

THE JOURNEY

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2024



Pastor

Reverend Frank John Latzko

Address

1037 W. Armitage Ave.
Chicago, Illinois 60614

773-528-6650

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 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

The gift of the Holy Spirit comes to Cornelius and his household, and they are baptized.

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10

God is love.

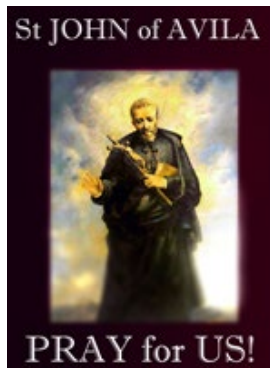
Gospel Reading: John 15:9-17

Jesus commands his disciples to love one another.

Feasts and Saints:

5/9- The Ascension of the Lord

5/10- St. John of Avila Priest and Doctor of the Church



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:

How can we show God's love to those who are different from us?

What are some practical steps we can take to follow Jesus' command to love one another?

Reflection

Stewardship:

“This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.” - John 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

March Weekly:



Parish Life

From Fr. Frank:

As I mentioned before I left for Rome, I am interested in forming a spirituality group of people who want to gather regularly to pray and share our experience of faith. Being a part of a small faith sharing group is so important in rooting our prayer life in a more intimate and vulnerable way. As we develop more faith sharing groups in our parish, people are given the opportunity to deepen their life of prayer.

I used to have a regular prayer group many years ago and benefitted greatly from the experience. But something has been missing in my spiritual life without the ability of sharing what's going on in my relationship with Christ and listening to others express their experiences. I don't see this group as my bringing together people so that I can lead and facilitate, but rather as being a part of a small community of individuals who share in the formation and direction the group will take.

As I slowly approach retirement in two years, this opportunity of faith sharing would be a way to allow me to have some continuity in my life once I am no longer an active pastor. In other words, I'd love to keep being a part of the group during years of retirement.

In terms of structure: that's up to who is involved. Once a month? Twice a month? Discuss a book? See a play and gather later to talk about how faith might have been deepened or questioned? Prepare a dinner together, sharing in the meal with the sharing of faith? Engage in some form of service? (really important) see how faith intersects with art, music?

All of the above? Something else? I'm totally open to how this unfolds. Even if it is simply to discuss the next Sunday's readings.

This spirituality group would be open to all adults, irregardless of background, gender, culture, etc.

if you are interested, please let me know after Mass.

St. John of Avila:

Born in the Castile region of Spain, John was sent at the age of 14 to the University of Salamanca to study law. He later moved to Alcala, where he studied philosophy and theology before his ordination as a diocesan priest.

After John's parents died and left him as their sole heir to a considerable fortune, he distributed his money to the poor. In 1527, he traveled to Seville, hoping to become a missionary in Mexico. The archbishop of that city persuaded him to stay and spread the faith in Andalusia. During nine years of work there, he developed a reputation as an engaging preacher, a perceptive spiritual director, and a wise confessor.

Because John was not afraid to denounce vice in high places, he was investigated by the Inquisition but was cleared in 1533. He later worked in Cordoba and then in Granada, where he organized the University of Baeza, the first of several colleges run by diocesan priests who dedicated themselves to teaching and giving spiritual direction to young people.

He was friends with Saints Francis Borgia, Ignatius of Loyola, John of God, John of the Cross, Peter of Alcantara, and Teresa of Avila. John of Avila worked closely with members of the Society of Jesus and helped their growth within Spain and its colonies. John's mystical writings have been translated into several languages.

He was beatified in 1894, canonized in 1970, and declared a doctor of the Church on October 7, 2012. St. John of Avila's liturgical feast is celebrated on May 10.

Congratulations on Your First Communion!!

We have twelve children making their First Communion today at the 12:00 Mass. They have been preparing for the last two years and gathered yesterday for their annual retreat.

