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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 30, 2018

We must take care that we, too, do not exclude God's working through people who are not of our number or who don't meet our expectations or beliefs.

-- Mark 9:41

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 (Call to register)

Office Hours

Monday – Friday 9 AM to 7:00 PM

Saturday 9 AM to 12 PM



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Second Listening Session

20 people joined us for our first listening session, and shared their frustrations and concerns regarding the abuse crisis. We also discussed what type of response we would like to see from our leaders, and what steps we can take to express our opinions to those in positions of power. Fr. Frank has agreed to hold a second session to allow those who were unable to attend to bring forward their thoughts and concerns.

Monday, October 8th, 6:30pm in the Parish Center

The objectives of this evening are:

- 1) to prepare a community-based response to Church leaders
- 2) to identify lay-leaders who may be interested in collaborating with other parish lay-leaders to demand accountability from church authority

For more information, visit st-teresa.net or contact Rebecca at robrien@stteresaparish.org with other parish lay-leaders to demand accountability from church authority

Bible Study

St. Teresa's fall session of Bible Study kicks off soon with a seven week study: Introduction to the Bible. Email Jackie at jackiekoesters@gmail.com if you are interested in participating.

Border Ministry Update

This September at La Posada there were THREE clients who were seven, eight and nine months pregnant, respectively from Honduras, the DRC and Zimbabwe. Also, three of the young clients started their first day of school! Parishioner Bob True visited in August and quoted Don DeLillo: "The more I threw away, the more I found." "Having been there twice - a week in Feb and Aug - I can attest that whether you assist Sister Therese in class, drive clients to a detention center, or just listen to someone's story, your spirit and soul will be grateful." Below is a photo Bob took during his August trip.

If you're interested in learning more about the Border Ministry, or joining Nhu on her November trip to La Posada, please reach out at nhu712@icloud.com



Time of Your Life Gala

Back by Popular Demand: Instant Wine Cellar!

Donate a favorite bottle of wine (or two) and help us build an awesome auction prize: 100 bottles of wine to be auctioned on Nov 17th! You can also donate \$25 or more and we'll purchase the wine for you.

Drop off wine before or after Mass or donate online.

Get Your Tickets! Nov 17th | \$150/person

A "magical" auction evening with dinner, drinks and dancing to benefit St. Teresa. Take a chance on the Gala Getaway Raffle: \$100/ticket for the chance to win 1 of 4 great trips.

Buy tickets at:
stap.givesmart.com

Auction Builder Party Oct 11th, 6-8pm

Food, drinks and fun with friends at a top secret Social Club just steps away from St. Teresa. Your ticket to the party is a donation to the Time of Your Life Silent Auction. Mystery door prizes and mini wine cellar raffle.

RSVP required:
janelpalm@mac.com

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
8-26-18	\$4,524	\$6,719	\$11,243
9-2-18	\$3,533	\$13,162	\$16,695
9-9-18	\$3,036	\$5,625	\$8,661
9-16-18	\$2,228	\$6,508	\$8,736
9-23-18	\$2,616	\$4,928	\$7,544
YTD 7-1-18 - 8-31-18	\$40,249	\$98,255	\$138,504

Welcome, Babies!

As part of our parish refugee program we are working with Catholic Charities to supply items for two women who are expecting babies in November: Claudina Gato from DR Congo who is expecting a boy and Farkhunda Azizi from Afghanistan who will welcome a girl. The families are here with little or no support and we can help them by providing a few things they need. We are looking for gently used or new:

fitted crib sheets, crib blankets, wearing blankets, changing pads

We would like to purchase two new cribs and highchairs for the babies, so cash gifts are welcomed to put toward those items. Baskets are available today to receive donations. If you are contributing blankets or sheets, please bring them to church on Sundays, not during the week. Thank you for your always generous response to help families in need. Please contact Mairead Reidy (mairead.reidy@yahoo.com) or Geneva Gorgo (genevag@hotmail.com) for more information.

