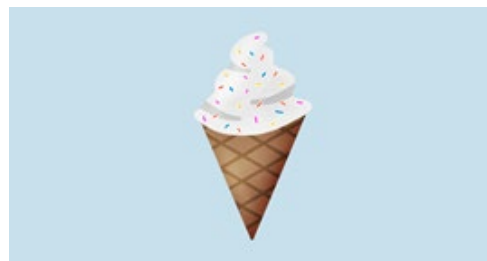
We pray for the intentions on our prayer cards.

Sunday Funday- July 23

Today is- National Vanilla Ice Cream Day and Sprinkle Day

1962- Jackie Robinson became the first African American to be inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

1999- Space Shuttle Columbia launched on STS-93, with Eileen Collins becoming the first female space shuttle commander



On the Lighter Side: Flip the Switch

After ringing cell phones ruined a service, our pastor laid down the law in the latest church newsletter:

“Let’s turn off the technology and turn on each other.”



Parish Life

**The Little Sisters of the Poor invite you to Travinia
An outdoor evening of trivia fun!**

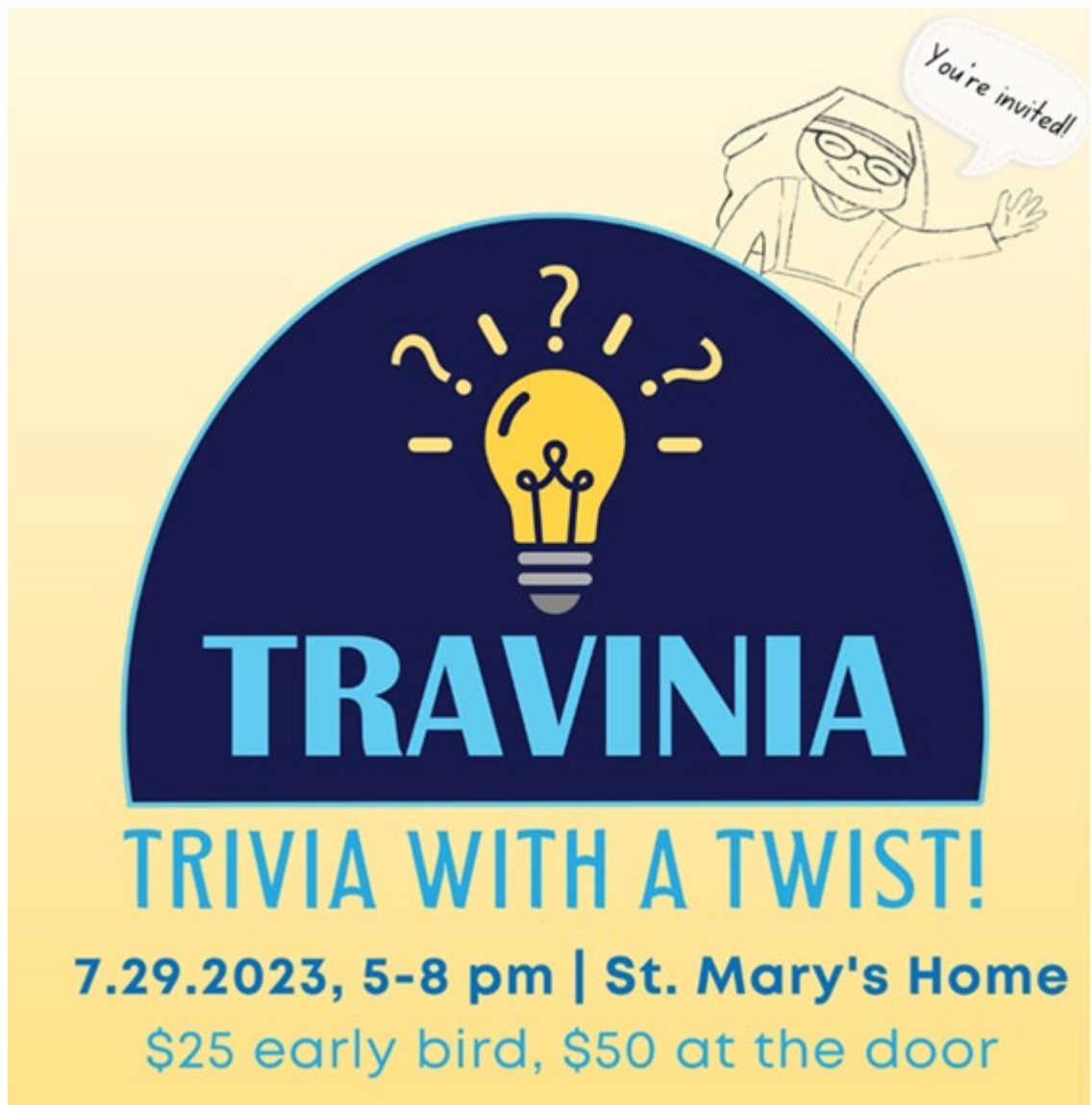
Saturday, July 29, 2023

5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

St. Mary's Home | 2325 N. Lakewood Ave. | Chicago

\$25 early bird | \$50 at the door

For info: Littlesistersofthepoorchicago.org | 773.935.9600



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



7 Prayers for JULY

1. May your health improve.
2. May your friends be blessed.
3. May your family be loved.
4. May your finances multiply.
5. May your pains be less.
6. May your worries disappear.
7. May you be blessed.

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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

Dan Summins

Chair

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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.