

# ST. TERESA OF ÁVILA

CATHOLIC PARISH ✚ EST. 1889



Faith & Spirit, *Alive*

## Most Holy Trinity May 27, 2018

Go . . . and make disciples of all  
nations, baptizing them in the  
name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

— Matthew 28:19



Rev. Frank John Latzko, Pastor

### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday at 5 PM & 6:30 PM (En Française<sup>1</sup>)  
Sunday at 9 AM, 10:30 AM (En Español<sup>2</sup>) 12 PM, 6 PM  
<sup>1</sup> First & Second Saturdays <sup>2</sup> 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 7:00 PM  
Saturday 9 AM to 12 PM

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# Stewardship

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## Give Central Update

Last week, Fr. Frank's preached about how "maintenance" is the death of the Holy Spirit. When we look to simply *maintain* our relationships, our marriages, our relationship with God... we stifle the Holy Spirit's ability to help us to GROW!

There is often talk of *maintaining* our Sunday collections over the summer season, so that we can *maintain* our buildings, our ministries, our community. I invite you to scrap the idea of our need to maintain, and instead see yourself as a part of our growth.

The single most helpful thing you can do, if you have not already done so, is to sign up for automated giving through Give Central. Give Central ensures we receive steady, predictable income that we can count on as we continue to grow. Thanks to our success with Give Central, over the past three years, our collections have increased 30% which has allowed for increased service and outreach through our Refugee Ministry, Border Ministry and partnership with the Night Ministry.

**You can sign up at [givecentral.org/location/209/3495](http://givecentral.org/location/209/3495)**

**Thank you for your commitment to growth at St. Teresa of Avila!**



## Avila in Action: Application Window Opens June 15th

Stewardship is rooted in the idea that all we have is a gift from God, and with grace we gratefully give back to God from what we have been given. In the same way the Church teaches these principles, the church itself strives to live by them.

In 2015, our parish made a prayerful decision to designate 6% of Sunday collections to organizations outside of our own ministries that are seeking to change the world for the better, and to seek input from the parish on how the funds are distributed. This initiative has been named *Avila in Action*.

Registered parishioners may nominate a charity of their choice to receive an *Avila in Action* grant. The application window will be open from June 15th – July 31st. Applications will only be accepted through our website.

**Questions may be directed to Rebecca O'Brien at [robrien@stteresaparish.org](mailto:robrien@stteresaparish.org) or (773) 528-6650.**



## Featured *Avila in Action* Grantee: Umoja Student Development

### How Do We Increase the Peace in Chicago High Schools?

In 2017, St Teresa's *Avila in Action* Grant program awarded \$5,000 to Umoja Student Development.

This month, Umoja invites St. Teresa's parishioners to get a behind-the-scenes view of the transformative Restorative Justice work happening through the Peace Room at Lincoln Park High School.

Learn about the power of community-building within the school and the incredible impacts they have seen on both students and staff by investing in a restorative approach to relationship-building and conflict resolution.

**Join us on Thursday, May 31 from 8am-9am at LPHS. Contact fellow parishioner and Umoja Board Member Sharon Lindstrom if you are interested or for more information at [shalin01@sbcglobal.net](mailto:shalin01@sbcglobal.net).**



*Interested in  
joining the  
Time of Your Life  
Committee?*

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TEXT/CALL: 616-403-9975

WE WOULD LOVE YOUR IDEAS, ENERGY & ENTHUSIASM!

**Interested in volunteering? Contact Rebecca at [robrien@stteresaparish.org](mailto:robrien@stteresaparish.org) or (773) 528-6650**

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

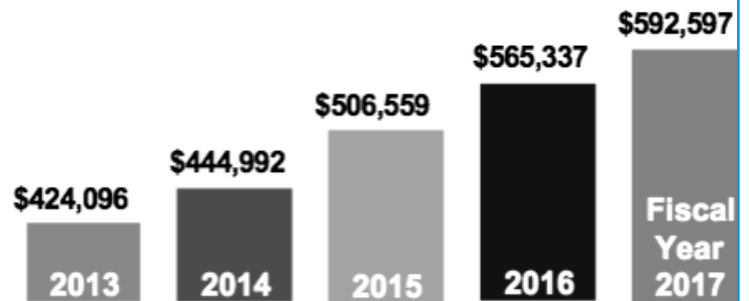
### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

(7/1/2016 – 6/30/2017)

