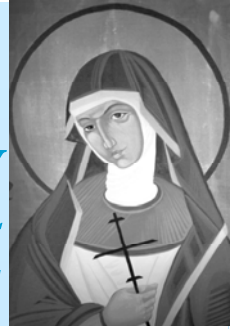


St. Teresa of Avila Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community

Armitage & Kenmore Avenues

Chicago, IL 60614



March 5, 2017

First Sunday of Lent

Faith & Spirit.
Alive



“The Lord, your God,
shall you worship
and him alone shall you serve.”

— Matthew 4:10

Stewardship

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Upcoming Stewardship Opportunities

- Host hospitality after 9:00 am Mass: Hosts needed in April, May & June. Sign up at signup.com/go/BnYEHC
- Host or attend a Bible Study: Begins March 5th. Groups are forming. Email jackiekoesters@gmail.com for details.
- Attend the Time of Your Life Gala kickoff planning party: Wednesday, March 21st. Time and location TBD. For Details, Email Rebecca at robrien@stteresaparish.org
- Join the Welcoming Committee: Are you interested in greeting people on Sunday's, hosting a hospitality, giving tours of the church or helping with new member dinners? Email kmkutz@gmail.com for details.
- Loaves & Fishes dinner: Fridays, 3:30-6:30pm, or socialize during dinner from 5pm-6pm. Register signup.com/go/NUtfbV.
- Food Pantry: Saturdays, 9am-12noon. Sign up at signup.com/go/nLVPbN
- Night Ministry: Every other Wednesday. Bake cookies, cook a meal, or serve on the streets. Sign up at signup.com/go/gxXR2u.
- Sign up for automated Sunday Giving: Your support enables our mission. Get started at givecentral.org.



Refugee Ministry Update!

Our Parish is standing together with refugees who have come to Chicago seeking a new life. To help them, we are working with Catholic Charities to find employers willing to hire them. Many need entry level jobs as they improve their English and get acclimated. Many others have well developed skills they would like to put to use. They are all eager to work and contribute to their new country.

We are currently looking for the following positions :

- Janitorial
- Construction and General Labor
- Tiling/Flooring
- Painting
- Driving
- Retail

If you think you may have an opening, please call or e-mail me to arrange an interview. If you have, or know of, any **other opening**, please let us know. We will try to match your position with one of the refugees.

Pat Murray (312) 388-9112 patrickfmurray@mac.com

Donations to the refugee fund can be made at: givecentral.org/location/209/10945.

Sign up for online giving at

GiveCentral

for your weekly offertory and other donations!

Three reasons to sign up:

1. Give Central is completely safe and secure as it follows SSL encryption standards.
2. It's easy to sign up, update throughout the year, and review your gifts as often as you like.
3. You can make your gifts through most credit cards or online checking.

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Visit st-teresa.net/volunteer to browse and sign up for a selection of recurring volunteer opportunities.

