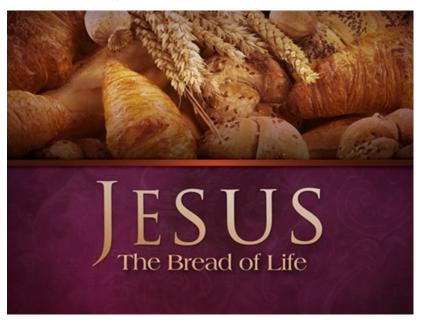
THE JOURNEY

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

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 4, 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

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

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

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.

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 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.

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This Sunday's Readings:

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

The Lord feeds the Israelites with manna.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Christians become a new creation in Christ

Gospel Reading: John 6:24-35

Jesus teaches the crowds that he is the "bread of life."

Feasts and Saints:

8/5- The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

8/6- The Transfiguration of the Lord

8/7- St. Cajetan, Priest

8/8-St. Dominic, Priest

8/9- St, Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

Reflections for Today:

What old ways do you need to discard to renew your mind and heart?

How can you seek spiritual nourishment in your daily life?

Reflection

Stewardship:

"Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not." EXODUS 16:4

When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego leads to hoarding and excessive surplus of goods and money. Living a stewardship lifestyle helps us discern our "wants" from our "needs". Living a grateful and generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

Financials: June 2024

FY24 FY23

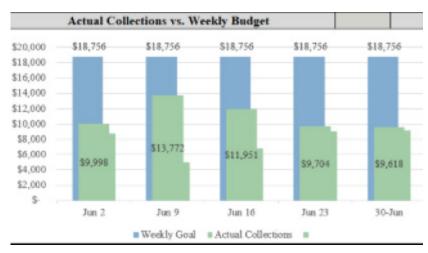
Basket/Mail In: 11,225 7,150

Give Central: 36,560 42,902

Total: THIS YEAR PREVIOUS YEAR \$47,785 \$50,052

(\$2,267)

June Weekly:



The Transfiguration of the Lord:

Feast Day August 6th

All three Synoptic Gospels record the event of the Lord's Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1–8, Mark 9:2–8, Luke 9:28–36). Just prior to the Transfiguration, the three Gospels also record Jesus' trip with His disciples to Caesarea Philippi, about thirty miles north of the Sea of Galilee. Caesarea Philippi was a primarily pagan Greek town occupied by the Romans. The Greek god Pan was worshiped there in a cave thought to be bottomless and often referred to as the gate to the netherworld because of its association with the pagan god. It was there that Jesus asked His disciples who they thought He was. Peter declared, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Jesus then blessed Peter and announced His intent to build His Church upon Peter, declaring that "the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it…" (Matthew 16:16–18).

After this exchange, Jesus began revealing to His disciples His impending fate—His journey to Jerusalem to suffer and die. Jesus responded sternly to Peter's resistance, correcting his human thinking with divine wisdom (Matthew 16:22–23).

This is the context of the Feast of the Transfiguration.
First, Jesus proclaimed the triumph of His Church over evil. Second, He informed the disciples that this victory would be achieved through His own suffering and death.
Although the first message is encouraging, the second one is challenging to accept. According to the Gospels, Jesus allowed His disciples about a week to grapple with these teachings.

Understanding their struggle, Jesus took His three closest companions, Peter, James, and John, up a high mountain. There He was transfigured before them, radiating pure white light, conversing with Moses and Elijah, and being affirmed in His identity by the Father.

This event was likely meant to reinforce the disciples' faith after a week when they pondered Jesus' foretelling of His suffering and death, along with His exhortation that they must follow Him. The Transfiguration affirmed Jesus' divinity and His relationship with the revered figures of Moses and Elijah.

After the Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus, these three Apostles shared their experience of the Transfiguration, fortifying others in the faith. This story is shared today to strengthen us as we bear our own crosses.

The Feast of the Transfiguration is strategically placed forty days before the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross.

My Transfigured Lord, You promise suffering and death to all who follow You, but You also promise the hope that awaits those who endure. Grant me the grace to endure every cross in life, uniting my sufferings with Yours, so that I may one day partake in the glory of eternal life in Heaven. Jesus, I trust in You.



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Together In Joy 2024:

Tickets are now available for our annual gala to celebrate and support our ministries serving the Lincoln Park community. The evening will consist of entertainment, dinner, and a live and silent 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 19, 2024

Artifact Events, 4325 N Ravenswood Ave, Chicago

Ticket | \$200

Volunteer Ticket | Free!

