

You are invited . . .



to attend a piano recital by the students of our parishioner Therese Labuguen this Sunday, May 7 at 4:30PM here at St. Teresa's. Come and enjoy the music!

Plants Available

Many of our Easter plants are available for "adoption". Please feel free to take those in the church garden.



WEEKEND COLLECTION

APRIL 29 & 30

\$1,444

THANK YOU!

Please join us in welcoming to our parish community:



Lucia Elyse Bhole, the daughter of Ketan & Blanche Bhole. Lucia will be baptized by Rev. Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm. this Sunday at the 10 am Mass.

You are invited to celebrate with the family after Mass in the Parish Hall.

AAA 2017

As announced previously by Fr. Greenwell, we are extremely happy to report we have met our goal for this year, **provided all pledges are fulfilled**. Thank you for your most generous support!!

If you still wish to contribute, all excess money will be returned to St. Teresa's. You may also donate directly to us and earmark the monies towards either our Church Garden Landscaping Fund or our Piano Fund.

Again, **THANK YOU** for your generosity.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adult Confirmation will take place on Pentecost Sunday, June 4th, at the 11:00 o'clock Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption. Preparation for Confirmation will be on Friday night, May 19th, from 6-8:30 pm, continuing on Saturday, May 20th, from 10 am until 4 pm. Any adults who need to be confirmed should see Fr. Michael Kwiecien. A reminder: in order to be a Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor you need to be Confirmed.

MONTHLY DONORS & SECOND COLLECTIONS — APRIL

First Collection	\$3,675
Building & Maintenance	\$1,679
Home Missions	\$ 756
Easter	\$6,023
Holy Thursday	\$ 347
Holy Land	\$ 501
Garden Fund	\$ 221
Piano Fund	\$ 265
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,786

ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM

Every dollar you spend enlarges your secondary carbon footprint through the CO2 emissions caused by the creation, delivery, and disposal of goods and services you buy. Buying \$100 worth of clothes and textiles creates 66 pounds of CO2, while \$100 worth of books and magazines creates 132 pounds of CO2! When you have extra money to spend, consider its potential carbon impact. Before buying something new, consider borrowing, renting, or buying second hand items.

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Green Team? Our virtual meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month.

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES



MAY 7, 2017 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY



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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.

MASS INTENTIONS
As we celebrate Mass together we include in our prayers:

4:15pm **Saturday, May 6**
† Robert “Bert” James Barnett
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, May 7**
The People of the Parish

10:00am † Marc Bernstein

8:30am **Tuesday, May 9**
† Anmarie Dower

8:30am **Friday, May 12**
† Aidan O’Reilly

4:15pm **Saturday, May 12**
† Gregory Lewis
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, May 14**
The People of the Parish

10:00am † Dory Yochum

Ministers Schedule for Next Week
May 13 & 14

4:15 PM	10:00 AM
Lector: T. Jackson	1 Lector: M. Arroyo
Bread: E. Perea	2 Lector: T. Labuguen
Cup: J. Daddio	1 Bread: R. Labuguen
Hosp: R. Jones	2 Bread: R. Aguirre
	3 Bread: Volunteer
8:30 AM	1 Cup: C. Allen
Lector: Sr. Lucia	2 Cup: J. Schelstrate
Bread: A. Perez	Hosp: Volunteer
Cup: S. Perez	
Hosp: T. Lando	

SECOND COLLECTIONS

May 6 & 7

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

May 13 & 14

Next week is Catholic Charities Sunday. Parishioners are asked to live their faith by generously supporting the good work of Catholic Charities in our Archdiocese. Your contributions directly support programs that provide housing services for homeless families, refugee and immigrant service for newcomers, aid for the working poor, children and youth, and thousands of others who are struggling to meet their most basic needs. Put your faith into action and change a life for the better today with a donation to Catholic Charities.

Parish Calendar

Sun, May 7 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall
- Piano Recital, 4:30pm, Church

Mon, May 8 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm
- AA Step Meeting, 6:30pm

Tue, May 9 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
1:00pm, Hall
- Pastoral Council
7:00pm, Avila

Sat, May 13 - Lay Carmelite Meeting
10:00am, Avila
- AA Meeting, 7pm, Avila

Sun, May 14 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

The window in the southeast corner of the Church depicts Christ as the Good Shepherd. A few years back, when we were restoring the stained glass windows in the Church, I wrote a column on that window. Today – the Fourth Sunday of Easter – is know as Good Shepherd Sunday, and on this day it seems most appropriate to revisit that column.

There are many images of God in the Scriptures, and perhaps the most beloved is that of the shepherd. Over the centuries Christian believers – especially in the face of persecution, war, violence, suffering, sickness and death – have found solace and comfort in Psalm 23 (“*The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want. . .*”). Additionally, many a Christian has identified with the lost sheep in the Gospel of Luke, a sheep so valued by the shepherd that he risks the safety of the ninety-nine in order to find the one who is lost. A word search of my Bible turned up 169 references to *shepherd*, so the image of God-as-shepherd just might be the most prominent image of God in the Scriptures.

In the 10th Chapter of John’s Gospel, the first twenty-one verses are devoted to the Good Shepherd. The Lectionary splits these verses over our three-year cycle, and the Fourth Sunday of Easter has come to be known as *Good Shepherd Sunday*. This year, the most pertinent passage is found in verses 3-4:

“ . . . the sheep hear his voice, as he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice.” (Jn 10: 3b-4)

Looking at the Good Shepherd Window in the southeast corner of St. Teresa’s Church, it appears that its designer took inspiration from this Johanne text. We have Christ the Good Shepherd walking ahead of the flock, the sheep following him. The artist also has the Lord carrying a lamb, which, perhaps, is an allusion to that Parable of the Lost Sheep found in the Gospel of Luke:

“What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it? And when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy . . . because I have found my lost sheep.” (Lk 15:5-6)

Looking again at the window, notice that the artist has drawn on multiple sources in its design. The artist combines both images of Good Shepherd and Lost Sheep into one tableau, and makes a “theological comment” when he portrays the Lost Sheep as a lamb. Symbolically, the lamb is more helpless or vulnerable than an adult sheep, the subtle implication being that God seeks out and cares for the least fortunate and most vulnerable of his flock.

A closer look at the image reveals a rather curious anomaly. The white garment worn by the shepherd (underneath the red cloak) contains quite an elaborate embroidery on its hem. Unless I’m mistaken, the white garment in the window is an alb, a garment which might be appropriate for a cardinal or bishop but most certainly is quite extravagant and out-of-place for a first-century Jewish shepherd!

The Good Shepherd Window was donated by Jeremiah and Mary Daly in memory of Albert J. Larson.

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: _____

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