*Most
Wanted
Volunteers*

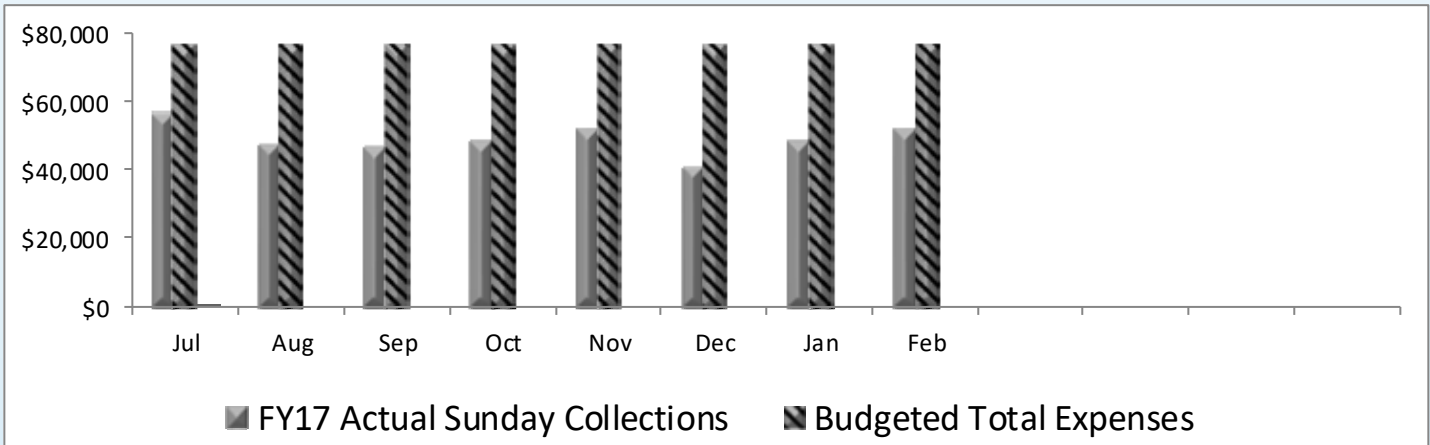
**Bible Study Leaders
or Hosts**

Refugee Mentors

Greeters

Interested in volunteering? Contact Rebecca at robrien@stteresaparish.org or (773) 528-6650

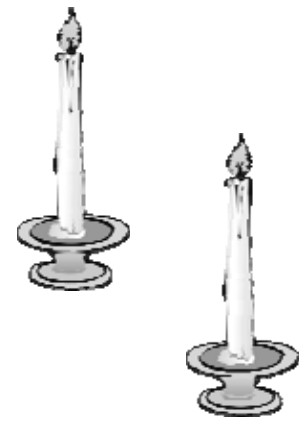
Fiscal Year (07/1 - 6/30) Comparison to Date



- In the graph above you will see that we have not yet met our budgeted expenses with our Sunday collections. We are on budget with our total income versus expense. Total income includes Sunday, Christmas and Easter collections, fundraising and miscellaneous donations.
- Our goal is to fund all operations and expenses from the weekly collections.
- St. Teresa's annual fundraisers assist in meeting funding gaps. It is the goal of the Finance Council and Fr. Frank to increase weekly giving to meet ongoing expenses and to use the proceeds from fundraisers for special initiatives and outreach programs.
- This year, the Christmas Collection was \$33,580; the Greenery sale netted \$1,511.
- Please contact our Business Manager, Maggie Fernandez, with any questions at mfernandez@stteresaparish.org, or Matt Donner, our Finance Council chair, at mddonner19199@gmail.com.

Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

Advent Weekend Count:	2-5-17	2-12-17	2-19-17	2-26-17
Average Daily Mass Attendance	7	7	7	7
Average Friday Communion Service	3	3	3	3
Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass Attendance	100	103	50	60
Saturday, 6:30 pm Mass Attendance (French)	60	-	60	-
Sunday, 9:00 am Mass Attendance	225	225	160	200
Sunday, 10:30 am Mass Attendance (Spanish)	40	-	-	-
Sunday, 12:00 pm Mass Attendance	135	130	130	150
Sunday, 6:00 pm Mass Attendance	40	150	130	130
Total Weekend Mass Attendance	600	608	530	540
Confessions this Week	0	0	0	1
Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week	1	0	0	1
Funerals since January 2017	0	0	0	0
Weddings since January 2017	1	1	2	2
Infant Baptisms since January 2017	3	3	3	3



There are 351 parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago; only 55 parishes have weekend attendance that exceeds 2,000. St. Teresa's 2016 October Count averaged 550 people at weekend Masses. The 2017 monthly averages are: January, 489; February, 570. In the Archdiocese there is 1 priest for every 1,525 parishioners; in the USA the ratio is 1:1,653 Catholics; 27 percent of US parishes do not have a resident priest. In comparison, South America has a ratio of 1:7,094 Catholics.