Everyday Stewardship

"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." (MARK 9:41)

Does your life reflect the life of Jesus? Remember, we were made in His image. We tend to forget this. When others see you, do they see the face of Jesus? When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them?

Do you have any difficult relationships in your life? Practice reflecting Christ's love in your interactions with them. Practice seeing the face of Jesus in every person and note how this practice increases your peace.

Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

Sunday: 9-23-18

Saturday, 5:00pm Mass Attendance	60
Saturday, 6:30pm Mass Attendance	98
Sunday, 9:00am Mass Attendance	260
Sunday, 12:00pm Mass Attendance	130
Sunday, 6:00pm Mass Attendance	140

Total Weekend Mass Attendance 688

Average Weekday Mass Attendance	10
Average Friday Communion Service Attendance	5

Confessions this Week	0
Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week	2
Funerals since January 2018	5
Weddings since January 2018	5
Baptisms since January 2018	36

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, 463/511; August, 510/509; 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 10-6-18	5:00 PM	Fr. Richard Benson, CM	Sacristan: Lisa Marquez Lector: Eric Fredericks	Colleen Sulewski	Nancy Gerstad Carol Coffey
Saturday 10-6-18	6:30 PM	French Mass			
Sunday 10-7-18	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Therese Rowley	Deirdre Curry Bormes Carly Johnston Anne Marie Checcone	Geneva Gorgo Brian Shea Mary Serrahn Christina Brodell
Sunday 10-7-18	10:30 AM	Rev. Jose Rubio, CM	Spanish Mass		
Sunday 10-7-18	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: MINISTER NEEDER Lector: Raquel Bech	Mary Stanton Bob Pedro Laura Moran	Daniel Kang Alyssa Stella Kayla Mueller Tyler Paul
Sunday 10-7-18	6:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Eryn Gronewoeller Lector: Christopher Touns	Eileen Raia Roberto Martinez Eileen Raia	Andrew De Leonardis Christine Saddy Anee De Leonardis Luke Kolman

Week's Activities

Sunday, September 30

10:00 am, PC, Sunday Hospitality
10:30 am, PC-2, CGS Parent Session
10:30 am, REC, CGS
4:30 pm, PC-2, CGS Parent Session
4:30 pm, REC, CGS III; Edge

Monday, October 1

4:00 pm, REC, CGS
4:00 am, PC-2, CGS Parent Session
7:00 pm, PC, Parish Council
5:30 pm, Romero Event, Dinner and Movie
7:00 pm, Romero Event, Presentation

Tuesday, October 2

4:00 pm, REC - CGS
4:00 pm, PC-2, CGS Parent Session
6:00 pm, PC, SPRED
6:00 pm, Church, Eucharistic Adoration
6:00 pm, PC-2, TOYL

Wednesday, October 3

5:00 pm, PC/Kitchen, Night Ministry

Thursday, October 4

No Activities Planned

Friday, October 5

7:00 pm, Church, Spanish Prayer Group

Saturday, October 6

9:00 am, GS-PC, Food Pantry
6:30 pm, Church, French Mass

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday:

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Monday:

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

Tuesday:

The Holy Guardian Angels

Thursday:

St. Francis of Assisi

Friday:

Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos;

Saturday:

St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher; Blessed Virgin Mary

Domingo:

Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario;

Lunes:

Santa Teresita del Niño Jesús

Martes:

Santos Ángeles Custodios

Jueves:

San Francisco de Asís

Viernes:

Beato Francis Xavier Seelos

Sábado:

San Bruno; Beata Marie-Rose Durocher; Santa María Virgen

Upcoming Food Pantry Dates

Saturday, October 13

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

Saturday, October 20

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

Saturday, October 27

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

Saturday, November 3

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

Saturday, November 10

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

Saturday, November 17

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

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 29

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

Sunday, September 30

9:00 am Aine Jones, Joan Rooney

10:30 am Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish

12:00 pm Joyce Jaszczor

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

Let Us Pray

Please pray for the deceased ...

