

THE JOURNEY

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

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 22, 2023

DEAR FR. FRANK,



Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

Address

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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.

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 of 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: Isaiah 45:1,4-6

The Lord chooses Cyrus to subdue the nations for the sake of Israel.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

Paul greets the Thessalonians, recalling the Gospel they received.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:15-21

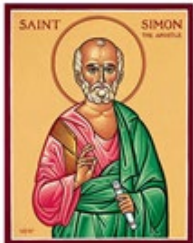
The Pharisees send their disciples to test Jesus with a question about taxes.

Feasts and Saints:

10/23- St. John of Capistrano, Priest

10/24- St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

10/28- Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles



Financials: August 2023

	FY23	FY22
Basket:	14,355	21,584
Give Central:	46,442	40,697
Total:	THIS YEAR	PREVIOUS YEAR
	\$60,797	\$62,281
		\$(1,484)

Reflections for Today:

The role of the Holy Spirit is emphasized. How do I see the Holy Spirit guiding my daily decisions and interactions?

Jesus differentiates between earthly and spiritual duties. How do I prioritize and balance my commitments to both?



Daily Prayer for Today:

Lord our God, our Father in heaven, be with us as we are gathered here. Through your Spirit let our hearts grow in understanding of how we can serve you rightly and live as you want us to live. Help us hold fast to all that is good. Free us more and more from everything that hinders us, from all that is evil. Show your loving-kindness to us and to our loved ones, wherever they may be. Hear every human heart that sighs to you, pleading that what is of heaven may overcome what is of earth. Amen.

Stewardship:

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of Stewardship. God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second, especially our money.

From Fr. Frank:

What a great event Together in Joy was!! A huge success that has truly strengthened our financial foundation, making it possible to make up what is lacking in Sunday collections. This event secures our ability to replace the air conditioners for rectory and parish offices and it will allow us to make necessary repairs on the bell tower and its roof.

We all must thank Dave Cordaro and the committee of volunteers for their tireless work on this event. Without their efforts, our future as a community would be significantly weakened. What a joy to see all of YOU, parishioners and friends of St. Teresa's, support our parish with your donations. So many people supported Together in Joy because they love this parish and its mission to be a community of welcome to all who want to be a part of the Church that extends its mission of forming disciples of Christ throughout the world. St. Teresa's is a microcosm of the larger Catholic Church, rooted in 2,000 years of history.

MINISTRY FAIR

This weekend after the three masses, all parishioners will have the opportunity to get involved in the life of the parish. Whether it be liturgy, social outreach, justice, spirituality, children's formation, adult formation or stewardship, this is YOUR chance to "roll up your sleeves" and make a difference in our parish. We need you!!!! The strength and vitality of a parish is determined by parishioners stepping up to the plate and getting involved. I repeat, WE NEED YOU!!

HALLOWEEN

On Sunday, October 29, we are going to have a fun and creative Halloween celebration. Come dressed as something or someone. We will have pumpkin painting, a family liturgy at 10:00, possible stations of goodies outside if weather permits. I invite all to bake some spooooktacular Halloween treat for All to enjoy. I plan on making a haunted house cake.

Baptisms:

Emmerson Irene Keyser



World Mission Sunday:

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WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

October 22, 2023

Hearts on Fire, feet on the move
(cf. Lk 24:13-35)

Let us all contribute to the missionary movement of the Catholic Church with our prayers and activities, material offerings and our personal witness. The collection taken this day provides critical support to over 1,100 dioceses and territories experiencing extreme poverty and turmoil. We accompany these local churches as they seek to proclaim the Gospel and celebrate the Sacraments in hope.

For more information and to donate online, please visit [WeAreMissionary.org/wms](https://www.WeAreMissionary.org/wms).

St. John of Capistrano Feast Day October 23rd:

St. John of Capistrano, nicknamed the “soldier saint,” helped liberate Belgrade from a military siege at the age of seventy.

John was born in Capistrano, Italy, in 1385, and studied law. After practicing as a lawyer in the courts of Naples, he was appointed the governor of Perugia. During a war with a neighboring city, he was imprisoned. During his imprisonment, John began to study theology, and when he was released in 1416, he forswore his secular profession and entered a Franciscan community at Perugia.

John studied with St. James of the March and St. Bernardine of Siena, and, through their guidance and his theological training, grew into a brilliant preacher.

When John at the age of seventy, the Holy Roman Empire was facing the daunting military power of the Ottoman Empire. Both Rome and Vienna were under threat of siege. Thus, John was commissioned by Pope Callixtus III to incite in his enthralled audiences’ interest in a crusade to oppose the invasion. Extending his leadership beyond simply the pastoral sphere, John also served as a leader in the defense of Belgrade and marched at the head of 70,000 soldiers who won a decisive victory in Belgrade in 1456. John died only three months later.

St. John of Capistrano is the patron saint of military chaplains and of those who work as judges and in various legal professions. Some of his relics rest in the reliquary chapel in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.



Save My Scholarship

State lawmakers are considering ending the tax credit scholarship program referred to as “Invest in Kids.” This program has provided nearly 40,000 scholarships to help families send their children to a school of their choice.

DO NOT LET THIS PROGRAM END!

Please act now and contact your state senator and state representative. Send them a strong message respectfully asking them to continue this valuable program. You can do so by using the QR code below, by calling us at the Catholic Conference of Illinois at 217.528.9200, or visit our website at www.ilcatholic.org

To remain engaged on policy issues that affect Catholics in Illinois, join our Illinois Catholic Advocacy Network go to www.ilcatholic.org/take-action/join-i-can

Annual Greenery Sale:

We are pleased to announce that St. Teresa's is offering its annual Greenery Sale again this year. This is a chance to buy fresh greenery to decorate your home, and also benefit St. Teresa's. The sale will be the weekend of December 2nd and 3rd after all masses.

