



St. Teresa
of Avila
Catholic Church

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 11, 2011

**Forgive your neighbor's injustice;
then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven.**

— *Sirach 28:2*

Parish Mission Statement

The Saint Teresa of Avila Parish is a diverse Catholic community of faith that embraces everyone, without exception. We see ourselves as uniquely able to engage in dialogue with people of all faiths and act as peacemakers in our city. Challenged by the Gospel, nourished by the Eucharist and inspired by the teachings of Saint Teresa of Avila, we are called to be witnesses of Christ's Love, for the salvation of all people.

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Stop and Think

Some of us come to Mass and try not to get involved. We hang back for many reasons: fear we will be pressured into long-term commitments, or we will be asked to do what we have no aptitude for. Reluctant volunteers may be generous in other ways, through the weekly collection or donations to good causes. Are you hesitant to volunteer? What are your God-given abilities? Are you a leader, a team player, or a behind-the-scenes worker? Are you sick, homebound, or a frequent traveler? You can pray more. There is something only you can do for your parish! Are you a ministry leader? Do you communicate to parishioners the value of what you do? Are you welcoming and appreciative to new people? If you are a volunteer, do you share your enthusiasm with other parishioners and invite them to join you? Our parish *survives* if only a few are committed, but it *thrives* if everyone is included.

Living Stewardship Now

Have you committed your abilities, your time, and your financial resources to your parish for God and the Church? Is your involvement a true reflection of your gratitude to God? Do you need to give more, or give differently?



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Detente y Considera

Algunos de nosotros venimos a Misa, pero tratamos de no involucrarnos en más nada. Nuestra renuencia se debe a varias razones: miedo de que nos presionen para hacer compromisos a largo plazo o que se nos pida hacer algo para lo cual no tenemos aptitudes. Puede que estas personas renuentes a ofrecer sus

servicios sean generosas de otras maneras, como en la colecta semanal o haciendo donativos para causas justas. ¿Vacilas tú en ofrecer tus servicios voluntarios? ¿Cuáles son las habilidades que Dios te ha dado? ¿Tienes madera de líder, te gusta trabajar en equipo o prefieres hacerlo desde la retaguardia? ¿Te encuentras enfermo, confinado a tu hogar o viajas con frecuencia? Eso te da la oportunidad de rezar más. ¡Hay algo en tu parroquia que sólo tú puedes

hacer! ¿Eres líder de algún ministerio? ¿Le comunicas bien a los parroquianos el valor que tiene lo que haces? ¿Eres una persona acogedora para con los recién llegados? Si ofreces tus servicios voluntarios, ¿compartes tu entusiasmo con otros parroquianos y les invitas a que ellos hagan lo mismo? Nuestra parroquia puede *sobrevivir* con unas pocas personas comprometidas, pero sólo puede *prosperar* si todos colaboran.

La Corresponsabilidad Viva Ahora

¿Te has comprometido a ofrecer tus habilidades, tu tiempo y tus recursos económicos a tu parroquia, por Dios y por la Iglesia? ¿Refleja tu compromiso una verdadera gratitud a Dios? ¿Necesitas dar más o de una manera diferente?

St. Teresa of Avila Food Pantry Shopping List

The St. Teresa Food Pantry can always use non-perishable food items such as those listed below.

Pasta Sauce (26 oz.)	Canned Soup (10 oz.)
Canned Beans (15 oz.)	Canned Vegetables (15 oz.)
Canned Fruit (15oz.)	Spaghetti O's (15 oz.)
Peanut Butter (18 oz.)	Chili (15 oz.)
Tuna	Cereal
Macaroni & Cheese	Pasta
Boxed Soap Bar (4-5 oz.)	

Sizes are the Maximum

Please check the expiration dates on all food items before donating them; we discard anything that is past the expiration date.

If your family would like to sponsor a large amount of a particular item, please contact Mike Usiak at usiak@sbcglobal.net.