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

September Baptisms

Xochitl Yatziiri Zavala (9-9-18), Lucas Richard Carusona (9-8-18), Titus Joseph Gregory (9-8-18), Jason Paul Brandstetter, Jr. (9-8-18) Lyla Madaline Brandstetter (9-8-18), Simon Derrick Hock (9-16-18), Mateo Angel Ramos (9-16-18), Hannah Kang (9-30-18)

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 -- **Ricardo Gomez; Aaron Wiley; Gregory Brown; and Anthony Robinson.**

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

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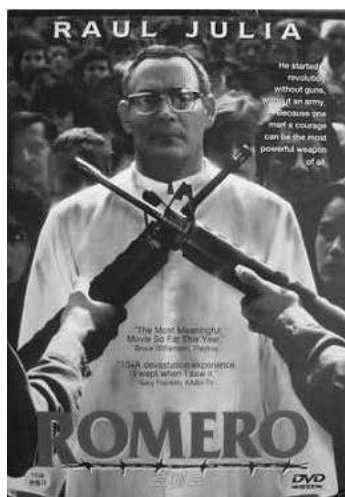
Oscar Romero - Save the Dates

Join us Monday, October 1st at 5:30pm for dinner and a movie. Fr. Frank will be screening Romero, the 1989 movie about the slain Archbishop of El Salvador.

Following the movie, our guest speakers will dive deeper into Romero's works and teachings, specifically his 2nd Pastoral letter and Catholic Social Teaching.

5:30pm: Dinner & Movie
7pm: Presentation

RSVP welcome but not required: st-teresa.net

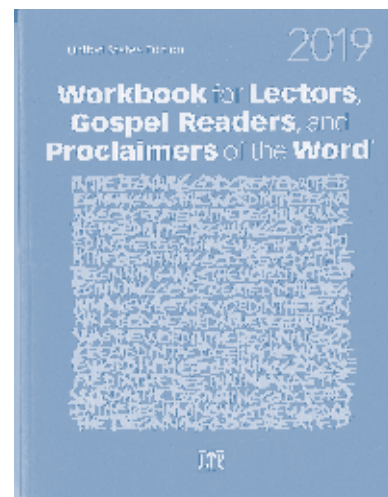


Lector Workbooks Available

Lector Workbooks for 2019 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 their names on the list when they pick up their workbooks.



Save the Date!

10th annual Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday October 13, 2018 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 & wine, and some amazing meatballs!

Bring your Friends and Family!

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

St Michael 's Oktoberfest Trivia Night



Saturday October 20th at 7pm

Parish Center Cafe
Doors Open at 6pm

Support the Parish with old friends and new friends.

Teams from 4 to 8 people, come with your own team or join others.

Pump up the fun and come in Oktoberfest wear!

\$20 per person
Includes

Brat Bar with all the Fixings
Oktoberfest Beer
Beverages

Prizes for Top 3 Winning Teams

Tickets available for purchase online at www.st-mikes.org
Or by calling 312-642-2498 or visit the table after weekend Masses.
For more information or questions email ckordiuk@st-mikes.org

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St. Teresa's Fall Blood Drive

Date: Sunday, October 21st
Location: Our Parish Center
Time: 8:00am to 1:30pm
Donors & Appointments: Kindly go on-line to: www.heartlandbc.org to make your appointment
Volunteer: Hospitality Greeters are needed. Do you have 1 or 2 hours to help us?
Please contact Mark Buciak at: mark.buciak@rcn.com

Thank you for your sharing God's gift of life to those most in need



**Donate Blood In Honor of
Commander Paul Baur**
Sponsored by St. Teresa Of Avila Church
Sunday, October 21, 2018
8:00 am - 1:30 pm
1950 N. Kenmore at Armitage Ave, Chicago, IL 60614
Parish Center
Visit www.heartlandbc.org or call 1(800)786-4483
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Readings for the Week

