



# Saint Teresa of Avila Parish

September 10, 2017

The Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

LOVE GOD. LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR. MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS.

## PARISH CLERGY

**Reverend J. Jerome Wild, Pastor**

**Deacon Francis C. Lally, Permanent Deacon**

**Reverend Richard M. Jacobs, Sunday Assistant**

## LITURGY

<b>Saturday Vigil:</b>	4:15PM
<b>Sunday:</b>	9:00AM & 11:00AM
<b>Holy Days:</b>	as published in the bulletin
<b>Daily Mass:</b>	10:00AM Mondays 7:00AM Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
<b>Communion Service:</b>	8:00AM Saturdays
<b>Confession:</b>	3:15PM Saturdays, or by appointment
<b>Eucharistic Adoration:</b>	Tuesdays 7:30AM to 8PM
<b>Rosary:</b>	6:30PM Mondays

## PARISH STAFF

**Heidi L. Reese, Administrative Assistant to the Pastor**

**Mare Barbuto, Coordinator of Music Ministry**

**Sarah Stong, Adult & Children's Choir Director**

**Office Hours:** M-Th. 9:00AM - 4:30PM

Fri. 9:00AM-4:00PM

**Telephone:** 610-666-5820

**Fax:** 610-666-7511

**Email:** [starectory@verizon.net](mailto:starectory@verizon.net)

**Website:** [www.stteresaofavilaparish.com](http://www.stteresaofavilaparish.com)

## OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

**Erin Gauntner, Coordinator of Religious Education &  
Youth Ministry**

610-666-0167/[staprep@verizon.net](mailto:staprep@verizon.net)

## MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

405 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406

**Principal:** Christine Pagan

**Phone:** 610-265-2323

**Website:** [www.MTCschool.org](http://www.MTCschool.org)

*"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?  
Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine  
or nakedness or danger or sword? No, in all these  
things we are more than conquerors  
through Him who loved us." -Romans 8:35, 37*

**A warm greeting is extended to all who have come to worship with our community of faith.** We are grateful for our faithful parishioners who are here every week. We also welcome all our visitors and invite you to consider joining our parish. If you are not Catholic, we encourage you to contact our Parish Office for information about becoming a member of the Church.

**PARISH REGISTRATION** is held in the vestibule of the Church after all Masses on the 1st and 3rd weekends of the month. You may also register at the Parish Office on weekdays during business hours.

**BAPTISM** is usually celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:00PM. Please call Mrs. Gauntner at 610-666-0167 for upcoming baptism dates. Parents must attend our Pre-Jordan Class prior to their child's baptism. *Our next Pre-Jordan class will be held at 7:00PM on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 in our Parish Center.*

**MATRIMONY:** Couples must make arrangements for matrimony in person with the Pastor at least six months prior to date of their anticipated wedding ceremony. One of the parties must have family registered in the parish at the time the couple comes to make arrangements. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment with Father Wild.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Parishioners who are seriously ill, weakened by advanced age, or entering the hospital for surgery are encouraged to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Homebound sick & elderly may receive Holy Communion in their homes on a regular basis. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for a home visit or to request an anointing.

**MOVING?** Please let us know by calling or emailing the Parish Office so we can update our records.



*"Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet' and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in the saying, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself'. Love does no evil to the neighbor. Hence, love is the fulfillment of the law." ~ Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7*



My Dear Parishioners,

After reading this passage, it's important to reflect on our own understanding of loving others and when or if we actually do it. Loving others does not mean to indulge others. It does not mean to give in to their fancies or place them above God's Word or Will. So much of what folks say is love for others these days is like trying to pay a debt with Monopoly money.

In real life, debts can only be paid with real, genuine money. To know what it genuinely means to "love our neighbor as ourselves", we ought hold our actions up to the standard of God's law, similar to holding a \$10 or \$100 bill up to the light to determine its authenticity. Love is not detached from the law; rather, God's law teaches us what it means to truly love. In this passage, the Apostle Paul connects love to God's law: "The commandments, 'Do not commit adultery.', 'Do not murder', 'Do not steal', 'Do not covet', and whatever other commandments there may be are summed up in this one rule: 'Love your neighbor as yourself', Love does no hard to its neighbor; hence love is the fulfillment of the law." By saying this, Paul means that love does not override the commandments. Love sums up the commandments, so the commandments show us what it really means to LOVE.

If in loving, we are to do no harm to our neighbor, then love must be in doing what is best for our neighbor...for "love" is an action word.

