



# Saint Teresa of Avila Parish

February 4, 2018  
Fifth 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

**Ursula Lawrence, Parish Secretary/Receptionist**

**Mare Barbuto, Coordinator of Music Ministry**

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

**Office Hours:** M-Th. 9:00AM - 4:30PM  
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## OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

**Erin Gauntner, CRE/YM**

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## 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)



**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 March 21, 2018 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 and 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.



## PASTOR'S PEN

*A word from the heart*



My Dear Parishioners,

In today's Gospel, one of the Lord's new disciples, Simon Peter, had sickness in his family. His mother-in-law was suffering from a fever. That might not seem like much to us, but in those days the infection that caused the fever would often kill the person. Jesus raised her up; the fever left her, and she served the Lord.

Here is another scene from the Gospels. A man is sitting under a fig tree. His name is Nathaniel. Perhaps, he is contemplating the world and his own insignificance. Perhaps he is suffering from his lack of self-worth. Then Jesus calls him. Nathaniel becomes someone, a disciple, then an apostle. He goes to Jesus and proclaims him to be the Son of God. Jesus has healed him.

Young people and all of us who have bouts of suffering from low self-esteem, we need to go to Jesus. He sees us for whom we are, a daughter, a son of God. We are temples of the Holy Spirit. With our eyes focused on the Lord, we are healed of our own self doubts.

What sins do we have that Jesus will not heal? Pope Francis reminds us that God refuses to run out of mercy. It is we who shut his mercy off from our lives. Jesus heals.

Jesus heals the pain not just of the people of the past, but the pain of the people of today. Some receive physical healing immediately. Others receive healing in stages. Some receive a clear miracle. All who call out to the Lord are healed. Some are healed physically. Some are healed emotionally, able to accept their condition in life. All receive spiritual healing as they unite their pain to the Cross of Christ.

We who carry Christ within us, carry within us the one who heals. We recognize that Christ is present when we need Him the most, healing our internal and our external turmoil. We need to remember that we are not alone. Jesus is always with us. He is there to protect us from the doubts and despair that plagued Job. He is there to give us the courage to walk with Him over the threshold to a new life. **Jesus heals.**

**On Monday February 19** we welcome Fr. Kevin DiPrinzio, OSA for our annual Lenten Soup & Speaker event. Fr. DiPrinzio's talk is titled "Let Nothing Disturb You: Into the Desert with Teresa of Avila." The meal will begin at 5:30PM in the parish center gym with the talk scheduled for 6:45PM. I hope to see many of you there.

**March 4 through March 7** our parish will be renewed with a Parish Mission conducted by Catholic Lay Evangelist Mr. Bill Wegner of Good News International. The theme of our mission is "Returning to the Heart of Jesus!" All evening sessions beginning on Sunday March 4 will be held at 7PM in the church. Morning sessions Monday through Wednesday will begin after the 10AM Mass in the church. This is a wonderful opportunity to be led into a deeper renewal of faith and a more profound and personal relationship with the Lord.

Blessings!

*Father Jerry Wild*

## Mass Intentions, Saints and Special Observances

<b>Sat. February 3</b> 4:15 PM	<b>Vigil Mass</b> Dorothy Caza
<b>Sun. February 4</b> 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	<b>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Concetta Mobilio Eifler John Patrick McDermott
<b>Mon. February 5</b> 10:00 AM	<b>Weekday</b> Adele Semach
<b>Tues. February 6</b> 7:00 AM	<b>Weekday</b> Anne Mc Nelis
<b>Wed. February 7</b> 7:00 AM	<b>Weekday</b> Special Intention
<b>Fri. February 9</b> 7:00 AM	<b>Weekday</b> Luisa & Nicola Riccardi
<b>Sat. February 10</b> 4:15 PM	<b>Vigil Mass</b> Florence Bugda
<b>Sun. February 11</b> 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	<b>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> John Sack Charles H. Gosselin



## Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all of our recently deceased parishioners especially:  
**Mary Allarella and Elizabeth Wrzesniewski**

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

### Please pray for the healing of:

Anndreana Picard, Joe Cava, Michael Bortulin, Nino Gulotta, Viola Clark, Joan Moore, Gerry Sauermech, Jane Miecckowski, Jeanette Mallon, Loretta DeMito, 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, Helen Garcia, Eduardo Rojo, Michael Semach, 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 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 Keppta, 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, Barbara Breitbarth, Steven Kehoe, Rosemary Schlichtig, Diane Benton, Tony Polvino, Cecelia Heitzenrater, Baby Samantha Patterson, Elise Pancio, Mollie Bowe-McCarthy.