Wreaths, swags, and holiday baskets will be offered in the sale, but quantities will be limited. To ensure you get the fresh greenery you want, or to get a specialty order such as roping, a pre-order will need to be placed by November 1st. To get a list of items available for pre-sale as well as pricing, please email kristen@rlcanning.com.



Halloween Fun:

JOIN US ON SUNDAY OCTOBER 29TH
FOR
HALLOWEEN FUN AT ST. TERESA OF AVILA
AFTER MASS
COME IN COSTUME IF YOU DARE
PUMPKIN DECORATING, CANDY, GAMES,

COSTUME CONTEST AND MUCH MORE



Bible Education

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“A Biblical Walk with Our Blessed Mother” begins the week of October 3/4! Join us, on Tuesday at 7 pm OR Wednesdays at 9 am, as we learn Mary’s unique role in God’s kingdom and in our lives.

“A Biblical Walk Through The Mass” begins on October 15! Join us, on Sunday at 8:50 – 9:50 am OR 4:40 – 5:40 pm, as we explore the rich biblical roots of the Liturgy and learn what our words, gestures, and rituals mean and why it all matters.

This course is presented in an easy to understand and non-intimidating manner. Sign Up or Questions? Email Debbie at dbichimer@gmail.com

Bible Study



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/uwffqUZN>

St. Teresa Food Pantry Volunteers:

The St. Teresa Food Pantry is looking for volunteers. We need volunteers to make the pantry for distribution on Saturday mornings (9am to 11:45am) successful and to make sure we can serve our guests appropriately. And, I can promise you that you will have a great time and get a lot out of it. I know folks are busy with school and fall activities starting back up but without volunteers, we can’t succeed. Thank you in advance!!!

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at amy_h_long@yahoo.

To sign up, follow the link : <https://signup.com/go/skdEmDW>

Amy Long Email: amy_h_long@yahoo.com Cell: 312.909.0784

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!

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@sttereseparish.org Thank you!

Prayer

Mass Intentions

10AM - Mary J. (Gruszka) Jaszczor (D) and Nancy Kolinski (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- Cathleen Hall

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.

We pray for survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse.



Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday 10/29

10:00am- Fr. Frank

12:00pm- Fr. Frank

6:00pm - Fr. Frank

Reconciliation

Celebrated through the year and during the Lenten and Christmas Seasons. If you wish to receive the sacrament please call the parish office 773-528-6650.

Anointing

We have anointing of the sick periodically during Mass.

If you wish to be anointed or a loved one please contact the parish office 773-528-6650.

Sunday Funday- October 22

Today is- Eat a Pretzel Day and Nut Day

1976- Red Dye No. 4 was banned by the US Food and Drug Administration.

1978- The inauguration of Pope John Paul II took place in Saint Peter's Square.

"I am the creator of my reality."

- Annette Funicello





**Sunday
October
29**

7:45AM- 1:30PM

**Helpful tip:
Make sure to eat a healthy
meal and drink plenty of
water before donating.**



**St. Teresa of Avila Church
Blood Drive**

1950 N. Kenmore, Chicago, IL, 60614
10/29 @ Parish Center
7:45 AM - 1:30 PM

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED; Walk-Ins Welcomed!
Please make your appointment Online at
<https://tinyurl.com/2p8ns5fk>
or scan the QR code here ----->



**Donate and receive these spooktacular Versiti
Halloween socks, while supplies last.**



Together in Joy Update:

Thank you to everyone who made our annual fund-raising gala, Together in Joy, a HUGE success! While we tally the final numbers, this was our largest event since the pandemic and we can't wait to celebrate with you in 2024.

Save the Date for Together in Joy 2024: Saturday, October 19, 2024!

Want to still participate? There are a number of Sign Up Parties that you can attend! Sign Up parties are themed parties that are an instant-buy/instant-win opportunity, meaning once you pay the donation fee to attend, you're signed up to attend the event! We still have a few seats remaining at some of our most popular events - grab your friends and join us at these events, all while meeting new parishioners and contributing financially to St. Teresa!

Palm's Carrot Cake Day Party; February 3, 2024; \$125 pp only 27 seats remain

Mardi Gras Bingo; February 13, 2024; \$50 pp only 16 seats remain

Mexican Fiesta with Chef Jose Cervantes; May 11, 2024; \$140 pp only 3 seats remain

Brian & Jeanette Shea's Fondue Party; June 8, 2024; \$75 pp only 12 seats remain

Dirk's Seafood Cooking Class; May 21, 2024; \$125 pp only 6 seats remain

All opportunities can be purchased at one.bidpal.net/togetherinjoy2023 and then navigating to 'Silent Auction' > 'Sign Up Parties & Games'



Parish Contacts

Staff

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Charisse Gioia

Office Manager/Technology Coordinator/
Bulletin

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Charisse is responsible for managing the parish office as well producing our weekly bulletin and emails.

Charisse has been with the parish since 2019.

Mark Neuhengen

Director of Evangelization and
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Mark is responsible for our Parish Evangelization and Ministry. Mark is a graduate from Loyola University Chicago, holds a masters in theology and has been with the parish since 2019.

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Barb is responsible for our Children's Faith formation programs. She and her husband Ed have been parishioners at St. Teresa's for over 30 years.

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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 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

dsummins@hotmail.com

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.