Parish Calendars

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Celebrant-Minister Schedule & Events

Date	Time	Celebrant	Sacristan/ Lector	Eucharistic Host	Eucharistic Cup
3-11-17	5:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Lisa Marquez Lector: Eric Fredericks	Kari Richardson	Rob Harmer Minister Needed (C2)
Next French Mass 3-18-17	6:30 PM	TBA			
3-12-17	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Children's Service	Nancy Van Grinsven Carly Johnston Veronique Caffrey	Barb Schell Jamie Lutkus Kevin Ludden Mark Van Grinsven
Next Spanish Mass 4-2-17	10:30 AM	Rev. Jeremy Dixon, CM	Carmen Ubides Carmen Vazquez	Carmen Cruz	Maria Gonzales
3-12-17	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Claire Kenkel	Maria Montes	Bob Pedro Alice Morales-Villenas
3-12-17	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Tom Micinski Lector: Doug Lovette	Dani Shane Sharon Lindstrom	Anne Seigenthaler Elizabeth Cuda Sara Hock

Sunday, March 5

- 9:15 am, REC, Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 10:20 am, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Monday, March 6

- 4:00 pm, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Tuesday, March 7

- 4:20 pm, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 6:00 pm, Church, Lectio Divina
- 6:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration
- 6:00 pm, REC, SPRED TC

Wednesday, March 8

- 5:00 pm, PC-Kitchen, Night Ministry Cooking

Thursday, March 9

- 9:00 am, PC, Food Pantry Delivery
- 7:00 pm, PC, Stewardship Meeting

Friday, March 10

- 10:00 am, Kitchen, Loaves & Fishes Cooking
- 5:00 pm, PC, Loaves and Fishes Dinner
- 7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

Saturday, March 11

- 10:00 am, PC-GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 2:00 pm, Church, Quarfoot-Homan Wedding

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday:	First Sunday of Lent
Tuesday:	Ss. Perpetua and Felicity
Wednesday:	St. John of God
Thursday:	St. Frances of Rome
Friday:	Abstinence
Saturday:	Purim (Jewish festival of the story of Esther) at sunset
Domingo:	Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes:	Inicio de la Cuaresma en el calendario juliano
Miércoles:	Miércoles de Ceniza; Ayuno y abstinencia
Viernes:	Santa Katharine Drexel; Abstinencia; Primer viernes
Sábado:	San Casimiro; Primer sábado

March 2017 Food Pantry Schedule

Saturday, March 4

9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

Saturday, March 11

9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

Saturday, March 18

9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

Saturday, March 25

9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

The Religious Ed Center (REC) is located at 1940 N. Kenmore Ave., one block south of the Parish Center (PC) at 1950 N. Kenmore. The Gathering Space (GS) is the entrance area to the PC at Kenmore Avenue.

Mass Intentions & Prayers

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 4

5:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila

Sunday, March 5

9:00 am Joseph Kachnik

10:30 am Angela Isabel; Isabel Vargas; Maria Angustias Ayala;
Jesus Ayala; Georgina Garcia

12:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila

6:00 pm Brad Clapham

Monday, March 6

7:30 am Marjorie Reidy

Let Us Pray

Please pray for our deceased friends and parishioners...

Rodolfo Bech, Barbara Byrd, Dolores Berendsen, Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu, Shaun Cantrell, Jerica Elaine Harris, Dorothy Holdsworth, Fred Jabaley, Andrzej Jastrzebski, Joseph Kamalick, Anthony Mastro, Angel Luis Neris, Carmela Nurmi, John and Margaret O'Neill, Robert Rooney, Bridie Ryan, Rev. David Stagaman, SJ, John Wagner, Victims of War & Domestic Violence

Please pray for all those who are ill, especially for ...

*Alicia Anderson
Dorothy Barns
Berta Billalvazo
Elizabeth Ryan Dean
Michael De Blasis
Kathy Derrick
Kim Duffy
Isabelle Eiffert
Jackson Fineske & Family
Alice Flynn
Padraig Gallagher
Eloisa Gallegos
Michael Gibbons
Angela Goldberg
Kaylee Gommel
Bolívar Gonzales, Jr.
Les Gordon
Mrs. Grabarczyk
George Halloran
Kellar Harris
Peg Hausen
Dave Hilko
David Hoffman*

*David Ivanac
Chuck Jabaley
Ronald Jakubec
Krista Kutz
Liz Kunkel
Betty LaCour
Carmen D. Lorenzana
Gabriel Lozada
Palmira Mancini
George Maroquin
Jose Maroquin
Lisa Marquez
Margaret Sue Meadors
Daniel Meyer
Tracy Mirabella
Bill Mobley
John Monier
Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M.
Elda Myers
John Paul Nelson
Angel Nieves
Msgr. Kevin O'Neill
Frank O'Toole*

