

**Important
DATE!**

Please join with your fellow parishioners on Sunday, February 12th after both the 8:30 & 10:00 am Masses in the Parish Hall.

The Social Committee (and some wonderful volunteers) will be serving pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee, tea & juice.



Tickets will be on sale after all Masses this (and next) weekend. Thanks to a generous donor, the price of an Adult ticket has been reduced to \$5 and Children are Free.



So they may be prepared, the Social Committee has requested that tickets be purchased in advance and that you obtain a ticket for each child you plan to bring.



Please join us in welcoming Ada Rosemary Carter to our parish community. Ada, the daughter of William & Melissa Carter, will be baptized by on Saturday, January 28 at the 4:15pm Mass.

We are also welcoming Maria Kamath, the daughter of Vikram & Reena Kamath, to our parish community. Maria will be baptized on Sunday, January 29 at the 10:00am Mass.

2011 AAA UPDATE

As of December 31:
Assessed Amount: \$26,600
Amount Received: \$17,821 (67%)
Amount Needed: \$ 8,779 (33%)

We will continue to accept donations for AAA 2011 until February but these donations will be acknowledged for the Tax Year 2012.

If you are able to help us meet our outstanding balance, please contact the Parish Office, or send in your donation before the end of this month.

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 22
Mass with Distribution of Ashes
12:15 & 6:15pm

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

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES



**JANUARY 29, 2012
FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**



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OFFICE HOURS

9:30am to 12:30pm
1:00pm to 5:00pm

Please visit our 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.

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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 29 - Good Shepherd, 9:00am
 - Faith Formation., 9:15am
- Mon, Jan 30 - Choir Practice
 7:00pm, Church
- Tues, Jan 31 - SVdP Sandwich Tuesday
 7:00am, Parish Kitchen
 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
 1:00pm, Sammon Hall
- Wed, Feb 1 -
- Thur, Feb 2 -
- Fri, Feb 3 -
- Sat, Feb 4 - Lay Carmelite Meeting
 Avila Hall
 - AA Meeting
 7:00pm, Avila Hall
- Sun, Feb 5 - Good Shepherd, 9:00am
 - Faith Formation., 9:15am

WEEKEND COLLECTION

January 21 & 22

\$1,218

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Saturday, January 28

- 4:15pm + Constance Cimino
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, January 29

- 8:30am The People of the Parish
 10:00am + Richard Plut

Tuesday, January 31

- 8:30am Little Children's Aid

Friday, February 3

- 8:30am + Grace Delagnes

Saturday, February 4

- 4:15pm The Sick of the Parish
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, February 5

- 8:30am The People of the Parish
 10:00am The Sick of the Parish

SECOND COLLECTION

January 28 & 29

The second collection this weekend will benefit the St. Teresa's Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

February 4 & 5

The second collection next weekend will benefit the St. Teresa's Building & Maintenance Fund.

WELCOMING WEEKEND

February 4 & 5, 2012

We continue the tradition of making the first Sunday of each month a special "Welcome" experience for inviting new parishioners. So bring a friend or two and join the community of St. Teresa's in welcoming new parishioners, visitors and old friends.



"What is this?
 A new teaching
 with authority."

Mark 1:27

Ministers Schedule for Next Week February 4 & 5

4:15

Lector: M. Elsea
 Bread: F. Patt
 Cup: J. Burns
 Hosp: M. Comaich

8:30 AM

Lector: S. Cabatic
 Bread: R. Kingman
 Cup: J. Marasco
 Hosp: J. Propster

10:00 AM

1 Lector: E. Koh
 2 Lector: D.B. Bernstein
 1 Bread: J. Schelstrate
 2 Bread: J. Warnock
 3 Bread: T. Mana
 1 Cup: C. Allen
 2 Cup: E. Miller
 Hosp: J. Warnock

THE BOLGER WINDOW: THE FINDING IN THE TEMPLE

At St. Teresa's there are twelve windows in the main body of the Church. These windows, which date from the 1930s, are being restored as funds become available. Each month one issue of the pastor's column focuses on a "Window of the Month," and today we examine the Finding of Jesus in the Temple.

The Bolger Window is the third window in the northeast corner of the Church. The window depicts the twelve-year old Jesus in the temple, a story found only in the Gospel of Luke. Before examining the window itself, a few notes and comments about the Lucan text are in order.

The Finding in the Temple (Lk 2:42-51) concludes the Infancy Narrative in Luke's Gospel, and there are two unique or significant things about this story. First, it appears only in the Gospel of Luke (it is absent from Matthew, Mark, and John), and, secondly, it is the *only* story of the young Jesus in the Gospels. The Gospels of Mark and John begin with Jesus' baptism, and Matthew's Gospel (which, like Luke, contains an infancy narrative), has the Holy Family flee to Egypt before picking up the story with Jesus' baptism. The story of the twelve-year old Jesus is the only Gospel story we have from these "hidden years" between Jesus' birth and baptism.

Because the story appears only in Luke, scholars question whether this event actually happened. Regardless of its historicity, Luke's literary and theological purpose is revealed in the conclusion of the passage: ". . . his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced [in] wisdom and age and favor before God and man." This echoes a theme found earlier following the visit of the shepherds: "And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart."

The Finding in the Temple is frequently shown in art, and was a common component in cycles of the Life of the Mary as well as the Life of Christ. The gesture usually made by Jesus, pointing his upraised hand, may be a conventional rhetorical gesture expressing the act of expounding text. These depictions derive from classical compositions of professors of philosophy or rhetoric with their students, and are similar to medieval depictions of contemporary university lectures.

The major anomaly in the window is found in the foreground, on the floor, as well as in the upper right quadrant. Notice that the teacher wearing the blue garment is holding a book in his left hand, and that, on the floor in the foreground, there is a green book. These are anomalies because bound books or manuscripts did not appear until the fourth century – they did not exist during the lifetime of Jesus. Books of the Hebrew Scriptures would have been written on scrolls, like the one seen underneath the green book. Also, notice Jesus' white garment. The elaborate embroidery or lacework at its hem would be out of place for first century Judea. In fact, the white garment more closely resembles a liturgical vestment (surplice) than first century robes and tunics, garments worn by the other five figures in the window.

The window is dedicated to the memory of James and Margaret Bolger.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.