

Saint Teresa of Avila Parish October 29, 2017

The Thirtieth 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

Saturday Vigil: 4:15PM

9:00AM & 11:00AM Sunday: **Holy Days:** as published in the

bulletin

10:00AM Mondays **Daily Mass:**

7:00AM Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and

Fridays

Communion Service: 8:00AM Saturdays Confession: 3:15PM Saturdays,

or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays 7:30AM

to 8PM

Rosary: 6:30PM Mondays

PARISH STAFF

Heidi L. Reese, Administrative Assistant to the Pastor Ursula Lawrence, Parish Secretary/Receptionist Mare Barbuto, Coordinator of Music Ministry Sarah Stong, Adult & Children's Choir Director

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MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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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, November 15, 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 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.

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He said to them, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment.



The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor <u>as yourself.</u> The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." Matthew 22:37-40

My Dear Parishioners,

"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" The Pharisees who asked the question of Jesus prided themselves on meticulous observance of the law. In fact, the Pharisee who asked this very question was a scholar of the law, and was testing Jesus. These Pharisees not only knew the Ten Commandments, but they paid rigorous attention to all of the laws in the books of Moses...613 laws in all. They often reasoned the implications of these laws and regularly kept themselves in check to make sure that they avoided any chance of violating them.

Through all of this diligence, the Pharisees had lost sight of the very heart of the matter: **loving God**. Without the love of God, any external observation or adherence to any other laws are empty. Elsewhere in Matthew, Jesus warns them of the danger of external adherence without internal loving intentions: "**Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. Blind Pharisee! Frist clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside will also be clean."** (Matthew 23:35-36)

Truly loving God means receiving internal cleansing first. It means focusing on making sure that our internal intentions are pure, before putting anything outward to the world. Doing this backwards means that our efforts are misguided and corrupted by bad motives; **By OUR motives, not those of God**.

Today, we also need this reminder about obeying all the commandments of God. Some people today understand "love" as merely a happy feeling of friendliness or good will. They think that, provided they feel good about *the idea of God*, they may do as they please. This is true on a human level as well. How would a parent or guardian feel if a child constantly says that they love the parent or guardian, but then disobeys and backtalks? We must not only love with words, but also with actions.

Really loving God means paying attention to what He commands of us and His desires as expressed in the Bible. We are not only to just pay attention, but we are to **obey**.

Blessings,

Father Jerry Wild

Mass Intentions, Saints & Special Observances

Sat. October 28

4:15 PM

Sun. October 29

9:00 AM 11:00 AM

Mon. October 30

10:00 AM

Tues. October 31

7:00 AM

Wed. November 1

6:30 AM 12:05 PM 7:00 PM

Fri. **November 3**

7:00 AM

Sat. November 4

4:15 PM

Sun. November 5

9:00 AM 11:00 AM Vigil Mass Valerie Keebler

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mary Whalon Louis Rodriguez

Weekday

Catherine Cosgrove

Weekday Martin Sobel

All Saints-Holy Day

Mass Mass Mass **First Friday** Claire Bria Vigil Mass

James McCarthy, Jr.

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Marty Moore Helen Casale

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



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



Looking Ahead at St. Teresa

Monday, October 30

Rosary (Chapel) 6:30 PM PREP (Parish Center) 6:30 PM-7:45 PM Legion of Mary (Church Office) 7:00 PM

Tuesday, October 31

Eucharistic Adoration 7:30 AM-8:00 PM

Wednesday, November 1- All Saints Day Masses at 6:30 AM. 12:05 PM. 7:00 PM

Thursday, November 2

Men's Bible Study (STA Conf. Rm.) 7:00 PM Youth Choir (Church) 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry (Faculty Rm) 7:00 PM Christmas Bazaar Mtg.(Good Shep Rm) 7:00 PM

Saturday, November 4

Communion Service (Chapel) 8:00 AM Women's Bible Study (Faculty Rm.) 8:45 AM Confessions (Chapel) 3:15 PM Sunday, November 5

CLOW (Chapel)

9:00 AM Adult Choir (Church) 7:00 PM



Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our deceased parishioners.

Please pray for the healing of:

Joan Moore, Jerry Saurnilth, The Family of Sean Hanlon, Jane Miecskowski, Jeanette Mallon, Loretta DeMito, Anne McNelis, Bob O'Donnell, Raoul Garcia, Joe Lehman, Heather Bollinger, Sarah Neve, 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 Burmingham, Ralph Pettine, Lauren Mendez, Anthony Jacquin Mendez, Mary Snyder, Barbara DeSantis, Diana Rava, Baby Alayna Lihn, Christine Tasker, Jonathan Auris, John Witlin, 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 Keprta, Dottie Keim, Tina Moyer, Margaret Cesare, Lawrence Reynolds, Jim Uckele, Jennifer Owens, Jack Walsh, Peggy Walsh, Al 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 Larner; Captain Valerie Smith; Msgt. Timothy R. Whalon; 1st Lt. Jaysen Satterwhite, Sgt. Major John D. Greis.

Please help us keep our Parish Prayer List current. Contact the Parish Office at 610-666-5820 or starectory@verizon.net to add or



10/22/2017 Offering \$8,220 Mission Sunday \$1,014 October Online Giving \$5,708 Thank you for your faithful stewardship!

We will be rolling out our new and improved
ONLINE GIVING PROGRAM
in November! This new version
offers the option and ability to



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INCLUDING credit or debit cards— giving amounts, dates, and more! Heidi will be conducting a presentation to parishioners following Masses on November 17th and 18th. This is your change to see the new program first-hand, ask questions, and-if you choose-initiate your self-managed account!