*Clayton Poe
Carol Poyner
Marie Koesters-Ranley
Hector J. Rivera
Luis Rivera
Pedro Rodriguez
Ray Romero
Jeffrey Roscoe
Sr. Camilla Mary Marney, OCD
Sr. Jean Ryan, OCD
Jack Shank
Will Sullivan
Mima Tome
JoAnn Jahnke Trainer
Marianne Usiak
Sara Vega
Susan Violapiano
Jack Williams
Valerie Williams
Mae Witry
David Zeunert

Survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse*

#prayforpeace

Please pray for those who lost their lives to violence in the city of Chicago between February 23rd and 28th:

✠ James Morris	✠ Devell Coleman	✠ Jose Correa
✠ Jose Rosas	✠ Jon Shupe	✠ Willie Shaw
✠ Lance Jefferson	✠ Malik Bingham	✠ Justin Thomas
✠ Samuel Head	✠ Wilteeah Jones	✠ Tiara Richmond
✠ A'Miracle Jones (shot <i>in utero</i>)	✠ Bobbie Jackson	✠ Michael Lawrence-Harrington

Our **Mass Intentions** have many openings. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone alive or deceased, contact Deacon Dean at the parish office at (773) 528-6650 or dvaeth@sttereseparish.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.

Readings/Lecturas

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Martes: Is 55:10-11; Sal 34 (33):4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Miércoles: Jon 3:1-10; Sal 51 (50):3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lc 11:29-32
Jueves: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Sal 138 (137):1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Viernes: Ez 18:21-28; Sal 130 (129):1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Sábado: Dt 26:16-19; Sal 119 (118):1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Domingo: Gn 12:1-4a; Sal 33 (32):4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tim 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Treasures from Tradition

In recent years, there has been a resurgence of interest in various forms of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The custom of showing the consecrated host to the people, encased in a vessel called a monstrance, developed in a period of history when even very pious people received Communion only rarely. The opportunity to see the host raised high above the head of the priest at Mass, or to see the host exposed outside of Mass, was thought by many to be a form of spiritual Communion. Without question, our Catholic practice of reserving the consecrated host both for adoration and Communion of the sick and dying is a cherished tradition.

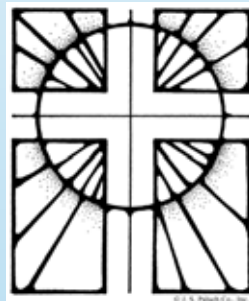
Over the next few weeks, we'll look at how these traditions developed and how the Church envisions reservation and adoration today. We do this by the light of the liturgical reforms that have restored a heightened appreciation for how receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is central to our worship. "Perpetual Adoration," "Reservation," "Benediction," and "Reposition" are all part of the Catholic vocabulary. Often the terms are misused, and a tangled history—as well as widely varying practices in our parishes—adds to the confusion. Many Catholics today have never participated in Benediction, or even spent time in adoration on Holy Thursday night. There's plenty of interesting history, much of it surprising and challenging, and we will do our best to inform you along the way. — Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Luego de una larga peregrinación, una imagen de Cristo llegó al pueblo de Esquipulas, Guatemala, el 9 de marzo de 1595. Dicha imagen negra de Cristo crucificado fue esculpida por Quirio Cataño a pedido de los habitantes del pueblo recién evangelizado.

En 1595, la recién esculpida estatua de Cristo iba rumbo a su destino, pero por cada pueblo que pasaba la gente pedía que lo dejaran una noche para que los fieles pudieran admirarla y rendirle culto a Cristo. Por tanto, la imagen tardó varios meses en llegar a su destino final.

Recientemente, una réplica del Cristo Negro de Esquipulas también tuvo problemas en llegar a su destino. Dicha copia, hecha en Guatemala para la comunidad guatemalteca de Los Ángeles, California, tuvo problemas al cruzar la frontera entre México y Estados Unidos, ya que las autoridades de inmigración no permitieron pasarla por falta de documentos. Los fieles no tuvieron otra opción que pasarla, a precio de "mordidas" y a escondidas, por lo cual se le llama el Cristo "Mojado" de Esquipulas. Cristo tuvo que entrar en este país como muchos inmigrantes latinos, a escondidas. — Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Strength Against Temptation

The first Sunday of the season of Lent always includes a Gospel account of the temptation of the Lord Jesus in the desert by the devil. This year, the story is set against the backdrop of the first reading from Genesis, which recounts the very first temptation by the devil. That story is set in a garden of delight. The Gospel story is set in the desert. As believers, we know that temptation comes our way in our own gardens of delight as well as the deserts of our lives.

