

**ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL
APPEAL 2018**

Assessed Amount: \$28,224
Amount Pledged: \$ 8,509
Balance Remaining: \$19,715

If you wish to donate online, access is through:

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From the drop-down menu, select St. Teresa Church

Please check with your employer to see if they provide matching funds for charitable donations.

We are at **30%** of our goal! Thank you to all who have donated & pledged. Last year we had AAA wrapped up in 10 weeks (including pledges to be paid over the year) and received donations from 92+ parishioners/families. So far we have received donations from only 25 individuals/families.

The SF Archdiocese is holding a **Digital Communication Conference** on Wednesday, March 21st at the Cathedral Event Center. The Conference is scheduled from 8:30am—2:00pm. Morning refreshments and lunch will be served.

The Parish will pay the registration fee for anyone who would like to attend. Registration is required, so please contact Stephani in the Parish Office if you plan on attending.

The flyer for the event is posted s in the church vestibule and the hall.

**FIRST & SECOND COLLECTIONS
JANUARY**

First Collection (Monthly Donors Only) **\$2,597**
First Collection (Weekend Masses) **\$6,185**
Building & Maintenance \$ 631
Garden Fund \$ 897
Piano Fund \$ 0
St. Vincent de Paul \$ 326

GARDEN FUND

We are proceeding with the Parish Garden Project. **Work will begin this week.** 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!

CARE FOR OUR CHURCH

With the retirement of Deacon Chuck, we no longer have someone to clean & straighten the church after each Mass. Please take a moment before you leave to replace the hymnals in their racks, bring any unwanted bulletins up front to the vestibule, and look around your area for anything that may need to be thrown out or returned to its proper place. Thank You!



The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, March 2

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Tuesdays & Fridays in Lent
Mass, 8:30am

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday Vigil, March 24: 4:15pm
Palm Sunday, March: 8:30 & 10am

EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, March 29: 7:30pm
Good Friday, March 30: 12:15pm
Easter Vigil, March 31: 8:00pm
Easter Sunday, April 1: 8:30 & 10:00am

ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM

Everything that lives must consume. But currently humans are consuming at an unsustainable pace- with damaging consequences for our society and our planet. During this Lenten season, consider replacing consumption with sacrifice, greed with generosity, and wastefulness with a spirit of sharing. The hallmark of this lifestyle is outer compassion and inner contentment.

**We Welcome You To
St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church**

Served by the Carmelites

**FEBRUARY 25, 2018
SECOND SUNDAY
OF LENT**



1490 19TH STREET (CHURCH)

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OFFICE HOURS

10:00am to 12:30pm
1:00pm to 4:30pm

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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.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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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.

MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together we include in our prayers:

4:15pm **Saturday, February 24**
† Anton & Helen Jelenich
Henry Morgan, Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, February 25**
The People of the Parish
10:00am † Edwina Fenili

8:30am **Tuesday, February 27**
Pascual "Sonny" Castro (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Friday, March 2**
The Sick of the Parish

4:15pm **Saturday, March 3**
Audrey & Bob Rose (Spec. Int.)
Henry Morgan, Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, March 4**
The People of the Parish
10:00am † Rosita Bullecer Flores

SECOND COLLECTIONS

February 24 & 25

The second collection this week benefits the St. Teresa Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

March 3 & 4

The second collection next week benefits the St. Teresa Building & Maintenance Fund.

PART-TIME SEXTON WANTED

The sexton is responsible for maintaining/cleaning the church & hall, inside and out. This position would be 10-15 hours per week, days & hours flexible. Perfect for a college student or retiree. Please contact the Parish Office (stephani@stteresasf.org or 415.285.5272) to apply.

Parish Calendar

Sun, Feb 25 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall
Mon, Feb 26 - AA Step Meeting, 6:30pm, Hall
- Choir Practice, 6:30pm, Church
Tue, Feb 27 - SVdP Sandwich Tuesday
9:00am, Parish Kitchen
- SVdP Grocery Distribution
1:00pm, Hall
Fri, Mar 2 - PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Sat, Mar 3 - Lay Carmelite Meeting
10:00am, Avila
- AA Meeting, 7pm, Avila
Sun, Mar 4 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall

**Ministers Schedule for Next Week
March 3 & 4**

4:15 PM

10:00 AM

Lector: T. Jackson 1 Lector: B. Doyle
Bread: J. Daddio 2 Lector: R. Pitts
Cup: A. Rose 1 Bread: L. Jacklevich
Hosp: R. Jones 2 Bread: Volunteer
3 Bread: A. Schelstrate
8:30 AM 1 Cup: G. McGrath
Lector: D. Paquette 2 Cup: E. Kudyba
Bread: P. English Hosp: L. Gauna
Cup: S. Siebel
Hosp: T. Lando

The full schedules for March & April will be sent next week.

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

SCRUTINIES

In the early church, Lent began as a 40-day fast in preparation for Easter. At the same time, it became a period of **Purification and Enlightenment**, a time of prayerful final preparation for those to be baptized at Easter. By the fifth century, infant baptism had become the norm, and there were few (if any) adults to be initiated into the Church. Thus, the catechumenate disappeared for about 1500 years until it was restored following the Second Vatican Council.

Whenever we have adults to be baptized at Easter, something very special happens in Lent. The catechumens – now called the *elect* because they have been called by the bishop to the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter – celebrate the *Scrutinies* on the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent. According to the instruction for the *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*, "The *Scrutinies* . . . are rites of self-searching and repentance, . . . (and) are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the *elect*; to bring out, then strengthen, all that is upright, strong, and good." (RCIA #141)

Whenever scrutinies are celebrated we use the readings from Cycle A. These are taken from the Gospel of John, a practice that goes back to perhaps the third century. The readings are:

- **Third Sunday of Lent:** *The Woman at the Well*
- **Fourth Sunday of Lent:** *The Man Born Blind*
- **Fifth Sunday of Lent:** *The Raising of Lazarus from the Dead*

The focus of each reading is as follows:

- The *Woman at the Well* poses the question, *What am I thirsty for?*
- The *Man Born Blind* asks, *What am I blind to?* and
- The *Raising of Lazarus* asks, *What am I bound by?*

During the Scrutiny, the presider, sponsors, and assembly lay hands upon the elect, praying that all obstacles be removed from them in order that they may be fully open and receptive to God's grace. This, we pray, happens at the Easter Vigil, when God's Spirit is poured out upon them in the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

We will celebrate Scrutinies with our catechumen at the 10 am Mass on March 4th, 11th, and 18th. But on this Sunday, February 25th, we celebrate a Penitential Rite (Scrutiny) with our two candidates. They are called *candidates* because they already have been baptized and will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church at Easter, when they will receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. At both the Penitential Rite and Scrutinies, we invite members of the assembly to gather around the candidates or catechumen – laying hands on them or extending hands over them in blessing – as we pray for those who are to be initiated into the Church at Easter.

On the Third and Fifth Sundays of Lent there are also *presentations*. Next week the elect are presented with the Creed, which they proclaim in the presence of and with the gathered community. And, in three weeks, we entrust the elect with the Lord's Prayer – the *Our Father* – which is the "secret prayer" of Christians. The presentation of the Lord's Prayer follows an ancient practice which entrusts this prayer to the elect as part of their final stage of preparation.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.