**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.



### Mass Intentions

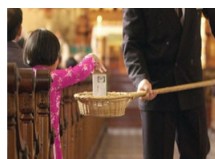
Looking for a special way to honor someone special or remember a loved one no longer with us?

### Remember Mass Intentions

Many dates are available in 2018 to be dedicated for this beautiful expression. *The suggested offering is \$15 for each mass.* Please contact or visit the Parish Office to secure a date for your special Intention.

## Looking Ahead at St. Teresa

<b>Monday, February 5</b>	
Rosary (Chapel)	6:30 PM
PREP (Parish Center)	6:30 PM
<b>Tuesday, February 6</b>	
Eucharistic Adoration	7:30 AM-8:00 PM
Leigh of Mary Mtg. (Good Shepherd Rm.)	1:00-2:30 PM
Schola Rehearsal (Church)	7:00 PM
<b>Wednesday, February 7</b>	
Band Rehearsal (Church)	7:00 PM
<b>Thursday, February 8</b>	
Men's Bible Study (STA Conf. Rm.)	7:00 PM
Youth Choir (Church)	7:00 PM
Prayer Shawl Ministry (Faculty Rm.)	7:00 PM
<b>Saturday, February 10</b>	
Communion Service (Chapel)	8:00 AM
Women's Bible Study (Faculty Rm.)	8:45 AM
Confessions (Chapel)	3:15 PM
<b>Sunday, February 11</b>	
<b>CLOW (Chapel)</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
Adult Choir (Church)	7:00 PM



**Offerings**  
**January 28 - \$7947.00**  
**Catholic Relief Services \$2279.00**

**Thank you for your faithful stewardship!**

## JOB OPPORTUNITY

St. John the Baptist Parish in Manayunk is seeking a weekday employee to maintain the church and parish hall. It is a regular time position (20-25 flex hours weekly) with the possibility for more time. The position requires the abilities to interact and work well with others, good organizational skills and an eye for cleanliness, some basic maintenance skills, and basic knowledge of Catholic Mass. Major responsibilities include preparation of the church building and parish hall for regular use and special events, light maintenance, cleaning and ordering church supplies. For more information contact the Parish Business Manager, Lex Nugent at 215-482-4600 ext. 21 or email: [businessmanager@stjohnmanayunk.org](mailto:businessmanager@stjohnmanayunk.org)



**The Rose of Life this weekend is  
Donated by  
John Rafferty, Jr.  
In Memory of  
Rita B. & John Rafferty**



## Mother Teresa Regional Catholic School



Mother Teresa Regional Catholic School has been voted "BEST GRADE SCHOOL" by the readers of the Times Herald and its affiliates! Come and learn why MTC's enrollment has grown; be a part of the MTC community!

### Registration is Open!

Did you know MTC has: PreK 2, PreK 3, PreK4, PreK5, Kindergarten, 1st through 8th grades. MTC also has before and after school care program: CARES. If you would like to hear more about MTC, take a tour or receive an enrollment packet, please contact Patsy Swope, Director of Admissions: 610-265-2323 x225 or [patsy.swope@mtcschool.org](mailto:patsy.swope@mtcschool.org).

### Kindergarten and First Grade Information Night

MTC will be hosting a kindergarten and first grade information night on **February 13**. This is an opportunity for parents or guardians to come and learn more about MTC as well as these specific programs. Kindergarten presentation will be at 6:30pm First grade presentation will be at 7pm All are welcome!

