

Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD,
whose hope is in the LORD.
He is like a tree planted beside the waters
that stretches out its roots to the stream.

Jeremiah 17:7–8



Te burao (The Hibiscus Tree)
1892
Paul Gauguin
French, 1848–1903
Art Institute of Chicago

Sixth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time

February 13, 2022

Saint Teresa of Avila Parish

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 Asst.

Reverend Kail C. Ellis, OSA, Sunday Asst.

LITURGY

Saturday Vigil: 4:15 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Daily Mass: 10AM Mon., 7AM Tues., Wed., Fri.

Confession: 3PM to 3:30PM

Saturday, in the Chapel

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation is being celebrated
in the Chapel, not in the Reconciliation Room.*

**Masks are strongly recommended regardless of
vaccine status. Those who are not fully
vaccinated are strongly encouraged to wear a
face covering or mask.**

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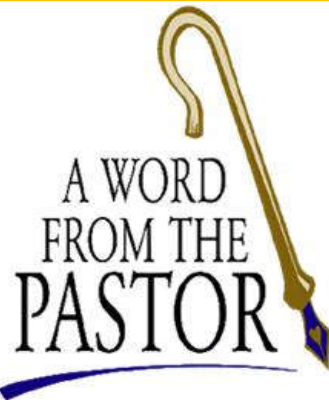
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Dear Parishioners,

You will be receiving, in the mail, the annual Stewardship Appeal letter for 2022.

Part of good stewardship is recognizing that God has filled all our hearts with a need and desire to give back to God and others as a simple gesture of faith that shows the power of gratitude to change and transform our lives. It is in this spirit that I ask you to focus on your stewardship of treasure in this season of thanksgiving and to prayerfully consider and discern the financial amount our Lord is calling you to give to our parish that is planned, proportionate to your means, sacrificial and brings you joy. It is my hope that those who are more fortunate or who have not experienced economic hardship will continue to give more generously, especially in times of crisis. May we all respond in the best way we are able to do so!

You have the option of returning the enclosed Stewardship of Treasure commitment card by mail, in the parish collection basket, or by pledging online at www.osvonlinegiving.com. Your gifts matter and make a difference. I am filled with gratitude for the generosity and caring that our parishioners express in so many ways. May God bless and be with all of us and give us the grace to be all that we can be!

Blessings,



Offering Totals:

**February 6, 2022 \$4,752.00.
January Online giving \$12,911.00.**

St. Teresa of Avila Parish depends on your faithful stewardship and your generous support.

****Upcoming Collections for 2/20/2022**
Care of Aging Priests

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



**Every Tuesday, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Beginning at 1 PM in Church,
followed by
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
at 7:15 PM.**

In Luke's version of the Beatitudes, he has only four blessings and he adds four woes. Did you notice that all the things that we work forty or more hours a week to give to our family are considered "woes"? So is Jesus saying we should not have savings for the future, food for the kids, a happy, safe environment, or a good reputation?

I suspect that the disciples and the others listening to Jesus wondered the same thing. The values of this world are not necessarily the values of God's Kingdom. Jesus himself is the extreme example of reversing worldly values: His death was not a tragic ending, but the saving action that brought us forgiveness and new life in the Resurrection.

So how do we experience the blessings of the poor, the hungry, the mourning, or the unpopular? Do we have the faith to let go of self-reliance and to trust in Jesus? How much money does it take to meet the needs of our family? Are we really helping our children if we give them anything they want? We buy them nice clothing; do we teach them to see Jesus in others? How can we say this is all too idealistic, and still claim to believe in the Resurrection?

I don't expect everyone do go around saying woe is me. Some of the happiest people are those who live simple lives of faith and trust in God. When we learn to trust the Lord and love one another, we not only can see Jesus in the poor or the lonely, he can also be seen in us.

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**"Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours.
Blessed are you who are hungry,
for you will be satisfied." Luke 6:20**

February 13, 2022
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading — The one who trusts in the LORD is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

Psalm — Blessed are they who hope in the Lord (Psalm 1).

Second Reading — Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20).

Gospel — Blessed are you who are poor, hungry, weeping. Woe to you who are rich, filled, laughing (Luke 6:17, 20-26).