Congratulations to:

Claire Beane

Simone Carqueville

Zoey Forte

Elena Guereca

Ellen Hock

Charlie Medek

Luis Parisi

Caroline Roccasalva

William Riedesel

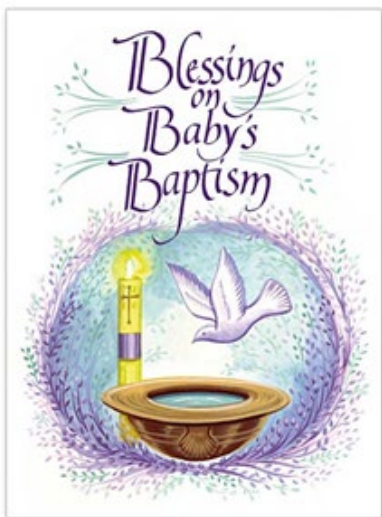
Emily Rose

James Rose

Santiago Zavala



Jude Douglas Mitchell - May 11, 2024



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



Help with Hospitality after Mass

Sign up to Sponsor hospitality following the 6PM Mass



Pizza
Baked Goods
Chips and Salsa
Homemade Meals

Sign up using QR Code Below



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>

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 - Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Living and Deceased

12 PM - Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Living and Deceased

6 PM - Mary and Gerry Reidy (D)

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday 5/12 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 5/12 12pm- Fr. Frank

Sunday 5/12 6pm- Fr. Frank

Prayer for today

Lord our God, we are not worthy of all the mercy and faithfulness you show to us. We thank you for your love and ask you to keep our hearts united in the hope we have together for all things. Keep our hearts united, that again and again we can receive something new from your mighty hand. Keep us true to the calling you have given us. Let light shine out into the world, right into the dark places. Remember those all over the world who are sighing to you, longing that in your great and wonderful goodness light may come to the peoples and to the nations through some deed from your hand. Amen.

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.



Sunday Funday: May 5th:

Today is- Cinco de Mayo and Beverage Day

1893- Jonathan Harker arrived at Dracula's Castle, Dracula, Book

1933- The discovery of radio waves from the center of the Milky Way galaxy was announced by Karl Jansky.

1955- Broadway Show – Damn Yankees Musical May 5, 1955

Scooby Doo's full name is "Scoobert Scooby Dooby Doo."





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

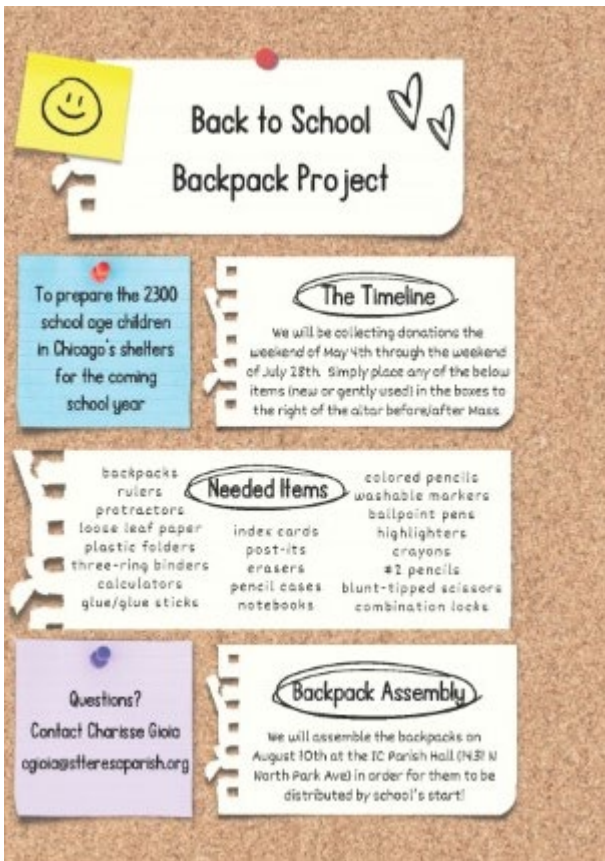
10am: Registration, Driving Range open

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 (1431 N North Park Ave) in order for them to be distributed by school's start!