As Lent begins, our attention is drawn to that temptation within each of us to become like God—we want control, power, and answers to all of life's difficult questions. As communities of faith, we are given this season of repentance so that we can join our hearts with others on the difficult journey of conversion. We look to God and to one another for strength against temptation. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Fortaleza Ante la Tentación

El primer domingo del tiempo de Cuaresma siempre incluye el relato evangélico de la tentación del Señor Jesús en el desierto por el diablo. Este año tiene como trasfondo la primera lectura de Génesis, en la que se narra la primera tentación del diablo que ocurre en el jardín del Edén. El relato del Evangelio transcurre en el desierto. Los creyentes sabemos que la tentación viene tanto en nuestros propios jardines como en los desiertos de nuestra vida. La Cuaresma comienza, y nuestra atención se dirige a esa tentación dentro de nosotros de hacernos como Dios—queremos control, poder y respuesta a todas las difíciles preguntas de la vida. A nuestras comunidades de fe se les ofrece este tiempo de arrepentimiento para que podamos unir nuestro corazón al de otros en el difícil camino de la conversión. Nos volvemos a Dios y hacia los demás buscando fortaleza ante la tentación. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Today's Readings

First Reading — The man and the woman ate the fruit of the one tree that God had told them to avoid, and their shame overtook them (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Psalm — Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — Death reigned from Adam to Moses, but now grace and life abound in Christ Jesus (Romans 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and there he fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11).



Lecturas de Hoy

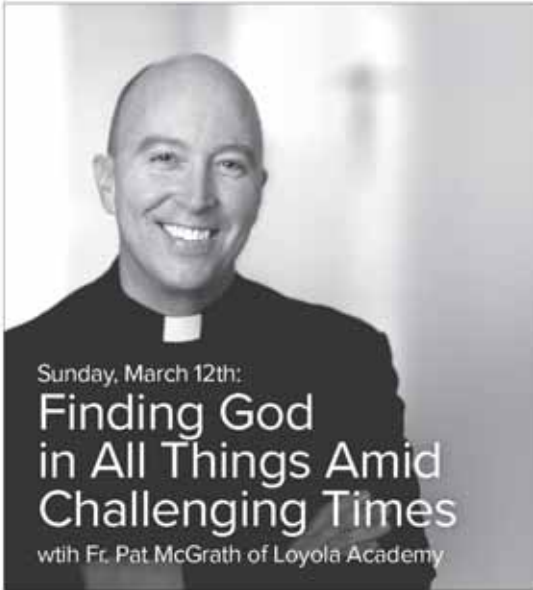
Primera lectura — Entonces se les abrieron los ojos y ambos se dieron cuenta de que estaban desnudos. Cosieron, pues, unas hojas de higuera, y se hicieron unos taparrabos. (Génesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Salmo — Ten piedad, Señor, porque somos pecadores (Salmo 51

[50]).

Segunda lectura — Una sola trasgresión acarrió sentencia de muerte para todos, pero la rehabilitación merecida por uno solo, obtuvo perdón y vida para todos (Romanos 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Evangelio — Adoraras al Señor, tu Dios, y a él solo servirás (Mateo 4:1-11).



Living in today's overly busy, noisy world, it is difficult to set aside time to reflect on our faith and our God. He may be always talking to us BUT in our high-tech world, we often don't hear Him. Even Jesus has to withdraw from the crowds: "...very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place where He prayed." Lent is the perfect time to set aside time to reconnect with Our Lord. Join Fr. McGrath, of Loyola Academy, for *Finding God in All Things Amid Challenging Times*, an afternoon of quiet reflection, observations and conversation.

