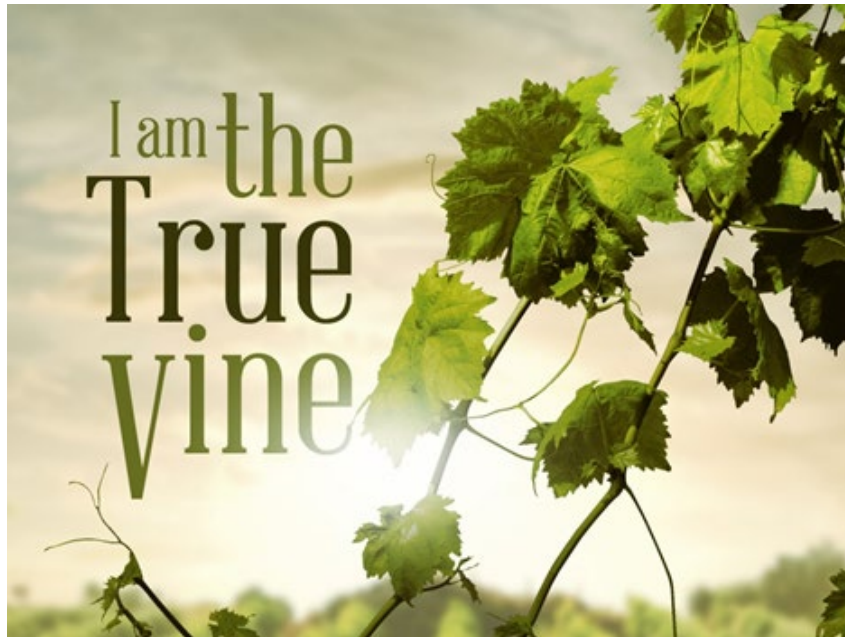


THE JOURNEY

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024



Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

Address

1037 W. Armitage Ave.
Chicago, Illinois 60614

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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 - 8:00AM Communion Service

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: 8:30 AM to 3:30 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

Email eric.fredericks+lm@gmail.com for more information.

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: Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31

Paul is accepted by the apostles at Jerusalem.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

God commands us to believe in Jesus Christ and to love one another.

Gospel Reading: John 15:1-8

Jesus teaches that he is the vine and that his disciples are the branches.

Feasts and Saints:

4/29- St. Catherine of Siena Virgin and Doctor of the Church

4/30- St. Pius V, Pope

5/1- St. Joseph the Worker

5/3- Sts. Philip and James, Apostles



Financials: March 2024

	FY24	FY23
Basket/Mail In:	21,283	27,978
Give Central:	36,398	38,956
Total:	THIS YEAR	PREVIOUS YEAR
	\$57,681	\$66,934
	(\$9,253)	

Reflections for Today:

When have you felt called to speak or act boldly for your faith, but found it challenging?

What held you back, and how can you overcome these obstacles in the future? Consider one way you can practice boldness in your faith this week.



Stewardship:

“Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” -1 JOHN 3:18

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you “walk the talk?” Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it’s not too late to start!

March Weekly:



SPRED Confirmation:

Congratulations to Jacob Holzman on his confirmation at our annual SPRED mass on April 21, 2024.



St. Joseph the Worker:

Saint Joseph's primary feast day is March 19th, in 1955 Pope Pius XII added a second day on May 1st, celebrated as the Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker. As a carpenter, St. Joseph worked very hard. His manual labor was difficult, and he is a great example to all of us in our daily work.

PRAYER BEFORE WORK TO ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

O Glorious Saint Joseph, model of all those who are devoted to labor, obtain for me the grace to work in a spirit of penance for the expiation of my many sins; to work conscientiously, putting the call of duty above my natural inclinations; to work with thankfulness and joy, considering it an honor to employ and develop by means of labor the gifts received from God; to work with order, peace, moderation, and patience, never shrinking from weariness and trials; to work above all with purity of intention and detachment from self, keeping unceasingly before my eyes death and the account that I must give of time lost, talents unused, good omitted, and vain complacency in success, so fatal to the work of God.

All for Jesus, all through Mary, all after thy example, O Patriarch, Saint Joseph. Such shall be my watchword in life and in death. Amen.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS

The St Teresa landscape committee will do our spring cleanup and planting our summer flowers on Saturday May 11 from 9-11 am. No experience needed. Bring some gloves and enjoy a morning of digging and making St Teresa look great. Email Rick Rausch at r-rauschpt@gmail.com to sign up or ask questions. The more help we have the more we get done. We never stay past 11 am.

