



Faith & Spirit, Alive

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 8, 2017

"The kingdom of heaven will be taken away from you and given to people that will produce its fruit."

— Matthew 21: 43

Rev. Frank John Latzko, Pastor

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday at 5 PM & 6:30 PM (En Française¹) Sunday at 9 AM, 10:30 AM (En Español²) 12 PM, 6 PM ¹ First & Second Saturdays ² First Sundays

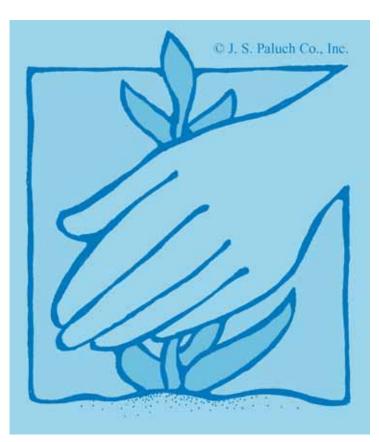
Daily Mass Schedule

Monday — Thursday at 7:30 AM Friday Communion Service at 7:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration Tuesdays 6 PM to 7:30 PM

Baptism Preparation 2nd Sunday of the Month 10 AM

Office Hours Monday – Friday 9 AM to 7:30 PM Saturday 9 AM to 12 PM



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Stewardship

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Strengths in Action Workshop

Are you interested in learning more about your own personal God-given strengths, and how you can put these strengths to use in your everyday life? Join us for *Strengths in Action*.

Participants will take the Clifton Strengths Finder assessment, learn about their unique strengths and the strengths of others, and learn how to apply these strengths at work, in personal relationship, and by volunteering time in service. By learning about your gifts and cultivating your strengths, you act as a steward of the unique gifts God has given to you.

Introduction Meeting: Thursday, October 12th, 7:30pm-8:30pm Workshop: Saturday, October 28th, 9am-2pm, lunch will be served

A \$20 donation is requested to offset the cost of materials. Register at givecentral.org/location/209/event/14008 or email claire.kenkel@gmail.com with questions.

Border Ministry

La Posada, operated by the Sisters of Divine Providence, provides shelter while immigrants and asylum seekers wait for their cases to be adjudicated before the U.S. Immigration Court and for asylees as they take steps toward achieving permanent resident status.

St. Teresa parishioners are encouraged to volunteer their time and skills and offer their friendship to clients at *La Posada*. No experience is necessary.

If you're interested in volunteering at *La Posada*, please fill out the interest form at: https://goo.gl/forms/ mjpFoy0XFHI9Daom2 or email questions to Nhu Phan at nhu712@icloud.com.

To donate to this ministry, write "La Posada" in the memo line of your check, or visit <u>givecentral.org/</u> location/209/event/13891.

It's not too late to join Fr. Frank's Border Ministry Reading Group. We're reading *Rescuing Regina*, by Sister Josephe Marie Flynn. The group meets Wednesday nights at 6:00 pm, now through November 8th. It's an opportunity to learn more about the injustices surrounding immigration and the asylum process. See page seven of this bulletin for more details.

Time of Your Life Gala

Tickets are now on sale for this year's annual fundraising bash, the *Time of Your Life Gala* on November 11, 2017 at Germania Place in Old Town. This seriously fun evening of dinner, drinks, dancing and great auctions and games all to celebrate the good works of our community made possible by the dedicated



volunteers and the generosity of our members and friends. Without the funds from the *Time of Your Life Gala*, we would not be able to continue to fund our many outreach efforts like the food pantry, loaves & fishes dinners, meal service with The Night Ministry, our refugee and border ministries, and Avila in Action grant program. Please join us!

Tickets are \$150/person or \$1500 for a table of 10. Raffle tickets are also available for \$100/ticket.

Visit timeofyourlifegala.com or text STAP to 52182 to purchase raffle tickets or event tickets. To donate items for auction, email janelpalm@mac.com.

Upcoming Stewardship Opportunities

- <u>Attend</u> the Time of Your Life Gala on 11/11! Purchase tickets at timeofyourlifegala.com.
- <u>Volunteer</u> at the Blood Drive with registration and hospitality. Email Mark.buciak@rcn.com.
- <u>Donate</u> to the food pantry at classy.org/give/t124744/#!/ donation/checkout. Donations made by November 11th are matched 20%.
- <u>Become</u> an altar server! Fr. Frank is recruiting singles, families, adults, anyone interested in serving at the alter. Lear more about the Mass by being involved. Sign up in the Gathering Space.
- <u>Teach</u> children during the Children's Liturgy of the Word, or as a catechist. Email Kate Lynch at kolynchdre@gmail.com for more information.
- <u>Organize</u> volunteers to coordinate a new, weekly social, in the Parish Center following 6:00 pm Masses.

