



St. Teresa of Avila

Catholic Church

Easter Sunday
April 8, 2012



I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.

— *Psalm 118:17*

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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On Easter Eve

Place 1 cup of pecans in a zippered plastic bag and let children break them into pieces with a wooden spoon (Jesus was beaten by Roman soldiers). Have the children sniff the vinegar and pour 1 teaspoon into a mixing bowl (Jesus was thirsty on the cross and was given vinegar to drink). Add 3 egg whites, representing life, to the vinegar (Jesus gave his life to give us life). Sprinkle salt into each child's hand to taste, and put a pinch into the bowl (these are the salty tears of Jesus' disciples and our sadness for our sins). Add 1 cup of sugar (how sweet it is to know that Jesus loves us so much he would even die for us). Beat with a mixer on high speed into stiff peaks (the white color is our purity when God forgives our sins). Fold in the nuts. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto a cookie sheet covered in waxed paper (each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid). Put the cookies in a 300° F oven and turn the oven *off!* Give each child a piece of tape and seal the oven door, like Jesus' tomb was sealed. Go to bed! On Easter day, open the oven and take a sample. Notice the cracked surface and take a bite. The cookies are hollow! The tomb is empty! Jesus is alive!

Living Stewardship Now

Read the Easter story together on Easter Sunday before dinner, and enjoy the cookies for dessert.



En La Víspera de Pascua

En una bolsa plástica y cerrada, echa una taza de nueces y deja que los niños las partan en pedacitos pequeños golpeando la bolsita con una cuchara de madera (Jesús fue golpeado por los soldados romanos). Deja que los niños huelan el vinagre y añadan 1 cucharadita en un recipiente hondo. (Jesús tuvo sed en la cruz y le dieron vinagre para tomar). Añade al vinagre 3 claras de huevo, representando la vida (Jesús dio su vida para darnos la vida). Espolvorea sal en la mano de cada niño y que la prueben; después pon una pizca en el recipiente (éstas son las lágrimas saladas de los

discípulos de Jesús y nuestra tristeza por nuestros pecados). Añadan 1 taza de azúcar (qué dulce es saber que Jesús nos ama tanto que dio su vida por nosotros). Bate la mezcla con una batidora a la máxima velocidad hasta que el merengue haga picos (el color blanco es nuestra pureza cuando Dios perdonó nuestros pecados). Incorpora las nueces. Pon la mezcla por cucharaditas en una bandeja de hornear cubierta previamente con papel encerado (cada montoncito representa la tumba rocosa en donde sepultaron el cuerpo de Jesús). Pon las galletitas en el horno a 300° F y ¡apágalo! Dale a cada niño un pedazo de cinta adhesiva para que sellen la puerta del horno, tal como la tumba de Jesús fue sellada. ¡Váyanse a dormir! El día de Pascua abre el horno y agarren una galletita. Fíjense en la superficie agrietada y pruébenla. ¡La galletita está vacía! ¡Jesús está vivo!

La corresponsabilidad vivida ahora

Hoy, Domingo de Resurrección, lean en familia toda la narración de la Pascua antes de la cena y después disfruten de las galletitas como postre.

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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

Larger, sturdy paper and plastic shopping bags with handles are always in need.

Please check the expiration dates on all food items before donating them; we discard anything 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 Food Pantry needs larger, sturdy paper and plastic bags with handles. Please drop them off in the church, parish center or parish office.

The Counting Team Needs You!

Do you have a few hours once a month that you can dedicate to the church? Of course you do! One of the ministries that is always in need of help is the Counting Team.

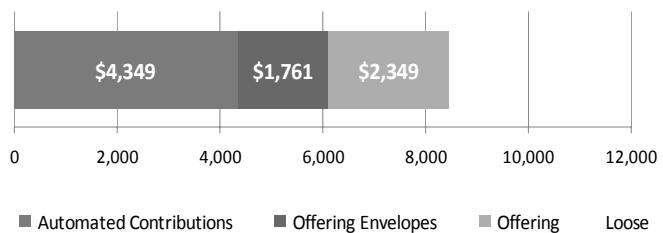
The counters help to organize and deposit the church's funds on a weekly basis. Without them, the finances would come to a halt.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact Erica at (773) 528-6650 or esacucci@gmail.com.

