

# ST. TERESA OF ÁVILA



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Faith & Spirit, Alive

# Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe November 25, 2018

For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.

-- John 18:37

# 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**

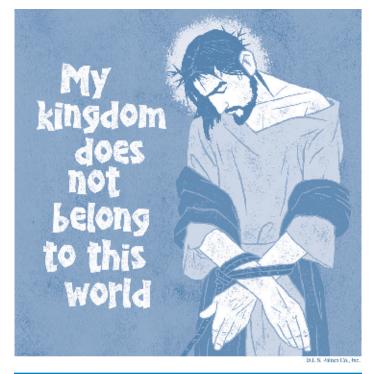
Tuesdays 6 PM to 7:30 PM

#### **Baptism Preparation**

2nd Sunday of the Month 10 AM (Call to register)

#### **Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 9 AM to 7:00 PM Saturday 9 AM to 12 PM



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# Time of Your Life Gala THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to all who supported the time of your life Gala!

Special thanks to our event chairs, **Annie and Joe Kearney**, the small but mighty planning committee, and the volunteers who ensured the night ran smoothly. Our parish is blessed to have you.

## 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.

# Ministry of Care

Ministers of Care visit with those who are unable to come to church. They offer compassion, a listening presence, prayer and the Eucharist. This ministry allows people to experience the nearness of God and the Christian community through the presence of the Minister of Care and through the reception of Holy Communion.

St. Teresa currently has just one Minister of Care, and we would like to recruit two more. Trainings are being held on Saturday, November 17th and Saturday, December 8th at Holy Name. If you are interested in stepping up in this capacity, contact Rebecca at robrien@stteresaparish.org.

### **Everyday Stewardship**

"I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living." (MARK 12:43-44)

Jesus gets right to the point – we are all called to give regardless of our circumstance. Sharing our gifts to support the mission of our parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries. It is not the size of our gifts of gratitude to God that matter; it is the idea that each of us makes an equal sacrifice in our efforts to share with our community.

# Leadership Training

**January 19 at St Teresa** will be a special day for those who want to take advantage of a free seminar in leadership in the service of social justice.

Presented by The Coalition for Spiritual & Professional Leadership, an Avila in Action grant organization, this seminar will provide you with insights and tools needed to drive positive change through the power of personal leadership.

Watch out for more to come in future announcements, but put the date on your calendar now and make 2019 a good year to take action.

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### **Financial Collections**

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Fiscal Year 2018-2019	Actual FY 2018-19	% Auto	Budget 2018-19	Actual vs. Budget	Actual Prev Yr	% Auto	Actual vs. Prev Yr	% Prev Yr
Collections Offertory	14,201	28%	15,975	(1,774)	13,568	25%	633	4.7%
Give Central (7/1-7/31)	37,174	72%	41,080	(3,906)	39,949	75%	(2,775)	-6.9%
Total 5 Weeks-July 2018	51,375	100%	57,055	(5,680)	53,517	100%	(2,142)	-4.0%
Collections Offertory	14,635	30%	12,780	1,855	10,952	23%	3,683	33.6%
Give Central (8/1-8/31)	34,165	70%	32,864	1,301	36,895	77%	(2,730)	-7.4%
Total 4 Weeks-August 2018	48,800	100%	45,644	3,156	47,847	100%	953	2.0%
Collections Offertory	14,962	32%	15,975	(1,013)	11,615	25%	3,347	28.8%
Give Central (9/1-9/31)	32,042	68%	41,080	(9,038)	35,305	75%	(3,263)	-9.2%
Total 5 Weeks-Sept. 2018	47,004	100%	57,055	(10,051)	46,920	100%	84	0.2%
Total 4 Weeks-Sept. 2017								
Collections Offertory	15,443	28%	12,780	2,663	16,297	31%	(854)	-5.2%
Give Central (10/1-10/31)	38,857	72%	32,864	5,993	36,169	69%	2,688	7.4%
Total 4 Weeks-Oct. 2018	54,300	100%	45,644	8,656	52,466	100%	1,834	3.5%
Total 5 Weeks-Oct. 2017								
Collections Offertory	59,241	29%	57,510	1,731	52,432	26%	6,809	13.0%
Give Central (7/1-10/31/18)	142,238	71%	147,888	(5,650)	148,318	74%	(6,080)	-4.1%
Total 18 Weeks YTD	201,479	100%	205,398	(3,919)	200,750	100%		0.4%
Foundation Special Extra Gift	10,000							
Grand Total (7/1-10/31/18)	211,479		205,398	6,081	200,750		10,729	5.3%