**The next Food Pantry Committee meeting is
September 12, 2011
7:00 pm in the parish center.**

Our Thanks to Marquette Partners, LP

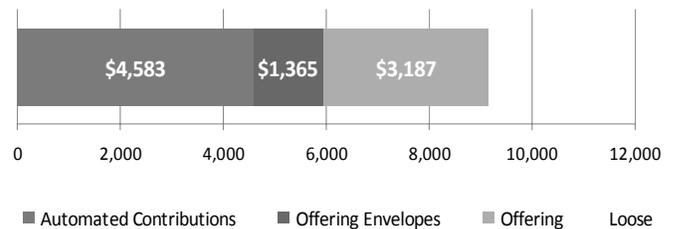
At the request of one of our parishioners, Marquette Partners, LP held a food drive to benefit our Pantry. In addition to their generous financial support, a group employees purchased and delivered the grocery items needed for September. We would like to thank Marquette Partners, LP for helping those in need that count upon St. Teresa's as a reliable source of food.

If you would like to arrange a food drive at your place of business please contact Mike Usiak at usiak@sbcglobal.net

Weekly Collections Recap for September 4, 2011

Automated Contributions	Offering Envelopes	Offering Loose	Total
\$4,583	\$1,365	\$3,187	\$9,135

Weekly Sunday Collections (Budget of \$12,000)



We are currently running a \$2,865 deficit of our budgeted Sunday collections of \$12,000 for the weekend of September 4, 2011. We ended last fiscal year, July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011, at a 4% offertory increase over the previous year.

Comments and Concerns

We want to ensure that any questions or concerns are fully addressed. Please contact the Finance Council Chair, Bill Mack, at williamdmack@hotmail.com or (312) 706-4266. Bill can provide you with the latest financial status, projections and key issues.

We also encourage you to attend the monthly Finance Council meetings on the third Monday of every month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Website & Bulletin Materials

Articles must be submitted by 11:00 am on Monday to be considered for the following Sunday's bulletin or for posting on the Website. Please contact Dean at (773) 528-6650, ext. 230 or dvaeth@stteresaparish.org

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Today's Readings

First Reading — Remember the commandments and hate not your neighbor (Sirach 27:30 — 28:9).

Psalm — The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion (Psalm 103).

Second Reading — Whether we live, or whether we die, we do so for the Lord (Romans 14:7-9).

Gospel — Forgive one another from your heart (Matthew 18:21-35).

Forgiveness

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: “Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?”

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As St. Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

For us Americans on the tenth anniversary of September 11, 2001, forgiveness still does not come easily. Yet Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way. — © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Readings for the Week

Monday:	1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday:	1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 98; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Thursday:	1 Tm 4:12-16; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Friday:	1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday:	Is 55:6-9; Ps 145; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

Offering & Intercessions

In this holy moment—with the consecrated bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Christ, upon the altar—we pray for a share in the fruits of Christ's sacrifice. We offer to God what God has given to us, and we intercede for the Church and the world. We pray for the pope and for all the bishops, and we mention the bishop of our local church by name. We pray for the clergy and for all the people of God. We pray in a special way for those who have died. And we pray for ourselves, that one day, with Mary and all the saints, we may come to that place where Jesus already reigns. These prayers of intercession, like the General Intercessions earlier in the Mass, broaden our focus and remind us that the Eucharist is offered not just for those gathered, but for the salvation of the entire world. The Eucharistic Prayer leads us from an intense focus on Christ, present in the consecrated host in the hands of the priest, to a loving sweep of prayer that embraces the world. — Corinna Laughlin, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.



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Perdón

Unos diez años antes, un padre e hijo se distanciaron cuando el negocio en el que eran socios se fue a bancarrota. El hijo culpó al padre. No se hablaron más.

Entonces el padre se puso gravemente enfermo. La madre llamó al hijo y le dijo que viniera a verlo pronto. El hijo entró con vergüenza a su habitación en el hospital. El padre hizo un gesto para que se acercara y susurró: “¿Acaso pensaste que podrías hacer algo que me hiciera dejar de amarte?”.

El rencor y la cólera son abominables, nos dice la primera lectura de Sirácide. Piensa en tu fin. Deja de odiar. Vive conforme a los mandamientos. Como escribe san Pablo en Romanos, para el Señor vivimos y para el Señor morimos.