Buy Your Ticket Now: togetherinjoy.com

Interested in sponsoring this event? Demonstrate your support for the St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Community in Chicago by becoming a Gala Sponsor and receiving unprecedented exposure to the hundreds of families attending the parish and gala.

For questions, please contact outreach@teresa.church.





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St. Cajetan:

Feast day August 7th

Patron Saint of the unemployed

Cajetan of the Counts of Thiene was born to noble parents in Vicenza, in the Republic of Venice, modern-day Italy Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin as a child, Cajetan was devout, temperate, obedient, and mindful of the poor, avoiding the temptations stemming from his family's wealth and status. He studied law in Padua, receiving a double doctorate degree in canon and civil law.

A dual law degree and strong faith prepared Cajetan for a life of service to the Church, though he desired a hidden life of prayer. In 1506, at Pope Julius II's request, Cajetan accepted a high position in the papal court. The politically ambitious Pope Julius II was nicknamed "Warrior Pope" for his quickness to lead the Papal States army into battle.

After Pope Julius II died in 1513, Cajetan resigned his position, receiving priestly ordination in 1516. He returned to Vicenza to join the Oratory of Saint Jerome, dedicated to the service of the poor. Founding a hospital to care for the terminally ill, Father Cajetan delighted in helping people die with dignity and faith. He founded a similar hospital in Venice. Father Cajetan also worked in a local parish. He became known as a "holy gambler." When he gave spiritual advice, he "bet" the person that if his advice worked, the person had to light a votive candle. If it did not, Father Cajetan would light the candle. Thus, he is invoked by those seeking freedom from gambling addictions.

In 1523, he joined the Oratory of Divine Love in Rome, an organization committed to prayer and serving the sick and poor.

In 1527, disgruntled soldiers sacked Rome, resulting in eight months of violence and looting. Some Theatines were killed, and Father Cajetan endured torture. Eventually, the Theatines escaped, settling in Venice where they established a new house. For two decades, the order grew, expanding into Naples, Milan, Sicily, and other parts of Europe. Father Cajetan's penances and prayers fueled his devotion to the order's mission. After Father Cajetan's death in 1547, Bishop Carafa became Pope Paul IV in 1555, elevating the order's status and mission and helping it to continue to grow.

St. Dominic:

Feast day August 8th

Patron Saint of astronomers, scientists, and those falsely accused

Dominic was born to noble parents in Caleruega, in the Kingdom of Castile, present-day Spain. An early biographer tells that his mother, struggling to conceive, made a pilgrimage to a local monastery where Saint Dominic of Silos had been abbot. At that time, she dreamt that a dog emerged from her womb and, with a torch, set the world on fire. "Dominic" is translated as "The Lord's Dog."

In 1203, Father Dominic accompanied Bishop Diego on a diplomatic mission for the King of Castile during which they discovered two grave needs in the Church.

Living in poverty as itinerant preachers, Father Dominic and Bishop Diego engaged in public debates and private dialogues with the Cathars to point out their errors through reason and persuasion. After Bishop Diego died, Father Dominic founded a convent in Prouille in 1206 dedicated to Saint Mary Magdalene, believing that it was through prayer that souls would be saved. While providing a safe haven for women and nuns converted away from the Albigensian heresy, the convent educated girls in the true faith.

Miracles that God worked through Father Dominic resulted in conversion and new followers. In 1215, with the Bishop of Toulouse's permission, Father Dominic founded an order of men dedicated to evangelization. They lived communally; prayed together; embraced poverty, obedience, and chastity; studied the faith; and went on preaching and evangelizing missions. The following year, Pope Honorius III gave formal consent to the Order of Preachers, also known as the Dominicans. In 1217, the pope gave Father Dominic the Church of Santa Sabina in Rome as the order's second home and made Father Dominic the pope's chief theological adviser. Still, Father Dominic slept on the floor, wore a hairshirt, and often walked barefoot when entering a new town.

In the years following until Dominic's death in 1221, other houses were founded in Paris, Madrid, and Bologna. After his death, the order continued to expand. By the mid-1200s, hundreds of Dominican houses had sprung up across Europe and in other parts of the world.

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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.

Prayer

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 - 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 8/11 10am- Fr. Frank Sunday 8/11 12pm- Fr. Udovic Sunday 8/11 6pm- Fr. Udovic

Prayer for today

Dear Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessings you give us on earth, for it is through your gifts and work, and through the work of your children, that we can believe and be saved. Protect us here in our household. Let us make allowances for one another in love and spare no effort to maintain unity in the Spirit through the bond of peace. Grant us new strength and new gifts whenever we need them on the path you have set for us. Grant that we may rejoice and trust in you until we reach the goal. Amen.

