

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.

Any adults who would like to be confirmed, please contact Fr. Kwiecien prior to November 13, 2014.

HOSPITALITY TRAINING

The holidays are around the corner, this is the time of year when many people come back to Church who may not have been around for the past year. What a wonderful opportunity to welcome people home to your parish community!

The Department of Pastoral Ministry would like to invite you to a Hospitality training in which they will share ideas for creating a more welcoming environment in our parish Nov. 17, 10:00am - 12noon: Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, One Peter Yorke Way, San Francisco

Please call the Parish Office by November 13th if you are interested in attending.

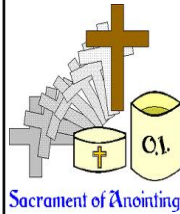
LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

All parish members are invited to become Liturgical Ministers. There are many ways to serve:

- **Ministry of the Eucharist** (We are in particular need of Bread & Cup Ministers)
- **Ministry of the Word**
- **Ministry of Hospitality** (Greeters & Ushers)

The Archdiocese will be offering training at St. Elizabeth Church on Nov. 15 & 22. The parish will pay the registration fee for those who wish to attend. A flyer and informational brochure are on the bulletin boards.

Please let us know if you would like to join this important Parish Ministry.



Sacrament of Anointing

ANOINTING

Next weekend, November 15 & 16, we will be offering the Sacrament of Anointing at all our Masses.

4 Stages of Marriage - The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4th Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery please contact Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i). For confidential information about the program, call 415-893-1005, email: SF@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at

www.HelpOurMarriage.com



Tuesday, November 11th

The Parish Office will be open.

San Damiano Retreat presents a Grief Retreat on Nov. 21-23, Recovery Retreat on Nov. 28-30, and a Silent Advent Weekend on Dec. 12-14. See the flyers in the church vestibule.



PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING AT 10:00AM NOVEMBER 27TH

Please check the bulletin boards in the vestibule and hall for events in our Archdiocese, as they are updated weekly.

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES

NOVEMBER 9, 2014

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA



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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.

Parish Calendar

Sun, Nov 9 - Faith Formation,
9:00am, Parish Hall
 Mon, Nov 10 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm
 Tues, Nov 11 - Veterans' Day
 Parish Office Open
 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
 1:00pm, Sammon
 - Pastoral Council
 7:00pm, Avila
 Thur, Nov 13 - NERT, 7:00pm, Sammon
 Sat, Nov 15 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Sammon
 Sun, Nov 16 - Faith Formation,
 9:00am, Parish Hall

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Saturday, November 8

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

Sunday, November 9

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

Tuesday, November 11

8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Friday, November 14

8:30am + Rose Sangiacomo

Saturday, November 15

4:15pm + James J. Burns, Jr.
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, November 16

8:30am + Clara & Clare Foss
10:00am The People of the Parish

SECOND COLLECTION

November 8 & 9

There is no second collection this week.

November 15 & 16

Next week's Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to end the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help people help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations, and economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Your contribution will defend human dignity and help those living on the margins of our society. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

NOVEMBER 1 & 2

\$1,632

THANK YOU!

Ministers Schedule for Next Week November 15 & 16

4:15 PM

Lector: B. Baird
Bread: J. Burns
Cup: J. Kennedy
Hosp: M. Comaich

10:00 AM

1 Lector: D.B. Bernstein
2 Lector: C. Arett
1 Bread: S. Miller
2 Bread: M. Schelstrate
3 Bread: A. Schelstrate

8:30 AM

Lector: T. Lang
Bread: R. Kingman
Cup: S. Lang
Hosp: T. Lando

2 Cup: G. McGrath
K. Varandas
B. Cassidy
L. Mastrangelo

NOVEMBER 9TH: THE DEDICATION OF ST. JOHN LATERAN

Today is the most unusual feast day in the entire liturgical year. The Dedication of St. John Lateran does not commemorate a historical event (such as the Birth or Resurrection of Christ); it is not an "idea feast" (such as Christ the King or the Immaculate Conception); nor is it a day to remember a Saint (like St. Francis of Assisi or St. Patrick). No, today we commemorate a *building*.

You heard me right, a *building*: St. John Lateran, the first Church built in the city of Rome. Essentially, this is the cathedral church of Rome, and St. John Lateran – not St. Peter's – is the Pope's Church (remember: first and foremost, the Pope is the Bishop of Rome). The Church was dedicated by Pope Sylvester in 318 AD, five years after the Edict of Milan (313 AD) legalized Christianity in the empire. The church has been rebuilt several times following sackings, earthquakes, and fires, and the present structure dates from the 17th century.

Why so much fuss about a Church? Two reasons. First, St. John Lateran, as one of the first Churches in the city of Rome, is the "Mother Church" of Christianity. The inscription over the entrance reads, "Mother and Head of all the churches in the City and in the world". Secondly, from the early 4th century until the Avignon Papacy (14th century), the popes resided at the Lateran Palace. It was not until the 15th century that popes lived in what is now the Vatican.

*Here is born a people of noble race, destined for Heaven,
whom the Spirit brings forth in the waters he has made fruitful.
Mother Church conceives her offspring by the breath of God,
and bears them virginally in this water.*

*Hope for the Kingdom of Heaven, you who are reborn in this font.
Eternal life does not await those who are only born once.*

*This is the spring of life that waters the whole world,
taking its origin from the Wounds of Christ.*

Sinner, to be purified, go down into the holy water.

It receives the unregenerate and brings him forth a new man.

*If you wish to be made innocent, be cleansed in this pool,
whether you are weighed down by original sin or your own.*

*There is no barrier between those who are reborn and made one
by the one font, the one Spirit, and the one faith.*

*Let neither the number nor the kind of their sins terrify anyone;
Once reborn in this water, they will be holy.*



What I find most fascinating about this church is the baptistry, pictured above. The font area is surrounded by eight pillars with Ionic and Corinthian capitals, and the font itself looks like a bathtub, but it's not. Rather, it's a *sarcophagus*: a funeral receptacle for a corpse, which was usually carved in stone and displayed above ground. In other words, early Christian catechumens were initiated into the church by being baptized in what is, in effect, a coffin.

The pillars support a dome inscribed with a Latin text attributed to Pope Sixtus III (432-440), a translation of which is provided to the left of the photo. The text speaks most eloquently our theology of baptism, and rather than try to offer any further explanation and analysis, I'd like to suggest that you simply allow the text and image to soak in.

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