En el décimo aniversario del 11 de septiembre de 2001, para nosotros en Estados Unidos todavía no nos es fácil perdonar. Sin embargo, la parábola de Jesús en el Evangelio de hoy nos recuerda la compasión de Dios. El inmenso pecado de la humanidad ha sido perdonado y borrado del libro. Tenemos que perdonar a otros de igual manera. — © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

La Paz Sea Contigo

Mientras que el Padrenuestro es una oración que nos dispone a la paz con Dios y con los demás, es una oración que también nos lleva en sí misma a ofrecer el perdón y a recibir el perdón. El darnos la paz es una forma clara de comunión, de cumplir el mandato de Cristo. El gesto exterior de la paz es una expresión del perdón mutuo y de la necesidad de renovar nuestras relaciones humanas. Este espíritu de caridad y justicia va acompañado de un saludo (antes era con un beso) luego de que la Iglesia ha implorado la “paz y la unidad para sí misma y para toda la Iglesia” (IGMR, 82). Esta misma expresión de paz y perdón es el requisito mínimo de quien quiere presentarse ante Dios para compartir su banquete o bien, para pedir el perdón para sí mismo. Este rito y este gesto encierran en sí mismos la radicalidad del cristianismo, de amar como Jesús amó, plenamente y para siempre. Por ello nos deseamos la paz de verdad, mirándonos a los ojos y deseando para nuestro prójimo que la paz habite en sus corazones. — Miguel Arias, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Lecturas de hoy

Primera lectura — No podemos fomentar el rencor y esperar que se nos perdonen nuestros pecados (Sirácide 27:30 — 28:7).

Salmo — El Señor es bondadoso y misericordioso, lento a la ira y rico en compasión (Salmo 103(102)).

Segunda lectura — Ya sea que vivamos o muramos, lo hacemos en Cristo (Romanos 14:7-9).

Evangelio — Jesús dice que debemos perdonar no sólo siete veces sino setenta veces siete veces (Mateo 18:21-35).

Lecturas de la Semana

- Lunes:** 1 Tim 2:1-8; Lc 7:1-10
Martes: 1 Tim 3:1-13; Lc 7:11-17
Miércoles: Nm 21:4b-9; Sal 98 (97); Fil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Jueves: 1 Tim 4:12-16; Jn 19:25-27 o Lc 2:33-35
Viernes: 1 Tim 6:2c-12; Lc 8:1-3
Sábado: 1 Tim 6:13-16; Lc 8:4-15
Domingo: Is 55:6-9; Sal 145 (144); Fil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a



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Interested in the Catholic Faith?



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which interested adults are introduced to the Roman Catholic faith and way of life.

The RCIA process is for the unbaptized who want to join the Catholic Church; and those who have been baptized either Catholic or in another Christian denomination, and want to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.

RCIA will begin this Fall. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith, please contact Fr. Frank at (773) 528-6650.



Register Children Now ! 2011-2012 Catechesis



Catechesis Registration has begun for 2011-2012. Registration forms can be found in the back of church and on the St. Teresa Website (st-teresa.net).

Please return the forms to the parish office by September 15th. Classes are set to begin in October.

September Baptisms



Anna Marie Soto (9-3-11)
Paxton Zaki Coram (9-18-11)
Andrew & Conor Bergren (9-18-11)
Eve Dwyer Newberry (9-18-11)

Calendar at a Glance

September 11, Sunday

Twenty-fourth Sunday Ordinary Time • Vigésimo Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

- 10:00 am, PC3-4, Capital Campaign Presentation
- 10:00 am, PC3-4, Hospitality
- 10:00 am, PC1-2, Baptism Preparation

September 12, Monday

The Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary • El Santísimo Nombre de la Virgen María

- 7:00 pm, PC1-2, Parish Council Meeting
- 7:00 pm, PC3, Food Pantry Committee
- 7:30 pm, APC, 12-Step Meeting

September 13, Tuesday

St. John Chrysostom • San Juan Crisóstomo

- 6:15 am, PC3, Men's Spirituality Group
- 6:00 pm, APC, 12-Step Meeting
- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm, PC1-2, SPRED Preparation

September 14, Wednesday

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross • La Exaltación de la Santa Cruz

- 6:00 pm, APC, 12-Step Meeting
- 7:00 pm, PC4, Chicago Catholic Scripture School
- 7:30 pm, APC, 12-Step Meeting

September 15, Thursday

Our Lady of Sorrows • Nuestra Señora de los Dolores

- 7:00 pm, Rectory, Bible Study
- 8:00 pm, PC3-4, Our Lady of the Angels Fundraiser

September 16, Friday

Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian • Santos Cornelio y Cipriano

- 3:30 pm, PC3-4, Loaves & Fishes Setup
- 5:00 pm, PC 3-4, Loaves & Fishes Dinner
- 7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

September 17, Saturday

St. Robert Bellarmine; Blessed Virgin Mary • San Roberto Belarmino; Santa María Virgen

