



ST. TERESA OF ÁVILA

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Faith & Spirit, *Alive*



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 5, 2018

*I am the bread of life;
whoever comes to me
will never hunger,
and whoever believes in me
will never thirst.*

-- John 6:35

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

¹First & Second Saturdays ²First 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

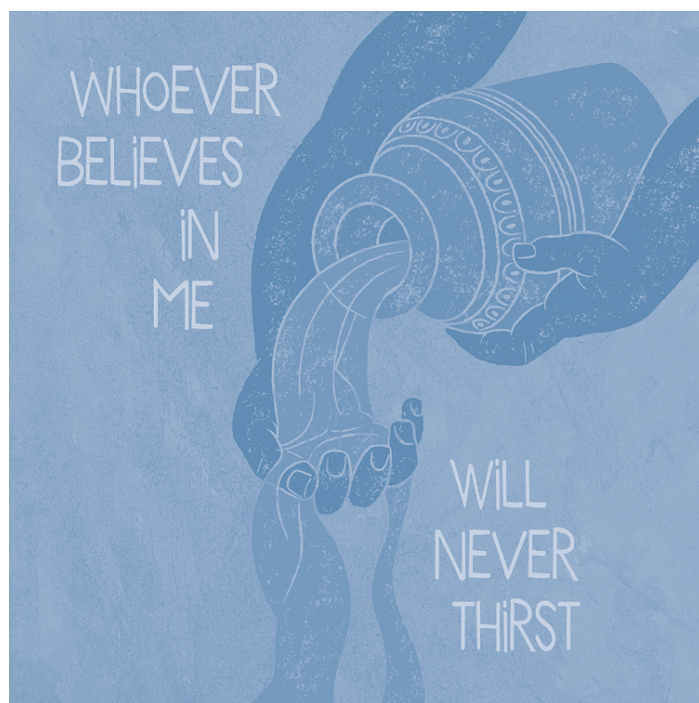
Baptism Preparation

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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Summer Service Opportunities

We need you this summer! Attendance often drops during vacation season but we promise to maintain our commitment to service - our Mass schedule will remain the same, and our ministry to the poor continues. We cannot do this without volunteers. Read on for opportunities and sign up to help. Thank you for dedicating some time this season to serving others!

Food Pantry: Every Saturday morning from 9am - 12pm. Supervised kids welcome.

Loaves & Fishes Dinners: Every Friday night, supervised kids welcome. Set up and serve from 3:30pm-6:30pm, or share a meal with our guests from 5:30pm-6:30pm.

Night Ministry Meal Service: Every other Wednesday. Bake cookies and bring to St. Teresa. Help cook a meal from 6:00pm-8:30pm, or take the meal out to the streets from 9pm-11pm.

Host Fellowship: Every Sunday following the 9am Mass. Bring treats, juice, make coffee and clean up. A great way for individuals, couples and families to help grow our community.

Browse spots and register online at signup.com/go/stteresa.

7 ideas for service: Time of Your Life Gala

Our single most important fundraiser of the year, the Time of Your Life Gala, returns to Germania Place on Saturday, November 17th. Join us for a “magical” evening of dinner, drinks, dancing, games and auctions. Below are some ideas on how you can support our ministries through this important event:

1. Join our fun and social planning committee
2. Donate your vacation home, boat, concert tickets, etc. to the auction
3. Buy your tickets to the event (pre-sale ends August 30th)
4. Buy extra tickets and bring some friends
5. Ask your favorite restaurant, hotel, service provider, etc. to donate a gift certificate
6. Buy a sponsorship or program ad
7. Invite your company to buy a sponsorship or program ad

Email Annmarie.p.kearney@gmail.com to donate items to the auction or to discuss sponsorship packages.

Purchase tickets, donate items and more at timeofyourlifegala.com



Avila in Action Applicants

The Stewardship Committee received 16 applications for this year's Avila in Action grant program. Selection will take place in August, with awards granted in September. Avila in Action reserves 6% of Sunday Collections for worthy causes outside of our own ministries. For more information about Avila in Action, visit st-teresa.net/avila-in-action.

Good luck to the applicants, and thank you to all who nominated an organization.