Weekly Collections Recap For March 25, 2012

Automated Contributions	Offering Envelopes	Offering Loose	Total
\$4,349	\$1,761	\$2,349	\$8,459

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



We are currently running a \$3,541 deficit of our budgeted Sunday collections of \$12,000 for the weekend of March 25, 2012. Currently we are at a 1% increase over collections from last fiscal year.

Due to the accelerated Easter bulletin publishing schedule, this bulletin contains information intended for the bulletin of April 1st.

Comments & 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 or dvaeth@stteresaparish.org

Readings, Liturgy & Tradition

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Today's Readings

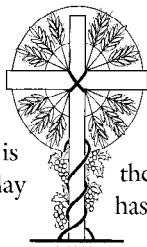
First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

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

(1) Second Reading — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) *or*

(2) Second Reading — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

Gospel — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) *or* Mark 16:1-7 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*).



Rejoice and Be Glad

During the first three or four centuries of Christianity, if you asked a Christian to name the feast days of the church, your answer would have been a puzzled stare, for there was only one feast: the Resurrection of the Lord. Every Sunday was a feast celebrating the one great feast. Even though our calendar now has many beautiful and holy feasts, we must continually

be called back to the fact that all these other feasts exist because of the feast of Christ's passover from death to life. The psalm today proclaims this message well: "This is the day." It is not one of many days, but it is the day of all days, the one that gives all the others their origin, purpose, meaning, and destiny. Listen carefully to Peter's speech in Acts with its recollection of the Passion, to the words of the apostle Paul, and to the account of Mary Magdalene, John, and Peter finding the empty tomb, and you will hear the many wonderful works that God has done for us through Christ. Rejoice and be glad! —Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday:	Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118; Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

Treasures from Our Tradition

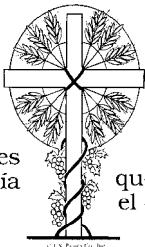
It has been said that the most convincing sign of the Risen Christ is the Risen Christian. Today, in parishes around the world, new life is drawn from the waters of baptism, and new Christians are thrilled to see the crowds pour in to join in the feast. On Easter, we do not say the Creed, but rather renew our baptismal promises with hearty responses. We are taking the first joyful steps on a fifty-day-long celebration. In the southern hemisphere, the world is slipping into winter, but for us in North America, the earth itself seems to sing hymns to Christ's victory. Look this morning for the fresh paschal candle standing near the baptismal waters. It was consecrated in the hours of the night, will burn brightly for fifty days whenever we gather for prayer, and will glow again at every baptism and every funeral in the year ahead. Even though we may be gathered around the candle someday in sadness, today's joy at Christ's victory over death will shine through. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Lecturas, Liturgia Y Tradición

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Alérgense y Regocíjense



Este es
el día
que hizo
el Señor

Durante los primeros tres o cuatro siglos del cristianismo, si se le preguntaba a un cristiano el nombre de las fiestas de la Iglesia, su respuesta habría sido una mirada de sorpresa porque había una sola fiesta: la Resurrección del Señor. Cada domingo era una celebración de la gran fiesta. A pesar de que nuestro calendario tiene ahora muchas fiestas hermosas y santas, continuamente debemos ser llamados de nuevo al hecho de que todas estas fiestas existen a causa de la fiesta del paso (Pascua) de Cristo de la muerte a la vida. El Salmo de hoy proclama este mensaje así: “Este es el día”. No es uno de muchos días, pero es el día de todos los días, el que da a todos los demás su origen, propósito, significado y destino. Escuchen con atención el discurso de Pedro en Hechos recordando la Pasión, las palabras del apóstol Pablo y al recuento que hacen María Magdalena, Juan y Pedro al encontrar la tumba vacía, y oirán las obras maravillosas que Dios ha hecho para nosotros en Cristo. ¡Alérgense y regocíjense!

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Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Pascua viene de una palabra hebrea pesah que quiere decir “lugar de pastos” e indica el final de un periodo de ayuno. La Pascua Judía celebra la libertad del cautiverio de Egipto. El cristianismo, siendo en su origen una secta judía, tomó la fiesta de la Pascua para celebrar la muerte y resurrección de Jesús quien nos da la libertad del cautiverio pecaminoso de nuestras vidas.