- 9:00 am, APB, 12-Step SA
- 7:00 pm, PC3-4, Roman Missal DVD Showing

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Mass Intentions

September 10

5:00 pm All Deceased Members of the Parish

September 11

9:00 am Norma Weldy
 10:30 am Rafael Rivera
 12:00 noon Grandparents of the Gruszka-Jaszczor-Kosek-Pawlowski Families
 6:00 pm All Deceased Members of the Parish

In Our Prayers

Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

Alfonzo Ardana, Amalia Bech, Greg Bruce, Ethel Brumleve, John Breault, Julia Faloyin, Isabella Feliciano, Carlos Hernandez Gomez, Manuel Gomez, Donald Grabarczyk, Sr. Joan Granzeier, Timothy Halpin, Lee Incandela, Michael Kinsella, Jeanne Kreilkamp, Isabelle Martinez, Cindy O'Keefe, Ben Patrasso, Victims of the War & Domestic Violence

Let us also pray for those who are ill, especially...

Our Mass intentions have many openings. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone alive or deceased, contact Dean Vaeth at the parish office at (773) 528-6650, ext.230 or dvaeth@stteresaparish.org

In order to be added to our prayer list, a member of the immediate family should request that a person's name be added. We list the names of the deceased parishioners and friends for six months. If you wish the name of a loved one left on the list longer than six months, please contact Dean Vaeth at the parish office.

*Johnnie Mae Alexander
 Alicia Anderson
 Berta Billalvazo
 Patricia Chuck
 Basilio Diaz
 Jackson Fineske & Family
 Kaylee Frederking
 Padraig Gallagher
 Eloisa Gallegos
 Michael Gibbons
 Angela Goldberg
 Kaylee Gommel
 Les Gordon
 Genevieve Gorgo
 Mrs. Grabarczyk
 Susan Hanula
 George Halloran
 Kellar Harris
 Fr. Patrick Harrity, C.M.*

*David Hoffman
 Rod Holzkamp
 Chuck Jabaley
 J. D. Kautzer
 Dave Kostelansky
 Betty LaCour
 Adolfo Lorenzana
 Carmen Dolores Lorenzana
 Carmen Felicita Lorenzana
 Miguel Lorenzana
 Lori Lyons
 George Maroquin
 Tammy Martin & Family
 Natasha McShane
 Margaret Sue Meadors
 John Monier
 Elda Myers
 Frank Nekic
 Angel Nieves
 P. A. O'Neil*

*Msgr. Kevin O'Neill
 Nella Palazzolo
 Honorata Alicea Peña
 Irma Rivera
 Pedro Rodriguez
 Ray Romero
 Jeffrey Roscoe
 Sr. Jean Ryan, O.C.D.
 Philomena Russum
 Jack Schank
 Ruth Schmitz
 Robert Usiak
 Karen Breen Vogel
 John Wagner
 Bernadine Walters
 Jim Zwicky*

Survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC BREAD	EUCCHARISTIC WINE
9-17-11 Saturday	5:00 pm	Fr. Frank	Becky Francis	Jane Rombach	Kari Richardson Leigh Hartley
9-18-11 Sunday	9:00 am	Fr. Benjamin Aguilar	Geneva Gorgo	Mary Beth Wilke Nancy Van Grinsven Bernadette Diaz	Frank Swiderski Dan Anderson Rose Ohiku Mark Van Grinsven
9-18-11 Sunday	10:30 am	Fr. Benjamin Aguilar	Tony Rivera Betsy Velasquez	Josefina Gomez	Josie Gomez
9-18-11 Sunday	12:00 noon	Fr. Frank	Brian Graziano	Myrna Gomez Kinsella	Tom Kinsella Jennifer Barrett
9-18-11 Sunday	6:00 pm	Fr. Frank	Elizabeth Rooney	Jen Kowieski Anita Rosso Kathy Richgels	Katie Assell Jon Assell Luke Kolman Eileen Raia

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God's Uninterrupted Call

I have this terrible habit of speaking to my kids from my diaphragm when they are late for school or late for dinner or late for church. It is my call. And it typically will get the desired response. My lovely wife tries to tell me to stop “yelling” at the kids. I explain to her over and over again that I am not “yelling” at the kids but rather speaking to them from my diaphragm. It works, sometimes.