Email Rebecca at robrien@stteresaparish.org for questions or to get involved with any of these opportunities.

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Financial Stewardship

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Avila in Action: Decidedly Not "Inaction"

In September, St. Teresa of Avila's Stewardship Committee voted on the charities that would receive funds from the *Avila In Action*. Please watch out for the Stewardship Committee's forthcoming information.

Avila in Action is part of St. Teresa's social outreach program. A few years ago, St. Teresa's Stewardship and Finance committees got together to design a more structured approach to social outreach. The result was *Avila in Action*, and the goal was to allocate a certain percentage of St. Teresa's total annual collection to the program which would then disburse funds to various charities based on specific requirements. Rebecca O'Brien has done a super job putting together the criteria and scoring system so we could arrive as close to an objective score as possible for each charity that applied for *Avila in Action* funds.

This year about 25 charities were analyzed, discussed, and voted upon. Ultimately six charities were selected for a total disbursement of \$32,500.

Where does the \$32,500 come from?

From July 1st 2015 to June 30th 2016, St. Teresa's Sunday & Holy Day Collection totaled \$565,000. A percentage of the money collected during this period then gets disbursed through *Avila In Action* during the following period, July 1st 2017 to June 30th 2018.

How is the \$32,500 calculated?

6% of the Sunday & Holy Day Collection is disbursed through *Avila in Action*. Ultimately our goal is to increase this percentage to 10% depending on the size of the Collection and the other needs of St. Teresa. For the first year *Avila in Action* disbursed 5% of the Collection, roughly \$20,000, to various charities. This year's *Avila in Action* disbursement of \$32,500 represents a 63% increase from disbursements made in its first year.

"Thank you" to the parishioners of St. Teresa. Without your continued help and living the message of helping those outside of the St. Teresa's walls, *Avila in Action* could not be as successful or grow as quickly as it has.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please email Maggie Fernandez at mfernandez@stteresaparish.org or Justin Alden at justin.alden@gmail.com.

Stewardship of Prayer and Worship Sunday: 10-1-17 Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass Attendance 46 Saturday, 6:30 pm Mass Attendance (French) Sunday, 9:00 am Mass Attendance 240 Sunday, 10:30 am Mass Attendance (Spanish) 55 Sunday, 12:00 pm Mass Attendance 130 Sunday, 6:00 pm Mass Attendance 175 Total Weekend Mass Attendance 646 Average Weekday Mass Attendance 6 Average Friday Communion Service Attendance 3 Confessions this Week 0 Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week 1 Funerals since January 2017 3 Weddings since January 2017 7 34 Baptisms since January 2017

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; March, 640; April, 705; May, 573; June, 541; July, 463; August, 510; September 566.S 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	
Saturday 10-14-17	5:00 PM	Rev. Richard Benson, CM	Sacristan: Lector: Daniel Kang	Kari Richardson	Ministered Needed (C1) Eric Fredericks	
Next French Mass Saturday 10-21-17	6:30 PM					
Sunday 10-15-17	9:00 AM	Rev. Richard Benson, CM	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Valerie Williams	Mary Serrahn Philip Malloy Anne Seigenthaler	Nancy Van Grinsven Mark Van Grinsven Jamie Lutkus Frank Swiderski	
Next Spanish Mass Sunday 11-19-17	10:30 AM	TBD	Tony Rivera Carmen Ubides	Carmen Cruz	Maria Gonzales	
Sunday 10-15-17	12:00 PM	Rev. Tom Ess, OFM	Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Jayme Nicholas	Maria Montes	Tyler Paul Mike Usiak	
Sunday 10-15-17	6:00 PM	Rev. Tom Ess, OFM	Sacristan: Adam Hock Lector: Doug Lovette	Daniel Cortese Pete Doyle Veronique Caffrey	Sara Hock Cara Gannon Abel Gonzalez Anne Heller	

Week's Activities

Sunday, October 8

- 10:30 am, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd .
 - 4:30 pm, REC, Quest/CGS III

