THE JOURNEY

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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 11, 2024



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 - 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

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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

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: 1 Kings 19:4-8

The Lord feeds Elijah, strengthening him for his journey to Horeb.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:30-5:2

The Ephesians are encouraged to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel Reading: John 6:41-51

Jesus responds to the murmurs of the crowd, who wonders what he means when he says that he came down from heaven.

Feasts and Saints:

8/12- St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8/13- Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

8/14- St. Maxililian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

8/15- The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8/16- St. Stephen of Hungary

Reflections for Today:

How do you see God supporting you in difficult times?

What actions can you take to be more kind and compassionate?



Stewardship:

"Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!" 1 KINGS 19:7

God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need God's help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist, we unite our sacrifice with Jesus' sacrifice to do the will of God, Our Father. We receive the strength and courage to be His missionary disciples.

Financials: June 2024

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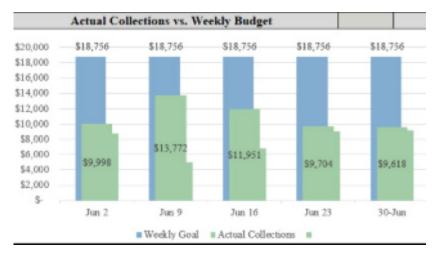
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Give Central: 36,560 42,902

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

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June Weekly:



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From Fr. Frank:

Our annual fundraiser, Together In Joy, is fast approaching, two months away! If you haven't purchased your ticket, please do so and if the cost is a bit steep for you, please come and see me. All are welcome to an event that makes it possible le for us to meet our budget needs. Without this fundraiser, we could not operate as a parish.

The day after the fundraiser, October 20, I will be departing to walk the Camino to Santiago, Spain. I'm walking to raise money for our outreach programs so I would appreciate your support by sponsoring my 500 mile pilgrimage across Spain. The backpack I will be carrying weighs about 25 pounds, completely filled. The biggest challenge will be the varying weather conditions, making it necessary to pack for two seasons. Pray that all goes well

Labor Day is just around the corner with Summer fading fast. It will be do good to have our families back fiCatechesis of the Good Shepherd program. I'm grateful to Barb for all that she does to make our religious education ministry so strong. The upcoming year promises to be a good one for St. Teresa's with new parishioners registering and all the rest of our programs and ministries starting again.

After the 10:00 Mass we try to have a social to gather and catch up with parishioners. Most importantly, it's a time to welcome visitors and new parishioners to St. Teresa's. Please try signing up to sponsor the gathering after the mass by bringing in bagels, donuts, fruit, etc. You can be reimbursed for what you purchase. But we need people to sign up if we want this to continue. If not, could we at least get people to make the coffee and set out the cups, cream and sugar? We can also have tea available.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS 7PM THURSDAY AUGUST 15TH, 2024



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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

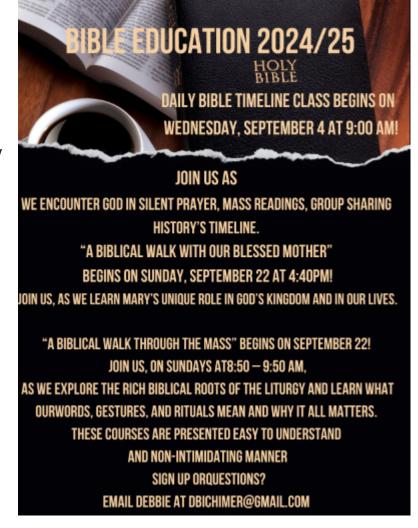
Ticket | \$200

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. Jane Frances de Chantal:

Feast day August 12th

Patron Saint of forgotten people, parents separated from their children, and widows

Jeanne-Françoise Frémiot was born in Dijon, France into a noble family. After her mother's death when Jane was eighteen months old, her father provided Jane and her siblings with an excellent education and raised them as devout Catholics. Her brother later became the Archbishop of Bourges. Recognized for her beauty, intelligence, piety, faith, and strong moral character, twenty-year-old Jane married Baron Christophe de Rabutin, also known as Baron de Chantal. Christophe managed lands, governed, collected taxes, and provided military support to the king from the feudal Castle of Bourbilly. Jane brought order to the household and staff and had daily Mass said at the castle. Of the couple's seven children, one boy and three girls survived.

After eight years of marriage, Christophe died from his wound after a friend accidentally shot him in the leg while hunting. The widowed Jane and her four children spent the next year living with her father in Dijon. After praying for a holy spiritual director to help her discern God's will, Jane had a vision of a saintly priest whom she understood was God's choice as her spiritual director. After a year with her father, Jane and her children moved in with her widowed father-in-law, helping manage his household. In 1604, Jane's father invited her to attend a Lenten mission preached by the Bishop of Geneva, Francis de Sales. Upon arriving at the mission, she immediately recognized the bishop as the priest from her vision. After the mission, Bishop de Sales agreed to be her spiritual director. He helped Jane address scruples, focused her prayer life, and reminded her of her family responsibilities.

For six years, Jane exchanged letters with Bishop de Sales and met with him occasionally in person. They grew in deep mutual respect and a holy bond of spiritual friendship. Bishop de Sales dissuaded Jane from her desire to join a religious order while her children were still young. As the children grew older, she revisited the idea. Bishop de Sales told her of his inspiration to establish a congregation for women who were not accepted into other religious houses due to poor health or age. The order would focus on humility and meekness, in imitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary's virtues at the time of the Visitation. The women would live a simple life of prayer while tending to the sick, poor, and needy. In 1610, one of Jane's daughters died, another got married, and one was soon engaged. Her father and brother, the archbishop, took in her fourteen-year-old son. Jane moved to Annecy, France with her two daughters. On Trinity Sunday, Jane entered religious life, co-founding the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary with the future saint, Bishop Francis de Sales.