Sunday, March 12th
Immaculate Conception Church
1431 N. North Park Avenue
1:30pm-4:00pm
immediately following 12:30 p.m. Mass

Fr. Pat McGrath, SJ, President of Loyola Academy in Wilmette, is a popular retreat leader and noted homilist who focuses on the practical living of our Catholic faith. He uses storytelling, scripture and wisdom from the Catholic tradition and the spirituality of St. Ignatius to help us reflect and experience God.

DREAMERS

*Prayer Vigil & Art Project in Solidarity
with Immigrants and Refugees*

Join together with members of the Chicago community during this time of national anti-immigrant sentiment. Stand in unity through prayer and reflection, and by creating art that brings hope. After the vigil, you are invited to an art exhibit and to participate in a community art project

Friday, March 10, 2017

Providence of God Church
717 W. 18th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60616

6:00pm – Registration & Live Music
6:30pm – Prayer Vigil
7:20pm – Community Art Project/Art Exhibit

For more information contact
Kate Macan: 913.515.9780 or Cristobal Alday: 773.961.5962



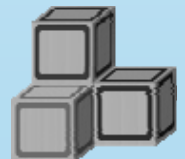
Friday Morning Playgroup Forming

A new baby-toddler playgroup is forming
at St. Teresa of Avila.

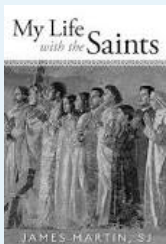
Friday Mornings
9:30 — 11:30 am

Religious Education Center
1940 N. Kenmore Ave.

Contact Kate Lynch for more information
klynch@stteresaparish.org



Lenten Book Study for Young Adults



If you are a young adult in the parish (out of college and approximately more or less about under 35ish) and are still looking for a way to engage your prayerful side during lent, St. Teresa is going to be hosting a book study over James Martin's *My Life with the Saints*. It is Fr. Martin's story of becoming a priest and how the lives of the saints influenced his journey. If you aren't familiar with Fr. Martin, he was the Jesuit advisor on the movie *Silence*, the unofficial chaplain of "The Colbert Report," and is a gifted and approachable writer.

We are considering meeting weekly during lent on Sundays or Tuesdays, so if you are interested please email john.dewyze@gmail.com.

Lenten Book Study for Young Adults

Do you like to sing church music? You're invited to join other parishioners once a month to sing as a choir at 6:00 pm Mass.



This is a friendly group that has no weekly rehearsals, no robes, no age limits, and no auditions. Simply meet by the piano at 4:30 pm for a warm-up and brief rehearsal before 6:00 pm Mass. Mark your calendar to sing with the choir for any of these Masses:

- Sunday, March 19th at 6:00 pm
- Easter Sunday, April 16th at 9:00 am
- Sunday, May 21st at 6:00 pm

Email Krista Kutz at kmkutz@gmail.com if you're interested in joining. All are welcome!

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays in Lent.



Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics 18 years old but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.

The Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy / Saturday.

Regulaciones de Cuaresma



La abstinencia de carne es para ser observado por todos los católicos de 14 años o mayores en el Miércoles de Ceniza y todos los viernes de Cuaresma.

El ayuno es para ser observado el miércoles de ceniza por todos los católicos de 18 años, pero aún no 59. Los que están obligados por la presente puede tomar sólo una comida completa. Dos comidas más pequeñas se permiten si es necesario para mantener la fuerza de acuerdo a las necesidades de uno, pero comer alimentos sólidos entre comidas no está permitido.

El ayuno, así como la abstinencia Pascual, se prescriben para el Viernes Santo y alentó para el Sábado Santo.

FIRST ANNUAL ST. TERESA OF AVILA TRIVIA NIGHT



SATURDAY, MARCH 18 • 7:30PM

ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH
1950 N. KENMORE AVE, CHICAGO

\$5.00/PERSON, INDIVIDUALS OR TEAMS UP TO 6
BYOB, SNACKS AND BEER WILL BE PROVIDED
RSVP BY EMAILING CPOGGE2@gmail.com

Testing What's in Your Heart

Temptation. Even the word itself is alluring, glamorous, enticing. And that's because, if there's one thing you and I understand about life, it's the reality of being tempted. Whether it's our diets or our struggles with greed or vengeance, we've all experienced temptation.

