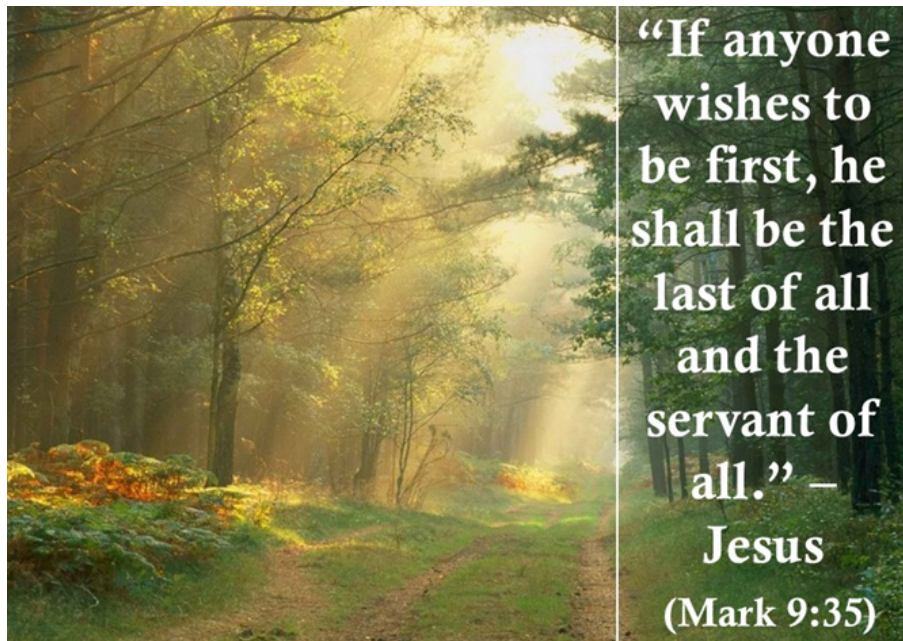


# THE JOURNEY

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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 22, 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](http://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](http://teresa.church/lectors)

Email [eric.fredericks+lm@gmail.com](mailto:eric.fredericks+lm@gmail.com) for more information.

### Eucharistic Ministers

[teresa.church/eucharistic-ministers](http://teresa.church/eucharistic-ministers)

Email [eric.fredericks+lm@gmail.com](mailto:eric.fredericks+lm@gmail.com) for more information.

### Pastoral Council

[teresa.church/pastoral-council](http://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](http://teresa.church/finance-council)

Reviews financial documents and position of the parish and advise pastor and business manager on financial decisions.

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## 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](http://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](mailto:smatejka@hpschicago.com).

### Loaves and Fishes Dinner

[teresa.church/loaves-and-fishes](https://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](https://teresa.church/border-ministry)

Travel to the border to help and understand those seeking asylum.

### Food Pantry

[teresa.church/food-pantry](https://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](https://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](https://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](https://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](mailto: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](https://teresa.church/religious-education)

Whether it's our Montessori based Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 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](https://teresa.church/french-community)

St. Teresa's is home to a wonderful and vibrant French community.

This Sunday’s Readings:

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12,17-20

The just one is put to the test.

Second Reading: James 3:16–4:3

James teaches about the wisdom from above.

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:30-37

Jesus teaches his disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.

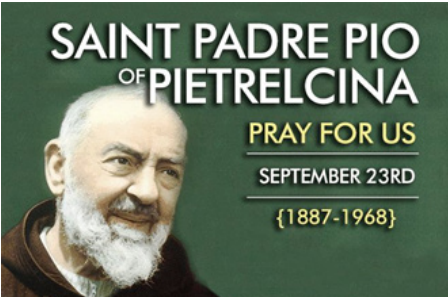
Feasts and Saints:

9/23- St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

9/26- Sts. Cosmas, and Damian Martyrs

9/27- St. Vincent De Paul, Priest

9/28- St. Wenceslaus, Martyr



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)	

Reflections for Today:

How can you serve others in your daily life?

Why is it important to remain faithful even when facing hardships?

How can you show love to those who are vulnerable and in need?