**Save the date: Run for the Roses MTC AUCTION February 24, 2018**

### MDP CYO - Spring Sports Registration is OPEN

Registration will remain open until Fri. Feb. 23. ALL registrations are done ONLINE via [www.wagdogs.com](http://www.wagdogs.com).

- 1) Log on to your family account (or Register, for 1st time users.)
- 2) Register for League
- 3) Select Mother of Divine Providence CYO, King of Prussia
- 4) Complete registration for EACH child and pay via credit card or PayPal.
- 5) If already in the wagdogs system please update your child's profile with their current grade.

All Catholic children grades K-12 are welcome to register including children from the following parishes: Mother of Divine Providence, St. Teresa of Avila, and Sacred Heart; as well as children who attend Mother Teresa Regional Catholic School. (All registrations will be verified together with each Parish Office.) The following sports are offered:

JV and Varsity Baseball: grades 5-8, registration fee \$90.

JV and Varsity Softball: grades 5-8, registration fee \$90.

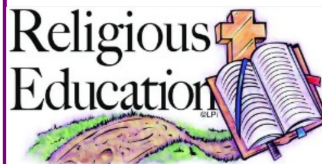
Pee Wee Track: grades K-3, registration fee \$35.

Track: grades 4-8, registration fee \$50.

High School Co-Ed Volleyball: grades 9-12 - registration fee \$50.

Current Coaches - Please email me that you will be coaching this year and at what level. New Coaches: if you are interested in coaching, please contact Karen Sion at [mdpathleticdirector@gmail.com](mailto:mdpathleticdirector@gmail.com)

All Coaches must have completed clearances. Check the website for info at [www.mdppanthers.com](http://www.mdppanthers.com)



## STA Parish Religious Education Program

### UPCOMING CALENDAR

- FEB. 5** Classes
- FEB. 11** Family Mass (level 2) & CLOW at 11 AM
- FEB. 12** Classes & YM
- FEB. 19** **NO CLASSES**, Presidents' Day holiday  
**Please join us for the Lenten Soup & Speaker Event beginning at 5:30PM**
- FEB. 26** Classes

### LEGION OF MARY INVITATION

The Legion of Mary members assist the Pastor in duties such as home visitation, RCIA, distributing Catholic literature, medals and more. If you have felt Mary calling to you, now is the time to come and learn what the Legion has to offer. The next meeting is **Tues. Feb. 6th from 1-2:30 PM** in the Good Shepherd Conf. Rm. in the Parish Center. Men and women are welcome to attend.



### 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.



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

CLOW is a sending of children after the Opening Prayer of Mass to our chapel with catechists to reflect on God's word. The decrease in the number of children

attending at the 9AM Mass on Sunday has become increasingly evident in recent months. Consequently, **we will shift this ministry to our 11AM Mass** with the hope that more children will participate.

**This will begin on Sunday February 11.**

Adults (male and female) are needed to assist with this ministry so that we may continue to offer it. Please contact Erin Gauntner, our Coordinator of Parish Religious Education at (610) 666-5820 or [staprep@verizon.net](mailto:staprep@verizon.net) to offer your help. Thank you!

*In January, St. Teresa of Avila Church welcomed through the saving waters of Baptism:*

*Eva Rose Hyatt  
Maxwell Robert Nowak  
Raelynn Erin Spitko*





### 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. We

generally celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism on the first and third Sundays of each 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. If you would like to register for our Pre-Jordan Class, schedule your child's baptism, or have any questions regarding celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Teresa's, please contact Erin Gauntner in the Office of Religious Education: 610) 666-0167 or [staprep@verizon.net](mailto:staprep@verizon.net)

Our next Pre-Jordan class will be held at 7:00PM on **Wednesday March 21** in our Parish Center.

### Stop the Presses!

Set aside Sunday evening March 4 through Wednesday night March 7 for a mission being held here in our parish. Catholic Lay Evangelist Bill Wegner of Good News International will be leading this year's mission. It will be a special time of renewal for our entire community. **Plan to be there... and bring a friend!**



### Catholic Leadership INSTITUTE

I am undertaking this initiative for our parish to participate in a survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute.

