

## Welcome to all Parishioners, Guests and Newcomers at St. Teresa's.

You are always warmly welcomed, but on the first weekend of each month we make a special point of spending time to get to know one another.

If you are visiting our church today, know that we are honored by your presence. Our parish serves the needs of the community in many different ways. If we can be of service to you, do not hesitate to call on us.

If you have not already done so, please take a moment to make a name tag in the vestibule. If you are here early reading your bulletin, say hello to someone sitting close by, particularly if you have not met before. Join us after the 10am Mass on Sunday for refreshments and fellowship in our Hall.



**GOD IS CALLING YOU!** A vocation – marriage, priesthood, religious life, etc. - is a call to love and every baptized person has one! But perhaps you're feeling a tug to give your heart to Jesus exclusively, sitting at His feet like Mary Magdalene, or perhaps you've wondered what life is like as a cloistered nun? If you're a single, Catholic woman between the ages of 18-38 years, we invite you to spend a day of discernment with the Cloistered Dominican Nuns of Corpus Christi Monastery in Menlo Park, CA. Catch a glimpse of the same hidden life of love that has been lived at the heart of the Church and the Dominican Order since Saint Dominic founded the first community of Dominican nuns in 1206.

Contact Sister Joseph Marie, O.P., at:  
[vocations@nunsmenlo.org](mailto:vocations@nunsmenlo.org),  
or visit our website at

<http://nunsmenlo.org/discernment-days/>  
to learn more and to register for one of our upcoming **Come and See Days**: Saturday, October 21, 2017; and Saturday January 20, 2018. The event will be from 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM and is

Prayers are requested for Carmen Castro,  
for her return to good health.

St. Teresa's recently received a request for prayers in memory of Ralph & Tosca Morelli, who were married here 75 years ago, on September 27, 1942.

**WEEKEND COLLECTION**  
(Envelope Donors & Loose Cash)  
**SEPTEMBER 23 & 24**  
**\$1,390**  
**THANK YOU!**

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

We are seeking 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.

### GARDEN & PIANO FUNDS

We have resumed the process of designing the garden space. 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.

### ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM

As Pope Francis said in Laudato Si, "the ecological crisis is also a summons to profound interior conversion. Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience." Let us reflect on our actions and act on better ways to care for creation.

## We Welcome You To St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church Served by the Carmelites



**October 1, 2017**  
**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY**  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**



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

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### OFFICE HOURS

10:00am to 12:30pm  
1:00pm to 4:30pm

Website: [stteresasf.org](http://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.

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Jim Schelstrate Steve Miller  
David Paquette Ron Labuguen  
Judy Warnock Victoria Flores

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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, September 30**  
The People of the Parish  
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)  
8:30am **Sunday, October 1**  
† Edwina Fenili  
10:00am † Rachael Cariglia  
8:30am **Tuesday, October 3**  
Charlene McCracken (Spec. Int.)  
8:30am **Friday, October 6**  
The Sick of the Parish  
4:15pm **Saturday, October 7**  
† Gertrude Henke & Gertrude McEvoy  
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)  
8:30am **Sunday, October 8**  
The People of the Parish  
10:00am † Barbara McGrath

**Ministers Schedule for Next Week  
October 7 & 8**

**4:15 PM** **10:00 AM**

Lector: Sr. Marie 1 Lector: D.B. Bernstein  
Bread: B. Noelke 2 Lector: B. Flores  
Cup: J. Daddio 1 Bread: J. Schelstrate  
Hosp: R. Jones 2 Bread: E. Kudyba  
3 Bread: J. Warnock  
**8:30 AM**  
Lector: D. Paquette 1 Cup: C. Allen  
Bread: S. Siebel 2 Cup: S. Miller  
Cup: P. English Hosp: J. Warnock  
Hosp: T. Lando

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

**September 30 & October 1**

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

**October 7 & 8**

There will be no Second Collection next week.

**The Mass Intention book for 2018** is now available. If there are special dates on which you would like to dedicate a Mass to a loved one, please contact the Parish Office. We also have dates available for the remainder of **2017**.

**Parish Calendar**

Sun, Oct 1 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall  
Mon, Oct 2 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm  
- AA Step Meeting, 6:30pm  
Tue, Oct 3 - NO SVdP Grocery Distribution  
- Green Team Virtual Meeting  
Dial In instructions:  
Phone: 641-715-3580  
Passcode: 738182#  
- Young Adults Meeting  
7:00pm, Priory  
Sat, Oct 7 - Lay Carmelite Meeting  
10:00am, Avila  
- AA Meeting, 7pm, Avila  
Sun, Oct 8 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall

**CARING FOR CREATION ON THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS**

Pope Francis and the City of San Francisco are both named for St. Francis of Assisi, whose feast is October 4<sup>th</sup> and whose *Canticle of the Sun* provided the title for the Papal Encyclical, *Laudato Si', On Care for our Common Home*. The 2015 Encyclical calls on us to care for God's creation, which has been entrusted by God to us for the benefit of all. While this has been our duty since the Garden of Eden, the publication of *Laudato Si'* means that preserving the environment is now a formal part of the Social Teaching of the Church.

In this Sunday's Gospel, a father told his two sons to go and work in the vineyard. One son said he would but didn't; the other said he wouldn't but did. The point of the Gospel is that actions are more important than words, and that paying lip service is not adequate. We are called to action and are challenged to take care of the vineyard.

In light of both the Feast of St. Francis and the encyclical *Laudato Si'*, it is perfectly legitimate to draw a parallel between the earth and the vineyard in today's gospel. Like the two sons, we are called to work in, care for, and cultivate the vineyard, and many of us have already taken steps to reduce our environmental impact. Nevertheless, the typical western lifestyle is not sustainable, and, as we approach the Feast of St. Francis, it is fitting to consider what more we could do. Here are a few suggestions:

- Instead of driving, walk, bike or use public transportation
- Buy green when the option is available
- Create a habit of asking whether something new is really needed
- Try a no-shopping day, week, or month, in which the only purchases are for food, supplies and services that do not consume more energy or contribute to landfill
- Change your electricity supply to SuperGreen (100% renewable –same meter, same connection, same monthly billing), available from CleanPowerSF [www.cleanpowersf.org](http://www.cleanpowersf.org)
- Get things out of the waste bin and into the right bin (landfill waste should be very small compared with curbside recycling and composting)
- If you travel, is there a trip that isn't necessary?

Here are a few things we have been doing at St. Teresa's to care for the environment:

- Recent upgrades to the parish hall, including motion sensors that turn off the lights if no one is there
- Energy efficiency and conservation measures have given us three consecutive years of total energy and cost savings
- Rooftop solar panels provide for nearly all the electricity used in the parish offices and priory

For more information, check out the St. Teresa Green Team web page at:

<http://stteresasf.org/parish-ministries/green-team-2>

Steve Miller & Gail Kendall, St. Teresa's Green Team

**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