Monday, October 9

Columbus Day — Office Closed No 7:30 am Mass 7:00 pm, PC, Parish Council Meeting •

Tuesday, October 10

- 4:00 pm, REC, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd .
- 6:00 pm, REC-PC, SPRED TC •
- 6:00 pm, REC, CGS Training
- . 6:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, October 11

- 10:00 am, Kitchen, Spaghetti Dinner Preparation .
- . 6:00 pm, PC, Border Ministry Reading Group
- . 6:00 pm, PC, Sacramental Preparation

Thursday, October 12

- 9:00 am, PC, Food Pantry Delivery .
- . 10:00 am, Kitchen, Spaghetti Dinner Preparation .
 - 7:30 pm, PC, Strengths in Action Retreat

Friday, October 13

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

Saturday, October 14

- 10:00 am, PC-GS, Food Pantry Distribution
- 5:00 pm, PC-Kitchen, Spaghetti Dinner .

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday:	Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonardi; Columbus Day			
Monday:				
Wednesday:	Saint John XXIII			
Saturday:	St. Callistus I; Blessed Virgin Mary			
Domingo:	Vigésimo Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario			
Lunes:	San Dionisio y compañeros; San Juan Leonardi; Día de la Raza			
Miércoles: Sábado:	San Juan XXIII San Calixto I; Santa María Virgen			

This Month's Food Pantry Dates

Saturday, October 7

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

Saturday, October 14

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

Saturday, October 21

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

Saturday, October 28 9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up

10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution



Mass Intentions & Prayers

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5:00 pm

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 7 James Buckle; Bernard and Elsie Vaeth

Sunday, October 8

9:00 amAngela and Canice Prendergast12:00 pmDeceased Members of St. Teresa of Avila Parish6:00 pmDeceased Members of St. Teresa of Avila Parish

Let Us Pray

Please pray for the deceased ...

Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu, Eddy Velazquez, Andrea Harris, Dave Hilko, Joseph Kamalick, Edward Nevera, Andrzej Jastrzebski, Anthony Mastro, Andrea Mastro Hoinacki, Fr. Barry Moriarty, C.M., Angel Luis Neris, Noemie Sylvestre and the Victims of War & Domestic Violence

This Month's Baptisms

Elizabeth Klupchak (10-1), Thomas Johnston (10-14), Charles Assell (10-29)

This Month's Baptism Anniversaries

Nicholas Marselle (10-18), Peggy Teterycz (10-19), Krista Kutz (10-26), Kotrina Hilko (10-30), Sharon Lindtron (10-31)

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

Alicia Anderson Jason Andre Dorothy Barns Berta Billalvazo Elizabeth Ryan Dean Michael De Blasis Alex DeNoma Kathy Derrick Kim Duffy Isabelle Eiffert Jackson Fineske & Family Alice Flynn Padraig Gallagher Eloisa Gallegos Michael Gibbons Angela Goldberg Kaylee Gommel Bolivar Gonzales, Jr. Les Gordon

Mrs. Grabarczyk George Halloran Kellar Harris Peg Hausen David Hoffman David Ivanac Chuck Jabaley Ronald Jakubec Jovce Jaszczor Frank Kolman Krista Kutz Liz Kunkel Betty LaCour Carmen D. Lorenzana Gabriel Lozada Palmira Mancini George Maroquin Jose Maroquin Lisa Marquez

Margaret Sue Meadors Sage Mesen Daniel Mever Tracy Mirabella Bill Mobley John Monier 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 Schank Bob Semmer Will Sullivan Mima Tome JoAnn Jahnke Trainer Marianne Usiak Sara Vega Susan Violapiano Jack Williams Valerie Williams Mae Witry David Zeunert

For the intentions on our prayer cards; for survivors and perpetrators of sexual abuse

#prayforpeace

We pray for those who lost their lives to violence in the City of Chicago between Chicago between September 29th and October 5th: Christopher Hardrick; Dashawn Townes; Darius Edwards; Donzell Brewster; Perry Stroger; Manuel Hernandez; Michael Hickingbottom; Anthony Oliver; Andrew Dehart; and Guy Lopez.

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@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.st the names of the deceased parishioners and friends for about twelve months.

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Stewardship Opportunity

We are currently scheduling hosts to provide refreshments after all Masses. There are currently 5 spaces left to fill.

If you have ever enjoyed linger-

ing about after Mass over refreshments and conversation, please consider hosting just once per year. It's easy to do. You can sign up through the Signup.com by clicking on the word "Volunteer" at our website stteresa.net. Or visit signup.com/go/BnYEHC to browse our openings to find one that works for you.

