

FAITH FORMATION

We are in the process of finalizing preparations for the upcoming Faith Formation and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd programs.

Letters were sent out this week to parents of students enrolled in the programs last year. For families new to our programs, forms are available in the vestibule.

We encourage all parents to register early. Please note the parish expectation that parents and guardians participate in our Sunday Eucharistic celebrations as they are able and attend a number of our class sessions. The parents are the primary teachers and we are your helpers.

ARE YOU . . .

A registered member of our parish community? It is important for us to have an accurate record of parishioners. Please complete the form at the bottom of this page, or contact Stephani in the Parish Office.

CHILDRENS' BULLETINS

Parents are reminded that there are "Children's Worship Bulletins" available in the vestibule. The activities are designed for you to help your children reflect on the gospel throughout the 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: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Parishioner | <input type="checkbox"/> New Address | <input type="checkbox"/> New Phone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Send Sunday envelopes | <input type="checkbox"/> Send Monthly Donor Form | <input type="checkbox"/> Moving—remove from mailing list |

FINANCE COUNCIL

As with any family or institution, fiscal responsibility is a necessity. The Finance Council is charged with the maintenance of our monetary health. It helps the pastor prepare the annual budget, reviews monthly financials, and reports on financial matters to Pastoral Council and parishioners. Additionally, the Council monitors incoming revenues compared to budget.

There is an opening on our Finance Council. The Council meets 4-6 times per year and serves as an advisory board to the pastor. If you would like to nominate yourself for this position, please contact the Parish Office (415.285.5272).



STAINED GLASS WINDOW PROJECT

Thanks to generous donations, eight of our stained glass windows have been restored since the autumn. This week the "Mary & Child" window was re-installed. If you have not already done so, please take a few minutes after Mass to view the "new" windows.

Please consider making a donation to assist with this very special project.

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES



JULY 22, 2012 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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OFFICE HOURS

10:00am to 12:30pm
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Please visit our website:
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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.*

Parish Calendar

- Sun, July 22 -
 Tue, July 24 - SVdP Sandwich Tuesday
 7:00am, Parish Kitchen
 Sat, July 28 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
 12 noon, Sammon Hall
 - AA Meeting
 7:00pm, Avila Hall

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.



Mark 6:34

SECOND COLLECTION

July 21 & 22

This week there is no second collection.

July 28 & 29

The second collection next weekend benefits the St. Teresa Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your generosity each month supports the many charitable programs run by SVdP. These include Tuesday grocery bag distribution, Sandwich Tuesday and individualized help for individuals and families in our parish area. Sometimes it's a needed bed or kitchen table, other times a few dollars for laundry or transportation to work or doctors' visits. Your donations help to make "Life on the Hill" a little easier for our neighbors.



SANDWICH TUESDAY

The faithful sandwich makers will meet on Tuesdays, July 24 & 31 to make over 200 sandwiches for delivery to the St. Vincent de Paul Shelter.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

July 15 & 16

\$1,210

Ministers Schedule for Next Week July 28 & 29

4:15		10:00 AM
Lector:	B. Baird	1 Lector: A. Schelstrate
Bread:	J. Daddio	2 Lector: M. Schelstrate
Cup:	J. Kennedy	1 Bread: S. Miller
Hosp:	A. Allio	2 Bread: I. Fernandez
	J. Allio	3 Bread: D. Wolbert
8:30 AM		1 Cup: C. Allen
Lector:	S. Cabatic	2 Cup: J. Schelstrate
Bread:	J. Newman	Hosp: K. Varandas
Cup:	Volunteer	B. Cassidy
Hosp:	J. Propster	

JULY 20TH: ELIJAH THE PROPHET



For most of the Church, July 20th was a "normal" weekday with readings taken from the 15th week in ordinary time. But here at St Teresa's, Friday morning's Mass participants were a bit surprised when I entered the sanctuary wearing white (not green) vestments. They were even more surprised when we said the *Gloria* and had not one, but two, readings before the Gospel. For Carmelites, July 20th is no "ordinary" day on the liturgical calendar. It is a solemnity, the feast of Elijah the Prophet.

Most religious communities have a founder (i.e., the Franciscans have St. Francis; the Dominicans, St. Dominic). The Carmelites, however, do not have a founder *per se*. Carmelites trace their origins, not so much to a *person*, but to a *place*: Mount Carmel, a mountain in Northwestern Israel, near the city of Haifa, overlooking the Mediterranean Sea. Hermits "in the Spirit of Elijah" have continuously lived on Mount Carmel since about 1000 years before Christ. The Carmelites trace their origins to these hermits.

Elijah was the first of Israel's prophets. He is most famous for his confrontation with the 450 pagan prophets of Baal, but this is only one of several stories chronicled in the Book of Kings (1 Kgs 17:1 - 19:21). In Friday's reading from the Book of Kings, Elijah, in a moment of despair, laments: "O Lord, take my life! For I am no better than my Fathers!" Elijah is instructed to go up the mountain of God, Horeb, to encounter the Lord. On the mountain top, in a cave, Elijah experiences a strong, violent wind, an earthquake, and fire.

But the Lord was not in the wind, nor the earthquake, nor the fire. Instead, Elijah encountered the Lord in a gentle breeze. Elijah's response, "I am filled with jealous zeal for the Lord God of Hosts!" has become the motto of the Carmelite Order.

In the first decade of the 13th century the hermits of Mount Carmel received a "Rule" from Albert of Jerusalem. By the mid-13th century these now "Carmelites" were asked by the Church to become Mendicants (friars). The 13th century is when these "Carmelites" came into official existence in the Church. This was at about the same time that the Franciscans and Dominicans were founded.

We Carmelites trace our roots to the tradition of Elijah, and our spirituality is grounded in Elijah's experience on Mount Horeb. For Carmelites God is not found in extraordinary events (wind, earthquake, or fire). Instead, Carmelites experience God in the everyday, the simple, and the ordinary (the "gentle breeze").

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.

MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together we include in our prayers:

Saturday, July 21

4:15pm + Mary A. Burns
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, July 22

8:30am + Ray Cooke
 10:00am + Vincent Ceccarelli
 The People of the Parish

Tuesday, July 24

8:30am + Frances M. Cheney

Friday, July 27

8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Saturday, July 28

4:15pm + Antonino Accetta
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, July 29

8:30am The People of the Parish
 10:00am + Patty Coppinger Griffin