

THE JOURNEY

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

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 30

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE A MERCHANT SEEKING FINE PEARLS, AND UPON FINDING ONE PEARL OF GREAT VALUE, HE WENT AND SOLD ALL THAT HE HAD AND BOUGHT IT.





Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

Address

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773-528-6650

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: 1 Kings 3:5,7-12

Solomon pleases God when he asks for a wise and understanding heart to better govern the people.

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30

God chose us to be conformed to the image of his Son.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:44-52

Jesus teaches about the Kingdom of Heaven.

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!

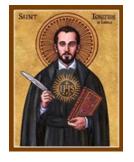
Feasts and Saints:

7/30- St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

8/1- St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8/2- St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop

8/4- St. John Vianney, Priest



Reflections for Today:

Do I see leadership as a place of privilege or a place of service?

Do I base my decisions on what is good for me or what meets the needs of the common good?



Financials:

MAY 2023

	FY 23	FY22
BASKET:	14,355	21,584
GIVE CENTRAL:	46,442	40,697
TOTAL:	THIS YEAR	PREVIOUS YEAR

\$ 60,797

Actual Collections Vs. Weekly Budget



\$(1,484)

\$62,281

St. John Vianney Feast Day August 4th

Jean-Baptiste-Marie Vianney, known as John in English, was born May 8, 1786 in Dardilly, France and was baptized the same day. He was the fourth of six children born to Matthieu and Marie Vianney and was a French priest who was renowned as a confessor and for his supernatural powers. He is the patron saint of parish priests.

John was raised in a Catholic home and the family often helped the poor and housed St. Benedict Joseph Labre when he made his pilgrimage to Rome.

In 1790, when the anticlerical Terror phase of the French Revolution forced priests to work in secrecy or face execution, young Vianney believed the priests were heroes.

He continued to believe in the bravery of priests and received his First Communion catechism instructions in private by two nuns who lost their convents to the Revolution.At 13-years-old, John made his first communion and prepared for his confirmation in secrecy.

Unfortunately, in 1809, John was drafted into Napoleon Bonaparte's armies. He had been studying as an ecclesiastical student, which was a protected title and would normally have excepted him from military services, but Napoleon had withdrawn the exemption in some dioceses as he required more soldiers.

He was ordained a priest in 1815 and became curate in Ecully. He was then sent to the remote French community of Ars in 1818 to be a parish priest. Upon his arrival, the priest immediately began praying and working for the conversion of his parishioners. Although he saw himself as unworthy of his mission as pastor, he allowed himself to be consumed by the love of God as he served the people. Vianney slowly helped to revive the community's faith through both his prayers and the witness of his lifestyle. He gave powerful homilies on the mercy and love of God, and it is said that even staunch sinners were converted upon hearing him. His reputation as a confessor grew rapidly, and pilgrims traveled from all over France to come to him in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Firmly committed to the conversion of the people, he would spend up to 16 hours a day in the confessional. Plagued by many trials and besieged by the devil, the St. John Vianney remained firm in his faith, and lived a life of devotion to God. Dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament, he spent much time in prayer and practiced much mortification. He lived on little food and sleep, while working without rest in unfailing humility, gentleness, patience and cheerfulness, until he was well into his 70s.

John Vianney died on August 4, 1859. Over 1,000 people attended his funeral, including the bishop and priests of the diocese, who already viewed his life as a model of priestly holiness and was canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1925.



Parish Life

Madeleine Rose Johnson Sullivan and Scarlett Ambat July 30th, 2023



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 Hospitaliy

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



Liturgical Minister Annoucement

Have you ever considered becoming more involved in liturgy by serving as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister at Mass? Now that Fr. Frank has re-introduced the cup for Holy Communion, we are especially in need of Eucharistic Ministers for all Masses. We currently cannot fill all of the Eucharistic Minister positions at the 6pm Mass. We have opportunities available for both ministries and we would welcome your getting involved in these unique roles in the liturgical life of St. Teresa of Avila. Service in these ministries will deepen your faith and help you grow in your love of the Lord. To serve as a Lector, all that is required is a deep love of the Word of God and a desire to serve God's people. Likewise, to serve as a Eucharistic Minister, all you need is a deep love of the Eucharist and a desire to serve. We will train you and teach you all you need to know.