The Disciple Maker Index (DMI)

Survey provides you with the opportunity to reflect on your own spiritual growth and your discipleship. In addition, this survey will provide feedback to assist me with the pastoral council to strive to more effectively support your spiritual growth.

**The web-based survey is now accessible at [www.disciplemakerindex.com](http://www.disciplemakerindex.com) until Mon. March 5, 2018.**

There will be opportunities to complete the survey after daily and Sunday Mass. You can obtain a paper copy in the church narthex or by contacting the parish office at [starectory@verizon.net](mailto:starectory@verizon.net) or (610) 666-5820. Thank you very much for helping with this important project!

-Fr. Wild

To sign up for the new **Online Giving** program through OSV, please go to this website and follow the posted instructions: [www.osvonlinegiving.com/4395](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4395)



### Around the Archdiocese & Local Area

**"Mary, Hope for the Future"** praesidium of the Legion of Mary. The next Patricians Meeting sponsored by the Legion of Mary will be held on **Wed. Feb. 7 from 6:30 – 8:30 PM** at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church 502 Ford St. in Bridgeport. The topic is: The Sacrament of Confession: What is it? What does it do to me? What should I do with it? For more information, contact: [r.edel.lukens@villanova.edu](mailto:r.edel.lukens@villanova.edu) or (610) -256-7125. Please come, and bring a friend! Light refreshments will be served and free literature will be available.

**Charismatic Healing Mass** at St. Katharine of Siena in Wayne. **Thurs. Feb. 8 from 7-9PM.** Worship & Praise from 7-7:30PM. Fr. Rayford Emmons, celebrant. Bring a friend! Questions? Call Paul at (610) 687-8835.

### Lent: A Journey to Limitless Joy, An Evening with Fr. John Bartunek on Sat. Feb. 10

Begin Lent this year with a renewed vision on how you can experience the deep joy of the journey towards Easter. At St. Katharine of Siena Church in Wayne, renowned priest, speaker and author of *The Better Part*, Fr. John Bartunek will provide his insights into his own personal journey towards joy. Registration begins at 6:45PM followed by book signings and talk. Visit: [Lent.RCP Philly.com](http://Lent.RCP Philly.com) for more information or email Patellen Corr at [PatellenCorr@gmail.com](mailto:PatellenCorr@gmail.com)

### Religion and Public Life Lecture with Archbishop Chaput

The Matthew J. Ryan Center at Villanova University is honored to host Archbishop Chaput for our inaugural Religion and Public Life Lecture. **On Thursday Feb. 22 at 4PM** Abp. Chaput will discuss the impact of the Cultural Revolution generation on the course of the country and the Church today. **Location:** Connelly Center Cinema, Villanova University **To learn more:** Contact Austin Detwiler at [Austin.detwiler@villanova.edu](mailto:Austin.detwiler@villanova.edu)

### Man-Up Spirituality Conference "Christ Crucified - the Power and Wisdom of God" March 3; 7:30 AM- 4:30 PM

This year, we celebrate the 10th Annual Man Up Spirituality Conference in the Archdiocese. The conference provides an opportunity for men to come together in true Christian brotherhood and to hear inspirational talks from fellow men on the journey of faith. The day, which will include time for Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, will conclude with Mass. **Location:** Mirenda Center at Neumann University in Aston, PA. Speakers include: Jim Towey, Don Saleski, Mark Forrest, and Brian Gail. To learn more visit: [manupphilly.com](http://manupphilly.com)

### New Altar Servers

Young ladies and gentlemen in 4th grade and above are welcome to join the Ministry of Altar Server. The honor of serving in our Lord's Holy Sanctuary offers a young person the opportunity to grow in faith and love of our Lord! Please call Janice or Ken Orner at (610)-630-8427 if you are interested in being an Altar Server.



### Men's Bible Study at St. Teresa of Avila



All men age 18+ are welcome to join us as we study the Books of the Bible on Thursday Nights at 7PM in the Parish Center. Come and see!  
**Contact** Chris Kernozek:  
e-mail: [biblestudysta@gmail.com](mailto:biblestudysta@gmail.com)  
Telephone: (610) 666-5945