**\$592,597\***

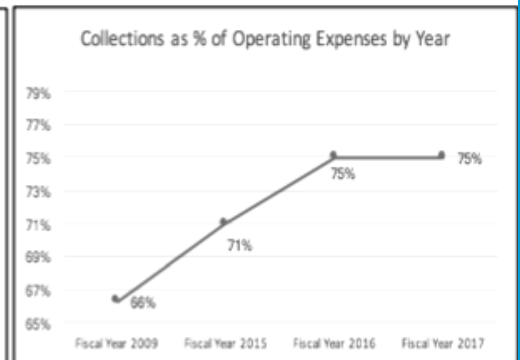
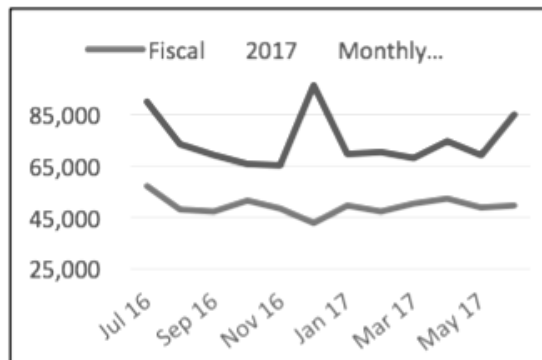
\* Our budget for Fiscal 2017 was \$584,000, we surpassed our budgeted collections by \$7,400!

### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS BY YEAR



## COLLECTION AS % OF OPERATING EXPENSES

The goal of the Archdiocese of Chicago is to have collections cover Parish expenses on a 1:1 basis. For every \$1.00 of Parish expenses, \$.75 are covered by our Collections. The remaining \$.25 of Parish expenses are covered by our fundraisers. Our operating expenses include salaries, utilities, health insurance, archdiocese assessments.



## Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

	Sunday:	5-6-18	5-13-18	5-20-18
Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass Attendance		42	71	45
Saturday, 6:30 pm Mass Attendance (French)		55	-	153
Sunday, 9:00 am Mass Attendance		225	260	160
Sunday, 10:30 am Mass Attendance (Spanish)		41	-	-
Sunday, 12:00 pm Mass Attendance		170	160	190
Sunday, 6:00 pm Mass Attendance		140	115	100
<b>Total Weekend Mass Attendance</b>		<b>673</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>648</b>
Average Weekday Mass Attendance		11	11	11
Average Friday Communion Service Attendance		5	5	5
Confessions this Week		0	0	0
Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week		0	0	0
Funerals since January 2018		2	3	3
Weddings since January 2018		0	0	1
Baptisms since January 2018		16	18	18



There are 351 parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago; only 55 parishes have weekend attendance that exceeds 2,000. St. Teresa's October Count averaged for 2016, 550; for 2017, 628 people at weekend Masses; The 2017/2018 monthly averages are: January, 489/644; February, 570/566; March, 640/637; April, 705; May, 573; June, 541; July, 463; August, 510; September, 566; October, 621; November 622. In the Archdiocese there is 1 priest for every 1525 parishioners; in the USA the ratio is 1:1653 Catholics; 27 percent of US parishes do not have a resident priest. In comparison, South America has a ratio of 1:7094 Catholics.

# Parish Calendars

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## Celebrant-Minister Schedule

Date	Time	Celebrant	Sacristan/Lector	Eucharistic Host	Eucharistic Cup
Saturday 6-2-18	5:00 PM	Fr. Richard Benson, CM	Sacristan: Lisa Marquez Lector: Barb Schell	Lisa Marquez	Kari Richardson Eric Fredericks
French Saturday 6-2-18	6:30 PM				
Sunday 6-3-18	9:00 AM	Rev. Tom Ess, OFM	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Elizabeth Rooney	Philip Malloy Nancy Van Grinsven Mark Van Grinsven	Frank Swiderski Geneva Gorgo Molly Malloy Jamie Lutkus
Spanish Sunday 6-3-18	10:30 AM	Rev. Tom Ess, OFM	Antonia Pabon Carmen Ubides	Maria Montes	Alex Lopez
Sunday 6-3-18	12:00 PM	Rev. William Piletic, CM	Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Craig Scanlon	Tyler Paul	Laura Moran Mike Usiak
Sunday 6-3-18	6:00 PM	Rev. Michael Njeru, CM	Sacristan: Sara Hick Lector: Claire Kenkel	Andrew De Leonardis Bert Olson Kevin Ludden	Peter Doyle Sharon Lindstrom Luke Kolman Eileen Raia