# Stewardship of Prayer and Worship

Sunday: 11-	-11-18
Saturday, 5:00pm Mass Attendance	63
Sunday, 9:00am Mass Attendance	250
Sunday, 12:00pm Mass Attendance	140
Sunday, 6:00pm Mass Attendance	120
Total Weekend Mass Attendance	573
Average Weekday Mass Attendance	10
Average Friday Communion Service Attendance	5
Confessions this Week	0
Anointing/Sick Calls/Hospital Visits this Week	0
Funerals since January 2018	5
Weddings since January 2018	5
Baptisms since January 2018	46

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; Februrary, 570/566; March, 640/637; April, 705/810; May, 573/583; June, 541/523; July, 463/511; August, 510/509; September, 566/563; October, 628/652; 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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10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution

Celebrant/Minister Schedule						
Date	Time	Celebrant	Sacristan/Lector	Eucharistic Host	Eucharistic Cup	
Saturday 12-1-18	5:00 PM	Fr. Richard Benson, CM	Sacristan: Lisa Marquez Lector: Eric Fredericks	Margaret Burke	Mary Stanton Luke Kolman	
Saturday 12-1-18	6:30 PM	French Mass				
Sunday 12-2-18	9:00 AM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Frank Swiderski Lector: Peggy Tereycz	Carly Johnston Jocelyn Lutkus Philip Malloy	Michael Zost Rose Ohiku Molly Malloy Mary Serrahn	
Sunday 12-2-18	12:00 PM	Fr. Frank	Sacristan: Francisco Perez Lector: Daniel Kang	Deirdre Curry Bormes Aimee Jaszczor Bert Olson	Maria Montes Tyler Paul Bob Pedro MINISTER NEEDED	
Sunday 12-2-18	6:00 PM	Rev. Tony Dosen, CM	Sacristan: Adam Hock Lector: Sara Hock	Carol Coffey Cara Gannon Veronique Caffrey	Roberto Martinez Pete Doyle Alyssa Stella Eileen Raia	

Week's Activities	Saints &	Special Observances	Upcoming Food Pantry Dates
Sunday, November 25 10:00 am, PC, Sunday Hospitality Monday, November 26 4:00 pm, REC/PC2, CGS + Parent Session Tuesday, November 27 6:00 am, PC, Men's Spirituality	Sunday: Friday: Saturday:	Our Lord Jesus Christ; King of the Universe St. Andreww Blessed Virgin Mary	Saturday, December 1 9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution  Saturday, December 8
6:00 pm, PC, Spred  Wednesday, November 28 5:00 pm, PC/Kitchen, Night Ministry			9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
Thursday, November 29 9:00 am, PC, Food Pantry Delivery/Sorting Friday, November 30 3:00 pm, PC, Loaves & Fishes	Domingo:	Nuestro Señor Jesucristo Rey del Universo San Andrés	Saturday, December 15 9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
7:00 pm, PC, Spanish Prayer Group Saturday, December 1 9:00 am, GS-PC, Food Pantry 4:30 pm, GS, Greenery Sale	Sábado:	Santa María Virgen	Saturday, December 22 9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Distribution
6:30 pm, Church, French Mass			Saturday, December 29 9:00 am to 10:00 am Set Up

# Mass Intentions & Prayers

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#### **Mass Intentions**

## Let Us Pray

#### Saturday, November 24

5:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish Sunday, November 25

9:00 am Sheila and Danny Drew 12:00 pm Georgina Garcia, Jeremy Rivera 6:00 pm Deceased Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish

#### Please pray for the deceased ...

Jeffrey Bergen, Nancy Hadler, Chuck Jabaley, Joyce Jaszczor, Marie Koesters-Ranley, Frank Kolman, Thomas Latoski, Sage Mesen, Bob Semmer, Pat Stanley, and the Victims of War & Domestic Violence

## **November Baptisms**

Bryn Anne Hughes (11-11-18), Blair Margaret Hughes (11-11-18) Theodore Joseph Rausch (11-23-18), Mariana Ly Antiporta (11-25-18)

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

Alicia Anderson Dorothy Barns Berta Billalvazo Michelle Brandt Carol Coffey Susan Conway Patricia Chuck Elizabeth Ryan Dean Michael De Blasis Maria de la Luz Alex DeNoma 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 Mvers 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 Fr. Cesaire Souissa Will Sullivan Mima Tome

JoAnn Jahnke Trainer Elizabeth Ann True Marianne Usiak Sara Vega Drew Williams 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 -- Warrick Smith; Dwayne Jack; Henry Ratcliff; and Charles Betton.

