

PASTORAL COUNCIL

We are seeking two (2) parishioners to join our Pastoral Council. The Council meets on the second Tuesday of each month, from 7-9pm, September—May.

The Pastoral Council advises the parish administration on various aspects of community life at St. Teresa's.

Please see either Fr. Mike or call the office if you are interested in joining.

PASSINGS

We extend our sympathy and prayerful support to the family of Richard Morri, a long-time parishioner and Potrero Hill resident. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Teresa's on Wednesday, November 15 at 10:00am, with a Vigil at Cypress Lawn Tuesday, November 14 at 7:00pm.

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. Please put your name & phone number on the back of the picture.

The Pope Asks Young People to Take a Survey

The Pope is requesting your feedback. A survey for young people 16 to 29 years old is online:

survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718

See bulletin board for more information. The direct link is available on our website.



PLEASE JOIN US
AS WE CELEBRATE
THE EUCHARIST IN
OBSERVANCE OF
THANKSGIVING
AT 10:00AM
NOVEMBER 23RD

WEEKEND COLLECTION
(Envelope Donors & Loose Cash)
NOVEMBER 4 & 5
\$1,930
THANK YOU!

Please join us in welcoming to
our parish community:



Yasmine Aura Zamora Ramos, the daughter of Emmanuel & Jansteen Ramos. Yasmine will be baptized by Rev. Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm. this Sunday at the 10 am Mass.

CALLING ALL KNITTERS & CROCHETERS

Want to help make scarves and blankets for those who need them this winter? We'll be knitting and crocheting after the 10am Mass every Sunday until early December. Come join us in the hall: no experience or tools necessary, we've got supplies and can help you get started!

ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM

Modern food production favors toxic pesticides, petroleum-based fertilizers, genetically modified foods, long-distance farm-to-plate transportation, and the factory farming of animals – all of which exacts a heavy toll on the atmosphere. Estimates suggest nearly one-fifth of climate change pollution comes from the food industry. This year, consider hosting a climate friendly Thanksgiving. Start by visiting your local farmer's market to stock up on organic, local fruits and vegetables. Remember to only buy as much as you'll need and not waste!

We Welcome You To St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

Served by the Carmelites

November 12, 2017
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



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LOCATED ON THE NE CORNER OF 19TH & CONNECTICUT STREETS

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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.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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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, November 11**
† Harry Jelenich
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, November 12**
The People of the Parish
10:00am † Deceased Priests of the Archdiocese, especially Pastors of St. Teresa: Rev. John Kemmery, Rev. Patrick O’Connell, Rev. John Hamerr, Rev. Thomas Heretin, Rev. John Hunt, Rt. Rev. Peter Flynn, Rev. Harold J. O’Day, Rev. Peter J. Sammon, Rev. Edward K. Murray

8:30am **Tuesday, November 14**
† Deceased Members of SVdP

8:30am **Friday, November 17**
† Frank Dougherty

4:15pm **Saturday, November 18**
† James J. Burns, Jr.
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, November 19**
The People of the Parish
10:00am † Bea & Vincent Cocciolone

Parish Calendar

- Sun, Nov 12 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall
- Mon, Nov 13 - AA Step Meeting, 6:30pm
- Tue, Nov 14 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
1:00pm, Hall
- Pastoral Council
7:00pm, Avila Hall
- Wed, Nov 15 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm
- Sat, Nov 18 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Avila
- Sun, Nov 19 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall

SECOND COLLECTIONS

November 11 & 12

This week’ second collection will benefit St. Patrick’s Seminary in Menlo Park.

November 18 & 19

Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection you give people a hand up, not a hand out.

GARDEN & PIANO FUNDS

We will be starting work shortly on the garden. There are architectural renderings posted in the church and hall. Won’t you please consider making a donation to this worthy cause, sure to benefit the entire parish community!

We are also collecting donations to help recoup the cost of our new piano.

Ministers Schedule for Next Week November 18 & 19

	<u>4:15 PM</u>	<u>10:00 AM</u>
Lector:	R. Ostler	1 Lector: D. Churton
Bread:	J. Daddio	2 Lector: B. Doyle
Cup:	B. Noelke	1 Bread: R. Labuguen
Hosp:	R. Jones	2 Bread: K. McMahan
		3 Bread: J. Schelstrate
8:30 AM		1 Cup: C. Allen
Lector:	T. Lang	2 Cup: A. Schelstrate
Bread:	S. Siebel	Hosp: E. Gries
Cup:	S. Lang	M. Gries
Hosp:	T. Lando	

READING BETWEEN THE LINES IN PAUL’S FIRST LETTER TO THE THESSALONIANS

“We would have you be clear about those who sleep in death . . . those who have died in Christ will rise first. Then we, the living, the survivors, will be caught up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.” – I Thes 4:13, 16b-17a

In the Lectionary (the book containing the readings used at Mass), the first reading is usually taken from the Hebrew Scriptures. It is chosen because it corresponds to the Gospel of the day. But the second reading – from the New Testament – most often involves a continuous reading of a New Testament letter. The Church does this because, in structuring the Lectionary in such a manner, it hopes, over a three-year period, to expose the “people in the pews” to the non-Gospel New Testament writings.

Since October 22nd our second reading has been taken from Paul’s First Letter to the Thessalonians. This letter bears the distinction of being the earliest writing in the New Testament. Dated as early as 46 AD, it was written within 15 years of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, and it predates the earliest Gospel by at least two decades.

At the onset we should note that Paul never intended that his letters would be regarded as Sacred Scripture. Paul wrote them to address specific problems in specific communities, and here’s how that came about.

When Paul went on a missionary journey, he would establish a church in a city on the Mediterranean (Corinth, Philippi, Thessalonika, etc.). After the Church was established, Paul would remain with that community for a period of time (a few months to a few years) until local leadership was in place. Once that was accomplished, Paul would move on to another locale.

Not surprisingly, after Paul left a community, questions, issues, and problems would arise, and the leaders would write to Paul, asking what to do. Paul would write back, and it is these written responses (letters) that have been included in what is now the New Testament. We do not have the original letters written to Paul, but we do have Paul’s responses. When we examine these responses, we can glean what questions were being asked.

Today’s reading is fascinating because, by “reading between the lines”, we learn not only about the early Church but also about the early preaching. Paul’s response indicates that the Thessalonians are concerned about what happens to those who have died. This is not a question about heaven or hell; rather, it’s about the fate of those people who die before Jesus returns! Here we have an underlying assumption – made by both by Paul and the Thessalonian community – that Christ was expected to return in their lifetime! In fact, when Paul writes, “. . . we, the living, . . . will be caught up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord. . . .”, he is including himself among “we, the living”. When First Thessalonians was written, Paul believed that he would be alive for the Second Coming of Christ.

Paul lives for about two decades following First Thessalonians, and during that time both he and the Church realize that Christ is not coming back in the immediate future. But when we “read between the lines” in First Thessalonians, we learn that not only does the earliest preaching expect the imminent return of Christ, but also that Paul believed that he would alive when that day came.

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