### Week's Activities

#### Sunday, May 27

- Pauline Books & Media After Masses

#### Monday, May 8

- Holiday—Parish Office Closed

#### Tuesday, May 29

- 7:30 am, PC3-4, St. Josaphat Student Retreat
- 6:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration
- 7:00 pm, PC3, Boarder Ministry Meeting
- 7:30 am, PC2, Women's Spirituality Meeting

#### Wednesday, May 30

- 5:00 pm, Kitchen-PC, Night Ministry Cooking
- 7:30 pm, Church, CCFC Chaplet

#### Thursday, May 31

- 9:00 am, PC3-4, Food Pantry Delivery
- 6:30 pm, PC-2, Bible Study

#### Friday, June 1

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

#### Saturday, June 2

- 10:00 am, PC, Food Pantry
- 1:00 pm, PC3-4-GS, Eagle Scouts Meeting
- 4:00 pm, Church, Fatima Rosary
- 4:30 pm, REC, CCFC Catechesis
- 7:30 pm, PC3-4, CCFC Potluck

### Saints & Special Observances

#### Sunday:

The Most Holy Trinity

#### Monday:

Eighth Week in Ordinary Time; Memorial Day

#### Thursday

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

#### Friday:

St. Justin; First Friday

#### Saturday:

Ss. Marcellinus and Peter; Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

#### Domingo:

La Santísima Trinidad

#### Lunes:

Octava Semana del Tiempo Ordinario; Día de los Caídos

#### Jueves:

La visitación de la Santísima Virgen María

#### Viernes:

San Justino; Primer viernes

#### Sábado:

Santos Pedro y Marcelino; Santa María Virgen; Primer sábado

### Upcoming Food Pantry Dates

#### Saturday, June 2

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

#### Saturday, June 9

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

#### Saturday, June 16

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

#### Saturday, June 23

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

#### Saturday, June 30

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



# Mass Intentions & Prayers

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## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, May 26

5:00 pm Deceased Members of St. Teresa of Avila Parish

### Sunday, May 27

9:00 am Deceased Members of St. Teresa of Avila Parish

12:00 pm Joyce Jaszczor

6:00 pm Deceased Members of St. Teresa of Avila Parish

## Let Us Pray

### Please pray for the deceased ...

*Jeffrey Bergen, Michael Dudash, Andrea Harris, Edward Nevada, Andrea Mastro Hoinacki, Chuck Jabaley, Joyce Jaszczor, Marie Koesters-Ranley, Frank Kolman, Elizabeth Kunkel, Thomas Latoski, Sage Mesen, Bob Semmer, Pat Stanley, Noemie Sylvestre, Eddy Velazquez, and the Victims of War & Domestic Violence*

## May Baptisms

*Claire Marie Torchen (5-6-18), Lucy Marie Baker (5-6-18), Kaius Nolan Lynch (5-6-18), Peter Wagner (5-13-18), Miles Demko Barran (5-13-18)*

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

Alicia Anderson  
Dorothy Barns  
Berta Billalvazo  
Michelle Brandt  
Patricia Chuck  
Elizabeth Ryan Dean  
Michael De Blasis  
Alex DeNoma  
Kathy Derrick  
Kim Duffy  
Isabelle Eiffert  
Jackson Fineske & Family  
Pat Folland  
Alice Flynn  
Eloisa Gallegos  
Michael Gibbons  
Angela Goldberg  
Kaylee Gommel  
Bolivar Gonzales, Jr.

Les Gordon  
Mrs. Grabarczyk  
George Halloran  
Kellar Harris  
Peg Hausen  
David Ivanac  
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  
Elda Myers  
John Paul Nelson  
Angel Nieves  
Msgr. Kevin O'Neill  
Frank O'Toole  
Clayton Poe  
Carol Poyner  
Hector J. Rivera  
Luis Rivera  
Pedro Rodriguez  
Ray Romero  
Jeffrey Roscoe  
Sr. Camilla Mary Marney, OCD  
Sr. Jean Ryan, OCD  
Jack Schank  
Will Sullivan  
Mima Tome

JoAnn Jahnke Trainer  
Elizabeth Ann True  
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 last week -- **Cedric Williams; Earnest Wilson; Erica Frazier; Ronald Brooks; Tyree Davis; Terrance Cox; Donnell Horton; Davion Ervin; Mario Alberto Leon; Kyle McGowan; and Steven Dornobos.**

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](mailto: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 leave the names of the deceased parishioners and friends on the list for about twelve months.