Questions/training: Contact Mairead Reidy mairead.reidy@yahoo.com

2018 Lector Workbooks Available

Lector Workbooks for 2018 in both English and Spanish are in the Sacristy.

All Lectors should pick up a copy. The Workbooks help prepare Lectors to proclaim the Word during Sunday liturgy.



Lectors are asked to please write enter their name on the list when they pick their workbooks.

Join Men's Spirituality

Are you interested in deepening your faith life through discussion with fellow male parishioners?



The St. Teresa Men's Spirituality Group invites you every second and fourth Tuesday at 6:30 am for prayer and conversation.

Next Meeting Tuesday, October 10

For more details, please contact Matt Priesbe at mpriesbe@aol.com. Come on Out Bring Your Family & Friends *to the* 9th annual Spaghetti Dinner Saturday October 14, 2017 from 5-8 pm PARISH CENTER 1950 N. Kenmore Ave



All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner.

Dine on salad, pasta, garlic bread, dessert, and soft drinks for only \$13 for adults, \$6 kids.

We will also have appetizers, beer, sangria & wine and amazing meatballs!

Bring your Friends and Family!

Proceeds from this event will be used for parish operating expenses including Social Outreach.

Daily Prayer, Scripture and Eucharist Weekdays at 7:30 AM

Learn to trust God more. Attend morning Mass Monday through Thursday at 7:30am. Mass is over by 7:50am



There is a brief communion service on Friday mornings, also at 7:30am, for those who want to pray, reflect on scripture, and receive Eucharist.

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Thank You Hunger Walkers

A special thanks to everyone who participated in the 2017 Greater Chicago Food Depository Hunger Walk in support of our Food Pantry. There is still time to donate and have the funds matched by the Food Depository. Please use the link below to direct your donation to Team St Teresa:



https://www.classy.org/team/124744

Donations can be accepted up until November 1st. Thanks for all you do in support of St. Teresa and the Food Pantry!

Fall Blood Drive October 22nd

When Mother nature is at her worst, human nature is at its best!

Kindly show your support by joining us for our Fall blood drive to help people in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico, and Mexico City. We are looking for both donors and hospitality volunteers.

Date: Sunday, October 22nd **Time:** 8:00 am to 1:30 pm **Location:** Parish Center, 1950 N. Kenmore

Donors: Kindly make your appointment in advance at: www.heartlandbc.org or by calling (800) 786-4483.

Thank you for sharing God's gift of life with others most in need.

Hospitality Volunteers: Please e-mail Mark at: mark.buciak@rcn.com Please consider giving 1 or 2 hours of your time either before or after going to Mass.

Please bring your smile.



It's Not Too Late to Join Border Ministry Reading Group

Fr. Frank is starting a border ministry reading group for those interested in participating in the border ministry at St. Teresa. The group will meet to discuss the book *Rescuing Regina, by* Josephe Marie Flynn SSND (2011, Chicago Review Press).



The Border Ministry Reading Group will meet on Wednesdays, now until November 8th, from 6:00-9:00 pm.

If you're interested in participating in the border ministry and joining the reading group, please contact Fr. Frank at fjsasso@aol.com.

Here's a brief synopsis of the book from Amazon:

What is it like to be a young mother threatened with deportation to the country whose government has imprisoned you and whose soldiers have raped and tortured you? You don't want to leave your children behind, but how can you take them with you, knowing that your homeland, ruled by chaos and violence, is notorious for murdering failed asylum seekers?

Regina Bakala found herself in just this situation ten years after escaping the Congo and settling in the United States. Upon arrival, Regina had worked with an immigration lawyer, then joyfully reunited with her husband, also a Congolese torture survivor, and had two children. Life was challenging but full of hope until the night there was a knock at the door and immigration agents burst in. They forced Regina from her home as her family watched, then locked her in prison to await deportation to certain death.

In *Rescuing Regina*, author Josephe Marie Flynn tells Regina's powerful story—and how her husband, a pit-bull lawyer, a group of volunteers, and a feisty nun set aside political differences to galvanize a movement to save her. Revealing what she uncovered about US immigration policies and the dangers faced by those escaping war crimes, Flynn exposes an America most never see: a vast underbelly of injustice, a harsh detention and deportation system, and a frighteningly arbitrary asylum process. In their battle for justice, Regina and Josephe not only confronted dangerous obstacles but also reawakened emotions and traumas from the past. A compelling story of a quest for justice, *Rescuing Regina* is also a tale of friendship, faith, hope, and the transformative journey of two friends.