Let It Be Us, University Ministry - Dominican University, Taller de José, Opportunity International, Literature for All of Us, Chicago Jesuit Academy, The Village Chicago, The Night Ministry, Esperanza School, VOCEL, Holy Trinity High School, School : La Main Divine, Amate House, Ignatian Spirituality Project, Daniel Murphy Scholarship Fund, Franciscan Outreach

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

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Financial Collections

Date	Collections Basket	Give Central	Total
7-1-18	\$2,537	7/1 - 7/3 \$8,168	\$10,075
7-8-18	\$3,786	7/4 - 7/10 \$8,775	\$12,561
7-15-18	\$2,505	7/11 - 7/17 \$6,527	\$9,032
7/22/18	\$2,402	\$5,715	\$8,117
YTD 7/1/18 - 7/22/18	\$11,230	\$29,185	\$40,415

Everyday Stewardship

"Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not." (EXODUS 16:4)

When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego leads to hoarding and excessive surplus of goods and money. Living a stewardship lifestyle helps us discern our "wants" from our "needs". Living a generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

Do you see God providing for the needs in your life? Can you recall a time when you took a leap of faith, and saw God grant you what was needed?

Tax Credit Scholarships

Are you interested in supporting low income students with your tax dollars? A 75% state tax credit is available for donations toward a qualified scholarship granting organization (SGO). St. Teresa of Avila has partnered with St. Benedict the African, one of just two schools still servicing Chicago's Englewood neighborhood, to encourage funding scholarships through the new Illinois tax credit scholarship program.

This program is a great way to maximize your charitable dollars. For example, a net contribution of \$1,045 (\$4180 donation with a \$3,135 tax credit) you can support a full scholarship.

Visit archchicago.org/tcs to learn more, or contact the parish office.

Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

Sunday: 7-29-18

Saturday, 5:00pm Mass Attendance	45
Saturday, 6:30pm Mass Attendance (French)	-
Sunday, 9:00am Mass Attendance	175
Sunday, 10:30am Mass Attendance (Spanish)	-
Sunday, 12:00pm Mass Attendance	130
Sunday, 6:00pm Mass Attendance	100

Total Weekend Mass Attendance 450

Average Weekday Mass Attendance	10
Average Friday Communion Service Attendance	5

Confessions this Week	0
Anointin/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week	0
Funerals since January 2018	5
Weddings since January 2018	4
Baptisms since January 2018	27

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, 705/810; May, 573/583; June, 541/523; 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 ration of 1:7094 Catholics.

Parish Calendars

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Celebrant/Minister Schedule

Date	Time	Celebrant	Sacristan/Lector	Eucharistic Host	Eucharistic Cup
Saturday 8-11-18	5:00 PM	Rev. Tom Ess, OFM	Sacristan: Lisa Hanzelka Lector: Raquel Bech	MINISTER NEEDED	Kari Richardson Carly Johnston
Sunday 8-12-18	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Peggy Teterycz	MINISTER NEEDED Michael Zost Molly Malloy	Jamie Lutkus Rose Ohiku Mary Serrahn Barb Schell
Sunday 8-12-18	12:00 PM	Rev. Tony Dosen, CM	Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Alejandro Lopez	Alice Morales-Villenas Laura Moran Carmen Ubides	Deirdre Currey Bormes Kevin Ludden Daniel Kang Maria Montes
Sunday 8-12-18	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Amir Rafizadeh Lector: Callie Pogge	Veronique Caffrey Cara Gannon Hannah Toohey	Alyssa Stella MINISTER NEEDED Carol Coffey Abel Gonzalez
Tuesday 8-14-18	7:30 PM	Fr. Frank	Assumption Vigil		
Wed 8-15-18	7:30 AM	Fr. Frank	Assumption Mass		

Week's Activities

Sunday, August 5
No Activities Planned
Monday, August 6
7:00 pm, PC, Parish Council
Tuesday, August 7
6:15 pm, PC, Men's Spirituality
6:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday, August 8
5:00 pm, PC-Kitchen, Night Ministry
Thursday, August 9
9:00 am, PC, Food Pantry Delivery
Friday, August 10
5:00 pm, GS-PC, Loaves & Fishes Dinner
7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group
Saturday, August 11
9:00 am, GS-PC, Food Pantry

