

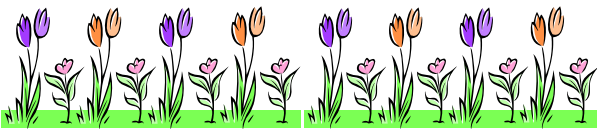
**Welcome to all Parishioners,
Guests and Newcomers
at St. Teresa's.**

You are always warmly welcome, but the first Saturday and Sunday of each month we make a special point of spending time to get to know one another.

If you are visiting our church today, know that we are honored by your presence. Our parish serves the needs of the community in many different ways. We offer preparation for sacraments, education for children and adults, social activities, assistance to those in difficulty, comfort to the sick and those who mourn a loss. If we can be of service to you, do not hesitate to call on us.

If you have not already done so, please take a moment to make a name badge in the vestibule. If you are here early reading your bulletin, say hello to someone sitting close by, particularly if you have not met before.

Join us after the either the 8:30 or 10am Mass on Sunday for refreshments and fellowship in our Hall.



GARDEN FUND

We have begun the process of designing the garden space. There are architectural renderings posted in the church and hall. Won't you please consider making a donation to this worthy cause, sure to benefit the entire parish community!

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES/CYO
BACK-TO-SCHOOL
DONATION OPPORTUNITY**

As we approach the time of year when children return back to school, Catholic Charities is offering a donation opportunity for you and your community to practice compassion and support those in need. The Back-to-School donation equips youth from low-income families with much needed supplies for school, as well as the necessary confidence and tools to succeed. The supplies you donate help children ranging from K-8 to high school age. We are seeking backpacks, school supplies, and Target gift cards to provide students with uniforms. **The last day to submit donations is August 14.** To donate please contact:

Diana Contreras, Volunteer Manager at dcontreras@CatholicCharitiesSF.org or 415 972 1297;

or Jane Ferguson Flout, Director of Community and Parish Engagement at jfergusonflout@CatholicCharitiesSF.org or 415 972 1227.

Your donations truly make the difference in these children's education.

St. Anthony-Immaculate Conception School is accepting applications for grades K-8 for the 2015-2016 school year. Over 120 years of educating in the Dominican Tradition of community, study, prayer, and service. Call for a tour and information. Financial aid is available. They are located at 299 Precita Ave. SF 94110 415-648-2008 www.saicsf.org
Summer Office hours M-F 9am – 3pm

**WE WELCOME YOU TO
ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH**

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES

**AUGUST 2, 2015
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

1490 19TH STREET (CHURCH)

LOCATED ON THE NE CORNER OF 19TH & CONNECTICUT STREETS



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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:15 pm
Sunday 8:30 &
10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 8:30 am
Friday 8:30 am

MARRIAGE

Please call six months in advance.

BAPTISM &

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

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ST. TERESA'S MISSION STATEMENT

As members of St. Teresa's Parish we fulfill our baptismal commitment by being the hands and heart of Christ in our world.

We achieve this commitment by accepting the human dignity of all persons, and by advocating for and serving those oppressed in our society.

The community of St. Teresa's finds its strength to fulfill this through participation in the Eucharist, prayer, learning the building of relationships, and action for Justice.

Parish Calendar

Sun, Aug 2 - Coffee & Donuts, following the
8:30 & 10:00 am Masses
Mon, Aug 3 - AA Meeting, 6:30pm, Avila
Tue, Aug 4 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
1pm, Church Hall
Sat, Aug 8 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Church Hall

Please check the bulletin boards in the vestibule & hall for upcoming events or special notices from the Archdiocese.

MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together we include in our prayers:

August 1

4:15pm Audrey & Bob Rose (Spec. Int.)
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, August 2

8:30am The Deceased of the Parish
10:00am The People of the Parish

Tuesday, August 4

8:30am + Jim Wilson

Friday, August 7

8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Saturday, August 8

4:15pm Audrey & Bob Rose (Spec. Int.)
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, August 9

8:30am The People of the Parish
10:00am + Rachael Cariglia

SECOND COLLECTIONS

August 1 & 2

This week's second collection benefits the St. Teresa's Building & Maintenance Fund.