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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# 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 beginning at 6:30am for prayer and conversation.

The Next Men's Spirituality Meeting is Tuesday, November 27th

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

#### Interested in Adult Confirmation?

Are you interested in receiving the Catholic sacrament of Confirmation? DePaul University and St Vincent de Paul Parish offer a sacramental preparation program for DePaul students and St Vincent parishioners. The sacrament will be conferred by Bishop Robert Casey at the 8:00pm Sunday Night Mass on March 3, 2019!

Classes will take place on Sunday evenings from 6:30-7:30pm in the Rectory at St. Vincent de Paul Parish, 1010 W. Webster Ave. starting January 13.

Register for the program by contacting Rebecca Carmichael at rearmic1@depaul.edu.

# St. Teresa's Greenery Sale

Get your house decorated for the holidays and support St. Teresa's at the same time.

As St. Teresa's has done in the past, we are going to offer a Greenery Sale after all masses the first weekend in December ...December 1st and December 2nd. We will be offering some of our most popular items such as wreaths, swags, and holiday baskets. The sale will take place in the gathering space after all masses. There are no pre-orders taken on these traditional items; it will just be first come, first serve, until we run out. All of the profits benefit St. Teresa's.



Cash or check preferred. Any questions can be sent to Kristen Castelloni at kristen@rlcanning.com

# Travel to Holy Land with Fr. Richard Benson

Travel with Fr. Richard Benson, C.M. Adjunct Professor of DePaul University, Chicago, IL on our

#### Holy Land Pilgrimage

Where: Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Galilee, Via Crucis, Last Supper, Gethsemene, Dormition, Nativity Church

Capernaum, Tel Aviv.

Trip Dates: Jun 10-20, 2020

Cost: \$4,000.00 Airfare and ALL-included

To resister, please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370. You can also

Register online at www.proximotravel.com

### Interfaith Prayer Service

Prayer Service For Peace and Unity

An interfaith prayer service will be celebrated on Tuesday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. We will join with members of the Jewish community, Muslim community and other Christian denominations to pray for a common vision of peace as shared by all of our faith traditions. All are welcome to this celebration and to the reception that will follow.

## **Baby Bottles**

Beginning on these dates, our parish will be participating in The Baby Bottle Project benefiting The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland. This non-profit organization directly assists mothers and families experiencing crisis pregnancies by offering emotional, financial, material, and spiritual support through counseling, clothing & monetary provisions, prayer, and other aid. Each year the three locations together have over 5,000 appointments with expecting mothers. By God's Grace, The Women's Centers have saved almost 40,000 babies—and their mothers—from abortion since opening in 1984.

Please take a Baby Bottle home with you from the church on **November 25th**, fill it with your spare change, and return it the weekend of **January 13th**.

This is a simple, but crucial fundraising effort for The Women's Centers. Please note the Baby Bottles cost almost \$1.00 per bottle and are recycled afterwards so please return upon completion of the project. Thank you for helping defend life, and remember to keep all prolife undertakings in your prayers.

Also if you are making a donation by check, please make it payable to: The Women's Center. Thank you!





# Readings/Lecturas

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# Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6;

Lk 21:1-4

**Tuesday:** Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11

**Wednesday:** Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19

**Thursday:** Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5;

Lk 21:20-28

**Sunday:** 

Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22 Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36

Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

#### Lecturas de la Semana

**Lunes:** Ap 14:1-3, 4b-5; Sal 24 (23):1bc-4ab,

5-6; Lc 21:1-4

**Martes:** Ap 14:14-19; Sal 96 (95):10-13;

Lc 21:5-11

**Miércoles:** Ap 15:1-4; Sal 98 (97):1-3ab, 7-9;

Lc 21:12-19

**Jueves:** Ap 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a;

Sal 100 (99):1b-5; Lc 21:20-28

**Viernes:** Rom 10:9-18; Sal 19 (18):8-11;

Mt 4:18-22

**Sábado:** Ap 22:1-7; Sal 95 (94):1-7ab;

Lc 21:34-36

**Domingo:** Jer 33:14-16; Sal 25 (24):4-5, 8-10, 14;

1 Tes 3:12 4:2; Lc 21:25-28, 34-36

#### **Treasures From Tradition**

Although our Puritan forebears at Plymouth Rock were almost a hundred years removed from their Catholic roots, the old liturgical calendar still had an unconscious claim on their hearts. We've already seen how on Saint Martin's Day, November 11, medieval continental Europe observed a great harvest day of

Thanksgiving, with games, dances, parades, and a festive dinner of roast goose. With the goose went ample draughts of "Saint Martin's Wine," the first wine of the new harvest. Martinmas celebrated full barns and larders stocked for the winter. Even after the Reformation, the tradition of eating goose on Saint Martin's Day was retained in Holland, and it was there that our Pilgrims encountered this tradition. When Governor Bradford sent four hunters out into the Massachusetts wilderness in the autumn of 1621, they did indeed find some geese and ducks, and were persuaded by the indigenous people to try turkey, too.