All parents have a certain “call” when it comes to their kids. It is somewhat reciprocal. We can hear our child's calling voice among a sea of calling voices. They can hear our call among a sea of noise in a grocery store. Sometimes our call is a look. Another bad habit of mine is certain sign language. I can make eye contact and just point to my eye. The kids know, dad is watching.

Psalm 62 tells us that God has a call for us spoken once. Can you imagine? God has spoken once, one time, and it is good for all ages and all time. Wow, if I could only master that dynamic with my kids. The exact line from the Psalm states “Once God has spoken.”

Saint Bernard tells us that God's speaking is “a single, uninterrupted utterance, because it is continuous and unending.” What this is telling us is that God's call to us is forever consistent like the waves crashing on the shore. God's call to us is never ending. God's call to us is outside of time, before time, before the sun, moon and stars, and will be after time and the existence of this world.

What is this call? I guess it is both the same and different for us all. My sense is that part of the call is a calling back to the restful and peaceful union with God; the resting of a child in a mother's arms. Another part of the call is a missionary call – the going out to love and witness and live a certain life. What is God's call to you? Can you hear it in the murmur of the busyness of your life?

**Join us for the next session of
Men's Spirituality Group
on Tuesday, September 13
from 6:15 am to 7:30 am in the parish center.**

Contact Dan Anderson at (773) 844-4494 or dananderson@ameritech.net or Tom Kosnik at (312) 527-2950 or tkosnik@visusgroup.com

— Tom Kosnik

Catechetical Sunday is Sept. 18th

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 18, 2011, and will focus on the theme “Do This in Memory of Me.” Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry.

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.



Your Faith, *JustFaith*

St. Teresa's invites you to take a leap of faith by engaging in a life-changing program that will introduce and educate you on the social teachings of the Catholic Church.

The *JustFaith* program provides an incredible opportunity to come together in community, learn how we can best live the Church's teachings in service to others, and promote action in taking a stand against injustice.

The *JustFaith* group will meet one evening per week from October through June for what promises to be an extraordinary experience!

For more information about the program, please visit www.justfaith.org. To register for the program at St. Teresa's, or if you have any questions, contact Fr. Frank at (773) 528-6650. We hope you will consider joining the program and spreading the word!

Just FAITH Ministries

TOYL 2011: Live Auction Hunt

The Time of Your Life Committee is on the hunt for Live Auction packages.

Do you or people you know work in the sports or entertainment industry? Do you have any connection with the travel industry, celebrity chefs, or other "priceless" experiences? Do you have an abundance of airline miles (25k+)?

If you do, this is your opportunity to contribute something extraordinary to the St. Teresa community without ever needing to attend a single meeting.

Please contact **Rebecca O'Brien**
(312) 523-8902
rebeccaandree@hotmail.com

Help us create a great live auction package!

Mission of Our Lady of the Angels Benefit this Week!

Thursday, September 15, 2011
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
at

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Center

Help the Mission renovate their church at an evening of food, fun and friends on September 15th! \$50 tickets (\$55 at the door) include music, plenty of hors d'oeuvres, drinks and one glass of beer or wine. Additional beer and wine can be purchased at the event.



To purchase tickets go to
<http://misionolaSeptember15.evenbrite.com>
Or call 773-486-8431 to RSVP

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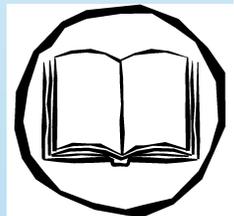
Bible Study Begins Soon

Interested in learning more about the Bible? Join a great group of men and women from the parish who desire to dig deeper into the Word.

St. Teresa's Bible Study plans to meet twice a month and will be using a top-rated bible study resource.

In September, Bible Study will meet on September 15th and September 22nd (Thursdays) at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

If you're interested, please call
Katie Garwood at (601) 454-0837



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The Concluding Rites

By Kristopher W. Seaman

Of all the major sections or parts of the Mass (that is, the Introductory Rites, the Liturgy of the Word, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist), the Concluding Rites are the shortest. The Liturgy of the Eucharist ends with the Prayer after Communion, and the Concluding Rites begin with—though not required—announcements. Typically, these announcements are brief and impact the liturgical assembly. They may point to the activities of the parish. Some examples may include announcements for help with the parish's soup kitchen, the date for the World Youth Day fund-raiser, or a coming adult formation session. Since these announcements are not part of the Communion Rite, they are best not announced before the Prayer after Communion.