Eventualmente el uso de “Pascua” pasó a indicar cualquier evento en la vida de Jesús que añade a la libertad que nos obtuvo en su vida, cruz y resurrección. He aquí porque tradicionalmente se hablaba de la Pascua del Nacimiento, la Pascua Florida o Pascua de Resurrección y la Pascua del Espíritu Santo (Pentecostés) y todavía en grandes fiestas religiosas del año la gente se saluda con “Felices pascuas”.

En EE.UU., Argentina y otros países se celebra la Pascua (*Easter* en inglés) con la búsqueda de huevos multicolores y supuestamente traídos por una coneja. *Easter* era una diosa teutónica cuyos símbolos eran el huevo y la coneja, símbolos de vida y fertilidad que pasaron a representar la nueva vida que se nos da al ser liberados del pecado por la pascua de Jesús.

— Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Giz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Lecturas de hoy

Primera lectura — Pedro es un testigo: el Señor ha resucitado (Hechos 10:34a, 37-43).

Salmo — Este es el día del triunfo del Señor. Aleluya (Salmo 118[117]).

(1) Segunda lectura — Todos los bautizados, eleven su corazón al cielo (Colosenses 3:1-4).

(2) Segunda lectura — Cristo nuestra Pascua fue sacrificado; por tanto celebremos (1 Corintios 5:6b-8).

Evangelio — Tres testigos, María, Pedro y Juan; cada uno responde a la tumba vacía (Juan 20:1-9) o *Mc 16:1-7 o (en misas de la tarde o la noche) Lc 24:13-35.*

Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes:	Hch 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15
Martes:	Hch 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18
Miércoles:	Hch 3:1-10; Lc 24:13-35
Jueves:	Hch 3:11-26; Lc 24:35-48
Viernes:	Hch 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14
Sábado:	Hch 4:13-21; Mc 16:9-15
Domingo:	Hch 4:32-35; Sal 118 (117); 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

Sacraments & Ministries

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April Baptisms

*Ava Rhiana Merced (4-8-12)
Isaac Adrian Merced (4-8-12)
Patrick Baumann Pierce (4-15-12)
Jeffrey Joseph Chianello III (4-21-11)
Andre Raymond O'Brien (4-21-12)
Caelan Thomas Gaubatz (4-22-12)
Alice Marguerite Price (4-28-12)*

St. Teresa says...



I repeat and ask that you always have courageous thoughts. As a result of them the Lord will give you grace for courageous deeds.”

The Seven Principles of Catholic Social Teaching

- Life and Dignity of the Human Person
- The Call to Family, Community and Participation
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Option for the Poor and Vulnerable
- The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers
- Solidarity: One Human Family
- Care of God's Creation



Calendar at a Glance

April 8, Sunday

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord • Domingo de Pascua: La Resurrección del Señor

- 9:00 am, PC1-2, 9 AM Nursery
- 9:15 am, REC4, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 10:00 am, PC3-4, Hospitality
- 10:30 am, REC1-2-3, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 12:00 pm, REC1-2-3, RCIC Spanish
- 1:30 pm, Church, Baptism
- 2:30 pm, PC4, Baptism Reception
- 4:00 pm, PC1-2, CCFC Catechesis

April 9, Monday

Monday within the Octave of Easter • Lunes de la Octava de Pascua

- 7:00 pm, PC1-2, Parish Council Meeting
- 7:30 pm, APC, Monday Night 12-Step SA Group

April 10, Tuesday

Tuesday within the Octave of Easter • Martes de la Octava de Pascua

- 6:15 am, PC3, Men's Spirituality Group
- 9:00 am, PC3, Vicariate II Business Managers Meeting
- 4:30 pm, REC1-2-3, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 6:00 pm, PC1-2-3, SPRED Total Community
- 6:00 pm, APC, 12-Step Meeting AA
- 6:30 pm, PC4, Catholicism
- 7:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

April 11, Wednesday

Wednesday within the Octave of Easter • Miércoles de la Octava de Pascua

- 5:30 pm, PC1-2, CCFC Catechesis
- 6:00 pm, APC, 12-Step RA Meeting
- 7:30 pm, APC, 12-Step AA Meeting
- 7:30 pm, APB, 12-Step SA Meeting