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: The Transfiguration of the Lord
Tuesday: St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan
Wednesday: St. Dominic
Thursday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
Friday: St. Lawrence
Saturday: St. Clare
Domingo: Decimooctavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes: La Transfiguración del Señor
Martes: San Sixto II y compañeros; San Cayteando
Miércoles: Santo Domingo
Jueves: Santa Teresa Benedicta de la Cruz
Viernes: San Lorenzo
Sábado: Santa Clara

Upcoming Food Pantry Dates

Saturday, August 11
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
Saturday, August 18
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
Saturday, August 25
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
Saturday, September 1
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
Saturday, September 8
9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up
10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
Saturday, September 15
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, August 4

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

Sunday, August 5

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

12:00 pm Jacoba Stafford; Joyce Jaszczor

6:00 pm Gerald Byrne

Let Us Pray

Please pray for the deceased ...

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

August Baptisms

***Theodore Zeidan Abousaleh (8-4-18),
Makayla Rue Murphy (8-18-18)***

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

*Alicia Anderson
Dorothy Barns
Berta Billalvazo
Michelle Brandt
Carol Coffey
Patricia Chuck
Elizabeth Ryan Dean
Michael De Blasis
Alex DeNoma
Kathy Derrick
Kim Duffy
Isabelle Eiffert
Helen Fasano
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
Betty LaCour
Carmen D. Lorenzana
Gabriel Lozada
Madeline 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
Juan Nigo
Msgr. Kevin O'Neill
Frank O'Toole
Clayton Poe
Carol Poyner
Hector J. Rivera
Luis Rivera
Pedro Rodriguez
Ray Romero
Jeffrey Roscoe
Denise Rosen
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 -- **Vernon Major Silas; Hugo Gutierrez; and Ryan Hatchett.**

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 leave the names of the deceased parishioners and friends on the list for about twelve months.

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LIFE AND JUSTICE CONFERENCE

The Office of Human Dignity and Solidarity is excited to host this year's Life and Justice Conference entitled *Building a New Reality Together!*

The keynote speaker for this year's conference will be Sister Helen Prejean.

Saturday, September 15
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Mount Carmel High School
6410 South Dante Avenue
Chicago, IL 60637

\$20 until August 1 | \$25 after August 1 | \$30 at the door

Please visit pvm.archchicago.org to register or our Facebook page @ohdschicago for more information.



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CLASES DEL OTOÑO 2018

Lugar: San Cornelius
5430 W. Foster Ave. Chicago, IL 60630

Sesión Informativa e Inscripción

Miércoles, Agosto 22, 2018 de 7:00pm a 10:00pm

Primera Sesión

Miércoles, Agosto 29, 2018 de 7:00pm a 10:00pm

Curso de 10 semanas. Tres horas semanales.
Costo total \$120.00 Incluye material y diploma.

¡Enriquece tu vida! Actúa con Iniciativa, Responsabilidad, y Sentido de Pertenencia. ¡Comunicate! ¡Aprende! ¡Crece! y ¡Construye!

Free Family Fun Bike Ride: Chicago Kidical Mass

Chicago Family Biking presents the Free Family Fun Bike Ride:
Chicago Kidical Mass

Join us for a slow, easy-going bike ride focused on kids of all ages and families. Recommended for kids off training wheels, adults with trailers or child seats, tag-along, cargo bike, etc.

When: 3rd Saturday of every month (Aug 18, Sept 15, Oct 20)

Where: Wicker Park, 1425 N Damen Avenue, Chicago 60622 (on the playground)

Depart: 10:00 am

Return: 11:30 am

<https://www.facebook.com/ChicagoFamilyBiking/>

Tutor's Needed

Volunteer tutors are needed to help in the classroom at George Manierre School (1420 N. Hudson) for the upcoming 2018/19 school year. Tutors would assist students with elementary Math and Reading skills.

Scheduling is flexible but support must be completed during classroom hours on Monday through Friday.

