

PRAYER FOR TRAVELERS

O Almighty and merciful God, who hast commissioned Thy angels to guide and protect us, command them to be our assiduous companions from our setting out until our return; to clothe us with their invisible protection; to keep from us all danger of collision, of fire, of explosion, of fall and bruises, and finally, having preserved us from all evil, and especially from sin, to guide us to our heavenly home. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



FAITH FORMATION

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

Parents of students enrolled last year will be contacted within the next few weeks. For families new to our programs, forms will be placed in the vestibule as soon as they are available.

We encourage all parents to register early. Please note the parish expectation that parents and guardians will 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.

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 |

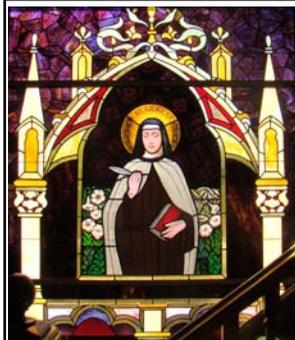
OUR LADY



OF MT. CARMEL

Please join us as we
Celebrate the Eucharist
in honor of
The Feast of Our Lady
of Mount Carmel

Monday, July 16th at 6:15pm



Thanks to generous donations, seven of our stained glass windows have been restored since the autumn.

We have recently received additional donations, that, when combined with previous monies received, enabled us to send two windows out for restoration.

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 8, 2012 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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OFFICE HOURS

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

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.

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 8 -
Tue, July 10 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
1:00 pm, Sammon
- Finance Council
7:00pm, Rectory
Sat, July 14 - AA Meeting
7:00pm, Avila Hall

Online chat rooms, instant messaging systems, and even cell phones equipped to send text messages are environments rich in abbreviations, acronyms, and other shorthand that help increase the speed of communication. Parents need to become aware of some of the common lingo that is used in these environments. Some of these terms may be found to be vulgar, degrading, or otherwise offensive. However, parents and educators need to have a level of understanding of the dangers that face our children.

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Saturday, July 7

4:15pm + Josephine Ronco
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, July 8

8:30am The People of the Parish
10:00am + Joseph "Giuli" Ferrando

Tuesday, July 10

8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Friday, July 13

8:30am + Frances M. Cheney

Saturday, July 14

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

Sunday, July 15

8:30am + Ruth Allen
10:00am + Vincent Coccioloni
The People of the Parish

SECOND COLLECTION

July 7 & 8

This week there is no second collection.

July 14 & 15

There will be no second collection next weekend.

CHILDRENS' BULLETINS

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

MONTHLY DONORS & SECOND COLLECTIONS — JUNE

First Collection	\$ 2,128
Building & Maintenance	\$ 843
Missionary Cooperative	\$ 1,194
Peter's Pence	\$ 330
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 2,179

WEEKEND COLLECTION

June 30 & July 1

\$1,079

Ministers Schedule for Next Week July 14 & 15

4:15		10:00 AM
Lector:	M.L. Green	1 Lector: R. Bral
Bread:	F. Patt	2 Lector: L. Jacklevich
Cup:	M. Walters	1 Bread: J. Schelstrate
Hosp:	R. Jones	2 Bread: E. Miller
		3 Bread: R. Yambo
8:30 AM		1 Cup: C. Allen
Lector:	T. Lang	2 Cup: A. Schelstrate
Bread:	Volunteer	Hosp: B. Cassidy
Cup:	S. Lang	K. Varandas
Hosp:	J. Propster	

THE FAMILY OF JESUS

"Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us? And they took offense at him." (Mk 6:4)

The above passage, from the Gospel of Mark, is taken from this Sunday's reading. Invariably, after today's liturgy someone will come up to the presider with the following question: "Today's Gospel mentions brothers and sisters of Jesus. What are they talking about?" The answer to this question is a bit complicated and – for some people – may be a bit unsatisfactory.

To begin with, the Catholic and Orthodox traditions profess certain beliefs concerning the perpetual virginity of Mary. Simply stated, we believe that Mary was a virgin, that Jesus was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and that Mary remained a virgin after the birth of Jesus. This belief is problematic in light of the above passage from Mark, where the evangelist clearly mentions "brothers and sisters" of Jesus, even citing the brothers by name.

Catholic and Orthodox theologians have offered two "explanations" concerning this passage. In the Orthodox tradition, the claim is made that Joseph, a widower, had children from a previous marriage but no children by Mary. These "brothers and sisters" of the Lord would be, technically, half-brothers and half-sisters of Jesus.

A second explanation is that the term "brothers and sisters" does not refer to biological siblings at all. Instead, "brothers and sisters" refers to an extended family that would include relatives, especially cousins. In a similar vein, "brothers and sisters" could be a generic term referencing the "brothers and sisters" in community. We often use such language (for example: in the liturgy the presider often addresses the assembly as "brothers and sisters"), and Catholic scholars especially advocate either of these approaches.

Unfortunately, both of these "explanations", though plausible, do not have the benefit of collaborative supporting evidence. We know very little about Joseph, and what we do know says nothing about any previous marriage or children. And, whereas the term "brothers and sisters" is often used in Mid-Eastern cultures in reference to an extended family, it is hard to say whether Mark the evangelist is referencing "brothers and sisters" in such a manner.

The bottom line is that we have to live with this incongruity. According to our tradition, Mary was a virgin and remained so after the birth of Jesus. According to the Scriptures (Mk 6:4), Jesus had brothers and sisters. This is an example where Scripture and Tradition – our two "fonts" of revelation – coexist in tension.

Michael Kwiecien , O. Carm.