April 12, Thursday

Thursday within the Octave of Easter • Jueves de la Octava de Pascua

- 4:30 pm, REC1-2-3, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 6:00 pm, PC3-4, Food Pantry Setup

April 13, Friday

Friday within the Octave of Easter • Viernes de la Octava de Pascua

- 10:00 am, PC1-2, GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 3:30 pm, PC3-4, Loaves & Fishes Set Up
- 5:00 pm, PC 3-4, Loaves & Fishes Dinner
- 7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

April 14, Saturday

Saturday within the Octave of Easter • Sábado de la Octava de Pascua

- 9:30 am, APB, 12-Step SA



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Mass Intentions

April 7

5:00 pm	All Deceased Members of the Parish
April 8	
9:00 am	Doris Reed
	Bud Tight
	Jim Maddock
10:30 am	Gabriel Bernal
	John J. Mitchell
12:00 noon	All Deceased Members of the Parish
6:00 pm	All Deceased Members of the Parish

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 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.

In Our Prayers

Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

Alfonzo Ardana, Amalia Bech, Greg Bruce, Ethel Brumleve, John Breault, Phyllis Carlino, Gaspar Diaz, Julia Faloyin, Isabella Feliciano, Carlos Hernandez Gomez, Manuel Gomez, Donald Grabczyk, Sr. Joan Granzeier, Timothy Halpin, Lee Incandela, Teresa Joan Kilcullen, Michael Kinsella, Laura Lee, Isabelle Martinez, Melory Mizicko, Cindy O'Keefe, Ben & Susan Patrasso, Lino Stefani, Jim Teterycz, Victims of War & Domestic Violence

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

<i>Johnnie Mae Alexander</i>	<i>Chuck Jabaley</i>	<i>Michele Piotrowski</i>
<i>Alicia Anderson</i>	<i>Theresa Jabaley</i>	<i>Hector J. Rivera</i>
<i>Berta Billalvazo</i>	<i>Pat Johnson</i>	<i>Pedro Rodriguez</i>
<i>Patricia Chuck</i>	<i>Betty LaCour</i>	<i>Ray Romero</i>
<i>Basilio Diaz</i>	<i>Adolfo Lorenzana</i>	<i>Jeffrey Roscoe</i>
<i>Jackson Fineske & Family</i>	<i>Carmen Dolores Lorenzana</i>	<i>Sr. Jean Ryan, O.C.D.</i>
<i>Padraig Gallagher</i>	<i>Carmen Felicita Lorenzana</i>	<i>Jack Schank</i>
<i>Eloisa Gallegos</i>	<i>Miguel Lorenzana</i>	<i>Ruth Schmitz</i>
<i>Michael Gibbons</i>	<i>George Maroquin</i>	<i>Mima Tome</i>
<i>Angela Goldberg</i>	<i>Jose Marroquin</i>	<i>John Wagner</i>
<i>Kaylee Gommel</i>	<i>Tammy Martin & Family</i>	<i>Bernadine Walters</i>
<i>Les Gordon</i>	<i>Sally Jo Morrow</i>	<i>Hilda Williams</i>
<i>Genevieve Gorgo</i>	<i>Margaret Sue Meadors</i>	<i>Jack Williams</i>
<i>Geneva Gorgo</i>	<i>Bill Mobley</i>	<i>Michael Woyan</i>
<i>Mrs. Grabarczyk</i>	<i>John Monier</i>	
<i>George Halloran</i>	<i>Elda Myers</i>	<i>Survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse</i>
<i>Kellar Harris</i>	<i>Angel Nieves</i>	
<i>Fr. Patrick Harrity, C.M.</i>	<i>P. A. O'Neil</i>	
<i>David Hoffman</i>	<i>Msgr. Kevin O'Neill</i>	
	<i>Honorata Alicea Peña</i>	