In 1609, Bishop de Sales wrote Introduction to the Devout Life, made up of letters of spiritual guidance for married women seeking growth in holiness. The book proved invaluable to Mother Jane and her sisters in their new vocation. In 1616, the bishop wrote Treatise on the Love of God, directed to his spiritual daughters who wanted to immerse themselves in God's will and His divine love. In addition to establishing her convent, Mother de Chantal often visited Dijon to care for her aging father and to see her son and other relatives. When Bishop de Sales died in 1622, the two had founded thirteen convents. That number had grown to eighty-six convents when Mother de Chantal died in 1641.

Saint Jane de Chantal, you devoted yourself to God's will, allowing Him to lead you through hardship to a glorious fruitfulness. Please pray that I will see every cross and every unexpected turn as an opportunity for deeper trust and greater fidelity to the unexpected life that awaits. Saint Jane de Chantal, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.

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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 - Joyce Jaszczor (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.



Sunday Funday: August 11th

Today is- Middle Child Day and Son and Daughter Day

1929- Babe Ruth became the first baseball player to hit 500 home runs in his career with a home run at League Park in Cleveland, Ohio.

1991- Nickelodeon aired the first episodes of Doug, Rugrats and Ren & Stimpy

30 years ago, I wonder how many people had ever uttered the words "My phone got stolen."



Upcoming Mass Schedule

Sunday 8/18 10am- Fr. Frank Sunday 8/18 12pm- Fr. Frank Sunday 8/18 6pm- Fr. Frank

Prayer for today

Lord our God, grant that we may be your watchmen, who can understand what you mean for our time. We thank you for all you have already done, for every change to the good among the nations. For the nations must bow to your will so that nothing happens unless accomplished by you. Judge us wherever necessary. Open our eyes to see where we are wrong and where something does not go according to your Spirit. Be with us and give us strength. Raise up more watchmen everywhere, in every place and in every home. Wherever something happens to move people's hearts, let the watchmen proclaim, "This comes from God. It does not matter how much we suffer. This comes from Jesus Christ, who suffered and died, but who rose again." Raise up such watchmen among young and old everywhere on earth, to the glory of your name. Let there be a people who go to meet you with shouts of joy and thanksgiving. Amen.



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Mission Appeal Sunday August 18th:

Fr. Jean Marie Mukoka

Who Are the Crosiers?

The Crosier Fathers and Brothers are one of the oldest religious orders in the Roman Catholic Church. The order was founded by Blessed Theodore de Celles in 1210 in what is now the Diocese of Liege, in Belgium. Eight centuries later, Crosiers are located worldwide in Europe (Belgium, the Netherlands, and Italy), North America (United States), South America (Brazil), Asia (Indonesia), and Africa (Democratic Republic of the Congo). As canons regular, we are committed to celebrating the liturgy of the hours and the Eucharist as service to the Church.

Our mission, to touch suffering with hope, is rooted in the spirituality of the Glorious Cross. In the midst of a suffering world, we strive to bear witness to the glory of the resurrection.

Grounded in the Rule of Saint Augustine, our charism is supported by the following three pillars: Cultus (liturgy of the Church), Communio (community life), and Caritas (ministry to the poor). By going to society's margins, we respond to Pope Francis's call for a Church of the poor and one that is close to the poor.

In 1920, Belgian and Dutch Crosiers arrived in Congo while it was still a Belgian colony, establishing a presence and ministering to the people for four decades in the dioceses of Bondo and Buta.

During a period of upheaval, in 1965, 23 Crosiers were murdered by Simba rebels, becoming modern-day Catholic martyrs. It was only 20 years later that the Crosiers returned to rebuild their pastoral presence. In 1986, Crosier missionaries began welcoming young Congolese men who hoped to become Crosier priests or brothers. Today, 100 years after they arrived in the largest Catholic country in Africa, Crosiers number 120 Congolese members, 40 of whom are in initial formation at various levels.

In the Democratic Republic of the Congo, we touch suffering with hope by restoring the dignity of the poorest of the poor.

In September 2023, Crosiers established Holy Cross K-12 Catholic School in Butembo, eastern Congo. The school currently serves 400 children, both boys and girls. This number is predicted to quadruple in the next four years. Sadly, 25% of students come from families who cannot afford tuition. Many of these families have fled from home villages affected by the violence caused by armed groups. We need your help to ensure that our children can eat lunch at school every day (for some children lunch at school is the only meal they have); we need your help to equip the school with books and computers.



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 hmchugh@stteresoparish.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.gia/5D9C6cs/18.ticWins/A



https://tereses.schurch/cgs-schedules



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, Illimois, and is designed to allow plenty of space for silence, prayer, contemptation and rest.

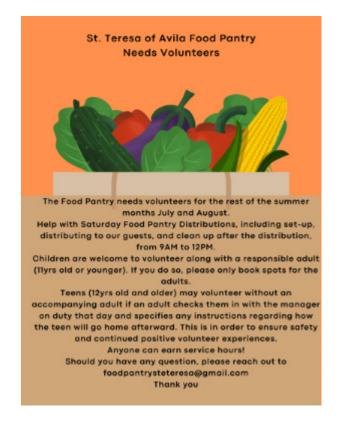
This is an ideal way to get to know fellow men of our parish, as well as to share the extraordinary experience of a silent retreat together. We expect 15 to 20 men from St. Ts to attend. Please note there is no requirement to be active in the Men's Spirituality Group to be eligible to attend.

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.







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Charisse Gioia

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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.

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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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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.