This is possibly why the story of Jesus being tempted has always been compelling. At its core, it is essentially a battle story, a contest between the two great monumental forces of good versus evil.

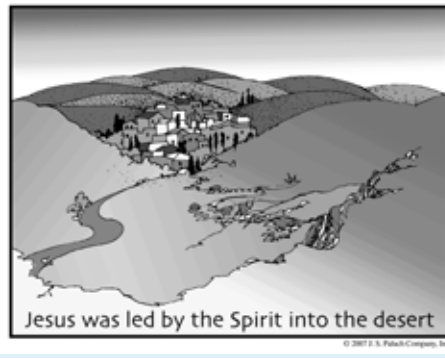
To properly understand what's happening in this Gospel story, we have to step back and remember the account of the Israelites being saved by God from the horrors of slavery.

After escaping the slavery imposed by the Egyptians, Israel's experience in the wilderness is expressed in terms of a test from God: "And you shall remember ... the Lord your God had led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments, or not" [emphasis added].

The whole idea of being tested, of being led by God, of traveling through the "wilderness," of the symbolic number forty, and even of fasting, all comes from this original account to see if God's chosen people would be able to love in return thereby testing to know what was in their heart.

On a human level, the same is asked of Jesus. And notice what his test, what his temptations involve: they all have to do with the issue of power, and how it is used or abused.

God the Father is about to



Go into your own wilderness for forty days. Pray, fast, become contrite, increase our service to others – all of this testing to know what was in your heart, and to remind us once again: “The Lord, your God shall you worship and him alone shall you serve” (Dt 8:2).

hand over to Jesus an enormous amount of power — the power to be God's face in the world, the power to build a kingdom of love, peace and mercy.

Jesus, then, on a purely human level, must be tested to see if, unlike the ancient Israelites who flunked the test, he can remain utterly faithful to Abba, his father.

This test is essentially the very same one that we all have to pass if we are to assume a position of power in our own lives whether as a husband or wife, a parent, a leader of any kind.

The test given Jesus and to us is threefold:

- Jesus is asked to deny who he truly is: the Son of God. Will we claim our identity as God's very own, acknowledging our true identity as human beings who are made in the image of God?

- Jesus is told he can be the source of great signs and wonders. Will we forsake our desire for fame and adulation, and instead live a life of humility focused on service?
- Jesus is told he will be given all the power and glory of the world's kingdoms. Will we be able to resist the power inherent in greed, lust, vengeance and all the glamour the world offer.

Temptations are powerfully seductive and alluring. In the example of Jesus, we are invited to resist them as did Jesus. On this First Sunday of Lent, our Gospel challenges us to do the same. Among the central themes of this season is the recognition that we all have to do battle against temptation — especially the temptation to misuse power.

To assist us in this conversion process, the church asks us to remember and to practice the message found in Deuteronomy: Go into your own wilderness for forty days. Pray, fast, become contrite, increase our service to others – all of this testing to know what was in your heart, and to remind us once again: “The Lord, your God shall you worship and him alone shall you serve” (Dt 8:2).

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The Stewardship Committee meet one Thursday per month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

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Evangelization

Seeking a Leader

Our Mission 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. We are a stewardship parish. Three percent of our operating income is shared with other missions.

Help with Stress...

The Holbrook Center, a service of Catholic Charities, provides confidential counseling at many locations, including its newest office at Holy Name Cathedral. Licensed counselors, affordable fees, and convenient appointment times, including evenings.

The Holbrook Counseling Center is in the network with BC/BS PPO. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call at (312) 655-7725.

For information about ...

Friday Playgroup (0-3 year-olds), Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (3-12 year-olds), The EDGE Youth Group (12-14 year-olds), or Quest Youth Group (High School)

Contact Kate in the Parish Office
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For information about ...

Baptism, Marriage, Reconciliation, Mass Intentions, RCIA or Communion for the Sick
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Weekend Masses

Saturday	5:00 pm
<i>en Français</i>	6:30 pm ⁺
Sunday	9:00 am
<i>en Español</i>	10:30 am*
	12:00 pm
	6:00 pm

⁺ First and third Saturdays, September through June

* First Sundays

Weekday Masses

7:30 am Monday through Thursday
7:30 am Fridays Communion Service