Readings/Lecturas

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R	eadings for the Week	Lecturas de la Semana		
Monday: Tuesday:	Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25- 37 Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-	Lunes: Martes:	Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lc 10:25-37 Jon 3:1-10; Sal 130 (129):1b-4ab, 7-8; Lc 10:38-42	
·	42	Miércoles:	Jon 4:1-11; Sal 86 (85):3-6, 9-10; Lc 11:1-4	
Wednesday:	Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4	Jueves:	Mal 3:13-20b; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 11:5-13	
Thursday: Friday:	Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13 Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9;	Viernes:	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Sal 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lc 11:15-26	
Saturday:	Lk 11:15-26 Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;	Sábado:	Jl 4:12-21; Sal 97 (96):1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lc 11:27-28	
Sunday:	Lk 11:27-28 Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19- 20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]	Domingo:	Is 25:6-10a; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Fil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]	

Treasures from Tradition

Before long, as we've seen, the four newly constructed Eucharistic Prayers became two. The old Roman Canon faded away into relative disuse after 1600 unbroken years, sometimes heard only at Christmas Midnight Mass or the Easter Vigil. The new Eucharistic Prayer IV, at least in its English form, grates a bit on most hearers, and besides is meant only for Ordinary Time. The reconstruction of the ancient prayer of Hippolytus, Eucharistic Prayer II, is the most familiar, but its brevity sometimes creates an imbalance with the Liturgy of the Word. No wonder that as soon as the creative juices began to flow at the Vatican, people world-

wide were trying their hands at new prayers.

In 1967, even before the final shape of the new Mass was announced, bishops were asking to adapt that celebration for the needs of children. They wanted to clarify what ought to happen when large numbers of children are at Mass: what could be adapted, omitted, or shortened. Experimentation had already begun. Separate Liturgies of the Word for children were by this time commonplace in Holland and elsewhere in Europe. Catechists were saying that many of our liturgical forms were too complex for the children in their charge, and priests were making adaptations on their own. Clearly, the Vatican had to take this seriously. — Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

La Virgen María tiene siglos de estar apareciéndose a los cristianos. Aún antes de que fuese asunta al cielo, ella ya se

le había aparecido al apóstol Santiago en Zaragoza, España. Según una antigua leyenda, Santiago llegó a tierra española en el año 40 para predicar el Evangelio. Tuvo poco éxito y desanimado pensaba sacudirse de los pies el polvo de aquella tierra y buscar convertir otras gentes. Mientras estaba en oración, María, la madre de Jesús, se le apareció con palabras de consuelo, ánimo y un pequeño obsequio. Le dio una imagen de ella misma sobre un pilar y con el Niño Jesús

en brazos.

En esa tierra ella pidió la construcción de un templo donde ella misma sería altar para la gloria de Dios. Santiago mismo construyó la primera iglesia donde hoy se encuentra una gran basílica en honor de Nuestra Señora del Pilar. En el siglo XVIII, el Papa Clemente XII declaró el 12 de octubre como su fiesta en memoria de la llegada de los europeos al continente americano. De María vienen los principios del Día de la Raza. - Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



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Bearing the Right Kind of Fruit

Today's readings focus our attention on vineyards.

Isaiah's song concerning his friend's vineyard begins with inspiring and poetic images of an idyllic vineyard where the choicest harvest is expected. Instead, the vineyard yields wild grapes, which causes the owner to abandon it. The psalmist cries out to God, asking that God once again take care of the vineyard, which is the house of Israel. The parable told in today's Gospel offers a stern warning that those who commit treachery in the hopes of attaining personal wealth will be "put . . . to a wretched death" (Matthew 21:41). Jesus

warns his listeners not to act like the murderous tenants in the vineyard. Instead he exhorts them to produce the kind of fruit that will lead them to the kingdom of God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Dar Buen Fruto

Las lecturas de hoy ponen su atención en las viñas. El

cántico de Isaías respecto a la viña de su amada comienza con inspiradoras y poéticas imágenes de una idílica viña de la cual se espera la más exquisita cosecha. En cambio, la viña da uvas agrias, lo cual hace que el dueño la abandone. El salmista clama a Dios. pidiéndole que la visite otra vez, ya que es la casa de Israel. La parábola que cuenta hoy el Evangelio ofrece la seria advertencia de que a los que cometen traición esperando obtener ganancia personal se les "dará muerte terrible" (Mateo 21:41). Jesús advierte a sus oventes que no

actúen como los viñadores asesinos en la viña. Más bien los exhorta a que produzcan el tipo de fruto que los llevará al Reino de Dios. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Today's Readings

First Reading — The vineyard of the LORD is the house of Israel (Isaiah 5:1-7).