If interested, contact Jeanne at norbertasanna@gmail.com

St. Teresa's Parish Mission

St. Teresa's Parish Mission
August 18 & 19 - All Masses

Fr. Daniel Onyeayana, C.M.F.

The motto of the Claretians is "The Love of Christ Impels Us".

Committed to seeing the world through the eyes of the poor, the Claretians strive to respond to the most urgent and timely needs, using all means possible. We give special attention to the needs of recent immigrants, youth and families, leadership training and spiritual renewal.

Join us this weekend for a powerful and challenging message.

Tallér de Jose Says Thank You



Taller de José



10th Anniversary Mass of Thanksgiving

Join us Sunday, September 23rd for a mass of Thanksgiving celebrating 10 years of Accompaniment at Taller de José! All are welcome for this free event commemorating all of the people, organizations, and supporters that have made an impact on this thriving Chicago ministry.

When: Sunday, September 23rd 3pm
Where: Kolbe Assumption Catholic Church,
2434 S California Ave, Chicago

Reception immediately following the mass
Your RSVP to 773-523-8320 or info@tallerdejose.org would be appreciated!

Parking is available in the church lot off of California Blvd and in the Taller de José lot accessible via the alley off of 25th street.

Tallér de Jose Diga Gracias



Taller de José



Misa de acción de gracias del 10 aniversario

Únase a nosotros domingo el 23 de septiembre para una misa de acción de gracias celebrando 10 años de acompañamiento en Taller de José. Todos están bienvenidos para este evento gratis conmemorando a toda la gente, organizaciones y partidarios que han impactado este ministerio prospero en Chicago.

¿Cuándo?: domingo el 23 de septiembre
a las 3:00 de la tarde
¿Dónde?: Kolbe asunción iglesia católica, 2434 S
California Ave, Chicago

Recepción inmediatamente después de la misa
Su RSVP a 773-523-8320 o Info@tallerdejose.org sería agradecido! Estacionamiento disponible en el parqueo de la iglesia accesible desde la California o en el parque de la oficina de Taller de José accesible desde el callejón desde la calle 25.

Assumption Mass

Feast of the Assumption – Harvest of the Poor

Now toward the end of the summer season, at a time when fruits are ripe in the gardens and fields, the Church celebrates the most glorious “harvest festival” in the Communion of Saints. Mary, the supremely blessed one among women; Mary, the most precious fruit which has ripened in the fields of God’s kingdom, is taken into the granary of heaven. The Assumption is the oldest feast day of Our Lady.

Masses will be at 7:30PM on Tuesday, August 14th and on Wednesday, August 15th at 7:30AM.

Bring fresh flowers for Mary and non-perishable food for the poor.

NEW! Sunday Family Playgroup

A few families from the Friday play group are meeting after the 9 am Mass to go to the splash park every 2 weeks starting July 22. The more the merrier! Grab a bite at hospitality and join us at the newly renovated splash pad at Adams park. Ck St T’s Tot spot on Facebook for more info.



St. Teresa’s Men’s Retreat

Our annual fall retreat at **Bellarmino September 7 – 9**. This year’s retreat will focus on the Spiritual Exercises: *Familiar Themes and New Images* (it is a Jesuit Retreat House after all).

For more details, contact Craig Dean at cdean@aegpartners.com.

Readings/Lecturas

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Readings for the Week

Monday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10
Tuesday:	Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday:	Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23
Friday:	2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
Saturday:	Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday:	1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34:2-9; Eph 4:30 — 5:2; Jn 6:41-51

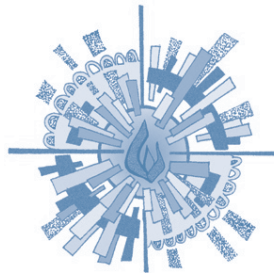
Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Sal 97 (96):1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pe 1:16-19; Mc 9:2-10
Martes:	Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Sal 102 (101): 16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 o Mt 15:1- 2, 10-14
Miércoles:	Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
Jueves:	Jer 31:31-34; Sal 51 (50):12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23
Viernes:	2 Cor 9:6-10; Sal 112 (111):1-2, 5-8; Jn 12:24-26
Sábado:	Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Sal 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20
Domingo:	1 Re 19:4-8; Sal 34 (33):2-9; Ef 4:30 5:2; Jn 6:41-51

Treasures From Tradition

In 1794, a young Irishwoman befriended two widows aboard ship while emigrating to America. They bought a house in Philadelphia and began to live a community life under the direction of a priest. Soon they relocated to Washington. There, the “pious ladies,” as the neighbors called them, were asked by their priest friend, by then the president of Georgetown University, to begin a religious community. In 1799 they established a branch of the Visitation Order founded by Saint Jane de Chantal and Saint Francis de Sales in the 1620s.