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	LECTOR	EUCARISTIC BREAD	EUCARISTIC WINE
4-14-12 Saturday	5:00 pm	Fr. Charles Shelby	Raquel Bech	Leigh hartley	Becky Francis Lisa marquez
4-15-12 Sunday	9:00 am	Fr. Pascal Kasanziki	Michael Zost	Bernadette Diaz Geneva Gorgo Mary Beth Hughes	Annie Monak Dan Anderson Dennis Kamalick Frank Swiderski
4-15-12 Sunday	10:30 am	Fr. Edil Calero Cortez	Maria Montes Alex Lopez	Francisco Perez	Carmen Cruz
4-15-12 Sunday	12:00 noon	Fr. Pascal Kasanziki	Amy McCue	Aimee Jaszczer	Tom Kinsella Myrna Gomez Kinsella
4-15-12 Sunday	6:00 pm	Fr. Charles Shelby	Jane Ott	Katie Assell Jonathan Assell Christine Villoch	Kathy Richgels Luke Kolman Wendy Tymam Eileen Raia

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There is no Baptism without Death

We don't typically think about death in relation to baptism. But our faith teaches us that there is no baptism without death. If we contemplate on our *Baptism of Christ* icon, we see Jesus rising up out of the waters from between two mountains that actually form a tomb like structure. It is a beautiful image in which to reflect upon.

At Saint Teresa, when we celebrate a baptism, it is such a wonderful event. No thoughts of a death would come to mind. Most other congregations get irritated when a weekend Mass is interrupted with a baptism. Not us. Our entire assembly is truly involved in a baptism and this is a great thing.

It would benefit us, however, to see no baptism without death, to see every baptismal font as a tomb. And like Jesus rising from a tomb at his baptism, when someone is baptized, an old self dies and a new self is reborn—a self that is reborn in the risen Christ in which we celebrate on Easter. Even more exciting is to see that every time someone reaches into the tomb of the baptismal font to make the sign of the cross on themselves with the holy water; they are reminding themselves that they are going through a little death and being reborn again. It is an ongoing dynamic event.

Our baptism, like Easter, is not a onetime event. We celebrate our baptism over and over again. Why? Because we forget. Because we fall back into bad habits. Because we loose our way. And we need to remember. And because we need to know that a more merciful and peaceful life exists for us in Risen Lord.

**Join us for the next session of
Men's Spirituality Group
on Tuesday, April 10th,
from 6:15 am to 7:30 am in the parish center.**

Contact Matt Priesbe at (847) 729-1220 and mpriesbe@aol.com, or Tom Kosnik at (312) 527-2950 and tkosnik@visusgroup.com

— Tom Kosnik



Eucharistic Adoration



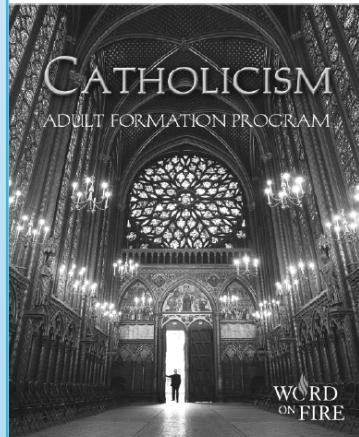
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Help The Women's Center

Pregnant women in difficult situations often find themselves feeling confused, under pressure and alone. At *The Women's Center* our counselors help them through friendship, counseling, and material assistance.

Volunteers are needed to help sell flowers after Masses for our annual flower sale on Mother's Day weekend, May 12-13. Help is also needed sorting donations in our Chicago Family Resource Room on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Call Jackie at (773) 794-8807.

We need for baby shampoo, baby wash, lotion and powder, maternity clothing and diapers sizes 5 and 6. These must be delivered to us unless accompanied by baby furniture. We desperately need 6 fixed side baby cribs, 8 infant/cARRIER car seats, 6 pack-n-plays, 2 changing tables, 4 double strollers, 5 single strollers and 4 bassinets. It will be a great help if you can deliver these to us. For our address, or if a pick-up is needed, please call (773) 794-1313.

Due to limited space we are unable to accept anything except the items listed.

Ignatian Volunteer Corps

Semi-Retired? Retired?
Eager to give something back?

The Ignatian Volunteer Corps may be for you! IVC members serve as tutors, employment counselors, food pantry volunteers, elderly companions, hospital chaplains, and more.

Members of this Jesuit service program volunteer in poor and marginalized communities two days per week (September-June), grow deeper in their Christian faith by reflecting and praying in the Ignatian tradition, and meet monthly with other IVC members and a spiritual reflector.

For more information, contact Christine Curran, IVC Regional Director, 773-975-6871, ccurran@ivcusa.org, or visit www.ivcusa.org.



