

GIVE YOURSELF AN EARLY CHRISTMAS GIFT

“YOU ARE MY BELOVED” – NOW WHAT?

A One Day Retreat
led by Reverend Glenda Hope
Saturday November 16, 2013
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Continental Breakfast & Lunch included.
Tickets - \$10, scholarships available
Tickets will be available after all
Masses this weekend.
Presented by the Small Christian
Community Circle of Light

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD DRIVE

The Conference is preparing for their annual Thanksgiving distribution of boxes filled with the fixings for a holiday feast, plus extras for the next week. In addition, food is given out every Tuesday afternoon at St. Teresa’s and the supplies of some items are getting very low. Please help by bringing **any canned good**. The pantry is in particular need of canned:

Soups Vegetables Fruits

Containers will be in the vestibule through November 17th.

REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES

November is called “the month of the Holy Souls”. During November a Book of Remembrance will be placed inside the Church. Parishioners are invited to write the names of deceased loved ones in this book and to bring a photo(s) for display during the month. All photos will be returned at the end of the month.

**WEEKEND COLLECTION
November 2 & 3
\$1,886
THANK YOU!**

Thank You

for serving our country & protecting our freedoms!



**In observance of Veterans’ Day,
the Parish Office will be closed
Monday, November 11th.**

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS UPDATE



This week, two additional windows have been sent out for restoration. We need to raise \$5,000 to enable us to pay for this work without dipping into operating funds. Please see Fr. Greenwell if you would like to contribute.



PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING AT 10:00AM NOVEMBER 28TH

DONATION ENVELOPES

We are readying the donation envelopes for the next Liturgical Year, which starts on December 1st. If you do not currently have envelopes but would like to use them to keep track of your donations, please contact the Parish Office.

We also have a Monthly Donor plan. In this plan, a listing of all the collections for the coming month is mailed to you. You just mark what amount you would like to go towards each collection, write one check and put it in the provided return envelope. You may then drop it in the collection basket or mail it back to the Parish Office. If you would like to sign up for this Donor plan, please contact Stephani, our Parish Secretary, either by phone or email.

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES

**NOVEMBER 10, 2013
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**



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OFFICE HOURS

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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.

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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, Nov 10 - Religious Education
9:00am, Parish Hall
- Mon, Nov 11 - Office Closed-Veterans' Day
- Choir Practice, 6:30pm
- Tue, Nov 12 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
1:00pm, Sammon
- Pastoral Council
7:00pm, Avila
- Sat, Nov 16 - Parish Retreat
10:00am, Sammon
- AA Meeting
7:00pm, Sammon
- Sun, Nov 17 - Religious Education
9:00am, Parish Hall

MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together we include in our prayers:

Saturday, Nov 9

4:15pm + Harry Jelenich
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, Nov 10

8:30am The People of the Parish
10:00am + Anita Tejada

Tuesday, Nov 12

8:30am + James J. Burns, Jr.

Friday, Nov 15

8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Saturday, Nov 16

4:15pm + Bill & Frances Perac
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, Nov 17

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

SECOND COLLECTION

November 9 & 10

Today we support our family and friends who have served this nation with distinction. The Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services will provide the Gospel, the sacraments and other forms of spiritual support to the men and women of the United States armed forces wherever they serve, no matter the circumstances. Please prayerfully consider a generous contribution to the first-ever national Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services.

November 16 & 17

Next week's Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to end the cycle of poverty throughout America by funding organizations that help individuals help themselves. With a tradition of improving education, housing, and community economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. **Defend human dignity. Take poverty off the map.**

Ministers Schedule for Next Week November 16 & 17

4:15 PM		10:00 AM	
Lector:	A. Rose	1 Lector:	D.B. Bernstein
Bread:	J. Daddio	2 Lector:	M. Schelstrate
Cup:	J. Burns	1 Bread:	C. Arett
Hosp:	M. Comaich	2 Bread:	D. Tejada
		3 Bread:	J. Warnock
8:30 AM		1 Cup:	C. Allen
Lector:	T. Lang	2 Cup:	S. Miller
Bread:	J. Newman	Hosp:	J. Warnock
Cup:	S. Lang		
Hosp:	J. Propster		

SADDUCEES

"Some Sadducees came forward (the ones who claim there is no resurrection) to pose this problem to Jesus: 'Master, Moses prescribed that if a man's brother dies'"

So begins today's Gospel reading from Luke. Once again we find Jesus engaged in a religious controversy with the Sadducees, one of the contemporary religious groups of his day. Jesus frequently finds himself entangled in such debates, and other groups mentioned in the Gospels include the Pharisees and the Scribes. Today's gospel speaks of the Sadducees, and in this week's column I'd like to write about this now-extinct religious group.

From 587-538 BC, the Israelites experienced what is known as the *Babylonian Captivity*. After being defeated by Babylon, the entire Israelite nation was exiled 1000 miles to the East to Bagdad, a city that still exists in 21st century Iraq. While in exile, the Israelites had plenty of time to reflect upon what happened: They no longer had a king; the Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed; and the "promised land" given to them by Yahweh was now under the domain of a foreign entity. When the Hebrews were allowed to return to Jerusalem in 538 BC, this "remnant" was determined that such an exile would never happen again. It is out of this history and environment that the Sadducees emerged.

Beginning in 516 BC, the Israelites began the rebuilding of the Temple in Jerusalem, and the Sadducees emerged as the religious and political aristocracy in Israel. The Sadducees became the priestly class, and assumed responsibility for the Temple. Sacrifice could be done *only* at the Temple in Jerusalem *by* a priest, and – given that Jewish Pilgrims from all over the empire traveled to the Holy City of Jerusalem to offer sacrifice – there certainly was no shortage of "work" for the Sadducees. By the time of Jesus, the business of Jerusalem was religion, and the Sadducees had a political, economic, and religious stranglehold on the city. The high priest was almost always a Sadducee, with Caiaphas and Annas (high priests mentioned at the trial of Jesus) most certainly being members of the Sadducee party.

The Sadducees exhibited the strange combination of being politically *liberal* while being religiously *conservative*. They were politically liberal because, since Israel was usually under the control of a foreign power, the Sadducees had to cooperate with and accommodate the occupying forces. Resistance, revolution, political unrest led to instability and violence, both of which disrupted the "business" of religion.

The Sadducees were religiously conservative because they advocated a strict, somewhat literal interpretation of the Scriptures. They believed that breaking any of the commandments or law was tantamount to breaking the entire law (and, in the Books of Leviticus and Numbers, the original Ten Commandments had been expanded into over 600 laws!). They also rejected the "liberal" view of resurrection and life after death, views that put them at odds with the Pharisees.

Four decades after the death of Jesus, in 70 AD, the Romans sacked Jerusalem and destroyed the Temple. Both the Jewish state and Temple ceased to exist, and – with the passing of the Temple and the destruction of the Holy City – the Sadducees ceased to exist as well.

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