Mass Intentions, and Special Observances

Saturday, February 12th:

4:15 PM **Shields Family**—
George Betzler

Sunday, February 13th:

9:00 AM **Joseph Giordano**—
Patricia DeNicolo

11:00 AM **Victor Buono**—
Susan & Tom Mac Leod

Monday, February 14th:

10:00 AM **Norman Inferrera**—
STA Outreach

Tuesday, February 15th:

7:00 AM **Christopher Kernozek**—
Mary Egan

Wednesday, February 16th:

7:00 AM **Paul Pancio**—
Elise Pancio

Friday, February 18th:

7:00 AM **Robert O. Savage, Sr.**—
Irene Savage

Saturday, February 19th:

4:15 PM **Richard Tenfelde**—
Tenfelde Family

Sunday, February 20th:

9:00 AM **Charles DeLisle**—
E. DeLisle

11:00 AM **Carmen & Carmella De Santo**—
The Woodward Family

Looking Ahead at St. Teresa

Monday, February 14

Women's Bible Study (Good Shep) 10:30 AM
PREP Weekly Lesson

Tuesday, February 15

Eucharistic Adoration Church 1:00 PM to
Benediction (Church) 7:15 PM

Wednesday, February 16

Men's Bible Study (Parish Center) 7:00 PM
Adult Choir (Church) 7:00-8:30 PM

Thursday, February 17

Prayer Shawl (Parish Center) 3:00-4:30 PM

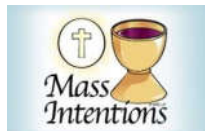
St. Teresa of Avila Parish will be participating in a parish-wide survey as part of the Called for More initiative!

STA will be participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute. We need your help!

Please help us by participating in a 10-15 minute survey online. The survey can be accessed through an online link from **March 2-April 4, 2022** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. The link will be available on our STA website beginning on March 2. If you prefer a paper copy you may pick up one (and return it) in the Narthex of the church.

All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to Fr. Wild and our various ministries as we plan for the future to strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results in May at which time we will share what we have learned with the parish community.

Thank you for helping us with this important project!



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

Remember Mass Intentions

The 2022 Mass Book is open.

The suggested offering is \$15 for each Mass. Please visit the Parish Office M-F from 9-3, to secure a date for your special Intention. In consideration of others we will be limiting the number of announced Masses to 5. After that, you may try again in 2 months. *Thank you!*

Due to the change in tax laws, donation summaries for 2021 will be sent out by request only.

If you would like to receive your donation summary for 2021, please contact the parish office at 610-666-5820 or email to starectry@verizon.net

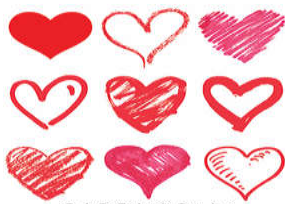


Religious Education

UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

February

14 Weekly Lesson
 21 **No Classes**—Presidents Day
 28 Weekly Lesson— **3rd Quarter Ends**



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CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

The Catholic Charities Appeal is a time for our Parish to come together to extend our love, generosity, and concern to those who need it most. When you give to the Appeal, your gift is transformed into a vessel of hope, providing education, food, shelter, and medical assistance to our brothers and sisters and neighbors right here in the Greater Philadelphia Area. For those who have not yet contributed to the Appeal, we ask that your prayerfully consider showing your support to this great call for action. Taking care of those in need is one of the most important things we can do as Catholics, and it is important that together, we, as a community, reach the needed \$12.5 million goal.

Visit catholiccharitiesappeal.org to make you donation today.

In addition, you have received an envelope in your parish packet. You may put this in a 2nd collection in May 2022.

**The Rose of Life for this week
 Is requested by
 Margaret Bosler
 In memory of
 May Fee**



The Prayer Shawl Ministry is looking for new members. We meet on Thursdays, from **3:00 to 4:30 pm** in STA Parish Center. If you are interested in knitting or crocheting shawls or small blankets

for the sick or newly baptized, please call Nancy Young at 610 539-1095 for additional information.

No experience required!



ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The sacrament of the *anointing of the sick* is based on Jesus' concern for the sick, his commissioning of the apostles to heal the sick and the healing ministry of the early Church. This sacrament is usually administered after the celebration of Mass or if needed during a personal visit. Parishioners who are entering the hospital for surgery, are seriously ill or desire the comfort of the sacrament in their weakness are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. *Please contact the Parish Office at 610-666-5820, to make arrangements.*



Please join us Monday, after the 10 AM Mass for Women's Bible Study.

We meet each Monday from 10:30am to 12pm in the Good Shepherd Room of the Parish Center. We'll examine and discuss the Scripture readings for the Sunday Liturgy, as well as apply the Scriptures to our own lives. For more information contact Elizabeth Kernozeck at ekern@gmail.com



We look forward to seeing you!