Hopefully, see you then.
Rick Rausch
312 860-4786



Refugee Ministry Update:

We are happy to announce that we were able to use the items donated from our most recent Lenten drive to move our second refugee family into an apartment. This was a family of 9 from Afghanistan. We received the call from Exodus, who coordinates the volunteers with local churches, and in less than 48 hours, we were able to assemble a team of 6 volunteers to help load cars with necessary items for the apartment, and help to set up and organize the apartment. A huge thank you to all of you who generously donated items, as well as our volunteers who gathered on Monday, April 15th: Erin Markuson, Michael Reddingfield, Julie Hicks, Olivia Nuelle, Dave Griffin, and Maryann Midkiewis.

We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in meeting with this family for the next 3 months on a weekly basis. You would go through a 3 hour training and work out a time that is convenient for you and the family. If you are interested in learning more, please reach out to Kristen Castelloni kristen@rlcanning.com



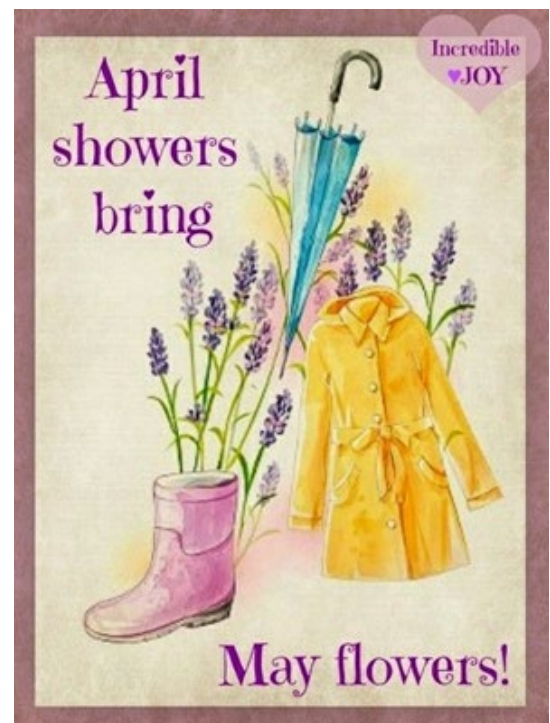
Turning Life's "April Showers" into "May Flowers"

Although we could do without the annual April showers (even if they do bring May flowers), the spring is an exciting time to look forward to year after year. The weather starts to get warmer, the sun shines a little brighter and life just seems full of new beginnings.

There's an old story about two pots. One was perfect in every way. The other had cracks and broken places. Each day a woman filled the pots with rainwater she collected and then carried them down the path to her home. The first pot felt proud that she never spilled a single drop. The other felt ashamed because no matter how hard she tried, she lost a lot along the way.

One day the two pots overheard the woman talking with someone who lived nearby. The neighbor exclaimed, "The flowers along your path are so beautiful! What's your secret?" The woman answered, "One of my pots is broken and the water that spills out helps the flowers grow every day."

We're all like the second pot in the story. Our "April showers" can truly lead to "May flowers" because God sees purpose in our brokenness even when we don't, and He can use it to bring forth beauty that blesses those around us.



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/uwfaqUZN>

Food Pantry:

The Food Pantry continues to be in need of paper bags, but is requesting that the bags have handles and NOT be doubled. The single bags are holding up just fine!

If you have a collection that you would like to contribute, please drop it off at the parish office or at the pantry. Thank you.

Items the pantry could use that are not available through the Chicago Food Depository include cans of:

Peaches

Pineapple

Applesauce

Peas

Kidney Beans

Garbanzo Beans

Pinto Beans

Hearty Soups

Items may be placed in the baskets in church or left outside the food pantry.

Thank you for your always generous response to those in need.



Loaves and Fishes:

The Loaves & Fishes ministry has been inviting guests indoors to enjoy their meal on Friday evenings.

We need volunteers to greet our guests, serve them, and clean tables. Volunteers are needed on Friday evenings from 3:30 to 6:00. If you cannot arrive by 3:30, just let us know when you sign up. You can sign up here - <https://signup.com/go/rBJiFSK>.

Calling All Those Who Enjoy Cooking!

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 helpers) to prepare a warm dinner for the elderly and homeless in our area, served each Friday afternoon. For a 3-6 hour commitment, 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

Home Communion:

Please contact the parish office to request a home visit with a minister of care to bring the Eucharist to you.