We can love as God asks in so many ways. In Matthew 8 Jesus describes love with a goal. To win over the wandering brother or sister so that they stay connected to Jesus, so that we can help them see that their sins are "loosed". That they are forgiven in Heaven itself. Just as God's love for us is centered in Jesus, His sacrifice on the cross, and His gifts of the Eucharist, so also our love for others wants to center them in Jesus and His cross.

God will never send us a bill totaling our debts of love to Him. That debt has been paid for in full by the blood of His Son, Jesus. "Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt of love to one another".

We all are so blessed to know the love that Jesus has for us. Keep paying the only debt He asks us to keep, which is that of love for others, and with that same unconditional love that He has shown to each of us.

May the peace that passes all understanding keep our minds and hearts in the love of Christ Jesus.

Blessings,

## Mass Intentions, Saints & Special Observances



### Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our deceased parishioners.

Please pray for the healing of:

Jerry Saurnilth, The Family of Sean Hanlon, Jane Miecowski, Jeanette Mallon, Loretta DeMito, Anne McNelis, Bob O'Donnell, Raoul Garcia, Joe Lehman, Heather Bollinger, Sarah Neve, Karen Welch and her infant daughter Lillian, The Family of Aileen Beirne, Eileen Swiech, Pat Leberman, Shannon Austin, Frank Coll, Barrie Gehrlein, Max Maertzig, Don Pell, Eli & Ella Vivian, Clara DaSilva, Helen Garcia, Eduardo Rojo, Michael Semach, Robert Whalon, Jean Brosso, Jeanette Collins, Tamara Proietto, Ron Roberts, John Bubser, Jack MacDonald, Marilyn Keis, Gloria DiSanto, Kaytie O'Hara, Jean Butera, Brooke Weidenfeld, Julie Noble, Lahra Birmingham, Ralph Pettine, Lauren Mendez, Anthony Jacquin Mendez, Mary Snyder, Barbara DeSantis, Diana Rava, Baby Alayna Lihn, Christine Tasker, Jonathan Auris, John Wittin, Baby Brock Immel, Barbara Tassoni, Melissa Williamson, Robert C. McBall, Sr., Donna Hicks, Kristine Schafer, Thomas Dietzler, Chip Capinski, Janice Gilpin, Kathy Hall, Catherine Fisher, Sr. Dorothy Sullivan, RSM, Domenic DiPaolo, Alyssa Lackner, Gilbert Martinelli, Gloria Keppta, Dottie Keim, Tina Moyer, Margaret Cesare, Lawrence Reynolds, Jim Uckele, Jennifer Owens, Jack Walsh, Peggy Walsh, Al & Dorothy Caza, Terry Strainick, Debbie Scott, Bill O'Neill, Butch Cunningham, Don Barbuto, Barbara Breitbarth, Steven Kehoe, Adele Semach, Rosemary Schlichtig, Diane Benton, John McPhelim, Tony Polvino, Cecelia Heitzenrater, Baby Samantha Patterson

**Please pray for all those who serve our country:** Vincent Bergandino, MGySgt Darin Chinavare; Cmdr. David L. Cute, Jr. USN; John Doran; Lance Hecker, Sp.Op; Cmdr. Matt Kosnar, LCPL Mikey Kirkpatrick; Capt. Thomas Lerner; Captain Valerie Smith; Msgt. Timothy R. Whalon; 1st Lt. Jaysen Satterwhite, Sgt. Major John D. Greis.

<b>Sat. September 9</b> 4:15 PM	<b>Vigil Mass</b> Marianna DiGuglielmo
<b>Sun. September 10</b> 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	<b>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Tracie Sukley Frances Bartoszek
<b>Mon. September 11</b> 10:00 AM	<b>Weekday</b> Charle DeLisle
<b>Tues. September 12</b> 7:00 AM	<b>The Most Holy Name of Mary</b> Stephanie Beilman
<b>Wed. September 13</b> 7:00 AM	<b>St. John Chrysostom, Bishop</b> Edward O'Brien
<b>Fri. September 15</b> 7:00 AM	<b>Our Lady of Sorrows</b> Lucia Canci
<b>Sat. September 16</b> 4:15 PM	<b>Vigil Mass</b> Jerry Royds
<b>Sun. September 17</b> 9:00 AM  11:00 AM	<b>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Deceased Members of the Santoleri Family Gene Caucci

Looking for a special way to honor someone special or remember a loved one no longer with us?

### *Remember Mass Intentions*

Many dates are available for 2017 and 2018 to be dedicated for this beautiful expression.

The suggested offering is \$15 for each mass. Please contact or visit the Rectory Office to secure a date for your special Intention...