Exposition of Sacred Relics ~ Treasures of the Church

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish welcomes you to a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics. Over 150 relics will be shown, some as old as 2,000 years. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Joseph, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary Magdalene, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Maria Goretti, St. Faustina Kowalska, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thérèse of Lisieux and St. Thomas of Aquinas. There will also be a fragment of the Veil that belonged to Our Lady and pieces of the Wood of the True Cross



Presented by Fr. Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross
 Visitation BVM - Upper Church
 196 N. Trooper Road, Norristown PA
 on **Friday, Feb 18 at 6:30 PM**

See www.treasuresofthechurch.com for more information



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Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our recently deceased.

Meri Gathman (sister of Peter Joyce) and
Rosemary Schlichtig, Marcia Prester
(mother of Robert Prester)

Eternal rest grant unto them. O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for the healing of:

Mark Ellis, Adam Krasucki, Kris Burns, Stephen Chando, Claire Sheiman, Bill Miller, Joe Greco, Irene Hagerman, Rachael McFillin, Hannah Neff, Patricia Chiarlanga, Madeline McGee, Jim McGauley, Deborah Hall, Maria Cancel, Juneanne Brassington, Lou Becht, Sr., Doug Woodward, Brooke Sturgis, Elise Pancio, Flavia Langan, Gabriela Buentello, Gerri Tornetta, Cheryl Karvounis, Nino Gulotta, and for all the sick of our parish.



(Please take note: Names submitted for prayers will remain in the bulletin for 1 month.)

Employment Opportunities

Martha's Choice Marketplace at Catholic Social Services of Montgomery County is looking to hire 2 full-time positions:



1. Bi-lingual Spanish Language Outreach Coordinator
2. Receiving Coordinator

If you or someone you know is interested in either of these positions call 610-279-7372 or email a resume to Patrick Walsh at pwalsh@chs-adphila.org Thank you and God bless



Maintenance position needed for the night shift at **Pope John Paul II High School**. This is a full time position with an employee tuition benefit.

Candidates interested in this position should send resume and salary requirements to Mr. Vincent Cazzetta, President vcazzetta@pjphs.org for more information call 484 975-6500 ext 3005.

Several people have made us aware that cars have been leaving the parking lot at a very high rate of speed, posing a danger to our parishioners.

We ask all who come to our Church to be mindful of the care of every person in the parking lot. *Thank you!*



Please help us keep our Parish Records up to date. Email the office at starectory@verizon.net, with your correct email or to list any changes in your household. Thank you!

Around the Archdiocese & Local Area



Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School: 6th & 7th Grade Practice Test
All 6th and 7th grade girls are invited to register for the practice test at Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School. Tests will be offered on Sat., April 23 & Sun., April 24. Registration fee is \$40. Save 50% on the registration fee between now and February 11 in celebration of International Women and Girls in Science Day!
#SheistheFuture Register: gmahs.org/admissions

Lansdale Catholic 7th Grade Practice Scholarship Exam -



LC will hold their Practice Scholarship Exam on Saturday, March 5 at 8AM. Students from regional public, private and parochial schools are encouraged to register online at <https://stsusers.com/stsusers/registration/static/portal.php>, please USE ACCESS CODE Z8 or call Meghan Callan, Director of Admissions at 215.362.6160 x1850 for information.



The Knights of Columbus is selling "Super" Bowl Football Mania tickets to benefit the Council's General Fund. The tickets cost \$10 each and winnings are based on matching the score after each quarter of the game. A ticket that matches all four quarters will win \$10,000. Additional prizes of \$20, \$100 and \$1000 will be awarded for matching one, two or three quarters. Please consider supporting the Knights by purchasing a ticket online at our Website www.kofc7565.org. If you have any questions, please contact John Gatto at 484-919-2368.

Mount Saint Joseph Academy Spring Admission Events



Prospective students and families are invited to join us on campus this spring to learn more about academics, athletics, fine arts, co-curriculars, and student life. **7th Grade Shadow Visits** begin February 14. **6th & 7th Grade Practice Test** will be offered on Saturday, March 5. Personal tours are offered throughout the spring by appointment. Learn more about visit opportunities and events at msjacad.org/spring22. Please contact the Admission Team at (215) 233-9133 or admiss@msjacad.org with any questions.

Main Line Singles Dinner Club (Ages 52-67)

Catholic men & women are cordially invited to join "The Main Line Singles Dinner Club" to share common interests & dine together usually twice a month. Our next scheduled event is: **(Sun) Feb. 13th @ 5:15 P.M., a "Super Bowl Sunday House Party" @ a member's home in Havertown, PA. All Covid safety precautions taken. More info call Barb (610) 896-6542. Catholic men are encouraged to participate.**

Altar Flower Memorials



If you wish to remember a loved one or special occasion with a gift of altar flowers for our Sunday Liturgy, please contact the Parish Office at 610-666-5820. An offering of \$100 is requested.

