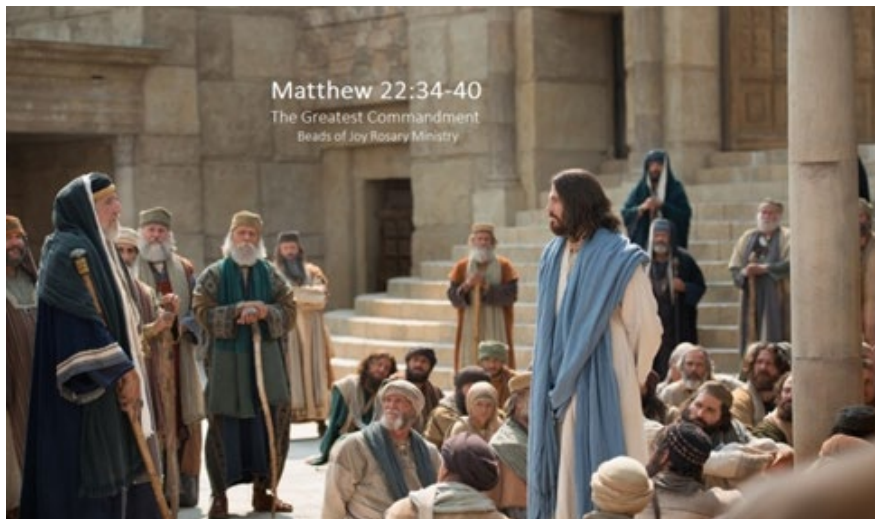


THE JOURNEY

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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 29, 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.

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: Exodus 22:20-26

The Lord teaches that compassion ought to be shown to the alien and to the poor.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Paul tells the Thessalonians that their conversion to the Lord has been an example to all believers.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:34-40

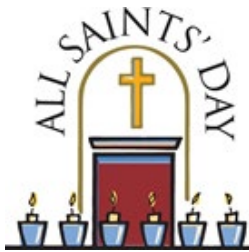
The Pharisees continue to test Jesus with a question about the greatest commandment.

Feasts and Saints:

11/1- All Saints Day

11/2- All Souls Day

11/4- St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop



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:

How do the social justice laws outlined in Exodus relate to your understanding of current social issues, such as immigration or minority rights?

Do you agree that ancient religious tenets can serve as practical guidelines for modern society? Why or why not?



Daily Prayer for Today:

Dear Father in heaven, how lovingly you have thought of us! How much good you let us experience again and again! So our hearts are happy, and we go to rest this night full of joy and thanks because we are your children. Our thanks and joy shall be our service to you day and night. More than this you do not ask, and in this we will be faithful. We want to be joyful and to be glad for our lives. Even when we face dark hours, O Lord our God, we are filled with hope that brings us joy for the future as well as for the present, with assurance that your salvation is coming. We rejoice in what you give us already today. Amen.

Stewardship:

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status, comfort or some personal possession greater than your love for God?

Do you recognize that everything you have and that everything you are is a gift from God? Putting God first in everything helps keep us from becoming a slave to our possessions and to our pride.

From Fr. Frank:

On Sunday, November 5, I want to celebrate the memory of all our loved ones who have passed away at our Masses. November is the month of All Souls and El Día de los Muertos, the “day of the dead.” We will have an altar, an “ofrendas,” honoring our Mexican culture of celebrating the experience we all face in remembering the dearly departed, a time to display images of skulls, “calaveras” and dancing skeletons, a way to face death with mirth and humor.

We will have the Book of the Dead near the altar, allowing all to enter the names of loved ones who have passed through the gateway of death into a life of resurrection. If you like to place a photo of a loved one on the altar, you can do so as you enter a name in the Book of the Dead. The altar will remain through Thanksgiving, just before the beginning of Advent.

St. Charles Borromeo:

Feastday November 4

Patron saint of bishops, cardinals, seminarians, and spiritual leaders.

Saint Charles Borromeo was born on October 2, 1538 at the castle of Arona on Lake Maggiore near Milan. His father was the Count of Arona and his mother a member of the House of Medici. He was the third of six children born to the couple. When he was twelve, he was given tonsure, which is the cutting of hair on top of the head. This marked him for the priesthood and he was educated with that goal in mind. The young count suffered from a speech impediment that made him appear slow to those who did not know him. Despite this challenge, he performed well and impressed his teachers. He attended the University of Pavia and learned Latin. Known as the loving reformer, Charles Borromeo cared about people and wanted them to know that the Church of God cared about them, too. His changes and reforms in the way the Church was organized, changed the way that the Church listened to the people—all of them, not just the rich and powerful. Charles Borromeo devoted his entire life to helping the people of God become more like Jesus, more like the Kingdom of the Father. Because we are Christians, we can reach out in special ways to help those around us and make the face of God more real in the world. In this way, we can change the world. It is fitting that St. Charles Borromeo—lawyer, cardinal, pastor, teacher, holy man, reformer and saint—is the patron saint of our vibrant, caring, Vatican II parish. Our mission statement exemplifies his principles—we share faith in Jesus, live the Gospel and care for others.

