



Saint Teresa of Avila Parish

October 1, 2017

The Twenty-Sixth 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
Sunday: 9:00AM & 11:00AM
Holy Days: as published in the bulletin

Daily Mass: 10:00AM Mondays
 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

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

Fri. 9:00AM-4:00PM

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Do nothing out of selfishness or vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others.

Philippians 2:3

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 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.



"Which of the two sons did his father's will?", Jesus asked.

They answered "The first."

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you."

PASTOR'S PEN

A word from the heart



Matthew 21:31-32

My Dear Parishioners,

In this parable, both sons hear the very same command from their father: "Son, go to work today in my vineyards." The first son is independent, disobedient, and insolent. The second son is a big talker, full of promises but lacking in action.

The sons' ultimate actions reveal their true difference. The first son, after open refusal of his father's requests, repents of his disobedience (better late than never) and goes to work for his father in the vineyards. He overcomes his initial poor choices and shifts from bad to good. After experiencing the negative effects of sin, he yields to God's instruction by changing direction and doing as his father had commanded him...the fruit of his repentance. The second son does not fulfill his promise to his father and complete the work that his words promised.

In these two men, Christ describes on one hand sinners of all types, who when convicted by John the Baptist and Himself, turned away from their inequities, repented and obeyed God. On the other hand are the scribes, Pharisees, and other self-righteous people who feign a zeal for the law but will not receive the gospel.

Many in mainstream Christianity profess to know God, but deny Him in their works. They appear pious at church, but their personal lives are riddled with sin. They are living a lie, and out of their smooth mouths, their deceitful hearts speak. Their efforts produce the works of the flesh, rather than the fruits of the spirit.

From this, we can learn that those who feel that they are knowledgeable and need nothing more from Christ for their lives fail to realize their spiritual bankruptcy and see no need to change. They may appear righteous, but being deceived by Satan, they believe that their own righteousness will save them. Therefore, because they see no sin in their lives, they see no reason to repent.

However, God's true church makes herself ready by repenting and overcoming sin, by truly valuing the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, and by obeying and receiving, obeying and revering the Father and His Son. The long-term rewards for obeying the Father's command to work in His vineyards are tremendous for those who do so. Thanks be to God.

Blessings,

Father Jerry Wild

Mass Intentions, Saints & Special Observances

Sat. September 30 4:15 PM	Vigil Mass George Schilling
Sun. October 1 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Stanley Raus John Pickett
Mon. October 2 10:00 AM	Weekday Sean Hanlon
Tues. October 3 7:00 AM	Weekday Stephanie Beilman
Wed. October 4 7:00 AM	St. Francis of Assisi Dorothy Caza
Fri. October 6 7:00 AM	Weekday Thanksgiving for Vipin Kunjachan
Sat. October 7 4:15 PM	Vigil Mass Ray Tenney
Sun. October 8 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time John Baitinger 34th Anniversary Special Intention



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 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 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, 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.

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

Monday, October 2	
Rosary (Chapel)	6:30 PM
PREP (Parish Center)	6:30 PM-7:45 PM
Youth Ministry	6:30 PM
Legion of Mary (Church Vestibule)	7:00 PM
Tuesday, October 3	
Eucharistic Adoration	7:30 AM-8:00 PM
Christmas Bazaar Mtg. (Good Shep. Rm.)	7:00 PM
Wednesday, October 4	
Band Rehearsal (Church)	7:00PM-8:00 PM
Thursday, October 5	
Men's Bible Study (STA Conf. Rm.)	7:00 PM
Adult Choir (Church)	7:00 PM
Prayer Shawl Ministry	7:00 PM
Hospitality Comm. Mtg. (Good Shep Rm.)	7:00 PM
Saturday, October 7	
Communion Service (Chapel)	8:00 AM
Women's Bible Study (Faculty Rm.)	8:45 AM
Confessions (Chapel)	3:15 PM
Sunday, October 8	
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 to add or remove names from the list.



9/24/2017 Offering \$9,034

September Online Giving \$5,308

Thank you for your faithful stewardship!

The Rose of Life this weekend is

Donated by

Joe & Rita Beirne

In Memory of

Beirne & Troutman Families





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



Mother Teresa Regional Catholic School has been voted "BEST GRADE SCHOOL" by the readers of the Times Herald and its affiliates!

MTC 2017 School Theme:

"Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father"

~ Matthew 5:16

What a wonderful theme for our school year. It truly embodies what we teach our students everyday; to follow the light of Jesus through his teachings on love, compassion, and good deeds to name a few.

Letting our light shine truly shows that we are all united in the same family at MTC, as followers of Jesus.

Hurricane Relief: MTC students collected school supplies to send to the hurricane devastated areas in Florida and Texas. We will continue to pray for all of those effected!



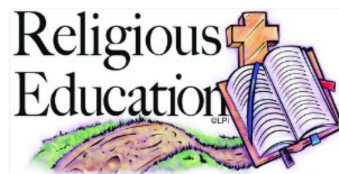
Save the Date!

We are excited to announce that ticket sales for the **5th Annual \$10,000 Giveaway**

will begin on September 25th. For ticket information contact Patsy Swope at:

patsy.swope@mtcschool.org
Look for more details to follow.

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 Enrollment Management: 610-265-2323 x225 or patsy.swope@mtcschool.org.