Reflection

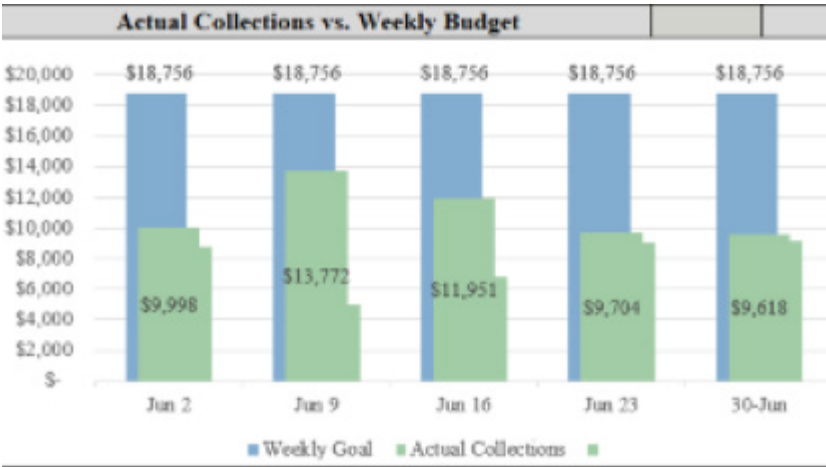
Stewardship:

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” MARK 9:35

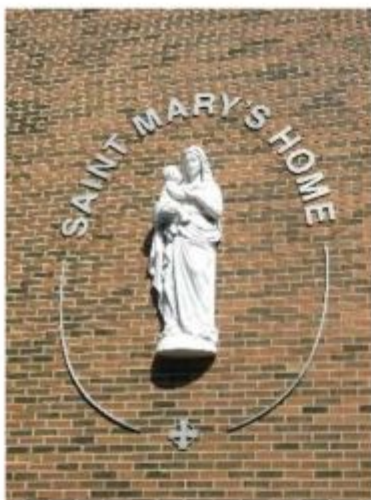
Jesus teaches us that we are called to love one another. Love involves sacrifice. Sacrifice is a word that many of us don’t like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want.

However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is “to make holy,” from the words “sacer” = sacred and “facere” = to make. In other words, when we sacrifice, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

June Weekly:







On the weekend of September 28/29, the Little Sisters of the Poor will visit our Parish to share their vocation of hospitality to the elderly. St. Mary's Home in Chicago is one of 162 Homes for the elderly poor operated by the Little Sisters in 31 countries around the world.

Acute and considerable continues to be their need for financial support. Virtually all of the current Residents of St. Mary's Home qualify for Medicaid,

and a few receive meager pensions. But these modest funds cover, at best, about half of the annual expenses. The Little Sisters have ministered to thousands of elders in Chicago for 146 years. Your support will enable them to continue their mission of caring for the neediest seniors of every race and religion in a spirit of reverence and of humble service. God bless you!



[www.littlesistersofthepoorchicago.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoorchicago.org)

## St. Teresa of Avila Parish Financial Update:

As shown in the table on the facing page, the full year net surplus for fiscal 2024 equaled \$240k. Excluding Investment results, the full year net surplus equaled \$22k, continuing the parish's more than decade long string of positive full year results.

This long track record is only possible because of your generous support. This year's Collections, Fundraising (largely Together in Joy), and Other Revenue all exceeded the prior year and budgeted levels.

The increase in Other Revenue primarily reflected contributions from several of you in May following a capital appeal. These contributions entirely offset the costs of roof and HVAC repairs (\$41k, included in Other Expense). Thank you.

Net Ordinary Expense increased due to an employee opting to participate in the Archdiocese health insurance program and planned salary increases. Higher maintenance costs also contributed to the unfavorable Ordinary Expense variances.

As a result of the above, the \$22k full year net surplus excluding Investment results was somewhat lower than last year but \$51k better than budget.

Our plan for the year ahead forecasts a small net deficit, but we will work diligently towards a net surplus. In line with this year's results, Collections are only expected to cover about two thirds of expenses.

Your support of Together in Joy is essential to the parish's success.

Thank you again for attending Mass, volunteering at our ministries, and your generous financial support.

Please reach out through the parish office if you have questions or comments.

7/15/2024

## St Teresa of Avila Parish Semi-annual Report to the Parish

	ACTUAL			BUDGET	
	Full Year			Full Year	
	FY24	FY23	Variance	FY24	Variance
Collections	698,189	683,566	14,623	691,550	6,639
Fundraising	207,557	173,547	34,010	161,000	46,557
Various	69,149	67,031	2,118	61,481	7,668
Total Revenue	974,895	924,144	50,751	914,031	60,864
Expenses	(962,627)	(897,406)	(65,221)	(913,679)	(48,948)
<b>Net Ordinary</b>	<b>12,268</b>	<b>26,738</b>	<b>(14,470)</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>11,916</b>
Other Revenue	101,148	83,144	18,004	31,004	70,144
Other Expense	(91,749)	(83,748)	(8,001)	(61,004)	(30,745)
<b>Net Other</b>	<b>9,399</b>	<b>(604)</b>	<b>10,003</b>	<b>(30,000)</b>	<b>39,399</b>
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>21,667</b>	<b>26,134</b>	<b>(4,467)</b>	<b>(29,648)</b>	<b>51,315</b>
Investment Earnings	218,382	8,986	209,396	-	218,382
<b>Total Net</b>	<b>240,049</b>	<b>35,120</b>	<b>204,929</b>	<b>(29,648)</b>	<b>269,697</b>

## 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>

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## Food Pantry:

### Food Pantry Needs

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has partnered with The Greater Chicago Food Depository to increase the choices food pantries are able to receive each month. As a result, a variety of canned goods, nuts and dried/frozen fruit have been added to our deliveries. However, we continue to be in need of

INDIVIDUAL ROLLS OF WRAPPED TOILET PAPER.