The Rose of Life this weekend is Donated by Johanna Baitinger In Memory of John Baitinger





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 \$10,000 Giveaway is here!

We are excited that ticket sales for the 5th Annual \$10,000 Giveaway have begun. There will only be 400 tickets sold. Don't miss your opportunity to win \$10,000. Tickets are \$100 each.

For ticket information contact Patsy Swope at: patsy.swope@mtcschool.org or go to www.mtcschool.org/mtc-fund/

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE MTC TRUNK OR TREAT! MTC will be having its second annual Trunk or Treat on

MTC will be having its second annual Trunk or Treat on **Sunday, October 29**th from 2pm to 4pm. All are invited! Decorate your trunk, play some games or dress

invited! Decorate your trunk, play some games or dress up and have a few treats at MTC! Come and be a part of the festivities right in the

MTC parking lot.
Any questions, contact:
MTCtrunk@gmail.com.



Substitute Teachers Needed: MTC is looking for substitute teachers! If you would like to apply, please contact MTC Principal, Ms. Christine Pagan: Christine.Pagan@mtcschool.org

MTC Registration: There are still limited spaces available. Call today or visit our website at:
www.mtcschool.org. There are many opportunities for grants and financial assistance. If you would like to hear more about MTC, take a tour of receive an enrollment packet, please contact

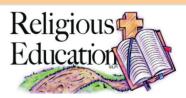
Patsy Swope, Director of Admissions: 610-265-2323 x225 or patsy.swope@mtcschool.org.

🧩 🥕 A Prayer for Halloween

God of Laughter and Joy,
We turn to you in the way of our ancient ancestors,
grateful for the abundance of food and festivity that
surrounds us at this time of year. Keep all children
safe as they embark on their Halloween revels.
Light their way through the dark night and
enfold them in love. May the real treat in their lives

be grace that multiplies in depth and breadth as they grow older. We pray this with all the Saints in Heaven.

Amen



STA Parish Religious Education Program

An evening of reflection for Parents and Guardians of Parish Candidates for First

Reconciliation will be held on

Monday, November 6th at 6:30PM in the church. Parents and Guardians of all Parish Candidates for First Reconciliation are asked to please attend this prayer service and informational gathering with

Father Wild and Mrs. Gauntner.



Phoenixville Area Community Services 11th Annual Empty Bowls event will be from 5:00-

8:00PM on November 3rd that the Technical College High School, Pickering Campus. Please join



us for a simple meal
of soup and bread
and to help fight
hunger in our
community. The cost
is \$12.50 per ticket,

and take-out is also available.

Soup bowls decorated by our very own Youth Ministry will be used for this great event!

To register, visit http://tinyurl.com/y7tfu36L



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

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

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, November 15, 2017, in the Good Shepherd Room

Around the Archdiocese & Local Area

Healing Mass and Baptism In the Holy Spirit will take place at St. Katharine of Siena in Wayne on Thurs., Nov. 2nd at 7:00PM (praise), 7:30PM (Mass). Celebrant is Fr. Ray Emmons, who will also preside of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit for those candidates who have taken the Life In The Spirit Seminars and will be reaffirming their Baptism and Confirmation commitment to a deeper personal relationship with our Lord. Father and prayer teams will pray over all for any special intentions they may have. For more information, Paul Hayes 610-687-8835.

Time Apart With Jesus to Grow in Your Spiritual Life—Friday evening, November 3rd through Sunday at Noon, November 5, 2017 The retreat is offered by Sister Joan Noreen, Co-Founder of OLME and EWTN Host of "Eucharistic Journey." The retreat is held at the Ave Maria Retreat House in Doylestown, PA. This retreat includes Daily Eucharist, Eucharistic Adoration, conferences on Catholic Spirituality, Prayer with Sacred Scripture, Liturgy of the Hours, and much more. For more information, please contact: Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist, 640 E. Main St., Birdsboro, PA 19508 olme@olme.org, 610-582-3333

Stars Living Bridges 5th Annual Marian Day—Living Bridges, a Catholic lay ministry in their 40th year, is sponsoring their 5th Annual Marian Day, Sun. Nov. 26 – 12:30 pm-6:30 pm – A day for families to honor Mary. Team includes: Msgr. John Esseff, as our presenter and main celebrant, along with other priests and Living Bridges Co-Founders, Bob & Anna latesta. This event will be held at Malvern Retreat House. This day includes: Talks, Mass, Confession, Activities, Spaghetti Dinner, a Healing Service and Benediction. Be sure to register early. For more information & registration – contact: Living Bridges, 610-525-4770, staff@livingbridges.org.

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.



The Christmas Bazaar is coming, and we need your help!

In order for this event to be the successful evening of family fun, food, and prizes that it has proven to be in year's past...

we seek your help.
Particularly in need are
finished raffle baskets, bottles of
cheer, donation of new items and
volunteers for the
night of the Bazaar.

For more information and to sign up, please contact Kim McDonald at mcdonaldrk@comcast.net





Gethsemani Ministry at Saint Norbert Parish in Paoli is based on an intent to reduce the stigma associated with addictions while raising awareness and providing a Catholic faith-based approach to recovery, healing and support to those in need.

Gethsemani Prayer Evenings for Addictions are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 PM and are for all for communal prayer and to offer intentions for those struggling with addictions, loved ones supporting them and workers involved in recovery (e.g., counselors, rehab programs, and others). Come to pray or just to talk. 12 Step Spirituality Faith Sharing Group meets on

the second Sunday of the month at 7:30 PM open to participants in all 12-step programs. All are welcome to share in this time of healing and support. St. Norbert Parish, 50 Leopard Road, Paoli, PA 610.644.1655