Monday: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8;
Mt 18:1-5, 10
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15;
Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes: Job 1:6-22; Sal 17 (16):1bcd-3, 6-7; Lc 9:46-50
Martes: Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Sal 88 (87):2-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Miércoles: Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Sal 88 (87):10bc-15; Lc 9:57-62
Jueves: Job 19:21-27; Sal 27 (26):7-9abc, 13-14; Lc 10:1-12
Viernes: Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Sal 139 (138):1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lc 10:13-16
Sábado: Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Sal 119 (118):66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lc 10:17-24
Domingo: Gn 2:18-24; Sal 128 (127):1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mc 10:2-16 [2-12]

Treasures From Tradition

From its earliest days, the Church has had an interest in the education of young people. In ancient Rome, teachers of boys had to resign their posts in order to become catechumens, since the education of boys was so keyed to the lore and worship of the gods. In other ages, public education has been so attuned to other values that creative solutions have arisen.

In late eighteenth- and early nineteenth-century Ireland, government schools had a goal of “Anglicizing” the Irish in culture and religion. Most Irish Catholics opted out in favor of “hedge schools.” In these largely secret schools, meeting not just in the shadow of hedges but also in cottages and barns throughout Ireland, schoolmasters provided eager students with a classical education grounded in Greek and Latin, Irish literature, the banned Gaelic language, and the catechism of the Church. The so-called penal laws forbade Catholics from teaching young people publicly or privately, and “civil disobedience” ruled the day. In 1826, a British government study showed that of half a million Irish children enrolled in schools, 403,000 were in hedge schools! A woman named Nano Nagle defied the law by opening schools for the poor. Eventually her companions became the Presentation Sisters. A layman named Edmund Rice, inspired by her courage, founded the Irish Christian Brothers for the same purpose. By 1820, the situation eased, since Irish Catholics had shown that they would defy any law that diminished their love of learning and threatened their faith.

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Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

En 1648 el franciscano Matías Abad llegó a la selva chocoana en la costa pacífica de Colombia. Allí, a pesar de los ataques indígenas en contra de los misioneros, pudo celebrar la fiesta de san Francisco (4 de octubre). Al pasar de los años la devoción a san Francisco en Chocó se convirtió en una mezcla de la fe

católica, las religiones africanas y la brujería. Este sincretismo es una forma de superstición que busca utilizar al santo en lugar de imitarlo.

Esta confianza en imágenes y estatuas es común y hasta peligrosa entre los latinoamericanos. Las hazañas de ciertas imágenes milagrosas llegan a proporciones exageradas. Por ejemplo, la imagen de “san Pachito”, como lo llaman los chocoanos, se le atribuye haber apagado un incendio que amenazaba la población. La pusieron delante de las llamas y las apagó con su propio sudor.

Hay que tener cuidado con la importancia de las imágenes sagradas de nuestras tradiciones. En un descuido pueden convertirse en ídolos o amuletos en lugar del recuerdo de la presencia divina y el desafío de vivir en santidad.

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Not Against Us

Like Moses before him, Jesus corrects his disciples' misunderstanding of the gift of the Spirit. They saw people who were not of their company casting out demons and doing other works such as Jesus had done. Jesus points out that no one who does a good deed in his name can be opposed to him at the same time. He goes on to point out the importance of the "little ones," the poor, simple people, children, the meek ones who are not important in the world. It is to them that he was sent, not to the wealthy and the self-righteous. He underscores the importance of small works done in faith, as well as big works like driving out demons. "Anyone who gives you a cup of water . . . because you belong to Christ . . . will surely not lose his reward" (Mark 9:41). God builds the coming reign little by little in our actions, however small and unassuming, when they are done out of love of God and neighbor.

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¿Quién Está a Nuestro Favor?

