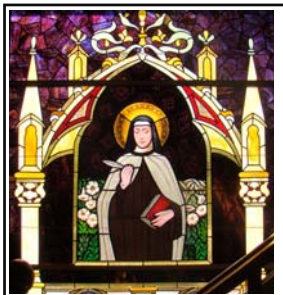


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 \* The Social Committee invites you to  
 \* attend a Spring Tea on Saturday, May  
 \* 26 in the Parish Hall. Tea and light  
 \* bites will be served. Tickets will be on  
 \* sale after all Masses next weekend.  
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 \* Adults: \$5.00  
 \* Children 12 and under: Free  
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Thanks to generous donations, we have been able to have seven of our stained glass windows 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.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
 We will have training for all Eucharistic Ministers, both new and current, after all Masses the weekend of May 19th & 20th. Please mark your calendars with these important dates.

**AAA 2012**  
 St. Teresa's participation in the Archbishop's Annual Appeal has reached **\$19,035, or 79% of our goal of \$24,100.** We have received donations/pledges from 43 households. The above figures do not yet include on-line donations received after March 31.

**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

**LITANY OF MARY OF NAZARETH**

**Opening Prayer**  
 Glory to you, God our Creator.  
 Breathe into us new life, new meaning.  
 Glory to you, God our Savior.  
 Lead us in the way of peace and justice.  
 Glory to you, Healing Spirit.  
 Transform us to empower others.

**The Response is: Be Our Guide**  
 Mary, wellspring of peace  
 Model of strength  
 Model of openness  
 Model of risk-taking

**The Response is: Pray for us**  
 Mother of the homeless  
 Mother of the dying  
 Mother of the nonviolent  
 Mother of the executed criminal

**The Response is: Lead us to Life**  
 Oppressed woman  
 Sign of contradiction  
 Political refugee  
 Witness to Christ's Resurrection

**The Response is: Empower Us**  
 Woman of mercy  
 Woman of faith  
 Woman of contemplation  
 Woman of vision

**Closing Prayer – Said Together**  
 Mary, Queen of Peace,  
 Shelter us from war, hatred and oppression.  
 Teach us to live in peace.  
 Inspire us to act justly,  
 To revere all God has made, Amen

**WE WELCOME YOU TO**  
**ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 SERVED BY THE CARMELITES



**MAY 6, 2012**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY**  
**OF EASTER**



1490 19TH STREET (CHURCH)  
 LOCATED ON THE NE CORNER OF 19TH & CONNECTICUT STREETS

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 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, May 6 - Good Shepherd, 9:00am  
 - Faith Formation, 9:15am  
 - May Crowning, 10:00am Mass
- Mon, May 7 - Choir Practice  
 7:00pm, Church
- Tue, May 8 - SVdP Grocery Distribution  
 2:00pm, Sammon Hall  
 - SVdP Meeting  
 3:00pm, Avila Hall  
 - Pastoral Council  
 7:00pm, Avila Hall
- Sat, May 12 - AA Meeting  
 7:00pm, Avila Hall
- Sun, May 13 - No Good Shepherd  
 - No Faith Formation

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

There are several openings on our Pastoral Council. The Council meets once per month and acts as an advisory board to the pastor on Parish Life & Activities. If you would like to nominate yourself for this position, please contact the Parish Office (415.285.5272).

### MASS INTENTIONS

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

#### Saturday, May 5

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

#### Sunday, May 6

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

#### Tuesday, May 9

8:30am Little Childrens Aid

#### Friday, May 11

8:30am + Frances M. Cheney

#### Saturday, May 12

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

#### Sunday, May 13

8:30am The Sick of the Parish  
 10:00am + Vincent Cocciolone

## FINANCE COUNCIL

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).

### SECOND COLLECTION

#### May 5 & 6

Our second collection this week benefits the St. Teresa Building & Maintenance Fund.

#### May 12 & 13

The second collection next week benefits Catholic Charities CYO. This collection at our parish supports outreach services to more than 34,000 people in San Francisco, San Mateo and Marin Counties. With your help, Catholic Charities prevents homelessness; cares for the aging and sick; offers counseling in difficult times; welcomes newcomers with respect; strengthens families; and provides healthy activities for youth. Please know that your gift is more important than ever this year. Thank you for your participation.

### WEEKEND COLLECTION

#### April 21 & 22

**\$1,449**

#### April 28 & 29

**\$1,877**

### Ministers Schedule for Next Week May 12 & 13

<b>4:15</b>	Lector: A. Rose	<b>10:00 AM</b>	1 Lector: R. Bral
	Bread: F. Patt		2 Lector: A. Schelstrate
	Cup: M.L. Green		1 Bread: E. Miller
	Hosp: A. Allio		2 Bread: T. Mana
	J. Allio		3 Bread: D. Wolbert
<b>8:30 AM</b>			1 Cup: C. Allen
	Lector: G. Foss		2 Cup: J. Schelstrate
	Bread: Volunteer		Hosp: B. Cassidy
	Cup: L. Foss		K. Varandas
	Hosp: T. Lando		

## SACRAMENTS, SACRAMENTALS AND THE EASTER SEASON

This Sunday prior to the 10 am Mass we are celebrating a May Crowning. Our children in religious education, together with their parents, gather in the vestibule before Mass and participate in the ceremony prior to the formal beginning of the liturgy.

May Crowning is a traditional Roman Catholic ritual that occurs each year in the month of May. In some countries, it takes place on or about May 1<sup>st</sup>; however, in many United States Catholic parishes, it takes place on either the first Sunday of May or on Mother's Day. The ceremony itself is fairly simple and straightforward: an image or likeness of the Blessed Virgin Mary is ceremonially crowned to signify her as Queen of Heaven and the Mother of God. This tradition of honoring Mary in a month-long May devotion is believed to have originated in Italy, but spread eventually around the Roman Catholic world in the 19th century together with a month-long devotion to Jesus in June and the Rosary in October.

Technically, ceremonies such as the May Crowning are not part of the formal liturgy of the Church. These devotional practices are included in a broad category of objects and actions known as *sacramentals*. Other sacramentals would include things such as wearing a cross or medal, blessing oneself with holy water, or displaying palms in one's home.

But the May Crowning is not the only celebration that we have during the Easter Season. Over the past two weekends we celebrated infant baptism at Mass. Last weekend we celebrated the Sacrament of the Sick. Yesterday (Saturday) four of our children celebrated First Penance, and on Memorial Day weekend we will have First Communion. The Easter Season – especially Pentecost – is an ideal time for the Sacrament of Confirmation, and we are all familiar with the practice of having weddings in May or June. Why is this season so popular for the celebration of sacraments and other devotions? Our explanation flows from our understanding of the liturgical year.

The Easter Season is a fifty day period from Easter Sunday to Pentecost, but in the liturgical year it is part of a ninety day period that includes Lent. As Catholics we are all too familiar with the forty days of Lent and its austere liturgy and practice. Purple vestments are worn, the *Gloria* and *Alleluia* are absent from the liturgy, people fast and “give up something for Lent,” and – with devotional practices such as the Stations of the Cross – the focus of the season is on the Passion and Death of the Lord. Lent is a forty day preparation for Easter . . . which is then followed by a fifty day celebration of the Lord's Resurrection and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit (Pentecost).

During these fifty days of Eastertide we celebrate “new life” – hence, the emphasis on sacraments. White vestments, flowers, and abundant water predominate Eastertide, and it is no coincidence that sacramental celebrations – especially Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation, and Marriage – are also so prevalent during these fifty days.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.