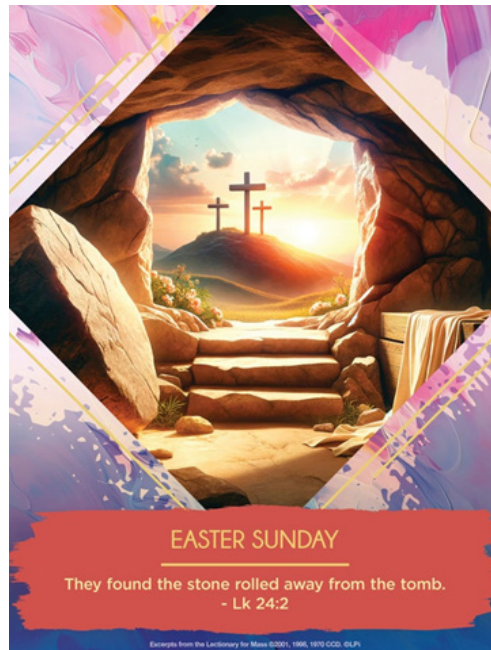


# THE JOURNEY

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

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of The Lord  
April 20, 2025



## 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

## Baptism, Reconciliation, Anointing

Please call the office to arrange or email  
[cgioia@stteraparish.org](mailto: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 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](mailto:eric.fredericks+lm@gmail.com) for more information.

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
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

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.



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](https://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 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 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](https://teresa.church/french-community)

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

This Sunday’s Readings:

**First Reading:** He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. (Acts 10:38)

**Psalm:**

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps 118)

**Second Reading:** If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

**Gospel:** So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, “They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they put him.” (Jn 20:2)

Thank You for Your Support of our Parish:

If you would like to make a Easter Donation

Scan the QR code



Gospel Meditation: Easter Sunday

When I was a young boy, my parents told me about their wedding. Then a few years later, they showed me my mother’s wedding dress and my dad’s suit. It was astonishing to see and touch garments that connected me to the event that led to my existence. Of course, I already believed they were married based on their word. But these holy garments made the event real and tangible for me. Something like this is at play when St. John reports encountering in Jesus’ tomb, “the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place” (John 20:7). Those two separate cloths, for his head and for his body respectively, meant a great deal to St. John and to the early Christians. Some years after the resurrection, there surfaced reports of two cloths with unusual characteristics, one bearing the image of a crucified man’s body, another smaller one with the image of a wounded man’s face. Some call them the Shroud of Turin and the Veil of Manoppello; they both can be seen today. These two cloths have a long and complicated history, and scholars debate aspects of them. If you’re curious, I encourage you to read about them. To be clear, I believe in the resurrection of Jesus because of the testimony of eyewitnesses and the gift of faith in the Church. Nevertheless, seeing these two mysterious cloths have made the life-giving event of Jesus’ resurrection more real and tangible for me. Maybe they will for you, too.

— Father John Muir

Financials: February 2025

	FY25	FY24
Basket/Mail In:	8,324	20,205
Give Central:	34,686	36,328
Total:	THIS YEAR	PREVIOUS YEAR
	\$43,010	\$ 56,533
.	\$(13,523)	





Happy Easter

Wishing You and Yours  
a Blessed and Joyful  
Easter Sunday

Fr. Frank, Mark, Charisse,  
Barb, Carol, Sergio,  
Jason and Irma





## Refugee Ministry:

Thank You from the Refugee Ministry

We would like to thank the very generous donations that were given to the Lenten Drive for the Refugee Ministry. Households and individuals would take a tag from our Lenten cross that listed many daily household needs that are refugee families may need. With the rising cost of items, it can be very difficult to afford some basic household items for some families.

Because of your generosity, we were able to build 10 Full Care Packages for families, and additional care packages for families with babies and small children.  
Thank you.

If you were unable to donate but are still interested, or if you are willing to help distribute the care packages and meet some families in the coming weeks, please contact Kristen Castelloni [kristen@rlcanning.com](mailto:kristen@rlcanning.com).



## TOGETHER IN JOY SIGN UP PARTY

Continue the Easter Celebration with your St. Teresa friends.

Dinner Party at Mike and Janel Palm's House

Mt. PALMmore (not Mt. Rushmore) is the theme this year in honor of National South Dakota Day.

We're not sure what exactly that means either, but we promise it will be fun! Hope to see you there.

Saturday, April 26, 6:30pm

Contact Janel Palm [janelpalm@mac.com](mailto:janelpalm@mac.com) to join the party!

xoxoxo - hope you can make it!



## **Congratulations**

### **Confirmation Class of 2025**

On Saturday, April 12, twelve teens from St. Teresa's received the Sacrament of Confirmation. It was a beautiful celebration at St. Josaphat Parish, with Bishop Lawrence Sullivan presiding. The teens completed two years of preparation, including regular discussion sessions, acts of community service, and personal reflections on their faith. They collected and delivered holiday gifts to the residents at Little Sisters of the Poor, served at the Food Pantry and Loaves and Fishes dinners, and helped our Refugee Ministry welcome a new family. Please join us in congratulating our teens.