The unique vision of this order followed a sensible routine, less arduous and more flexible than most traditions, and also accepted widows and older women. Amazingly, this American outpost of the Visitation began without reference to the “rule” of the Order. Most of the European convents had been lost under the “reign of terror,” and the rules and customs of the community could not be obtained. A copy of the rule was discovered in 1812, and in 1816 the pope officially established the monastery. By then, some French nuns had regrouped, and they sent a habit and cross to be copied. (No religious wore the habit in public in the United States until after the Civil War.) From the beginning, the Georgetown nuns had an educational mission, even though they discovered in the “rule” that such work was officially off-limits for the contemplative life. In America, the nuns depended on a school for their livelihood, so the rule was adapted. Today, the Academy of the Visitation is a thriving example of excellence in Catholic education, and the adjacent monastery is the oldest monastic foundation in the original thirteen United States.



Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

Y el día 6 de agosto de 1726, Fray Antonio Margil de Jesús, el fundador de las misiones en Texas dijo “Ya es hora de ir a ver a Dios” y tomó su último paso. Desde su llegada a América en 1683 el indomable Hermano Menor trazó caminos para llevar el Evangelio de Jesucristo a los nativos.

Él emprendía sus caminos al estilo de los primeros misioneros seráficos de dos en dos, a pie, descalzo, alimentado sólo por virtud de la generosidad de los fieles, pasando las noches donde pudiera, armado sólo de un crucifijo, un bastón y su libro de oraciones y cantando mientras caminaba. De esta manera propagó la fe caminando hacia el norte llegando a la Bahía del Espíritu Santo en el Misisipi; y hacia el sur, llegando al istmo de Panamá.

A pesar del éxito de sus esfuerzos misioneros, Margil fue un hombre humilde que nunca quiso enorgullecerse de sus victorias. Solía firmar sus cartas “la misma nada” recordando así que Dios es todo y uno no es nada, porque la misión, en fin, es de Dios, uno es sólo un instrumento.

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

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God's Work

This week marks the beginning of a kind of "liturgy" we are so busy! Most of us have more than one job to do, and we never seem to have enough time. We are workers, volunteers, parents, friends, and most of us are more than one thing at a time. But which of these is the work of God?

We seldom view our ordinary work as being the work of God. We may think that we have to be ministers or priests, missionaries or charity workers, engaged full-time in works formally identified as being "God's work." But everything we do with a faithful heart and with love for others is God's work. We each have our own role to fill in the world, and many gifts are necessary. We cannot always see the direct connection of our daily work to the plan of God. But we trust and we believe that God leads us to do what is needed, where it is needed. What is "God's work?" "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent" (John 6:29).

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El Trabajo que Dios Quiere

¡Estamos tan ocupados! Muchos de nosotros tenemos más de un trabajo y parecería que nunca tenemos suficiente tiempo. Somos trabajadores, voluntarios, padres, amigos y la mayoría es más de una cosa a la vez. Pero, ¿cuál de estos es el trabajo que Dios quiere?

Rara vez vemos nuestro trabajo común como el trabajo que Dios quiere. Quizás pensamos que debemos ser ministros o sacerdotes, misioneros o benefactores, que debemos realizar trabajos de tiempo completo que se consideran como "las obras de Dios". Pero todo lo que hacemos con un corazón fiel y con amor por el prójimo es una obra de Dios. Cada uno tiene un papel que cumplir en el mundo y muchos dones son necesarios. No siempre podemos ver la relación directa que existe entre nuestro trabajo diario y los designios de Dios. Pero confiamos y tenemos fe en que Dios nos guía a hacer lo que es necesario, cuando es necesario. ¿Cuál es "la obra de Dios?" "La obra de Dios consiste en que crean en aquél a quien él ha enviado" (Juan 6:29).