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## Communion for the Homebound

The Ministry of Care program at St. Teresa of Avila brings the Eucharist to the faithful who are unable to attend church.

If you know of someone who cannot come to Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call Dean in the office at (773) 528-6650 to arrange for a visit.



## Men's Spirituality June 12

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 beginning at 6:30am for prayer and conversation.

**The Next**

**Men's Spirituality Meeting  
is Tuesday, June 12th**

For more details, contact Craig Dean  
at [cdean@aegpartners.com](mailto:cdean@aegpartners.com).

## Run in His Strength


Are you looking to do something powerful in 2018? Something that will bring joy to others?



Consider joining Mercy Home for Boys & Girls' Heroes team for the sold-out October 7th Bank of America Chicago Marathon and transforming the life of an abused child in Chicago.

Mercy Home for Boys & Girls has been a solution for kids in crisis since 1887. By joining our Heroes team, you will make it possible for us to provide a safe home, emotional healing, and academic opportunities for children who have suffered abuse, neglect, poverty, and abandonment.

**Sign up at [mercyhome.org/marathon](http://mercyhome.org/marathon) or contact Jim Harding at [jimhar@mercyhome.org](mailto:jimhar@mercyhome.org) or (312) 738-9381 for more information.**



**Pauline Book & Media Fair**  
**St. Teresa Avila Parish**  
**May 26-27, 2018**  
**Scheduled Weekend Masses**

Daughters of Saint Paul / Pauline Book & Media Center  
172 N Michigan Ave, Chicago IL 60601  
PH 312-346-4228 EM [chicago@paulinemedia.com](mailto:chicago@paulinemedia.com)  
[www.pauline.org](http://www.pauline.org)

## Our Lady of Fatima Rosary on Saturday, June 2nd

Everyone is welcome to join the First-Saturday rosary devotion to Our lady of Fatima on **June 2nd** at 4:00 pm in the church.



Todos son bienvenidos a unirse a la devoción del rosario Primera-sábado a Nuestra Señora de Fátima el **2 de Junio** a las 4:00 pm en la iglesia.

## Food Pantry Needs

There are five items the Food Pantry could *really* use:

- Pasta & rice (all kinds)
- Oatmeal
- Boxed cereal
- Hearty canned soups
- Regular- and family-size deodorant & shampoo; tooth-brushes & toothpaste

**If you are interested in volunteering at the Food Pantry, contact Lisa Hanzelka at [lhanzelka@gmail.com](mailto:lhanzelka@gmail.com).**



## The Gift That Keeps On Giving

*“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” – 1 Peter 4:10*

Vacation season is upon us, and while you’re away we’ll be here, joyfully serving those in need of spiritual nourishment and the poor who benefit from our food-based ministries.



Please help us remain financially stable during this season by maintaining your financial commitment to the parish. Automated giving through Give Central is an easy way to ensure our collections won’t dive when attendance is low.

If you’ve already signed up for automated giving, please be sure your credit card information is up to date. If you have questions or need assistance, call the parish office at (773) 528-6650.

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

*A great way to start the day...* attend morning Mass Monday through Thursday at 7:30 am. Mass is over by 7:50 am.



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

## Divine Renovation Reading-Discussion Group

*Divine Renovation* is an engaging guide for parishes seeking to cultivate communities of discipleship and vibrant, dynamic faith. Highly acclaimed for his work with parish renewal and the New Evangelization, author Fr. James Mallon shares with us the many ways for bringing our parishes to life.

Through humorous and colorful stories, Mallon challenges us to rethink our models of parish life, from membership-based communities to assemblies of disciples

of Jesus who proclaim and share the good news with all peoples. Accessible and engaging, *Divine Renovation* turns to the Church’s many writings on evangelization and mission so as to articulate practical ways for injecting new life into our parishes.