Psalm — The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel (Psalm 80). **Second Reading** — God's peace will guard your hearts and minds (Philippians 4:6-9).

Gospel — The kingdom of God will be

given to those who will produce its fruit (Matthew 21:33-43)

Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — El Señor busca una cosecha de justicia (Isaías 5:1-7).

Salmo — La viña del Señor es la casa de Israel (Salmo 80 [79]).

Segunda lectura — Mora con pensamientos de pureza y justicia y sabrás lo que es la paz (Filipenses 4:6-9).

Evangelio — La piedra que rechazaron los constructores se ha convertido en la piedra angular (Mateo 21:33-43).

Reflection

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My Friend had a Vineyard

The readings for today are challenging yet beautiful. The first reading, psalm and Gospel appear to be the same story told in three ways: "My friend had a vineyard." Then there is the second reading which seems to have nothing to do with the other two. But, perhaps, it is the key to the others — the key that can unlock our understanding of what God is saying to us today.

Suppose you had a garden full of young plants. A dear friend decides to walk among your plants — but instead walks all over them. Perhaps God feels the same way: "How could you do such a thing?" David G. Garber, Jr. in his online commentary on this Isaiah reading points out the masterful play on words that God says through the Hebrew writer: I desired justice (*mishpat*), but you produced bloodshed (*mishpach*). I anticipated "righteousness" (*tsedeqah*), but have heard only a "cry" (*tse 'aqah*).

This is a retelling of the archetypical story of the garden of Eden: God plants a garden and we spoil it. In the Isaiah retelling, God responds: "I will make it a ruin: it shall not be pruned or hoed ... I will command the clouds not to send rain upon it." With each retelling, the ending is different, which leads to the possibility that God tells the same story to every generation in the hope that the ending will be different.

At the end of the psalm, we realize that we have betrayed our heritage, this beautiful Earth, and



The Gospel ends with these words: "The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." What fruits?

we ask in humility: "God, once again in our generation, look from heaven, and see; take care of this vine, and protect what your right hand has planted ... Then we will no more withdraw from you. Help us work with you to protect this vineyard that you have planted."

The Gospel ends with these words: "The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." What fruits? The fruits that Paul writes about to the community at Philippi. To paraphrase Philippians 4:8: "Do whatever is true, and whatever is honorable; do justice; be chaste in word and deed; set your heart on that which is lovely, and be gracious to one another. Continue in the way that you have learned from me. Let your mind be that of Christ Jesus who came to be the servant of all."

If we do these things, we shall be blest indeed. And one day, we shall sit with God's people in a world-wide vineyard and sing together George Herbert's love song to God:

Love bade me welcome. Yet my soul drew back Guilty of dust and sin. But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack From my first entrance in, Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning If I lacked any thing. A guest, I answered, worthy to be here: Love said, You shall be he. I the unkind, ungrateful? Ah mv dear. I cannot look on thee. Love took my hand, and smiling did reply, Who made the eyes but I? Truth Lord, but I have marred them: let my shame Go where it doth deserve. And know you not, says Love, who bore the blame? My dear, then I will serve. You must sit down, says Love, and taste my meat: So I did sit and eat. ("Love (III)" by George Herbert, 1593-1633)

Let us so live that we may sit and eat with God and our sisters and brothers.

Celebration Publications - Robin Stratton

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

Pastoral Council

- Jessica Marx Anna Althoff Bertel Olson Luke Kolman Kate Lynch
- Chris Parente Jose Cervantes Mary Paz Ramirez Tom Micinski Rebecca O'Brien

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The Parish Pastoral Council usually meets the second Monday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

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

Office Information & Bulletin Deadlines

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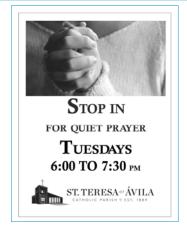
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Ministry Leadership Chart

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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 klynch@stteresaparish.org

For information about ...

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

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