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Today's Readings

First Reading — I will rain down bread from heaven for you (Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15).

Psalm — The Lord gave them bread from heaven (Psalm 78).

Second Reading — Put on the new self that has been created in God's way (Ephesians 4:17, 20-24).

Gospel — Whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst (John 6:24-35)



Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — Voy a hacer que llueva pan del cielo (Exodo 16:2-4, 12-15).

Salmo — El Señor les dio pan del cielo (Salmo 78 [77]).

Segunda lectura — Revístanse del nuevo yo, creado a imagen de Dios (Efesios 4:17, 20-24).

Evangelio — El que viene a mí no tendrá hambre, y el que cree en mí nunca tendrá sed (Juan 6:24-35)

From the Ground Up

I close my eyes and try to imagine what it must have been like for the Israelites to leave all they knew, miserable though it certainly was, and travel on foot through a hot desert with tens of thousands of other people, hungry, thirsty, tired and probably in dire need of a bath. The closest I can come is a long airplane journey, complete with travel delays and canceled flights, necessitating an overnight stay in a city not our own. Put up in accommodations miles from the airport, we arrived at the hotel only to discover that the restaurant was, in fact, closed. While this inconvenience was nothing compared to the Israelites experience heard in the Exodus reading, we were, nonetheless, exhausted, hungry and irritable. The hotel staff, recognizing the need of the many stranded travelers, surprised us by ordering several extra-large pizzas for us to share. A miracle? It surely was manna in the desert to us that night! And we fell asleep grateful instead of grumpy.

In today's first reading, the Israelites are hungry. They are truly in need of physical nourishment and God provides for them by sending them food in the form of manna. In the Gospel, however, the people searching for Jesus are no longer physically hungry. The passage follows immediately on the heels of the miracle of the loaves and the fishes. As the crowds return in search of last night's miracle worker, Jesus knows that their stomachs are full and that they likely had eaten breakfast before getting into their boats to travel across the sea. Jesus knew that the people, having had their physical needs met, were now able to accept the true bread from heaven. They were now free to hear and receive the good news that Jesus had to offer them, the bread of life, a relationship with him.

How often, I wonder, do we get this backward? How many times do we harshly judge those not in our pews before meeting their very real needs for food, clothing, shelter or health care? Mother Teresa often described the loneliness and emptiness of people in the West as a hunger

The thing the church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity.

more difficult to satisfy than the physical hunger present in Kolkata. How often do we not recognize that hunger and fail to nourish those who are lonely or hurting? In spite of our best intentions, do we sometimes find ourselves quoting the Catechism rather than first seeking to understand their situations or their pain?

Pope Francis often speaks of the church as a field hospital. National Catholic Reporter editor Dennis Coday shared one of his favorite Francis quotes on his blog:

The thing the church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity. I see the church as a field hospital after battle. It is useless to ask a seriously injured person if he has high cholesterol and about the level of his blood sugars! You have to heal his wounds. Then we can talk about everything else. Heal the wounds, heal the wounds.... And you have to start from the ground up. (Aug. 19, 2013)

Today's readings show us that God truly does start from the ground up. God met the Israelites need for food in the desert. Jesus met the crowds' need for food in Galilee. Only then did Jesus offer them the true food, the bread from heaven that was his very self. God uses us, the body of Christ, the church, to do as Jesus did, to meet the physical needs of the people of God by providing manna, or perhaps even pizza, to those who hunger, to listen to those who hurt. And when our stomachs are full, and our physical and emotional needs are met, we, like Jesus, can begin to offer them the true bread from heaven that God provides, a living relationship with Jesus Christ. I suspect our seed will then fall on good ground.

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The submission deadline for most Sunday bulletins is 11:00 am on the Monday before; deadlines are accelerated for the holidays. The bulletin is also published electronically on st-teresa.net. Please contact John at bulletin@stteresaparish.org for more information.

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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.

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.

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Stop In For Quiet Prayer

Tuesdays
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For More Information About...

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