**If you’re interested in reading and discussing *Divine Renovation*, see Fr. Frank after Mass or email him at [fjsasso@aol.com](mailto:fjsasso@aol.com).**



# Readings/Lecturas

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## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9-10c; Mk 10:17-27  
**Tuesday:** 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31  
**Wednesday:** 1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 10:32-45  
**Thursday:** Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56  
**Friday:** 1 Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96:10-13; Mk 11:11-26  
**Saturday:** Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2-6; Mk 11:27-33  
**Sunday:** Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

## Lecturas de la Semana

**Lunes:** 1 Pe 1:3-9; Sal 111 (110):1-2, 5-6, 9-10c; Mc 10:17-27  
**Martes:** 1 Pe 1:10-16; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Mc 10:28-31  
**Miércoles:** 1 Pe 1:18-25; Sal 147 (146):12-15, 19-20; Mc 10:32-45  
**Jueves:** Sof 3:14-18a o Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lc 1:39-56  
**Viernes:** 1 Pe 4:7-13; Sal 96 (95):10-13; Mc 11:11-26  
**Sábado:** Jds 17, 20b-25; Sal 63 (62):2-6; Mc 11:27-33  
**Domingo:** Ex 24:3-8; Sal 116 (115):12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mc 14:12-16, 22-26

## Treasures from Tradition

One of the great treasures of the Eastern tradition is the icon of the Holy Trinity created by the Russian iconographer Andrei Rublev in the 1400s. The Trinity is symbolized by the three travelers to the tent of Abraham and Sarah. They are seated at a table blessing a cup of wine, under the oak of Mamre. If you look closely, you will see a sacrificed calf in the chalice, reminding the viewer of the cross. The table, prepared for eating and tilted toward the viewer, is an invitation to the Eucharist. From left to right, each figure is keyed to a person of the Trinity. Like all icons, this image is theology in art. The persons are equal in proportion and dignity, they all carry staffs to symbolize their power, and are shown with golden wings and halos. Today, the best place to see Rublev's work is the Holy Trinity Cathedral, at the heart of the vast Holy Trinity monastery about an hour from Moscow. After decades of persecution, it is now once again a living monastery, a world heritage site, and the spiritual home of Russian Orthodoxy. A Google visit is highly recommended today! —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



## Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

La mayoría de los cristianos fuimos bautizados en nuestra infancia o niñez en nombre de la Santísima Trinidad; es por eso que continuamente hay que recordar y aceptar nuestro bautismo y el reto de vivir según el Espíritu de Jesús como hijos e hijas de Dios. Esto se hace cada vez que nos persignamos o santiguamos con la señal de la santa cruz. Así mismo, nuestra fe y religión cristiana esta fundamentada en la Santísima Trinidad y cada persona que entra en nuestra familia tiene que pasar por la cruz y la resurrección.

La señal de la cruz la trazamos en nuestro cuerpo desde la frente hasta nuestro vientre; del hombro derecho al hombro izquierdo— poniendo nuestro corazón casi al centro de este misterio. Muchos latinos terminan la señal poniendo el pulgar sobre el índice en forma de cruz y besándola confirmando el amor que nosotros tenemos por la cruz de Jesús y el hecho que cargamos en nuestros cuerpos el efecto de esa cruz, la reconciliación con Dios. Recordamos con esta señal nuestro bautismo muriendo a una vida de pecado y renaciendo por el Espíritu a una vida nueva en Cristo, para la gloria de Dios Padre. —Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gilz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



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## The Responsibility of Our Faith

Today is a day simply to ponder the fact that in baptism we were claimed by God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The first reading from Deuteronomy prompts us to fix in our hearts the truth that God is the Lord of both heaven and earth and there is no other god. Saint Paul reminds us that, because we received the Spirit of adoption in baptism, we are now children of God. In the Gospel Jesus charges us with the responsibility to make other disciples. These realities make today's solemnity a day of praise, adoration, and responsibility. It is a fitting day to thank God for the absolutely free gift of faith that we were given in baptism. It is also a day to ask God for strength to take on the responsibility of sharing that faith with others.

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## La Responsabilidad de Nuestra Fe

Hoy es un día para reflexionar sobre el hecho de que en el Bautismo, Dios Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo nos hizo hijos suyos. La primera lectura del Deuteronomio nos insta a anclar en nuestro corazón la verdad de que Dios es el Señor del cielo y de la tierra y que no hay otro dios. San Pablo nos recuerda que, al haber recibido el Espíritu de adopción en el Bautismo, ahora somos hijos de Dios.

En el Evangelio Jesús nos encomienda la responsabilidad de encontrar más discípulos. Estas realidades hacen de la solemnidad de hoy un día de alabanza, adoración y responsabilidad. Es un día apropiado para agradecerle a Dios el generoso regalo de la fe que recibimos en el Bautismo. También es un día para pedirle a Dios fortaleza para asumir la responsabilidad de compartir esa fe con los demás.

