

## PASSINGS

We extend our sympathy and prayerful support to the family of:

Robert Flynn, long-time parishioner and Potrero Hill resident.

At this time, we are not aware if any arrangements have been made.

We've been requested to advertise a research study about the emotional characteristics of parents with LGBT children and any related concerns experienced as a result of having an LGBT child. If you are a parent of an LGBT child and wish to participate in this study, please follow the link below to complete the anonymous online survey.

<https://www.questionpro.com/t/ACCpqZTw8t>

Taking part in this study is completely voluntary. This research study has been approved by the Research Ethics Committee of Spalding University. You do not have to answer any question that makes you feel uncomfortable. You may choose not to take part at all. If you have any questions or concerns about this research study, please contact the study's principle investigator: Cynthia Conley, Ph.D. at 502.873.4480 or [cconley@spalding.edu](mailto:cconley@spalding.edu).

**Please forward this study invitation to other parents of LGBT children** so that they have an opportunity to complete the survey.

## RCIA

The **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the current process the Church offers to interested adults. We are all asked to invite people. We do have something worth sharing.

RCIA begins in September and culminates at the Easter Vigil with participants receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. It is hoped that St. Teresa's will have a new group of people entering this process in the fall.

Please contact Fr. Kwiecien or the Parish Office if you are interested in exploring this process.

Please join us in welcoming to our parish community:



Mateo Alessandro Galli, the son of Paolo Galli & Susana Reyes will be baptized by Rev. Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm. this Sunday at the 10 am Mass.

## WEEKEND COLLECTION

**MAY 28 & 29**

**\$1,461**

**THANK YOU!**



Beginning today, and continuing through the summer months, we will be offering coffee and donuts after both the 8:30 and 10:00 am Sunday Masses. Please join us in the Parish Hall after Mass.

If you are able to assist us, please speak with one of the Fathers, Deacon Chuck, or call the Parish Office.

## ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM

June 5th is World Environment Day! It is one of the principal vehicles through which the United Nations raises awareness and encourages people to take positive environmental action to protect nature and the planet. If you're able to join us for coffee and donuts after the Sunday Masses, help us celebrate the planet by making sure cups, napkins, and other materials end up going into the correct recycle or compost bins. If everybody takes these small actions, together we can make a habit to reduce our waste and help conserve our natural resources!

# WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES



## JUNE 5, 2016 TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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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](http://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

Jim Schelstrate Steve Miller  
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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, Jun 5 - Coffee & Donuts, following  
8:30 & 10 am Masses
- Mon, Jun 6 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm  
- AA Step Meeting, 6:30pm
- Tue, Jun 7 - Election Day  
- Virtual Green Team Meeting  
6:00pm
- Thur, Jun 9 - SVdP Grocery Distribution  
1:00pm, Church Hall
- Sat, Jun 11 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Church Hall
- Sun, Jun 12 - Coffee & Donuts, following  
8:30 & 10 am Masses

### MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together  
we include in our prayers:

- 4:15pm **Saturday, June 4**  
The Lay Carmelites (Spec. Int.)  
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)
- 8:30am **Sunday, June 5**  
The People of the Parish  
10:00am † Giuseppe & Maria Molinari
- 8:30am **Tuesday, June 7**  
The Deceased of the Parish
- 8:30am **Friday, June 10**  
The Sick of the Parish
- 4:15pm **Saturday, June 11**  
† Walter Schoendorf  
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)
- 8:30am **Sunday, June 12**  
The People of the Parish  
10:00am † Francine Berry

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

### June 4 & 5

This week's second collection benefits  
the St. Teresa Building & Maintenance  
Fund.

### June 11 & 12

There will be no second collection next  
weekend.

