



Are you interested in attending a seminar that will give you information about wills, trusts, probate, estate taxes, options for legacy gifting, and how to clearly communicate your intentions so your estate is distributed the way you want? An estate planning attorney volunteers to present such seminars, at no cost to the parish or attendees. The Archdiocesan Office of Development arranges these seminars at individual parishes, usually on a Saturday morning.

Everyone, regardless of marital status, age, or wealth, should have an estate plan.

Please contact the parish office if you would like to attend a seminar here at St. Teresa's.

ARE YOU . . .

A registered member of our parish community? In April we sent out Easter greetings to all who have registered. If you did not receive this letter, please take a moment to complete the form below. You may place this in the collection plate or mail it to the Parish Office. It is important for us to have an accurate record of parishioners.

Dear Sisters and Brothers,
A Catholic tradition that is at the heart of our parish is discernment. We educate ourselves, we discuss, we pray, we listen. And discernment may lead us to action. In the matter of the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith and the Leadership Conference of Women Religious, there is much to discern.

Therefore I say that we must learn to look through every gift and every event to God and never be content with the thing itself.
- Joannes Eckhart

The Circle of Light invites you to join us Monday, June 18, at 7:00 PM in Peter Sammon Hall. Come view the documentary "Women and Spirit in America, The Untold Story of the History and Contribution of Religious Women", produced by the Leadership Conference of Religious Women. After we will review, discuss and discern the "Doctrinal Assessment of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious" promulgated by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.



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

There are still some that are in need of restoration as soon as possible.

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

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



JUNE 10, 2012 THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



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9:30am 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.

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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, June 10 -
 Tue, June 12 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
 1:00pm, Sammon Hall
 - SVdP Meeting
 3:00pm, Avila Hall
 Sat, June 16 - AA Meeting
 7:00pm, Avila Hall
 Sun, June 17 -

PASSINGS

We extend our sympathy and prayerful support to the family of Ellie A. Sabella (nee Baine), who died on May 30 in Selma, Alabama. Ellie, sister to our parishioner Marie Caracciolo, was a long-time Potrero Hill resident. She was predeceased by her son Raymond (2006) and is survived by her sons Auguste and David.

MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together we include in our prayers:

Saturday, June 9

4:15pm Donors of Stained Glass Repair
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, June 10

8:30am The People of the Parish
 10:00am The Faoa Family

Tuesday, June 12

8:30am + Frances M. Cheney

Friday, June 15

8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Saturday, June 16

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

Sunday, June 17

8:30am + Paul Beaumont
 10:00am + Vincent Ceccarelli

SECOND COLLECTION

June 9 & 10

The Second Collection this week will benefit the annual Mission Appeal. Rev. Patrick Gitoga will speak on behalf of the Diocese of Meru which is located in the Eastern Province of Kenya. The people of Meru are now predominantly Christian. They live within rugged hills with land that ranges from heavy virgin forests above 8,000 feet elevation to semi-arid desert at less than 3,000 feet elevation. The Ameru are generally part of the "Eastern Bantu" who have been native to the Mt. Kenya area for many years before colonization of Kenya by Great Britain in the 19th Century. The majority of Meru people are subsistence farmers. The fertile land produces a large variety of food crops, the staples being corn, beans, potatoes, and millet. Coffee is the most important cash crop followed by tea leaves and cotton. The Catholic faith was brought to Meru by the Consolata Missionaries from Turin – Italy in 1911.

June 16 & 17

Next week our diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Through your generosity, we can cast the peace of Christ upon the world.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

June 2 & 3

\$1,240

Ministers Schedule for Next Week June 16 & 17

4:15

Lector: A. Rose
 Bread: M.K. Law
 Cup: M.L. Green
 Hosp: R. Jones

10:00 AM

1 Lector: B. Doyle
 2 Lector: D.B. Bernstein
 1 Bread: R. Labuguen
 2 Bread: D. Tejeda
 3 Bread: Volunteer

8:30 AM

Lector: T. Lang
 Bread: Volunteer
 Cup: S. Lang
 Hosp: J. Propster

1 Cup: C. Allen
 2 Cup: J. Schelstrate
 Hosp: K. Varandas
 B. Cassidy

CORPUS CHRISTI

This Sunday we celebrate the feast of *Corpus Christi*, the Body and Blood of Christ. This feast, which first appeared on the liturgical calendar in the 13th century, has a fascinating history. In the late middle ages it was, perhaps, the most popular feast in the Christendom, more popular even than Christmas and Easter. How and why did this come about?

First of all, the feast celebrates the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. During the middle ages there was an intense debate and discussion about what "real presence" meant, and when the dust finally settled the Church established its doctrine of *transubstantiation*. Simply stated, transubstantiation means that, at the consecration of the Mass, the bread and wine undergoes a "change of substance" and becomes the Body and Blood of Christ.

In order to convey this doctrine to the faithful, the "idea feast" of *Corpus Christi* found its way into the liturgical calendar. The feast was a Holy Day of Obligation, and the medieval, festive atmosphere of the day might be best compared to that of the "Renaissance Faires" that we see today. There would be puppet shows and "miracle and morality" plays, plenty of food, drink, and entertainment, and – of course – religious activity that included a procession of the monstrance (with the consecrated host) throughout the crowd. (As an aside, the roots of Elizabethan Drama – including the plays of Shakespeare – are traced back to the miracle and morality plays of *Corpus Christi*.)

What made this feast so successful was the people's devotion to the Eucharist. During medieval times, a practice developed that was known as *ocular communion*. Instead of receiving communion by eating and drinking the Body and Blood of Christ, people "received communion through the eyes" by gazing at the consecrated bread. In fact, the practice of "Easter Duty" (receiving communion and, if necessary, confession once a year during Easter time) was instituted as a Law of the Church as a response to the practice of ocular communion. Essentially, the Church had to literally force people to receive the Eucharist at least once a year.

The doctrine of transubstantiation, coupled with the practices of Eucharistic devotion, were a dangerous combination when dealing with an unsophisticated and uneducated peasant population. Not surprisingly, the line between devotional practice and superstition/magic was easily and readily crossed, and church has had to constantly deal with this tension even to the present day.

In many countries *Corpus Christi* is still a Holy Day of Obligation celebrated on the Thursday following Trinity Sunday. In the United States and Canada, the feast has been moved to the Sunday following Trinity Sunday.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.