The priest celebrant then greets the people with, "The Lord be with you." He proclaims a blessing over the people. On major feasts and solemnities, there is a solemn blessing. This solemn blessing contains three parts. After each part, the liturgical assembly responds, "Amen."

The deacon or priest then dismisses the people from liturgy. The original Latin for the dismissal is *Ite missa est*. The word *missa* is the root for Mass and thus gives the Mass its name. It has become quite common to hear people talk about the connection between *missa* and mission. As we know, the Mass should bear fruit in our lives. It means that the Triune God sanctifies us in liturgy. Put another way, through the liturgy the Holy Spirit comes to us to make us grow in holiness. Of course, we have to be open, receptive, and embracing of God's coming to us through Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit. If we are being called and sanctified by the Triune God, then we bear that mission in our families, workplaces and in our neighborhoods. Of course, we are imperfect human persons, and so each Sunday God continues to call us to grow in holiness by participating in the Sunday eucharistic liturgy.

This understanding of the missionary dimension of the Mass has been articulated by Pope Benedict XVI in his recent exhortation, *Sacramentum caritatis*. The Pope eloquently states, "The mystery of the Eucharist inspires and impels us to work courageously within our world to bring about that renewal of relationships which has its inexhaustible source in



God's gift In a particular way, the Christian laity, formed at the school of the Eucharist, are called to assume their specific political and social responsibilities" (91). For the Pope, the Eucharist "schools" us and sends us out for our responsibilities as social and political persons. Therefore, the social dimensions of the Mass extend beyond the walls of the Church to live the mission Christ gives to the Church.

What is this social mission that Christ gives to us? The Pope offers two ways we embody the social mission of Christ. The first is through "the sanctification of the world" (92). To sanctify is to grow in holiness. God sends us forth to work for holiness in the political and the social

spheres of life. Pope Benedict XVI also alerts us to our mission of being good stewards of God's creation. "The world is not something indifferent, raw material to be utilized simply as we see fit. Rather, it is part of God's good plan (92). Therefore, as the Pope mentions, our second responsibility of the social mission of Christ is to work "responsibly for the protection of creation" (92). All of creation belongs to God alone. God entrusted to us this precious gift in order to take good care of it and all creatures.

In this same exhortation, the Pope acknowledges a need for new dismissal options. In the revised edition of *The Roman Missal*, the priest or deacon may say, "Go forth, the Mass is ended," "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord," "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life," or "Go in peace." "Announce the Gospel" and "glorifying the Lord by your life" both convey the meaning of the Concluding Rites. Namely, we are called to take inside ourselves God's Word, Body and Blood and allow God to change us in holiness and to live this change in everything we do.

After the proclamation of the actual dismissal, the priest venerates the altar-table with a kiss and then a bow. The Mass has ended.

Although not required, a concluding song or hymn is common for the departure of the liturgical ministers from the liturgy. In some parishes, the organist will play a postlude during the recessional.

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Dave Hilko, Chair

Brian Graziano	Tony Rivera
Joe Haley	Mark Matejka
Becky Khayum	Dave Wisneski
Catherine Kosnik	

Infant Baptism

Baptisms are generally celebrated on the first Sunday of the month during mass, and on the third Sunday of the month following the noon mass. Parents are required to attend baptism preparation session. Please call Dean at the parish office (773) 528-6650, ext. 230 to schedule a preparation session and baptism at least three months in advance.

Marriage

Weddings are held at 12:00 noon and 2:00 pm on Saturday afternoons. Call the parish office for an appointment at least six months in advance.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—RCIA

For those interested in becoming Catholic or simply desiring to learn more about our Catholic faith, contact Fr. Frank..

Children's Religious Education

Religious education is offered for children from age 3 through 8th grades. Two programs are offered - Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (a Montessori program) and a middle school program for 7th and 8th grade. For more information on religious education programs or sacramental preparation, please contact Kate Lynch at the parish office, ext. 232.

Registration

Registration forms are available at the back of church or at the parish office, or on our website at www.st-teresa.net.

Time for Prayer

The church may be opened for private prayer during the day. Please come to the parish office.

Weekend Masses

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am
<i>en español</i>	10:30 am
	12:00 noon
	6:00 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday to Thursday	7:30 am
Friday *	7:30 am

**Communion Service only*

Weekly Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday	7:00 pm
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Reconciliation

Please call the parish office to make an appointment with a priest for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Communion for the Sick

Please call the parish office for arrangements.

Counseling Services

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