## AN INVITATION

Join us for the next St. Teresa Green Team  
Meeting. We could use your ideas and in-  
put across a wide range of climate fo-  
cused initiatives and sustainability efforts  
tailored for our parish community. We now  
connect virtually for monthly meetings.  
Please join us on Tuesday, June 7, at  
6:00pm

Dial-In Number: (641) 715-3580 - (US)  
Access Code: 979-179

### Ministers Schedule for Next Week June 11 & 12

<b>4:15 PM</b>		<b>10:00 AM</b>	
Lector:	T. Jackson	1 Lector:	G. Femec
Bread:	J. Daddio	2 Lector:	D. Churton
Cup:	B. Noelke	1 Bread:	S. Miller
Hosp:	M. Perea	2 Bread:	J. Warnock
		3 Bread:	M. Suisala
<b>8:30 AM</b>		1 Cup:	C. Allen
Lector:	T. Lang	2 Cup:	G. McGrath
Bread:	J. Newman	Hosp:	A. Cardona
Cup:	S. Lang		L. Bolton
Hosp:	T. Lando		

## LUKE'S CURIOUS STORY OF THE MIRACLE AT NAIM

Today's Gospel – the *Raising of the Widow's Son* – is found only in Luke, and it is a story that we hear only once every three years. In this passage, Jesus – journeying to the city of Naim – encounters a funeral procession of a man who had died. The deceased is the only son of a widow and, moved with pity, Jesus commands the man to rise. The dead man sits up and begins to speak, whereupon Jesus returns him to his mother.

What is unusual about this story is that it appears only in one Gospel (Luke) . . . which got me thinking about the other gospel stories where Jesus brings someone back to life.

The most famous of these “resurrection” stories is the *Raising of Lazarus*, found in the Gospel of John (Chapter 11). This is the A-Cycle Gospel for the Fifth Sunday of Lent, but we also read it in Cycles B & C whenever we have catechumens or candidates to be received into the Church at Easter. Additionally, the *Raising of Lazarus* is often read at funeral liturgies, so most Christians are quite familiar with the story. The *Raising of Lazarus* – like today's reading from Luke – appears in only one gospel (John), and it is interesting to note that neither Mark, Matthew, nor Luke mention either the death of Lazarus or Jesus' bringing him back to life.

Looking further, we discover two other “borderline resurrection” stories in the Gospels, one each in Mark and John. In Mark we have the *Cure of Jarius' Daughter* (Mk 5:21-24, 35-43); in John, the *Cure of the Royal Official's Son* (4:46-54). Both narratives involve sick children who are in danger of death. In Mark the crowd believes that the girl is already dead, and they scoff at Jesus when he says that she is only sleeping. In John, the royal official wants Jesus to return with him to his home and heal his son. Jesus says, “You may go; your son will live,” and – as we learn later – the fever left the boy at about the time that Jesus spoke those words.

Notice that neither Jarius' daughter nor the royal official's son are confirmed as dead. Thus, when we look at the Gospels, there are only two stories where Jesus actually brings someone back to life: the *Raising of Lazarus* in John, and today's gospel from Luke, the *Widow of Naim*.

It's surprising that today's gospel is not especially well-known or popular. After all: bringing a person back from death is quite a feat! Yet most Christians are unaware of this story in Luke, perhaps because it is read only once every three years. It is also odd that neither Mark, Matthew, nor John make any mention of a miracle involving the Widow of Naim. This is odd because, recognizing the extraordinary event of bringing a dead person back to life, one would think all four evangelists would be eager to include such a story in their gospel accounts. That each story appears in only one gospel is a curiosity, indeed!

Whenever a story appears in only one Gospel – like today's story involving the *Widow of Naim* – scripture scholars question the *historicity* of the event (that is, whether an event actually happened). A story that appears in several Gospels (such as the *Crucifixion*, found in all four Gospels) is an example of *multiple attestation*. The existence of such “multiple witnesses” leads scholars to conclude that a particular story is probably grounded in historical fact.

A story such as today's Gospel – found only in Luke – may not be historically accurate, but it nevertheless has a theological meaning that is independent of its historicity. Today's homily focuses on that theological meaning, especially with respect to the parallel passage in the first reading from the Hebrew Scriptures, taken from the First Book of Kings.

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: \_\_\_\_\_

- New Parishioner       New Address       New Phone
- Send Sunday envelopes       Send Monthly Donor Form       Moving—remove from mailing list