Just as the liturgical calendar has been tweaked over the years, President Roosevelt moved Thanksgiving to the third Thursday in November in 1939, probably to extend the Christmas shopping season. The protest was so great that in 1941 the day established by President Lincoln, the last Thursday in November, was restored. If the Pilgrims had known of the Martinmas connection, they might never have celebrated at all!

#### Tradiciones de Nuestra Fe

En 1917 México recibió una nueva Constitución en la cual se estableció una política de intolerancia religiosa, especialmente en contra de la Iglesia católica romana. Con el pasar de los años las normas anticlericales fueron puestas en vigor hasta el punto que algunos mexicanos piadosos y cristianos decidieron defender su

religión.

En marzo de 1925, estos mexicanos católicos fundaron la Liga Nacional para la Defensa de la Libertad Religiosa, en el mismo mes en que el papa Pío XI proclamó la Fiesta de Cristo Rey, celebrada el último domingo del año litúrgico. Inspirados por el grito de "¡Viva Cristo Rey!", los fieles se convirtieron en Cristeros, muchos de los cuales dieron su vida por Cristo, demostrando así que Jesús es verdaderamente el Rey de sus vidas.

La Cristiada duró sólo tres años en México y muchos sacerdotes, religiosas, religiosos, laicas

y laicos dieron su vida para la gloria de Cristo Rey en México. Con el tiempo muchos cristianos y cristianas han debido repetir el martirio de los Cristeros en pases de Centro y Sudamérica. El siglo XX derramó mucha sangre cristiana en Latinoamérica. "¡Viva Cristo Rey!"

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

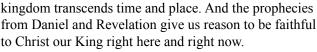
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# Christ is King

On the final Sunday of the liturgical year we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. It's easy to understand today's scriptures as events that happened long ago and far away, or predictions that will come true somewhere, some day. But they invite us to claim Christ as our King here and now. Jesus' words to Pilate in the Gospel remind us that his



By concluding the year with this feast we are proclaiming our faith that Jesus Christ is the one and only King over all seasons, all peoples, and all of creation. No matter what nation we belong to or what language we speak, he "has made us into a kingdom" (Revelation 1:6)—one people united in love and peace for all eternity.

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## Cristo es Rey

El último domingo del año litúrgico celebramos la fiesta de Cristo Rey. Puede que entendamos las lecturas de hoy como acontecimientos que sucedieron hace mucho, mucho tiempo o predicciones que se harán realidad algún día en algún lugar. Pero en realidad nos invitan a aclamar a Cristo como nuestro Rey aquí y ahora. Las palabras de Jesús a Pilatos en el Evangelio

nos recuerdan que su Reino trasciende el tiempo y el espacio. Y las profecías de Daniel y del Apocalipsis nos dan motivos para ser fieles a Cristo, nuestro Rey, aquí y ahora.

Al terminar el año con esta fiesta proclamamos nuestra fe en que Jesucristo es el único Rey de todos los tiempos, pueblos y de toda la Creación. Sin importar cuál sea nuestra nacionalidad ni qué idioma hablemos: Cristo "y ha hecho de nosotros un reino" (Apocalipsis 1:6), en un pueblo unido en el amor y la paz por toda la eternidad.

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## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14). **Psalm** — The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty

(Psalm 93).

**Second Reading** — Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).

**Gospel** — For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

### Lecturas de Hoy

**Primera lectura** — Cuando uno, como el Hijo del Hombre se dirigió hacia el anciano y fue llevado a su

presencia, recibió el dominio eterno (Daniel 7:13-14).

**Salmo** — El Señor reina, vestido de majestad

(Salmo 93 [92]).

