

Come! Enjoy! Celebrate!

Our Faith Formation students and teachers are busily putting together lots of fun activities to celebrate Halloween Sunday, October 29th after the 10am Mass.



Come down to the hall to visit their "mini" pumpkin patch, play games and view the carved/decorated pumpkins.

There will even be a costume parade & contest!

Caritas Abundat: Love Abounds

We are happy to host Solstice, an all woman a cappella group, on Saturday, November 4, at 8pm here at St. Teresa's as they sing in support of **Refugee Transitions**. This concert will take you from 11th-Century Europe to China, Japan, Columbia and back home again. Suggested donation at the door: \$20-50. No one will be turned away for lack of funds. Solstice will keep \$10 per attendee to cover their expenses, and the remainder will go to RT. More information on their website at www.solsticesings.com or for information on Refugee Transitions: www.reftrans.org

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.

We will remember those we have lost this year on Sunday, November 5th at the 10am Mass.

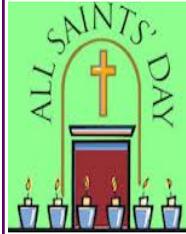
The Pope Asks Young People to Take a Survey

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.

ALL SAINTS



Wednesday, November 1st is the Feast Day of All Saints. This year it is a Holy Day of Obligation in our Archdiocese.

Please join us as we Celebrate the Eucharist at either 8:30am or 7:00pm.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

(Envelope Donors & Loose Cash)

OCTOBER 21 & 22

**TO BE REPORTED NEXT WEEK
THANK YOU!**

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.

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

There are an estimated 41 millions trick-or-treaters in the U.S. every year! Rather than buying traditional candies to hand out to trick-or-treaters, buy locally produced foods, candies, and treats to hand out! Goodies and small treats with minimal or recycled packaging are a bonus!

We Welcome You To St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

Served by the Carmelites

**October 29, 2017
THIRTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**



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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:

Saturday, October 28
4:15pm † Frank Burcina
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, October 29
8:30am The People of the Parish
10:00am † Theresa Spalding

Tuesday, October 31
8:30am Special Intention of Anna Doyle

Wednesday, November 1
8:30am The Deceased of the Parish
7:00pm † Joyce Huddleston

Friday, November 3
8:30am † Katherine & Harry Law

Saturday, November 4
4:15pm † Robert "Bert" James Barnett
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, November 5
8:30am † Alberto Salvi
The People of the Parish
10:00am † Frank Sullivan

Parish Calendar

Sun, Oct 29 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall
Mon, Oct 30 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm
- AA Step Meeting, 6:30pm
Tue, Oct 31 - SVdP Sandwich Tuesday
9:00am, Hall Kitchen
- SVdP Grocery Distribution
1:00pm, Hall
Wed, Nov 1 - All Saints' Day Masses
8:30am & 7:00pm
Sat, Nov 4- AA Meeting, 7pm, Avila
Sun, Nov 5 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall

SECOND COLLECTIONS

October 28 & 29

This week' second collection will benefit the St. Teresa Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

November 4 & 5

Next week' second collection will benefit the St. Teresa Building & Maintenance Fund.



Daylight Saving Time

Just a reminder to everyone that Daylight Saving Time will switch to Standard Time at 2:00am on Sunday, November 5th this year.

This is also the time to change the batteries in your smoke & CO₂ detectors.

Ministers' Schedules will be sent out this week, due to Stephani's vacation. The schedule for next weekend is noted below.

**Ministers Schedule for Next Week
November 4 & 5**

	4:15 PM	10:00 AM
Lector:	A. Rose	1 Lector: V. Flores
Bread:	E. Perea	2 Lector: G. Femec
Cup:	B. Noelke	1 Bread: R. Labuguen
Hosp:	L. Lechich	2 Bread: J. Warnock
		3 Bread: A. Schelstrate
8:30 AM		1 Cup: C. Allen
Lector:	Sr. Lucia	2 Cup: S. Miller
Bread:	P. English	Hosp: J. Warnock
Cup:	D. Paquette	
Hosp:	T. Lando	

ALL SAINTS, ALL SOULS, & ALL HALLOWS' EVE

Tuesday is *Halloween*, Wednesday is the *Feast of All Saints*, and Thursday is the *Feast of All Souls*. What is the origin and history of each of these three days? How are they connected? And why do they follow one other on the calendar?

Before we turn to *Halloween*, we should begin with the Christian Feasts of *All Saints* and *All Souls*. In doing so, we should keep in mind two things. First, a saint is anyone who is in heaven with God; and second, Christians have honored and venerated the dead (and the saints) since the earliest days of the Church. Here are two examples of this:

- ◆ In first century Rome, Christians secretly met in the catacombs of the city where they celebrated Eucharist on slab-like tablets that covered the bones of Christian martyrs.
- ◆ In the Nicene Creed, we profess our belief in the *Communion of Saints*, an extraordinary image of Christ's mystical body that includes not only the saints in heaven but also the souls in purgatory and the members of the Church on earth.

The easiest way to understand *All Saints' Day* is to compare it to the American holiday of *Veteran's Day*. Just as *Veteran's Day* celebrates all veterans (without naming names) so does the *Feast of All Saints* celebrate all of the "nameless saints" who are with God. The Church's "official saints" (i.e., those who have been canonized by the Church) have their own feast days on the liturgical calendar. But on November 1st we remember the "unknown saints" – such as our deceased relatives and friends – who we hope and believe are with God. They are nameless only because they have not been officially canonized by the Church.

All Souls' Day, November 2nd, is they day when we remember and pray for all those who are in the process of becoming saints. In Catholic theology, we have a doctrine of purgatory which – simply stated – is defined as the time following death when the soul is "purged" or "purified" before entering the kingdom of heaven. Souls in purgatory are in transition between earthly existence and heavenly glory, and when we pray for the dead our intention is that, through our prayers, they might be delivered from purgatory and admitted to heaven. Whereas *All Saints' Day* honors those who are already saints with God, *All Souls' Day* commemorates those who are not yet saints but who soon will be.

The origins of *Halloween* – or *All Hallows' Eve* – are really difficult to pin down. A good place to start is to note that in virtually every culture – Christian and non-Christian – there are rituals, feasts, festivals and celebrations that honor or commemorate the dead. These were "in place" long before Christianity came onto the scene. Rather than forbid, condemn, or try to eliminate these "pagan practices," the Church, in effect, "baptized" them. In other words, the Church took the "pagan" celebration of *Halloween* and linked it to its own celebrations of the dead, the Feasts of *All Saints* and *All Souls*. This link is quite evident when we realize that *Halloween*, *All Saints*, and *All Souls* occur on three consecutive days.

One final note: Here at St. Teresa's, we have developed a custom of honoring those who have died in the previous year with a commemoration and memorial on the Sunday following *All Saint's Day*. This memorial will take place next Sunday, November 5th, at the 10 o'clock Mass. Also, during the month of November, parishioners are invited to bring pictures of their departed loved ones and place them around the baptismal font.

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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