

**Operation New Socks for the Homeless**



**Warm their hearts by warming their feet!**

Throughout the month of January, there will be baskets throughout the church and hall awaiting your donations of new, white tube socks.

With the promise of a wet winter, a pair of new socks can make a huge impact on the lives of those without resources.

Won't you please help us meet or exceed our goal of 1,200 pairs before the end of January?

**AID FOR SYRIAN REFUGEES**

We are happy to advise you that a grand total of **\$4,165** was raised! **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

All funds received will go to the refugees c/o Parishes Organized to Welcome Refugees (POWR).

**MARDI GRAS ZYDECO DANCE**

St. Finn Barr Church, Goode Hall  
415 Edna Street, San Francisco  
Saturday, January 23, 2016  
8:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight

\$20.00 in advance; \$25.00 at the door  
Free Dance Lesson: 7:00 — 8:00 p.m.

For advance tickets, please call the Church Rectory at 415-333-3627

**YEAREND TAX REPORTING**

Letters acknowledging donations for 2015 will be sent out during the month of January to all Envelope & Monthly donors who contributed more than \$200. If you donated by checks in the basket and would like a tax letter, please email Stephani.

**Planning Seminar  
Catholic Estate and End-of-Life**

When it comes to end-of-life bioethical decisions and estate, funeral and burial planning, many people do not know where to begin. Because of this, a great number of people die without having had the opportunity to make funeral and estate plans. And when it comes to making ethical decisions about medical care, many people just don't know where to receive good advice.

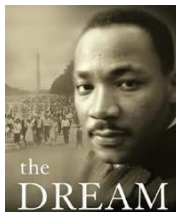
The Archdiocese of San Francisco and Catholic Cemeteries are offering a seminar on these topics. St. Teresa of Avila will be hosting on Saturday, February 20th, from 10-11:30am. Please see the bulletin boards for more information.

**WEEKEND FIRST COLLECTION**

**JANUARY 9 & 10**

**\$1,678**

**THANK YOU!**



The Parish Office will be closed  
Monday, January 18th  
in observation of  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

**ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM**

Although El Nino has brought some rain to California, don't let up on drought conservation just yet! Even with the recent rains, it will take a while to recover from this unprecedented drought. Remember minimizing indoor water use, running only full loads of laundry, and avoiding using water to clean sidewalks and driveways are all good ways to help.

**WE WELCOME YOU TO**

**ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**SERVED BY THE CARMELITES**



**JANUARY 17, 2016**

**SECOND SUNDAY**

**IN ORDINARY TIME**



**1490 19TH STREET (CHURCH)**  
**LOCATED ON THE NE CORNER OF 19TH & CONNECTICUT STREETS**

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**OFFICE HOURS**  
10:00am to 12:30pm  
1:00pm to 4:30pm

**Website: stteresasf.org**

**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.*

## Parish Calendar

Sun, Jan 17 - Faith Formation, 9am, Hall  
 Mon, Jan 18 - AA Meeting, 6:30pm, Avila  
 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm  
 Tue, Jan 19 - SVdP Sandwich Tuesday  
 9:00am, Parish Kitchen  
 - SVdP Grocery Distribution  
 1:00pm, Hall  
 Sat, Jan 23 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Church Hall  
 Sun, Jan 24 - Faith Formation, 9am, Hall

### MASS INTENTIONS

*As we celebrate Mass together  
 we include in our prayers:*

4:15pm **Saturday, January 16**  
 † Bill Burns  
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, January 17**  
 The People of the Parish  
 10:00am † Mykola Sorokolit

8:30am **Tuesday, January 19**  
 † Steve Marquart

8:30am **Friday, January 22**  
 † Helen Kwiecien

4:15pm **Saturday, January 23**  
 † Mary & Anton Separovich  
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, January 24**  
 The People of the Parish  
 10:00am † Vincent Cocciolone

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

### January 16 & 17

The second collection this week will benefit Catholic Charities, USA in their efforts for flood relief.

### January 23 & 24

The second collection next week will benefit St Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park.

## Walk for Life West Coast 2015

Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 12th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 23, 2016. The pre-walk rally begins at 12:30pm in Civic Center Plaza with the walk beginning at 1:30pm. For complete information, visit: [www.walkforlifewc.com](http://www.walkforlifewc.com)  
 Or call 415.658.1793

### Ministers Schedule for Next Week January 23 & 24

<b>4:15 PM</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
Lector: R.M. Ostler	1 Lector: J. Flores
Bread: J. Burns	2 Lector: T. Labuguen
Cup: E. Perea	1 Bread: R. Labuguen
Hosp: M. Perea	2 Bread: J. Warnock
	3 Bread: M.K. Law
<b>8:30 AM</b>	1 Cup: C. Allen
Lector: T. Lang	2 Cup: J. Schelstrate
Bread: J. Newman	Hosp: J. Warnock
Cup: S. Lang	
Hosp: T. Lando	

## SIGNS IN GOSPEL OF JOHN: THE WEDDING AT CANA

Last Sunday – the Baptism of the Lord – marked both the end of the Christmas Season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. Today, on the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, one would expect a resumption of the “Gospel of the Year” (Luke). However, the Lectionary is structured so that the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time always draws from the Gospel of John, and once every three years we read the account of the Wedding at Cana.

John’s Gospel is categorically different from the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke). The Gospel of John has no parables, and, instead of the “down to earth” talk we find in the Synoptics, the Jesus of John’s Gospel uses flowery language and metaphors (e.g, “I am the vine, you are the branches . . .” or “In my house there are many mansions . . .”). Additionally, there are also no miracles in John; instead, we have seven *signs* that describe wondrous deeds of Jesus. These are found in *The Book of Signs* (Jn 1:19 –12:50), and consist of the following:

- *The Wedding at Cana (Jn 2:1-12)*
- *The Cure of the Royal Official’s Son (Jn 4:46-54)*
- *The Sabbath Cure of the Paralytic at the Pool of Bethesda (5:1-18)*
- *The Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes (Jn 6:1-15)*
- *Jesus’ Walking on Water (Jn 6:15-21)*
- *The Man Born Blind (Jn 9:1-41)*
- *The Raising of Lazarus (Jn 11:1-44)*

Two of these stories are found only in John (the Wedding at Cana and the Raising of Lazarus). The other five “signs” have parallel miracles in the Synoptics.

Although today’s Gospel takes place at a wedding it is, surprisingly, not about a wedding at all. The bride, groom, and bridal party – those who should be the major characters – are conspicuously absent from the narrative. Instead, the story revolves around two of the guests (Jesus and Mary) and one of the servants (the headwaiter). In the story Jesus turns water into wine, and the key to understanding the text lies in the headwaiter’s comment to the bridegroom:

*“Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now.” [Jn 2:10]*

The metaphor is that Jesus is the “good wine”: many prophets came before him, but Jesus is the last and the greatest. In the next verse, John continues with his explanation:

*“Jesus did this at the beginning of his signs in Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.” [Jn 2:11]*

In the Gospel of John, a “wondrous deed” performed by Jesus is only the “stepping off point” for the story. Each sign’s deeper meaning is realized only when one looks *behind* and *beyond* the text. In today’s gospel, we realize that it is about neither a wedding nor the changing of water into wine; instead, the Wedding at Cana teaches us that Jesus is the last (and the greatest) of the prophets. The Wedding at Cana is also a manifestation story in that those who witness the “wondrous deed” of Jesus are able to “look beyond” the water and wine and recognize the presence of Christ in their midst.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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