Back row, left to right: Katherine Vandenburg, Caroline Vandenburg, Ethan McLean,  
Lincoln Mesik, Brandon Juarez, Aonghus Doherty  
Kneeling: Benjamin Schneider, Reid Magac, Andrés Guereca  
Not Pictured: Renn Henger, Leo Schneider, Alessandro Tognarelli

## 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!

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## Welcome Committee:

The Parish Council is excited to announce the formation of a new Welcoming Committee here at St Teresa of Avila. We are looking for 2-3 people to help lead this initiative, and help us build a team of welcome volunteers for each mass. The task is simple, we need amazing volunteers that will greet all parishioners before mass with a friendly smile, a nice “hello”, and possibly help them find a seat! You may think we already do this, but it’s not consistent. Imagine walking into someone’s house and not being welcomed when you walk in the door, a place of business, or a restaurant. First impressions can be lasting impressions.

Please consider joining this committee because it’ll be fun and rewarding! If interested, please reach out to [Jessica Marx @ chicago2381@hotmail.com](mailto:Jessica.Marx@chicago2381@hotmail.com).

## 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.



## Mass Intentions

10AM - Alejandro Montes (D); Estella Montes (D) and Petronella Zeunert

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 those who suffers from illness of mind or body.

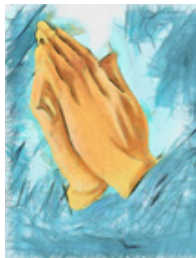
Cecelia Dowdall  
Cynthia Rojas

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 Easter:

Why did the egg fail his driving test?

He cracks under pressure!

What is the Easter bunny's favorite game?

Hopscotch!

How many Easter eggs can you fit in an empty basket?

Only one. After that, it's not empty anymore!

Why don't chicks play baseball?

Too many fowl balls!

What do you call a rabbit with fleas?

Bugs Bunny!



## Easter Sunday Mass Schedule

Sunday 4/27 10am- Fr. Udovic

Sunday 4/27 12pm- Fr. Udovic

Sunday 4/27 6pm- Fr. Udovic

## Easter Prayer of Thanksgiving

Good and gracious heavenly Father, we come before you on this Easter Sunday with full and grateful hearts for the gift of the Paschal Mystery that you showed us in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, our brother by adoption, Jesus Christ.

Bless us and all those who profess belief in your saving love.

Bless also those who have yet to profess belief in you.

You are God for all.

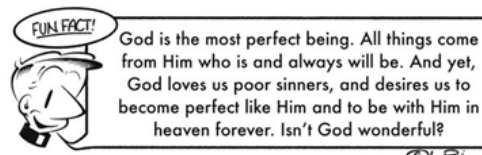
We ask all this in Christ's name.

Amen.

"What's the difference between Jesus and pizza?"



"Jesus can't be topped!"





Sunday  
**June**  
**8**

**7:30am-1:30pm**

**Helpful tip:**  
Make sure to eat a healthy  
meal and drink plenty of  
water before donating.

Any questions call (800)  
7TO-GIVE

**St. Teresa of Avila  
Blood Drive**

1950 N Kenmore, Chicago, IL 60614  
@ The Parish Center

To schedule an appointment, call (800) 7TO-GIVE, scan  
the QR code below or go to the following link  
<https://tinyurl.com/STA8BD>

Donate and receive a limited edition crew socks, while  
supplies last.



**SPRED:**

Happy Easter, Friends -

Please join us for St. Teresa of Avila's annual SPRED mass on May 4th at 10 am. We also will be celebrating a Confirmation of our friend, Quetzali.

St. Teresa's SPRED group wants share the gift of our love for our community and invite you to our annual SPRED mass. What is SPRED you may ask? SPRED stands for SPecial RELigious Development which is an archdiocesan program ministering religious growth and development to our friends with special needs. St. Teresa's SPRED program is for our friends from 11 to 16 years of age. St. Vincent De Paul, St. Josephat and ICSJ, are in our deanery and minister to friends of different age groups. Our mass uses music and interpretive movements to interpret the psalms, readings and the Gospel.

Please come join us for this beautiful and inspirational way to experience our Mass.

Thanks from the St. Teresa of Avila SPRED group!

## **Come Join Us to Celebrate**

**A SPRED Mass at St. Teresa of Avila-**

Sunday, May 4, 2025 at 10 a.m.



Bring the Whole Family and Friends

**Everyone is Welcome**

SPRED will host the Hospitality time in the Parish Center immediately following Mass.

## Staff

**Fr. Frank Latzko**

Pastor

[frfrankjohn56@gmail.com](mailto:frfrankjohn56@gmail.com)

**Charisse Gioia**

Office Manager/Technology Coordinator/  
Bulletin

[cgioia@stteresaparish.org](mailto: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

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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**

Religious Education

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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.

**Carol Spalla-Malone**

Part-Time Business Manager

[cspalla@archicago.org](mailto:cspalla@archicago.org)

**Jason Krumwiede**

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## Staff

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**Irma Saavedra**

**Sergio Mora**

Building & Facilities Manager

[smora@stteresaparish.org](mailto:smora@stteresaparish.org)

## Parish Council

**Anna Althoff- President**

[annamariealthoff@hotmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](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.