STA Parish Religious Education Program



PREP dismissal is at 7:45PM in the gym. Please in marked spaces and enter through the side gym door and wait in the gym for the children to be brought in by the classroom catechist or aide. **All children must be picked up in the gym by a parent or guardian; children will not be permitted to go out into the parking lot unless accompanied by an adult.** All families are to please provide the CRE with a written notice of any carpool arrangements.

Thank you for your cooperation with us to keep your children safe.

Having no formal PREP class following the new Family Mass is a pilot program. The catechists and CRE along with Father Wild will be closely monitoring family participation and student engagement for a three-month period. Over the Christmas break we will evaluate how well things are going and determine if the program will continue, needs some revision, or will be discontinued for the remainder of the PREP session. Please see the parish website for the current PREP calendar.

**!!!NEW NEW NEW!!!
!!SAVE THE DATE!!**

Youth Ministry will again decorate soup bowls for **PACS 11th Annual Empty Bowls** event, to be held November 3rd. Please join us on

Monday, October 23rd in the gym **from 6:30-7:45PM!** \$12 per person includes all materials and supplies plus glazing and firing at

Busy Bees Pottery Studio in Audubon.

Light refreshments will be provided, and families are welcome!!



Music Ministry News

Season Opening Rehearsal Dates

Adult Choir is in session, but we still need voices... YOURS!

Requiem (Funeral) Choir - October 10th
Youth Choir - September 28

Come try us out!

Contact Sarah Stong for more information:
stachoirdirector@gmail.com

Help Wanted...instrumentalists to play occasionally throughout the year (brass, woodwind, strings). **No long term commitment!**



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 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



The Knights of Columbus will be outside after Mass on September 30th and October 1st offering lapel roses for the benefit of Pro-Life. The rose is a symbol for life, and your donations directly benefit

The Birthright and A Baby's Breath Pregnancy Centers as well as other Pro-Life activities.

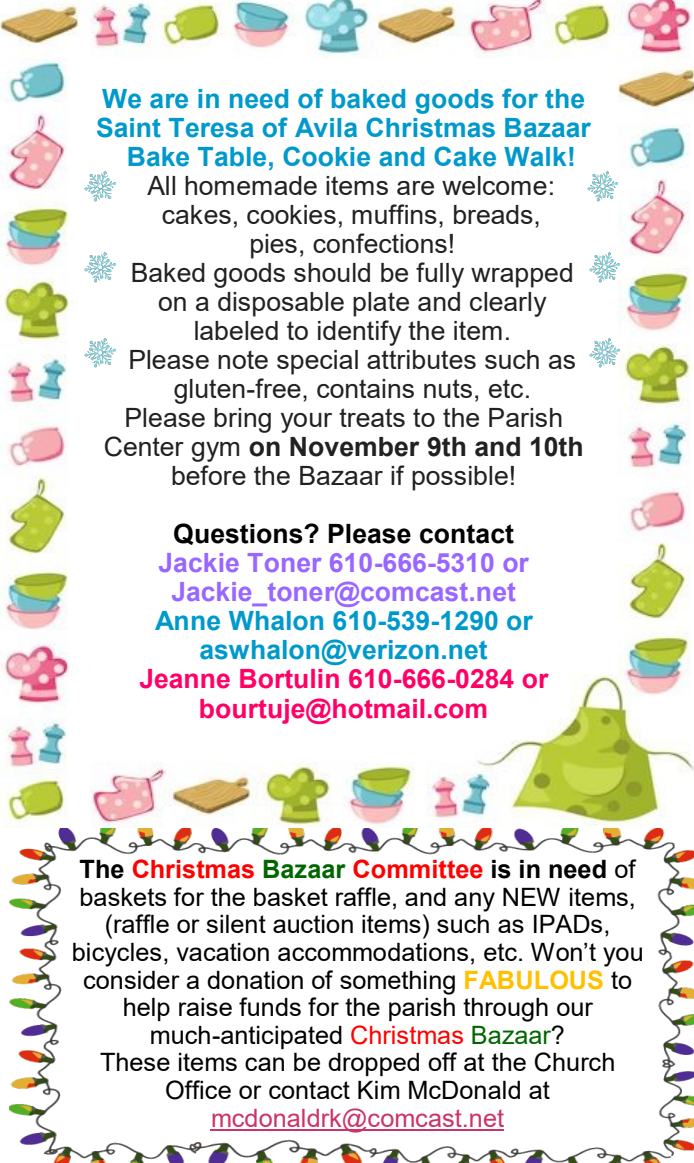


What goes better with coffee than fresh baked goods?



Calling all Bakers!
Our next Parish Coffee will be **Sunday, October 8 after both Masses.**

If you would like to donate baked goods, fruit or another snack for the event, please contact Jennifer Gambino at 610-631-0555 or jennifergambino@yahoo.com. Looking forward to seeing everyone on October 8!!



We are in need of baked goods for the Saint Teresa of Avila Christmas Bazaar Bake Table, Cookie and Cake Walk!

- All homemade items are welcome: cakes, cookies, muffins, breads, pies, confections!
- Baked goods should be fully wrapped on a disposable plate and clearly labeled to identify the item.
- Please note special attributes such as gluten-free, contains nuts, etc. Please bring your treats to the Parish Center gym on **November 9th and 10th** before the Bazaar if possible!

Questions? Please contact Jackie Toner 610-666-5310 or Jackie_toner@comcast.net Anne Whalon 610-539-1290 or aswhalon@verizon.net Jeanne Bortulin 610-666-0284 or bortuje@hotmail.com

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

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.