### *Mass Intentions*

## Looking Ahead at St. Teresa

<b>Monday, September 11</b>	
Rosary (Chapel)	6:30PM
PREP (School)	6:45 PM-7:45 PM
<b>Tuesday, September 12</b>	
Eucharistic Adoration	7:30 AM-8:00 PM
Knights of Columbus (Faculty Rm)	7:30 PM
<b>Wednesday, September 13</b>	
Band Rehearsal (Church)	7:00PM-8:00 PM
<b>Thursday, September 14</b>	
Men's Bible Study (STA Conf. Rm.)	7:00 PM
Adult Choir (Church)	7:00 PM
Prayer Shawl Ministry	7:00 PM
<b>Saturday, September 16</b>	
Communion Service (Chapel)	8:00 AM
Women's Bible Study (Faculty Rm.)	8:45 AM
Confessions (Chapel)	3:15 PM
<b>Sunday, September 17</b>	
CLOW (Chapel)	9:00 AM

Please help us keep our Parish Prayer List current. Contact the Parish Office at 610-666-5820 or [starectory@verizon.net](mailto:starectory@verizon.net) to add or remove names from the list.



**9/4/2017 Offering \$8,591**  
**9/4/2017 Maintenance \$1,860**  
**September Online Giving \$5,308**

Thank you for your generous response to the appeal from Catholic Charities USA for relief to those in Texas and Louisiana affected by the recent hurricane.

The total collected last week was \$3,779!

Thank you for your faithful stewardship!



The Rose of Life this weekend is  
Donated by  
Edward Bartoszek  
In Memory of  
Frances Bartoszek





## Mother Teresa Regional Catholic School

Sharing Hands, Hearts and Minds  
Educating Students from Pre-School to 8th Grade

MTC is the regional school for St. Teresa of Avila

MTC Welcomes Our Newest Faculty Members  
Amanda Walsh,



Mother Teresa Regional Catholic School has been voted "BEST GRADE SCHOOL" by the readers of the Times Herald and its affiliates! The MTC faculty and staff are thrilled to have received this recognition and are committed to academic excellence in the coming year!

*MTC is pleased to announce that there are **FINANCIAL AID** opportunities available to students in Kindergarten, First Grade, and Sixth Grade! Please call the office at 610-265-2323 to find out more!!*

At MTC, we continue to work to build our community, and to welcome family members into our school life.

**Lunch and Recess Volunteers are a vital part of our day here.**

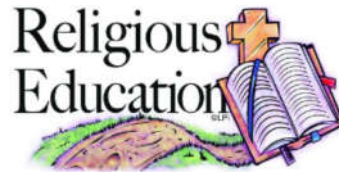
It is also a great opportunity to meet other parents, and make your child happy to see you!

We are asking families to sign up for *4 days throughout the year* (or more). We are one of a few schools that does not charge families who don't volunteer, and it is our goal to continue that trend.

**K-8 Families:** Please visit this link to sign up:  
[tinyurl.com/y94qbp1f](http://tinyurl.com/y94qbp1f)

For families of our PK full day students, we ask that you email Mrs. Bonkoski with your availability [meghan.bonkoski@mtcschool.org](mailto:meghan.bonkoski@mtcschool.org)

**MTC Registration:** There are still limited spaces available. Call today or visit our website at: [www.mtcschool.org](http://www.mtcschool.org). There are many opportunities for grants and financial assistance. If you would like to hear more about MTC, take a tour or receive an enrollment packet, please contact Patsy Swope, Director of Enrollment Management: 610-265-2323 x225 or [patsy.swope@mtcschool.org](mailto:patsy.swope@mtcschool.org).



## STA Parish Religious Education Program

**PREP classes begin on Monday September 11 at 6:30PM**

*No walk-in registrations will be processed this evening.*

All parents/guardians are encouraged to join us at **7:20PM** for an Open House in all classrooms.

If you wish to be on a tuition payment plan or are interested in home-school opportunities for faith formation please [contact the CRE](#) directly.

**All PREP parents and guardians are requested to attend a prayer service and information gathering with Father Wild on Monday September 18 at 6:30PM in the church**

### STA YM Kick-Off!

Mon. Sept. 25 from 6:30-8PM in the Lower Level of the Parish Center.

All youth in grades 7+ and their friends are encouraged to join us for our opening night. Snacks and drinks will be served.

**\*Attention Parents! CAP's (Continuous Adult Presence) needed this evening (and others).**

Please contact Mrs. Gauntner if you would like to volunteer!