The Church that he had worked so hard to make more human recognized him as a saint in 1610. His feast day is celebrated on November 4th.

All Saints Day:

All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1st.

All Saints' Day, also known as All Hallows' Day.

The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. It should not be confused with All Souls' Day, which is observed on November 2, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven.

The origin of All Saints' Day can be traced back to the early Christian Church when it was established as a day to remember and celebrate the martyrs and other saints who had died for their faith. Over time, the scope of the holiday expanded to include martyrs and all faithful Christians who had lived pious and virtuous lives. It is a day to recognize the saints' collective witness and express gratitude for their example.

In the early Christian Church, there was a strong emphasis on the veneration of martyrs who had suffered and died for their faith. These martyrs were seen as exemplary models of Christian virtue, and their graves or burial places became sites of pilgrimage and veneration. The anniversary of a martyr's death often became a day for commemorating their lives and the sacrifices they made for their faith.

Over time, the holiday's focus expanded beyond just martyrs to include all Christian saints—those who were recognized for their exceptional holiness and devotion to God. This shift recognized that not all saints were martyrs, so a broader commemoration was needed.

In the Western Christian Church, Pope Gregory III (731-741) is often credited with establishing November 1st as the date for All Saints' Day. This date was chosen to coincide with the dedication of a chapel in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome to "All the Saints."

It was an attempt to unify the various local celebrations of saints' feast days and set a universal date for honoring all the saints.

All Souls Day:

All Souls Day is a holy day set aside for honoring the dead.

According to Catholic belief, the soul of a person who dies can go to one of three places. The first is heaven, where a person who dies in a state of perfect grace and communion with God goes. The second is hell, where those who die in a state of mortal sin are naturally condemned by their choice. The intermediate option is purgatory, which is thought to be where most people, free of mortal sin, but still in a state of lesser (venial) sin, must go.

Purgatory is necessary so that souls can be cleansed and perfected before they enter into heaven.

Consistent with these teachings and traditions, Catholics believe that through the prayers of the faithful on Earth, the dead are cleansed of their sins so they may enter into heaven.

All Souls Day is celebrated in much of the western world on November 2nd and commemorates the faithful departed.

Prayer for all Souls Day

*Merciful Father,
hear our prayer and console us.
As we renew
our faith in Your Son,
whom You raised from the dead,
strengthen our hope
that all our departed brothers and
sisters will share in His resurrection,
who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.*



Annual Greenery Sale:

We are pleased to announce that St. Teresa's is offering it's 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.



Ministry Fair Thank You:

We would like to say THANK YOU!! to everyone who attended and volunteered to make our Ministry Fair this past Sunday a huge success.

It was wonderful to see all of the new faces eager to get involved and also all of our volunteers already involved in our many ministry's ready, willing and able to provide information and answer questions, we could not have done it without you!



Bible Education

Bible Education:

“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!

10AM - Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Living and Deceased

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 11/5

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 29

Today is- Cat Day and Pancake Day

1929-“Black Tuesday” – The New York Stock Exchange crashed.

2012-Hurricane Sandy hit the east coast of the United States, killing 148 people directly and 138 in the aftermath.

“Let the world know you as you are, not as you think you should be, because sooner or later if you are posing, you will forget the pose, and then where are you?”

– Fanny Brice



St. Teresa's 8th Annual Turkey

**Calling all walkers, joggers,
runners, canines and turkeys!**



**Please join us for our 8th, free, non-competitive,
1 to 6 mile, Turkey Trot. Runners, joggers, and walkers of all
abilities are welcome, including children and canines!**

**No racing, no timing, no awards, no entry fee*, no t-shirts,
and no \$60 bananas! Just lots of fun and smiles!**

Come dressed to trot!

Thursday, November 23rd Thanksgiving Day

**7:00am: Check-in at the Parish Center
1950 N. Kenmore Ave.**

7:30am: Trot

**Back in plenty of time to attend the 9:00am Mass!
Light Pre & Post Trot breakfast provided.**



*** In lieu of an entry fee, please donate a non-perishable
food item for the St. Teresa Food Pantry.**

Questions & RSVP by November 17th

Coach Mark

theroadtoboston@rcn.com

Happy Halloween October 31st:

Today's the day to eat candies and sweets to your heart's content! Eat, drink and be scary.

Top 5 Halloween Movies:

1. Halloween (1978)
2. Hocus Pocus (1993)
3. Trick 'r Treat (2007)
4. The Nightmare Before Christmas (1993)
5. Halloween III: Season of the Witch (1982)

Top 5 Halloween Candy Favorites:

1. Reese's Peanut Butter Cups
2. Kit Kat
3. Skittles
4. Original M&M's
5. Snickers

Top 5 Halloween Songs:

1. 'Monster Mash' by Bobby 'Boris' Pickett & the Crypt-Kickers.
2. "Thriller" by Michael Jackson
3. "Ghostbusters" by Ray Parker Jr.
4. "Werewolves of London" by Warren Zevon.
5. "This Is Halloween" by Danny Elfman.

Top 5 Costumes for 2023:

1. Barbie
2. Princess
3. Spider-Man
4. Witch
5. Fairy



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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.

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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

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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.