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If you have not yet registered your child/ren for classes, please take a moment to complete an application form and return it to us. They are available in the vestibule.

Please contact Anarose Schelstrate so she is aware your child/ren will be attending classes this year and proper preparations may be made.

**WOULD YOU TAKE A MOMENT . . .**

to write a review of St. Teresa's on Yelp? Recently a few people have come up to us and let us know that one of the reasons they came here was due to the good reviews we have on Yelp. Unfortunately, those reviews are 4-5 years old.

Thank you to those who took the time to write some wonderful things about St. Teresa Parish. It would be great if we can get a few more reviews!

**Parish Survey**

If you have not yet completed our survey, you may access it through our Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/stteresasf](http://www.facebook.com/stteresasf)  
or our website: [www.stteresasf.org](http://www.stteresasf.org)

Please check the bulletin board in the vestibule for information about:

- **Catholic Charities' Parish Social Ministry Institute** an all-day workshop;
- **The Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul's** Religious Vocation Discernment Weekend Retreat;
- **Mass & Healing Liturgy** at the Rachel Shrine in Colma; and
- An invitation to join the **St Mary's Cathedral Choir of Boys and Girls.**

**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

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

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2013  
TWENTY-THIRD 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

**Please visit our 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**

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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 8 -  
 Mon, Sep 9 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm  
 Tue, Sep 10 - SVdP Grocery Distribution  
 1:00pm, Sammon  
 - Pastoral Council  
 7:00pm, Avila  
 Sat, Sep 14 - AA Meeting  
 7:00pm, Sammon  
 Sun, Sep 15 - Faith Formation & Good  
 Shepherd programs, 9:00am

The Parish Office will be closed from Wednesday, September 11 through Tuesday, September 17th, while our secretary is on vacation. Office hours will resume on Wednesday, September 18th.

## WEEKEND COLLECTION August 31 & September 1 \$1,334

### MASS INTENTIONS

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

#### Saturday, Sep 7

4:15pm Little Childrens Aid  
 Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

#### Sunday, Sep 8

8:30am The People of the Parish  
 10:00am + Kathleen Lynch

#### Tuesday, Sep 10

8:30am Little Childrens Aid

#### Friday, Sep 13

8:30am + Vasa Robati

#### Saturday, Sep 14

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

#### Sunday, Sep 15

8:30am The People of the Parish  
 10:00am The Four Intentions of the St.  
 Vincent de Paul Society

## SECOND COLLECTION

### September 7 & 8

The second collection this week benefits the Carmelite Seminary Fund.

### September 14 & 8

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.

The word *liturgy* comes from a Greek word meaning "the Work of the People." Liturgy is done by the entire worshipping community - sometimes acting together, sometimes with different members acting in particular roles.

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)

Please let us know if you would like to join this important Parish Ministry. Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church.

### Ministers Schedule for Next Week September 14 & 15

<b>4:15</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
Lector: D. B. Aikins	1 Lector: B. Doyle
Bread: F. Patt	2 Lector: D.B. Bernstein
Cup: E. Perea	1 Bread: J. Schelstrate
Hosp: R. Jones	2 Bread: K. Schelstrate
	3 Bread: D. Tejada
<b>8:30 AM</b>	1 Cup: C. Allen
Lector: J. Propster	2 Cup: S. Miller
Bread: R. Kingman	Hosp: K. Varandas
Cup: J. Marasco	B. Cassidy
Hosp: T. Lando	

## ABOUT THAT PARISH DINNER . . .

Two weekends ago – on Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> – we had a “pot luck dinner” following the 4:15 Mass. One of our parishioners took the initiative for suggesting and organizing the event, and over sixty people attended.

Now, let me state at the onset that I have always been skeptical of such affairs. To the best of my knowledge, a jumbo shrimp platter or antipasto tray has never shown its face at a pot-luck dinner. Instead, such suppers usually feature table upon table covered with macaroni salads and Jell-O molds, hardly what one would call *haute cuisine*.

But two weeks ago, our pot luck supper was different. One parishioner supplied two large trays of lasagna, others supplied bottles of wine, and we provided the beer and soda. The majority of contributors brought appetizers, salads, and deserts, and the food was spectacular! Mini-meatballs, chicken wings, and stuffed mushrooms highlighted the appetizer table; several different salads (some without lettuce!) complimented the lasagna entree; and from my vantage point I noticed that most people visited the dessert table more than once. People gathered downstairs immediately following the 4:15 Mass, and there were still quite a few people around when things began to wind down at about 7 pm. Several parishioners commented on what a great time was had by all, suggesting that we sponsor similar events in the future.

In the three years that Fr. Greenwell and I have been here, there have been a number of such “meal events”. For the past two years we have provided a free pancake breakfast on the Third Sunday of Advent (mark December 15<sup>th</sup> on your calendar for this year’s event). The St. Vincent de Paul Society has an annual dinner, and religious education brought together parents, students, and catechists for an evening of food and games. Last May we had a successful “Sound of Music Sing-Along”, and earlier this year we offered a “chili supper” after a Saturday Mass, which also met with great success.

Perhaps some of you may be wondering why this week’s pastor’s column is focusing on “food and eating” instead of “theological reflection and insight”. I would like to suggest that breaking bread with one another – eating and drinking, if you will – *is* theology: it is Eucharist. As I mentioned in a previous column, the Gospel of Luke (which we are reading in this “C” Cycle) is organized around eleven meal stories. Jesus uses the context of these meals to teach about the Kingdom of God, as well as to recognize God’s presence “in the breaking of the Bread.” When we read these biblical insights back into our meal experiences, we recognize that although the liturgy (Eucharist) takes place upstairs in the Church where we gather and pray, it is realized downstairs where we gather and eat.

On behalf of a grateful parish, let me thank all of those who help make our social gatherings a success. This includes not only those who plan, organize, set-up and clean-up these events, but also those who participate by their generosity and presence.

On a final note: we plan to continue with similar activities in the future, and will be looking for volunteers to coordinate and organize these events. We are also in need of liturgical ministers – Ministers of Hospitality, Ushers, Proclaimers of the Word, and Eucharistic Ministers. If you are interested, please see one of the pastors or Deacon Chuck.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.