Questions?
Contact Charisse Gioia
cgioia@stteresaparissh.org



BLOOD DRIVE

Hope springs eternal

DONATE BLOOD

**Sunday
June**

2

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) 770-GIVE, or scan the QR code below.

EVERY DONOR WILL SAVE UP TO 3 LIVES!



Cinco de Mayo:

Cinco de Mayo, or the fifth of May, is a holiday that celebrates the date of the Mexican army's May 5, 1862 victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War.

The day, which falls on Saturday, May 5 in 2024, is also known as Battle of Puebla Day. While it is a relatively minor holiday in Mexico, in the United States, Cinco de Mayo has evolved into a commemoration of Mexican culture and heritage.

Cinco de Mayo is not to be confused with Mexican Independence Day, which falls on September 16. The latter holiday was established in 1810, some 50 years before the Battle of Puebla occurred.

Molé Molé Poblano is the official dish of Cinco de Mayo

Other foods enjoyed are....

Chilaquiles

Tamales

Carnitas

Barbacoa

Fish Tacos

Horchata

Mexican Street Corn

Margaritas

Guacamole



Kentucky Derby: America's Greatest Race

150th Kentucky Derby Saturday May 4th, 2024

The Kentucky Derby is the longest continually held sporting event in America, and it is one of the most prestigious horse races in the world.

Held annually on the first Saturday in May, at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky. The race is run by three-year-old Thoroughbreds and is the first leg of the Triple Crown. The Derby is known as "The Run for the Roses", as the winning horse is draped in a blanket of roses. Lasting approximately two minutes, the race has also been called "The Most Exciting Two Minutes in Sports" or "The Fastest Two Minutes in Sports".

Horse records

Secretariat set the record for speed in 1973 with a time of 1:59.4. During its first two decades when the Derby was run at 1+1/2 miles, the record was 2:34.5, set by Spokane in 1889.

The largest margin of victory is 8 lengths, a feat tied by four different horses: Old Rosebud in 1914, Johnstown in 1939, Whirlaway in 1941, and Assault in 1946.

The highest odds of a winning horse were 91 to 1 for Donerail in 1913. The second-highest odds occurred in 2022, when Rich Strike went off at 80 to 1 and won the race.

Three horses have won the Kentucky Derby without competing as a two-year-old: Apollo (1882), Justify (2018), and Mage (2023).

In addition to the race itself, several traditions play a significant role in the Derby atmosphere. The mint julep—an iced drink consisting of bourbon, mint, and sugar syrup—is the traditional beverage of the race. The historic beverage comes served in an ice-frosted silver julep cup. However, most Churchill Downs patrons sip theirs from souvenir glasses (first offered in 1939 and available in revised form each year since) printed with all previous Derby winners. Also, burgoo, a thick stew of beef, chicken, pork, and vegetables, is a popular Kentucky dish served at the Derby.



Parish Contacts

Staff

Fr. Frank Latzko

Pastor

frfrankjohn56@gmail.com

Charisse Gioia

Office Manager/Technology Coordinator/
Bulletin

cgioia@stteresaparish.org

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
Parish Mission

mneuhengen@stteresaparish.org

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.

Barbara McHugh

Religious Education

bmchugh@stteresaparish.org

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.

Carol Spalla-Malone

Part-Time Business Manager

cspalla@archicago.org

Jason Krumwiede

Director of Music

musicalnut1@mac.com

Staff

Housekeeping

Irma Saavedra

Sergio Mora

Building & Facilities Manager

smora@stteresaparish.org

Parish Council

Anna Althoff- President

annamarialthoff@hotmail.com

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.