Operation Rice Bowl:

Please return your Rice Bowl to the parish, Thank you.



Mass Intentions

10AM - Ramona Gannon (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.

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 5/5 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 5/5 12pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday 5/5 6pm- Fr. Frank

Prayer for today

Dear Father in heaven, you show us the way of life; in your presence is fullness of joy, and at your right hand is delight forever. In your presence we want to rejoice together as your children, under your protection. May we become firm in every part of our life on earth. Grant that soon something of your kingdom, of your heaven, may encircle us like a blessing, enabling us to fight on in joy and exultation. We entrust ourselves to you, our faithful and loving God, and we thank you. Amen.

Sunday Funday: April 28th:

Today is- Blueberry Pie Day and Superhero Day

1788- Maryland became the seventh state to ratify the United States Constitution.

1975- Tom Snyder interviewed ex-Beatle John Lennon on The Tomorrow Show.

1994- The Simpsons aired its 100th episode

Liberty Island and The Statue of Liberty are New York City owned but physically reside entirely within New Jersey.





ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

FORE THE KIDS
Archdiocese of Chicago
Catholic Schools Golf Outing

Monday, June 24, 2024
Chicago Highlands Golf Club
Westchester, Illinois

Join us for an exciting day of golf and camaraderie at Fore the Kids 2024! The Cardinal's Cup competition offers the opportunity to tee off in support of your parish school and compete for glory on the greens. Your participation not only promises a thrilling competition but also directly contributes to the success of Catholic school students. Grab your clubs, gather your friends, and let's make a difference together and enjoy some friendly competition. Register now to secure your spot in this prestigious event and help us champion Catholic education in our community!

To register, scan or visit:
giving.archchicago.org/golf




23rd Annual Golf Outing

Benefiting the Little Sisters of the Poor

St. Mary's Home

June 10th, 2024

Midlothian Country Club

Not a golfer? Join us for dinner and cocktails

Event Timeline

10am: Registration, Driving Range open

11am: Lunch

Noon: 18 Hole Shotgun Start

5pm: Cocktails and Hors d'Oeuvres

6pm: Dinner, Awards, and More!



Back to School Backpack Project

To prepare the 2300 school age children in Chicago's shelters for the coming school year

The Timeline
We will be collecting donations the weekend of May 4th through the weekend of July 28th. Simply place any of the below items (new or gently used) in the boxes to the right of the altar before/after Mass.

Needed Items

backpacks	colored pencils
rulers	washable markers
protractors	ballpoint pens
loose leaf paper	highlighters
plastic folders	crayons
three-ring binders	#2 pencils
calculators	blunt-tipped scissors
glue/glue sticks	combination locks
index cards	
post-its	
erasers	
pencil cases	
notebooks	

Backpack Assembly
We will assemble the backpacks on August 10th at the IC Parish Hall (N31 N North Park Ave) in order for them to be distributed by school's start!

Questions?
Contact Charisse Gioia
gioia@sheltersaparth.org



Third Day Church Project of St. Sabina Church Presents

Fireside Conversation
on
Faith, Trauma, and Wellness
Wednesday, May 1, 2024 | 5:30-8pm



Dr. Phyllis West
Director
Social Justice Initiative
Governors State University



Rev. Dr. Danie J. Buhuro
Executive Director
Sankofa CPE Center



Dr. Robert Marshall
Founder and CEO
The Survivor Circle

Finding Hope and Restoration in the Journey Toward Wholeness

- Explore the church's role in addressing the spiritual and emotional needs of the community.
- Discuss the intersectionality of Faith & wholistic communal support.
- Encourage practices that models healing and wholeness as a lifestyle.

St. Sabina Church
1210 W. 78th Place, Chicago, IL 60620
To register visit:
firesideconversationMay1.eventbrite.com

For more info contact: admin@saintsabina.org





**Sunday
June**

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7:45 am - 2:00pm

Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.

PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED.

**St. Teresa of Avila
Blood Drive**

**1950 N. KENMORE AVE CHICAGO, IL 60614
@ The Parish Center**

Appointments appreciated; walk-ins welcome!

**To schedule, go to <https://tinyurl.com/StTeresaBD>
call (800) 7TO-GIVE, or scan the QR code below.**

EVERY DONOR WILL SAVE UP TO 3 LIVES!



Parish Contacts

Staff

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Charisse Gioia

Office Manager/Technology Coordinator/
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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.