

DRIVERS WANTED

Some of our parishioners are unable to attend Mass because they need a ride and their usual provider is unavailable. We would like to have a list of people able to occasionally drive parishioners to Mass on weekends, particularly on Saturdays. Please call the Parish Office to volunteer.

MONTHLY DONORS & SECOND COLLECTIONS — AUGUST

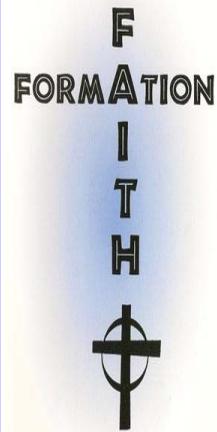
First Collection (Monthly Donors)	\$2,333
Building & Maintenance	\$1,370
St. Vincent de Paul	\$2,382
Assumption	\$ 287

UPDATE GREAT JOB FRIENDS OF SVDP!! UPDATE

Our first week produced **325 CANS** for our **CANNED FOOD DRIVE**. Our **GOAL** is **1000 CANS!!** to replenish our limited supplies. We are 1/3rd of the way there!! We ask that you bring **CANNED**

SOUPS, FRUITS, VEGETABLES, BEANS, MEAT AND FISH. Bins will be available on the altar and in the Vestibule.

Sign-up sheets for our Informational Evening Meeting to learn how you can volunteer to be a Vincentian are in the back of the church. Date to be determined soon.



CLASSES BEGIN THIS SUNDAY!!

If you have not yet registered your child/ren for classes, please contact Anarose Schelstrate so she is aware your child/ren will be attending classes this year and proper preparations may be made.

Please note the parish expectation that parents and guardians participate in our Sunday Eucharistic celebrations as they are able and attend a number of our class sessions. The parents are the primary teachers and we are your helpers.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

The Archdiocese will be offering training at St. Elizabeth Church on Nov. 15 & 22. Both days are required. This training is NOT required for those currently serving as ministers, but you can attend if you would like a "refresher". 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.

Adult Catholics who have not received either Confirmation or First Eucharist are asked to see Father Kwiecien or call the parish office if you would like to be prepared for these Sacraments.

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES

SEPTEMBER 14, 2014 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS



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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, Sep 14 -
 Mon, Sep 15 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm
 Tues, Sep 16 - SVdP Sandwich Tuesday
 9:00am, Sammon
 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
 1:00pm, Sammon
 Sat, Sep 20 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Sammon
 Sun, Sep 21 - Faith Formation
 9:00am, Parish Hall

MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together
 we include in our prayers:

Saturday, September 13

4:15pm + Anton & Helen Jelenich
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, September 14

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

Tuesday, September 16

8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Friday, September 19

8:30am The Deceased of the Parish

Saturday, September 20

4:15pm The Canonization of Frederic
Ozanam
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, September 21

8:30am The People of the Parish
 10:00am + Angela Castellano

SECOND COLLECTION

September 13 & 14

The second collection this week benefits the Carmelite Seminary Fund.

September 20 & 21

The second collection next week benefits the Priests' Retirement Fund. The Archdiocese is blessed to have hundreds of priests who dedicated, in some cases, as many as 50+ years of their lives to ministering us. Even in retirement, many continue to give of themselves in countless ways of service, for which we are grateful.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

September 6 & 7

\$1,388

THANK YOU!

Ministers Schedule for Next Week September 20 & 21

4:15 PM		10:00 AM
Lector: J. Kennedy	1 Lector: D.B. Bernstein	
Bread: F. Patt	2 Lector: K. Schelstrate	
Cup: B. Baird	1 Bread: S. Miller	
Hosp: L. Lechich	2 Bread: A. Schelstrate	
	3 Bread: C. Galvez	
8:30 AM	1 Cup: C. Allen	
Lector: K. Causey	2 Cup: R. Labuguen	
Bread: J. Newman	Hosp: K. Varandas	
Cup: S. Lang	B. Cassidy	
Hosp: T. Lando	L. Mastrangelo	

WHAT IS RESTORATIVE JUSTICE?

This Sunday's readings – from both the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures – deal with a plethora of issues that include wrongdoing, injustice, reconciliation, and forgiveness.

- In today's Gospel, Peter asks, "When my brother wrongs me, how often must I forgive him? Seven times?" "No," Jesus replied, ". . . seventy times seven times," an answer which most of us would find challenging . . . if not preposterous!
- The first reading contains a similar challenge: "Forgive your neighbor's injustice." Why should we do this? Because "Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner holds them tight." Note the peculiar twist: Sirach suggests that the *victim* of injustice is also a sinner if he cannot let go of his wrath and anger.

This Sunday's readings provide an excellent point of departure for the concept of *Restorative Justice*. I suspect that many of you may have heard of this term, but I also suspect that many of you may not necessarily know what this term means or entails.

Restorative justice emphasizes repairing the harm caused by crime, violence, or injustice. When victims, offenders and community members meet to decide how to do that, the results can be transformational.

To put this fancy language in simpler terms, restorative justice is the *opposite* of "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth." Why? because "eye-for-eye, tooth-for-tooth" justice – which is *punitive justice* – often does not provide satisfaction or resolution for the original victim of the violence, crime, or injustice. In many cases – even after the perpetrator has been punished – the victim remains broken, hurt, and in need of reconciliation and healing. Restorative justice seeks to remedy this hurt, providing reconciliation and healing so that the victim can "move on." This, of course, is easier said than done.

Usually, restorative justice involves face-to-face meetings between perpetrators and victims, the purpose of these meetings being to make all parties aware of the effects of the violence, crime, or injustice. Hopefully, as perpetrators and victims engage in discussion, healing and reconciliation follows, as well as a plan for making amends.

Here are two examples of restorative justice in practice.

- After Pope John Paul II was shot, he arranged to meet with the shooter, who had been convicted of the crime and was "doing time" in prison. The Pope forgave the man who shot him.
- In any 12-step program, Step #8 says, "Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all." Step #9 continues, "Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others." People in recovery realize that unless they work through these two steps (in other words, unless they seek "restorative justice") their very sobriety and recovery at risk.

My homily this weekend will explore restorative justice in more detail. Should you want more information on the topic, there is quite a bit of excellent material online. A good starting point is the website <http://www.restorativejustice.org/>.

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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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Parishioner | <input type="checkbox"/> New Address | <input type="checkbox"/> New Phone |
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