Sunday Funday: August 4th

Today is- Chocolate Chip Cookie Day and US Coast Guard Day

1892- The father and stepmother of Lizzie Borden were found murdered in their Fall River, Massachusetts home. Lizzie was acquitted of the crime.

1942- Holiday Inn was released in theaters. The Holiday Inn hotel chain was named after this film. Introduced the Academy Award for Best Original Song, White Christmas, by Irving Berlin and performed by Bing Crosby.

If people really slept like a baby, then they would wake up every 2 hours crying.



Theology on Tap

All Young Adults are invited to hear how they can be

CHANGEMAKERS



8/6 @ 7 Gabe Lerma Director of Alpha in Illinois "Love Listens"



8/13 @ 7
Michael Okińczyc-Cruz
Coalition for Spiritual and Public Leadership
"Building Communities of Justice and Peace"



8/20 @ 7

Kascha Sanor and Sr. Kathy Sherman, CSJ

Congregation of St. Joseph

Eras of Change: an Intergenerational Conversation

on Crisis and Hope



8/27 @ 7 PM
Fr. Paddy Gilger, SJ and Krysten McOsker
"The More You Say Yes, The More Life Will
Change": The Community of Sant'Egidio



First Drink is Free Hosted at Black Barrel Tavern

455 W North Ave, Chicago, IL



Registration is Open!

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, First Communion Preparation, & Confirmation Preparation 2024/2025

We have opened registration for our faith formation programs for children for next year. We offer Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children from 3 years old through 6th grade, and a Confirmation Preparation program for our 7th and 8th grade teens. Please contact Barb McHugh brachugh@stteresaparish.org if you need additional information about our offerings.

To register for the 2024/2025 year, please scan the code below or click the link. To view the schedule for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, scan the code below or click the link.

https://forms.gla/SD9C8cst18.ticWitesU



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The Little Sisters of the Poor invite you to join us for Chez Ste. Marie- A Taste of France.

This popular wine tasting event will take place on Thursday September 12, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., in our beautiful St. Mary's Garden. Sample select fine French wines, taste handcrafted hors d'oeuvres, and enjoy the dulcet sounds of our guest string quartet. All proceeds go to support St. Mary's Home and Jugan Terrace.

To purchase tickets or inquire about sponsorship opportunities for this special fundraiser, please visit us online at www.littlesistersofthepoorchicago.org or call the Development Office at (773) 935-9600.



St. T's Men's Spirituality Group Annual Retreat at Bellarmine / September 6-8

The St. Teresa Men's Spirituality Group invites all men of the parish 18 and older to experience the power of a silent retreat on the weekend of September 6th – 8th. The retreat takes place on the beautiful grounds of the Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat Center in Barrington, Illinois, and is designed to allow plenty of space for silence, prayer, contemptation and rest.

This is an ideal way to get to know fellow men of our parish, as well as to share the extraordinary experience of a silent retreat together. We expect 15 to 20 men from St. Ts to attend. Please note there is no requirement to be active in the Men's Spirituality Group to be eligible to attend.

Our group gathers ahead of time late Friday afternoon near the retreat house to toast the weekend together, and carpooling will be available from the city.

Learn more and register for this men's retreat at https://jesuitretreat.org/retreats/september-6-8-2024. Please reach out to Craig Dean (cdean@aegpartners.com) for more information.



The Food Pentry needs volunteers for the rest of the summer months July and August

Help with Saturday Food Pantry Distributions, including set-up, distributing to our guests, and clean up after the distribution, from 9AM to 129M.

Children are welcome to volunteer along with a responsible adult (11yrs old or younger). If you do so, please only book spots for the adults.

Teems (12yrs old and older) may volunteer without an accompanying adult if an adult checks them in with the manager on duty that day and specifies any instructions regarding how the teen will go home afterward. This is in order to ensure safety and continued positive volunteer experiences.

Anyone can earn service hours!

Should you have any question, please reach out to foodpantrysteteresa@gmail.com





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Charisse Gioia

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cgioia@stteresaparish.org

Charisse is repsonsible 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

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Irma Saavedra
Sergio Mora
Building & Facilities Manager
smora@stteresaparish.org

Parish Council

Anna Althoff- President annamariealthoff@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.