It can be donated at Mass each week during the Presentation of the Gifts. Thank You for your generosity!

## 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>.

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## 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](mailto:cgioia@stteresaparish.org)

Thank you

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## Home Communion:

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



# Prayer

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## 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 o 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 9/29 10am- Fr. Frank

Sunday 9/29 12pm- Fr. Alphonse

Sunday 9/29 6pm- Fr. Alphonse

## Prayer for today

Lord our God, we lift our hearts to you, for you have given great promises to those who fear you. Let your Word strengthen us in faith, patience, and hope. Be with all those who call upon you, pleading for help in our time. For these times must work for our good, and in spite of sin, death, and all evil we can find joy in what you are doing. We call to you, O Lord our God. Let your hand be revealed, that something may be seen besides human striving and the efforts of human hands. Let the work of your hand be visible to many, to all peoples on this earth. May your name be honored, O Lord our God, your kingdom come, and your will be done on earth as in heaven. Amen.

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## Sunday Funday: September 22nd:

Today is- Car Free Day, Elephant Appreciation Day and Ice Cream Cone Day

1964- Broadway Show – Fiddler on the Roof (Musical) September 22, 1964.

1985- Farm Aid wast first broadcast, on TNN and in syndication

1989- ABC debuted TGIF (Thank Goodness It's Friday) from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, a new programming block for Friday Nights with four shows (Full House, Family Matters, Perfect Strangers, and Just the Ten of Us)



YOU'RE INVITED



**OKTOBERFEST  
BINGO**

TUESDAY, OCT. 1, 2024

PARISH CENTER	6:30 - 8 PM	\$20/CARD
BEER	SMALL BITES	FUN

THIS EVENT IS HOSTED BY THE TOGETHER IN JOY COMMITTEE. GET YOUR TOGETHER IN JOY TICKET HERE: [TOGETHERINJOY.COM](https://togetherinjoy.com)



**Together  
in Joy**

**BLOOD DRIVE**

GIVE THE GIFT OF BLOOD THIS FALL

**Fall Into  
Giving**

**Sunday  
October  
27**  
7:30am - 2:30pm

**St. Teresa of Avila  
Blood drive**

1950 N Kenmore, Chicago, IL 60614  
Located in the Parish Center

Appointments appreciated; walk-ins welcome!

To schedule, go to [www.versiti.org/IL](https://www.versiti.org/IL), load the Versiti Donor app, call (800) 786-4483

EVERY DONOR WILL SAVE UP TO 3 LIVES!

Helpful tip:  
Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.  
Photo ID is required.





YOU'RE INVITED

# 10.19.2024 Together in Joy

CELEBRATE & SUPPORT ST. TERESA OF ÁVILA'S MINISTRIES  
SERVING THE LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY

10.19.2024



Join us for our annual gala to celebrate and support St. Teresa of Ávila's ministries serving the Lincoln Park community. This event sustains our many outreach programs in our community including the weekly food pantry, Loaves and Fishes meal, and our refugee and prison ministries.

Dinner • Silent Auction • Live Auction • Entertainment • Open Bar



## EVENT DETAILS

Saturday, October 19, 2024

Artifact Events  
4325 N Ravenswood Ave  
Chicago, IL 60613

## PURCHASE TICKETS

[togetherinjoy.com](https://togetherinjoy.com)



# Parish Contacts

## Staff

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Pastor

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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.

**Barbara McHugh**

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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

Anna Althoff- President

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The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body to the pastor and represents a cross section of the parish. Together with the Pastor, the PPC helps to craft and carry out the Mission of the Parish.

## Finance Council

Don Eldred- Chair

The St. Teresa Finance Council reviews the financial documents and position of the parish and advises the pastor and business manager on financial matters, including the preparation of the annual parish budget.

## Stewardship Committee

Dan Summins- Chair

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The Stewardship Committee's goal is to foster a sense of gratefulness and response of increased sharing of gifts in the parish and communities we seek to support. We do this by creating, encouraging and communicating ideas and programs that help parishioners recognize and share their gifts.

## Contributing to the Bulletin

Past bulletins and guidelines for submitting to the bulletin are available on our website at: [www.teresa.church/bulletins](http://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.