August 8 & 9

Next week there will be no second collection.

Please help yourself to a copy of *Give Us This Day—Daily Prayer for Today's Catholic*, August 2015 edition. In addition to daily prayers, there are profiles of saintly witnesses, reflections that will guide you in prayer, daily Scripture readings, and much more.

WEEKEND FIRST COLLECTION

JULY 25 & 26

**\$1,625
THANK YOU!**

Ministers Schedule for Next Week August 8 & 9

<u>4:15 PM</u>		<u>10:00 AM</u>	
Lector:	R. Ostler	1 Lector:	D. Churton
Bread:	F. Patt	2 Lector:	R. Pitts
Cup:	J. Daddio	1 Bread:	R. Labuguen
Hosp:	R. Jones	2 Bread:	J. Warnock
		3 Bread:	A. Schelstrate
<u>8:30 AM</u>		1 Cup:	C. Allen
Lector:	R. O'Connor	2 Cup:	J. Schelstrate
Bread:	J. Newman	Hosp:	J. Warnock
Cup:	R. Kingman		
Hosp:	T. Lando		

Welcome to St. Teresa's Parish Community

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here celebrating with us. Whether long-time residents or newly arrived in our parish, we thank God that you are with us. If you are not registered or have changes to your registration, please fill in the form below.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

- New Parishioner New Address New Phone
 Send Sunday envelopes Send Monthly Donor Form Moving—remove from mailing list

The ICHTHUS

A Symbol for Jesus and the Eucharist

Last Sunday we departed from the Gospel of Mark to begin a five-week excursus in the Gospel of John. From now through August 23rd, we will be reading from John's sixth chapter, the Johanne account of the miracle of the loaves and fishes. This is the only miracle that appears in all four Gospels, and John uses this story as a springboard for his theology on the Eucharist.



When we think of Eucharist, the immediate symbols that come to mind are bread and wine. But there is another ancient Christian symbol for Eucharist – the fish – and even though most of us have probably seen this symbol, I would suspect that few of us are familiar with its history or meaning.

The fish – or *ICHTHUS* – dates from the earliest days of Christianity, probably the first century. It is an acronym for *I*esos *C*hristos *T*heou *Y*ios *S*oter, which translates into English as “Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior.”

- Iota (**I**) is the first letter of *I*esous, Greek for Jesus
- Chi (**X**) is the first letter of *X*ristos, Greek for “anointed”
- Theta (**Θ**) is the first letter of *T*heos, Greek for “God”
- Upsilon (**Υ**) is the first letter of (h)uios, Greek for “Son”
- Sigma (**Σ**) is the first letter of *S*oter, Greek for “Savior”

Like all symbols, the *ICHTHUS* has more than one meaning. As a symbol of Christ, it is often found in the catacombs, but the way that it is used is quite surprising. Rather than being found in “formal artwork”, the *ICHTHUS* is used almost as a “tag” or “graffiti”, a coded symbol that “a Christian was here” or “a Christian is buried here”.

Over time, the symbol takes on an additional meaning, that of Eucharist. Referencing the Scriptures, it is not hard to see how this evolved. In all four Gospels, Jesus feeds the crowd with five barley loaves and two fish, and in two of the post-resurrection appearances Jesus eats fish with his disciples, the first time when he appears to them on Easter Sunday night, the second time when he cooks breakfast for them on the shores of the sea of Galilee.

Today, the *ICHTHUS* symbol is quite popular among Christians, appearing on everything from bumper sticker to door knockers to jewelry. In this sense, it is being used in much the same way that it was used in the early Church: as a coded tag that the driver of the car, the occupant of the house, or the person wearing the jewelry is a Christian.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.