

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

You are always warmly welcome, but the first Saturday and Sunday 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. We offer preparation for sacraments, education for children and adults, social activities, assistance to those in difficulty, comfort to the sick and those who mourn a loss. 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 badge 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.



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

The Archdiocese will be offering training at Mission Dolores Basilica on Oct. 24 & 31. The parish will pay the registration fee for those who wish to attend. It is encouraged that anyone desiring to become either an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion or a Lector sign-up for this training. There is a flyer and informational brochure on each of the bulletin boards.

(This training is NOT required to serve as ministers.)

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE
ANNUAL FALL CANNED FOOD DRIVE**



We are extremely happy to announce our final tally was **1826 CANS**. Our **GOAL** was **1000 CANS** to replenish our limited supplies. **We have far exceeded our goal thanks to our most generous parishioners!!**

Included in the above tally are cans bought at the SF Food Bank with cash donations received towards the Drive.

This food will be most welcome to those served by the Tuesday grocery bag program, as well as the Thanksgiving boxes.

Please check the bulletin boards in the vestibule & hall for upcoming events or special notices from the Archdiocese.

**Retrouvaille CONCERNED ABOUT
YOUR MARRIAGE?**



Call Retrouvaille....

(415) 893-1005

- ♥ Do you feel lost and alone?
- ♥ Are you hurt, frustrated, or angry with each other?
- ♥ Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- ♥ Would you simply like to improve communication skills?

It's not too late to register for the **November 6th** weekend!
www.retrouvaille.com

**WE WELCOME YOU TO
ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH**

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES

OCTOBER 4, 2015

**SOLEMNITY OF
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**



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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, Oct 4 - Faith Formation, 9am, Hall
 Mon, Oct 5 - AA Meeting, 6:30pm, Avila
 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm
 Tue, Oct 6 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
 1:00 pm, Church Hall
 Thur, Oct 8 - NERT, 7:00pm, Hall
 Sat, Oct 10 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Church Hall
 Sun, Oct 11 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Saturday, October 3
 4:15pm † Sr. Maureen O'Brien, BVM
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, October 4
 8:30am The People of the Parish
 10:00am † Rachael Cariglia

Tuesday, October 6
 8:30am † Kevin Doyle

Friday, October 9
 8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Saturday, October 10
 4:15pm † Kathleen M. Burns
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, October 11
 8:30am The People of the Parish
 10:00am † John Warnock

SECOND COLLECTIONS

October 3 & 4

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



October 10 & 11



There will be no second collection next week.

The Mass Intention book for 2016 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. There are also some dates left for 2015.

WEEKEND FIRST COLLECTION

SEPTEMBER 26 & 27

\$1,343

THANK YOU!

Ministers Schedule for Next Week October 10 & 11

4:15 PM		10:00 AM
Lector: T. Jackson		1 Lector: L. Jacklevich
Bread: B. Noelke		2 Lector: D. Churton
Cup: J. Daddio		1 Bread: R. Labuguen
Hosp: L. Lechich		2 Bread: M. Schelstrate
		3 Bread: K. Schelstrate
8:30 AM		1 Cup: C. Allen
Lector: P. Diaz		2 Cup: G. McGrath
Bread: D. Paquette		Hosp: K. Varandas
Cup: J. Newman		L. Mastrangelo
Hosp: T. Lando		

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

A CURRENT REFLECTION ON THE FEAST OF SAINT FRANCIS:

WHY IS POPE FRANCIS TALKING ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE?

by Stephen Miller (Parish Council) and Gail Kendall (Parishioner)

Today we celebrate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, whose beautiful canticle, "Praise be to You, my Lord," supplied the name for Pope Francis' recent Encyclical **Laudato Si, on Care for Our Common Home**. In this landmark document released last June, Pope Francis clearly teaches that environmental degradation is a moral issue. For a detailed overview of this Encyclical: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Laudato_si%27. Here are two key points:

First, creation was "entrusted by God to human care" (§178), "a shared inheritance whose fruits are meant to benefit everyone." (§193) "Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an option or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience." (§217)

Second, faith calls us to solidarity with the poor who are hardest hit by climate change, and least able to cope. "We are faced not with two separate crises, one environmental and the other social, but rather with one complex crisis which is both social and environmental. Strategies for a solution demand an integrated approach to combating poverty, restoring dignity to the underprivileged, and at the same time protecting nature." (§139)

Pope Francis acknowledged climate change as "one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day." (§25) "... affecting the availability of essential resources like drinking water, energy and agricultural production in warmer regions ... If present trends continue, this century may well witness extraordinary climate change and an unprecedented destruction of ecosystems, with serious consequences for all of us." (§24)

In July, Governor Jerry Brown and Mayor Ed Lee joined a group of 60 government leaders at the Vatican. Governor Brown brought along a copy of the California State Senate Resolution SR 37, praising the Encyclical and its stand on global climate change. They joined the Pope in signing a declaration that includes this: "Human-induced climate change is a scientific reality, and its effective control is a moral imperative for humanity."

Just last week at the White House (on September 23), Pope Francis stressed the immediacy of the issue: "Accepting the urgency, it seems clear to me also that climate change is a problem which can no longer be left to a future generation." And also: "To use a telling phrase of the Rev. Martin Luther King, we can say that we have defaulted on a promissory note and now is the time to honor it." To these words of Pope Francis, we can only add "Amen."

If you want to respond to Pope Francis' call to action, you may be interested in joining Catholics across the U.S. in signing Catholic Climate Covenant's St. Francis pledge to pray, act and advocate to solve climate change at: <http://www.catholicclimatecovenant.org/>.

Numbers in parentheses refer to quotes taken from similarly numbered paragraphs in Pope Francis's Encyclical, **Laudato Si, Our Common Home**. (signed May 24, and published June 18, 2015)

What is Global Climate Change?

Global climate change is characterized by

- an overall warming trend in ambient air temperature
- rise in sea level and ocean temperature
- melting of glaciers and portions of the polar ice caps
- changes in historical rainfall patterns, causing both droughts and floods
- increase in the frequency and severity of storms and other severe weather events