Jesús, como Moisés que estuvo antes que él, corrige los malentendidos de los discípulos sobre el don del Espíritu. Vieron a personas, que no eran parte de su grupo, echar demonios y hacer otros milagros como Jesús había hecho. Jesús señala que nadie que hace milagros en su nombre puede luego hablar mal de él. Luego señala la importancia de la "gente sencilla": los pobres, las personas sencillas, los niños, los humildes que no son importantes en el mundo. Es a ellos a quienes fue enviado, no a los ricos ni a los farisaicos. Jesús hace hincapié en la importancia de las pequeñas obras hechas con fe, de la misma manera

que las grandes obras como echar a los demonios. "Todo aquél que les dé a beber un vaso de agua...por el hecho de que son de Cristo...les aseguro que no se quedará sin recompensa" (Marcos 9:41). Dios construye el Reino por venir poco a poco con nuestras acciones, sin importar que sean pequeñas o sencillas, si se las hace por amor a Dios y al prójimo.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — Moses said, "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!" (Numbers 11:25-29).

Psalm — The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19)

Second Reading — Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (Jason 5:1-6).

Gospel — Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).



Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — El espíritu se posó sobre Moisés y los ancianos, y sobre Eldad y Medad. (Números 11:25-29).

Salmo — Los mandatos del Señor alegran el corazón (Salmo 19 [18]).

Segunda lectura — Ustedes que se han hecho ricos rehusando pagar los salarios y con otras obras injustas, ahora se les va a condenar (Santiago 5:1-6).

Evangelio — Cualquiera que esté haciendo el bien en nombre de Cristo está con él. (Marcos 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

“Do Not Prevent Them”

“At that time, John said to Jesus, ‘Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us.’”

Today, we could possibly hear, “Father, we saw someone praying over a sick parishioner, and we tried to stop her because she is not Catholic.”

“Jesus replied, ‘Do not prevent them. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us.’”

Or we could even hear, “Bishop, we saw a Catholic laying hands on a sick person, and we tried to stop him because he was not a priest.”

“Jesus replied, ‘Do not prevent them. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us.’”

Sometimes, we are uncomfortable when we see a person, who is not a Catholic or a priest, doing something that we expect only priests to do. It seems that the apostles were just as uncomfortable with a non-believer driving out demons in the name of Jesus.

Jesus sees the issue differently. Jesus gives room for the non-believer to act as he did out of compassion for another.

There is a parallel situation recounted in the first reading. At the command of the Lord, Moses gathered 70 men. The Lord came down in the cloud and bestowed on these men some of the spirit he had given to Moses. At that, the men prophesied in the name of the Lord.

Now, two men had left the camp and were not there when the Lord came and bestowed his spirit. Nevertheless, later, these two men were prophesying in the name of the Lord. Joshua, Moses’ aide, got upset and wanted Moses to stop the two. Moses said, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets! Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!” Moses gives room for the non-inducted to carry out ministry in God’s name because of a personal interior calling.

We must take care that we, too, do not exclude God’s working through people who are not of our number or who don’t meet our expectations or beliefs.

What was driving the complaint of the disciples and Joshua against those who were ministering based on a personal interior call? On the face of it, it seems like jealousy. Sort of: “We thought that we were the only ones appointed to do these works.” In the case of the disciples, it goes even deeper. They had not been able to drive a demon out themselves ... and here was an outsider doing it! And, not much before this, the disciples had been caught in a discussion of who among them was the

greatest. Jesus would have none of it: “If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all” (Mark 9:35). They were challenged by Jesus.

Joshua and the disciples had not gotten the point that bringing the message and healing of God was the job of everyone. They were not the sole dispensers of God’s blessings.

We must take care that we, too, do not exclude God’s working through people who are not of our number or who don’t meet our expectations or beliefs. We could easily end up like Joshua and the disciples, trying to limit the work and blessings of God in the world.

Looking at it from another side, is it possible that some people do not do what they are called to do because they think that all ministry belongs to someone else, to someone who is ordained or officially credentialed. It just might be that they are God’s person-on-the-spot to minister to someone — no matter how others may see it.

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

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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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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

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Stop In For Quiet Prayer

Tuesdays
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