2012 Operation Rice Bowl Reflection— The Resurrection



Our celebration of the resurrection brings us new joy and hope! Throughout Lent, your support of Operation Rice Bowl has helped offer hope to millions of people around the world who benefit from the work of Catholic Relief Services.

For six weeks you have prayed for the people of Madagascar, fasted in solidarity with the people of India, learned about the challenges in the lives of people in Vietnam and El Salvador, and given sacrificially to create economic opportunities in Zambia. Their struggles—and the efforts of CRS—are far from over, but you have made a difference.

New SPRED Community Forming



St. Josaphat Parish has a promising start in their effort to form a SPRED community for young adults with special needs, with three confirmed volunteers and six young people with developmental disabilities. Their goal is to begin SPRED sessions for these young adults in Fall of 2012.

Please consider becoming a partner for one of these friends. No former experience with persons with special needs is needed. SPRED at St. Josaphat is looking for people of faith who would be happy to be a part of a community of people with disabilities.

In order for persons with special needs to be included fully into the life of the parish, they need a secure, safe, small community of friends who will model faith and accompany them in friendship - people, like yourself, who can become the welcoming bridge to others.

If you're interested in volunteering, please attend the next SPRED gathering to learn about the responsibilities and the time commitment. We welcome people from any parish in the area/deanery.

**Tuesday, April 17th at 7:00 pm
St. Josaphat Rectory
2311 N. Southport Ave.**

Contact Mary Jane Shields (773) 327-8955 mary.jane@stjosaphatparish.org. or Julia Hess 773-539-3634 julia.spredcrw@sbcglobal.net.

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The Scope of Resurrection

When Jesus told his disciples about his impending resurrection from the dead, they did not know what he was talking about. But then, how could they? It had never been done before.

Most people and most religions long for eternal life in some form. It is natural for us to want to live forever, natural to want the good things in life to last, natural to view death as the greatest loss. But that hope was just that: a vague hope, a dull longing, an impossible dream. Until Jesus actually did it. Now, since rising from death has been done for the first time, it can be done by everyone.

But not everyone knows that. The resurrection of Jesus is an accomplished fact, but your resurrection and mine are still only hopes. And vague hopes at that, since we cannot even imagine what coming back from the dead would be like. Therefore, even the resurrection of Jesus is problematic for most of us.

Some theologians think that we cannot really believe in Christ's resurrection until we believe in the possibility of our own resurrection. If we have no experience of rising from the dead in some form, then how could we believe in something we know absolutely nothing about?

If we have found no joy in sadness or hope in despair, how can we possibly find life in death? If we have not bounced back from failure, if we have not recuperated from suffering, then how could we



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reasonably expect to rise from our own death?

We innately yearn for eternal life, but that is no more than a wish until it has been verified by Christ. On the other hand, the resurrection of Jesus is just raw data until it is processed through our own experience.

A Christian is not one who merely believes in the resurrection of Christ; a Christian is not one who merely believes in their own resurrection after death. A Christian is one who believes that death and resurrection are a way of life — that joy really does bloom in the soil of sadness, that hope really does rise from the ashes of despair, that a spirit of life really does spring from the dust of deadly things. A Christian is one who believes that daily dying and rising are practice for the final event.

But as great as this belief in personal resurrection is, as much as

it should energize our everyday lives, it is still a selfish, self-centered view of life. Yes, the hope of living forever encourages us to live fully now; yes, the prospect of eternal happiness lightens our present sadness. And yes, we may grant that other people will also rise to eternity with God.

That is a wonderful prospect. But what is lacking in this attitude is a greater horizon of reality. Our ingrained individualism makes us focus too intently on our own little space in the cosmos. We have yet to grasp the total compass of resurrection. It includes not only the continual life of our soul, but the regeneration of our body. Resurrection involves the reconfiguration of the whole cosmos in a form capable of eternal existence. Resurrection is the glorious fate of every atom of creation. In timeless eternity, every dust mote will sparkle with the glory of God.

Resurrection will happen to everything — but only humans are privileged to know that. Only we mere mortals know the immensity, the intensity of resurrection.

Only the true Christian understands that this little juggling act we call life is just a small act in the greatest show on earth.

— Fr. James Smith, Celebration Publications

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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.

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