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## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — Ask now of the days of old: Did anything so great ever happen before? Was it ever heard of? (Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40).

**Psalm** — Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** — You received a Spirit of adoption through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" (Romans 8:14-17).

**Gospel** — I am with you always, until the end of the age (Matthew 28:16-20).



## Lecturas de Hoy

**Primera lectura** — El Señor es Dios en los cielos y en la tierra, y no hay otro (Deuteronomio 4:32-34, 39-40).

**Salmo** — Dichoso el pueblo que el Señor se escogió como heredad (Salmo 33 [32]).

**Segunda lectura** — Somos hijos de Dios, herederos también; herederos de Dios herederos de Cristo si sufrimos con él (Romanos 8:14-17).

**Evangelio** — Jesús les dice a sus discípulos que vayan y hagan discípulos de todas las naciones, bautizándolos y enseñándolos (Mateo 28:16-20).

## “Two Whats in One Who”

An Amish family goes to a mall for the first time. Everything is quite amazing: food court, music, numerous stores. The grandmother sees two shiny, silver doors open and watches an elderly man enter between them. The doors close behind him. Two minutes later, the doors open and rather than seeing the elderly man who originally entered, a handsome 20-something year-old man emerges. (Now we know these doors are to an elevator, but it's something she had never before.) Again, the doors open and another old guy goes in. Soon after, a young, good-looking guy appears. The woman's granddaughter comes over and says, “Granny, isn't this place great?” “Yes,” replies the grandmother. “Quick! Go get your grandfather!”

The reality and meanings of the Trinity are hard to understand. Thirty years after St. Augustine wrote *De Trinitatis (On the Trinity)* he admitted that even he himself could not understand what he had written. But when we realize the point of our faith is all about transformation, the dogma of the Trinity gets very interesting. Our trinitarian God is relational. Divinity mediates power, i.e., grace, to us. God's grace transforms us into people who can live with God now and forever. St. Thomas Aquinas realized that grace, the power of God's love, is the ability to do what we could not do before. We need God's grace/power to love



**Today's Gospel tells us that all power in heaven and Earth, all the power of love, has been given to Jesus. The Trinity is all about how God's powers of creation, compassion and love relate to our lives, our societies and cultures.**

as God loves. God becomes what we are so that we can become what God is. That's not some Jesuit spin on Trinitarian theology. That's St. Athanasius in the fourth century:

The Word became flesh to make us “*partakers of the divine nature*” (2 Peter 1:4) ... “For the Son of God became man so that we might become God.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church #460)

After celebrating the great feasts of Pentecost, we celebrate Trinity Sunday. The mystery of understanding Jesus is trying to figure out “two whats in one who.” The mystery of the Trinity is attempting to fathom “one what in three whos.” The doctrine of the Trinity teaches that God is a set of relationships among persons. The Father loves the Son and their love is the Holy Spirit, which is poured out into our hearts (Romans 5:5). Lover, Loved, Love.

Today's Gospel tells us that all power in heaven and Earth, all the power of love, has been given to Jesus. The Trinity is all about how God's powers of creation, compassion and love relate to our lives, our societies and cultures.

God labors to save all God loves. God gives us power now, through those we love and through those who love us. Sacraments empower us now to live as Jesus lived, inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit. We go forth from this Mass to join justice, foster faith and live love.

Love is relational and love usually unites more than two. Families are sets of trinities. Husband, wife, children. Nuclear family, extended family, the family of humankind. Ancestors, present family members, future family members. The sacrament of marriage and family are as much a sign of God's presence as ordained ministry. Parents loving one another; parents loving children, and children loving parents and siblings.

If you ever want to really see the love of God, watch parents at the side of their child's hospital bed. God loves us the way parents love children. That's really good news.

And, if you find that elevator, please let me know where it is. I want to take a ride on it.




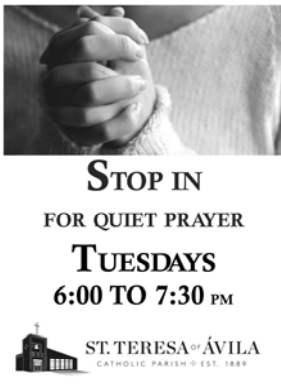
# St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

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**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. Six percent of our Sunday collections is shared with other missions.

<b>Help with Stress...</b>  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.  		<b>For information about ...</b>  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 <a href="mailto:klynch@stteresaparish.org">klynch@stteresaparish.org</a>
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