Please prayerfully consider serving your parish in these very important ministries. If you are interested in serving, please email Eric Fredericks at eric.fredericks+lm@gmail.com. Eric will be organizing training sessions in the near future and he will coordinate with you on scheduling.

Thank you for considering participating at our liturgies in these very important ministries!



Prayer **Mass Intentions**

10AM - Thomas and Mary Tobin (D), Mary Pfaff Family and Healing Prayers for Sigfried Meissner

12 PM - Anna Ruiz Feliciano (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. (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 8/6 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 8/6 12pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday 8/6 6pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday Funday- July 30

Today is- International Day of Friendship, National Cheesecake Day and Share a Hug Day.

1871-The Staten Island Ferry Westfield's boiler exploded, killing over 85 people.

1935-The first softcover paperback books were introduced, in Germany.

1965-US President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Social Security Act of 1965 into law, establishing Medicare and Medicaid.



On the Lighter Side: Arriving Late

One Sunday morning my sister Liz was surprised to receive a phone call from her minister. He reported that he'd just been in a minor car accident and asked if she could inform the congregation he'd be unable to conduct services that day.

Liz was flattered that out of the entire congregation, she was the one he had called—until the minister went on to say that since Liz was always the last to arrive at church, he knew she would be the only person he could still reach at home.



Hello August

August Birthstone: Peridot

August Birth Flower: Gladiolus and Poppy

Astrology Zodiac Signs of August: Leo and Virgo

Leo - July 23rd - August 22nd

Virgo - August 23rd - September 22nd

August is named after Augustus Caesar (grandnephew of Julius Caesar), the first emperor of the Roman Empire

August is the last full month of Summer and the end of Winter in the Southern Hemisphere (below the equator)

August is popularly known as harvest month.

August is the month of Sandwiches! This makes sense because the sandwich was invented in August of 1762 when the Earl of Sandwich (yes, that's a real guy) requested two pieces of bread with meat inside.

August is Family Fun Month, National Golf Month, National Picnic Month, Peach Month and International Pirate Month.

"August is ripening grain in the fields blowing hot and sunny, the scent of tree-ripened peaches, of hot buttered sweet corn on the cob. Vivid dahlias fling huge tousled blossoms through gardens and joe-pye-weed dusts the meadow purple." - Jean Hersey

"August rain: the best of the summer gone, and the new fall not yet born. The odd uneven time." - Sylvia Plath



All Young Adults,

please join us for a fun and meaningful night of



STORIES&SPIRITS



FIRST ORINK ON US:

As Christians, our faith is based on the tradition of the divinely inspired storytelling of the Gospel.

Join our Theology on Tap series, Stories & Spirits, to hear modern day stories of God working in the life of Catholic Chicagoans. We've all got a story! Are you ready to explore yours?

All young adults ages 21-35 are welcome

Tuesdays in August at 7:00 p.m. Black Barrel LIVE!, 455 W North Avenue

TO REGISTER

scan the QR or visit rebrand.ly/theologyontap23





8/8
BISHOP MARK BARTOSIC
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago,
Episcooal Vicar for



8/15
EMILY CORTINA
Coordinator of Outreach
and Formation,
Kolbe House Jail Ministry



8/22
DR. KIMBERLY LYMORE
MDIV. DMIR, Associate
Minister, Faith Correvainty



Tuesday

8/29

KEVIN PEASE
Director of IPS Scripture School
at Institute of Pastoral Studies,
Loyda University Chicago

Hosted by St. Teresa of Avila, St. Josaphat, St. Michael, and Immaculate Conception & St. Joseph Parishes



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Parish Council

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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.