**Segunda lectura** — La gloria y el poder sean dados a Jesucristo, el Señor de toda la tierra (Apocalipsis 1:5-8).

**Evangelio** — Jesús como Rey, vino a ser testigo de la verdad. (Juan 18:33b-37).



# Mountaintop Experiences

In the mid-90s, I viewed a film entitled, "The English-man who Went up a Hill but Came down a Mountain," a story about Ffynnon Garw, a fictional Welsh village and its people. Set during the time of World War I, it recounts the visit of two English cartographers, who come to measure the mountain at the outskirts of the village, only to find it is just a hill measuring 1,000 feet short of the required height to be considered, by definition, a mountain. Needless to say, this "fact" or "truth" shocks and infuriates the villagers who see their

and infuriates the villagers who see their mountain being diminished before their eyes.

It seems to me that is what is happening — of course, at a more profound level — during the whole of the scene with Jesus before Pilate. We hear the entirety of the story on Good Friday but today we hear just a piece of it: Pilate trying to diminish Jesus in rank and stature. We might surmise it is to keep the peace or perhaps to secure his own place as prefect of Judaea. Whatever the reason, he fails to diminish the truth: Jesus' kingdom is not of this world; Jesus' kingdom is now and not yet. "His dominion," as we hear in the first reading, "is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away" (Daniel 7: 14b).

The Book of Revelation proclaims Jesus as the faithful witness, firstborn of the dead, ruler of kings. In that same passage, in case we need a reminder at this time of year, the word proclaims, "Jesus loves us." Present tense, in the here and now, Jesus loves us. The word proclaims today, "Jesus freed us." It is a done deal that we are saved. All we need do is accept the gift. Sounds simple ... and yet.

Finally, the word proclaims, "Jesus made us to be a kingdom." This is our work; to be a kingdom and all that entails. Jesus' reign is present in "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to [his] voice" (John 18: 37c). Jesus' reign is present in you, in me, in the one who lives, loves, hopes, cares and believes in a world that cannot be diminished — ever — despite those who work to diminish, isolate, separate and destroy out of fear and ignorance.

Yes, there is truth in the statement: "It takes a village to

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raise a child." It also takes a village to be a village. It takes a village to stand up to the diminishing rhetoric which divides and separates. It takes you and me and him and her to belong to the truth and listen and be the kingdom.

Told that their hill was not a mountain, the people of Ffynnon Garw stood up and acted. They formed a bucket brigade — young and old and inbetween — and literally carried buckets of dirt up the "hill" to increase its height and in turn, its visibility.

After living among the villagers for a bit, Anson, one of the cartographers, experienced a conversion. His idea of a mountain transformed as he came to know he villagers. He grew to understand the value that this 'mountain' held for the community. Anson literally got his hands dirty by helping to lug buckets of dirt to the top of the hill to grow it to the height 1,000 feet — in a sense, to build a mountain out of, perhaps, a mole-hill.

Today the word proclaims: Jesus loves us. Jesus freed us. Jesus made us to be a kingdom. Will we participate? Do we experience ongoing conversion? Will we pick up our buckets and do the work not to diminish his reign but to make it visible? Let us hope, love and live the truth of Jesus' reign in the now, today, as the word proclaims.

Celebration Publications — Carolyn A. Wright

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish Leadership Teams

#### **Pastoral Council**

Jessica Marx Kate Lynch **Anna Althoff** Jose Cervantes **Bertel Olson** Mary Paz Ramirez Rebecca O'Brien Luke Kolman

Anna Althoff is president of the Parish Pastoral Council.

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

#### Finance Council

Justin Alden Jack Halpin Rav Genellie **Steve Fortino** Andrew O'Dekirk **Chris Toups** 

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Justin Alden is chair of the Parish Finance Council. Email is justin.alden@gmail.com

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

#### Stewardship Committee

**Daniel Cortese Kelly Dean** Ervn Gronewoller Claire Kenkel Lisa Marquez

John Mitchell Rebecca O'Brien Mary Serrahn **Dan Summins** Mark Van Grinsven

Please contact Rebecca O'Brien for information on joining the Stewardship committee. Email is robrien@stteresaparish.org.

Stewardship Committee meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

#### Office Information and Bulletin Deadlines

Parish Offices are located at 1037 W. Armitage Ave. Phone is (773) 528-6650. FAX is (773) 871-6766. Hours are: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday through Friday, and Saturday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

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.

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.

Stop In For Quiet Prayer

**Tuesdays** 6:00 to 7:30pm



#### For More Information About...

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

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#### For More Information About...

Baptism, Marriage, Reconciliation, Mass Intentions, RCIA or Communion for the Sick Contact Deacon Dean in the Parish Office dvaeth@stteresaparish.org