### IT'S TIME FOR



<b>Who?</b>	Saint Teresa of Avila Parishioners, their families and friends!
<b>When?</b>	Friday, <b>September 22nd</b> , 6:00-8:00PM
<b>Where?</b>	Saint Teresa Parish Center
<b>What?</b>	A FUN-FILLED night of PIZZA and BINGO!
<b>Cost?</b>	Only \$15 per family to play
	<b>TEN GAMES of BINGO PER PERSON!</b>

Pre-Ordered pizzas will be served at 6:00PM

BINGO games start at 6:30PM

BINGO dabbers will be sold for \$1/each

Bring your own wine, snacks, food to enjoy!



For questions about BINGO Night, contact Tracy Courtney at [tlc124@comcast.net](mailto:tlc124@comcast.net)

### Guidelines for Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Teresa of Avila Parish



St. Teresa of Avila Parish rejoices with all expectant parents and we look forward to assisting our parishioners who will be planning baptisms at our church. Our parish generally celebrates the Sacrament of Baptism on the first and third Sundays of the month.

Due to the serious responsibilities that infant baptism places on parents, those presenting their child for baptism at St. Teresa's Parish must attend our Pre-Jordan Class. Expectant parents are encouraged to attend this class prior to the birth of their child.

**Our next class will be held at 7:00PM on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, in the Good Shepherd Room in our Parish Center.**

### Children's Liturgy of the Word Volunteer Opportunities!



The Office of Religious Education recruits, trains, and schedules adult leaders and teen aides for Children's Liturgy of the

Word (CLOW). Leaders are scheduled according to times that are convenient to them, usually once or twice every six weeks.

**Readings, lesson plans, and activities are provided.**

There is a great deal of exciting interaction between the children and leader, and it is a very rewarding experience for all! Please prayerfully consider volunteering with us for:

**CLOW Leader:** Commitment involves lesson preparation and Mass time only. Volunteers receive CLOW training and must have Safe Environment clearances and training as required by the Archdiocese.

**CLOW Aide:** Not ready to be a CLOW Leader but still want to be involved? Adult aides are needed to assist the Leader and help keep order during the Liturgy. Volunteers must have Safe Environment clearances and training as required by the Archdiocese.

**Teen Aide:** Confirmed teenagers are encouraged to serve as aides and help keep order during the Liturgy. Teen volunteers should be at least 13 years old.

Available and Interested?  
Please contact Erin Gauntner at  
610-666-0167 or  
staprep@verizon.net

### Around the Archdiocese & Local Area

**Pre-Cana Program offered for all engaged couples planning to marry**—at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, Phoenixville, PA on Saturday – **September 16, 2017**. The Program begins at 8:00 AM and ends after the 4:00PM Mass. It includes lunch, snacks and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This one-day Program meets all the requirements of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. A certificate is provided upon completion. Call the St. Mary Parish Office for an application: 610-933-2526 or visit their website [www.stmaryassumption.org](http://www.stmaryassumption.org) - click on Parish Information and then Sacraments/PREP.

**AbbyFest Returns to Daylesford Abby**—September 16th from 11:00AM to 9:30PM with a Mass at 4:00PM. Come spend the day celebrating our faith at the premier Catholic music festival in the Northeast. Returning to headline this year's AbbeyFest for the third time is **Matt Maher** joined by **Mandisa, Mike Mangione, PJ Anderson, Kyle Sinkule, FireHill Worship** and **Corey Marie Dubyoski**. The Keynote Speaker will be **Paul J. Kim**. All ages welcome! Close to 4,000 expected. In addition to the great music, there will be crafts, games and fun for kids, religious items, food, Confessions, Vigil Mass and Candlelight Adoration. It's a great day to be with Catholics and Christians in a beautiful environment. AbbyFest will be held at Daylesford Abbey in Paoli, PA. **Questions:** call 267-684-5281. Tickets sold online at [TheAbbeyFest.com](http://TheAbbeyFest.com) or call 484-320-7879.



And He took the children in His arms, placed His hands on them and blessed them. - Mark 10:16

### Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

will resume at the 9:00 Mass beginning September 10th!

Please encourage your children to be a part of this enriching and fun experience at Saint Teresa!

The **Christmas Bazaar Committee** is in need of baskets for the basket raffle, and any NEW items, (raffle or silent auction items) such as IPADs, bicycles, vacation accommodations, etc. Won't you consider a donation of something **FABULOUS** to help raise funds for the parish through our much-anticipated **Christmas Bazaar**? These items can be dropped off at the Church Office or contact Kim McDonald at [mcdonaldrk@comcast.net](mailto:mcdonaldrk@comcast.net)

### Eucharistic Adoration at St Teresa

All are invited to join us for Eucharistic Adoration in our Chapel any time from 7:30AM until 8:00PM on Tuesdays.

