

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.

ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM

It is estimated that 299 million Americans use shampoo. Arguably, most of these people are using some form of bottled product. This equates to about 1 billion shampoo bottles a year, which is approximately 115,000 plastic bottles being bought every hour. What's a more sustainable alternative? Try switching to shampoo bars! Because shampoo bars do not require plastic packaging, they are much better for the environment. They contain all the necessary ingredients to wash properly, but without the water. This translates into less CO2 emissions linked to transportation. Not only are they trendy, but they are also great for travel and going through TSA!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH!

We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful community!!



**STAY SAFE
STAY HEALTHY
WEAR A MASK**

Welcome to St. Teresa of Avila'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, or complete the form on our website.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

New Parishioner New Address and/or phone Send Sunday envelopes On-Line Giving

MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together we include in our prayers:

4:15pm **Saturday, August 15**
† Robert Jones
Henry Morgan, Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, August 16**
† Harold Petrocchi
The People of the Parish

10:00am † Robert Pent

8:30am **Tuesday, August 18**
† John Griffin

8:30am **Friday, August 21**
† Kathy Wooton

4:15pm **Saturday, August 22**
† Bessie Jaramillo
Henry Morgan, Jr. (Spec. Int.)

8:30am **Sunday, August 23**
† Shirley Marasco
The People of the Parish



We Welcome You To St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

Served by the Carmelites

AUGUST 16, 2020 TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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LOCATED ON THE NE CORNER OF 19TH & CONNECTICUT STREETS

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:15 pm
Sunday 8:30 &
10:00 am

MARRIAGE

Please call 6 months
in advance

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 8:30 am
Friday 8:30 am

BAPTISM & RECONCILIATION

Please call for an
appointment

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Parish Office

Our Parish Secretary, Stephani, will be on vacation through August 28. During this time, the Office will remain closed to visitors, but the phones will be answered/monitored. If you need anything, please do not hesitate to call.

There will be no bulletins published until September 6th.



St Teresa of Avila Church is an EPA ENERGY STAR® certified building.



ON-LINE GIVING

To register for on-line giving or to make a one time gift, scan the QR code and complete the log in or scroll down to **Quick Give**.

Mapping Jesus in Matthew's Gospel

Over the last few Sundays, Matthew's Gospel has chronicled Jesus' public ministry in the northern regions of Palestine. Last week found Jesus literally in the Sea of Galilee, walking on water, and next week finds him on the road to Caesarea Philippi, asking the disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" In today's Gospel, Jesus interacts with a Canaanite woman near Tyre and Sidon, and in light of these gospels taking place in northern Palestine, I thought it might be interesting to focus this week's column on geography.

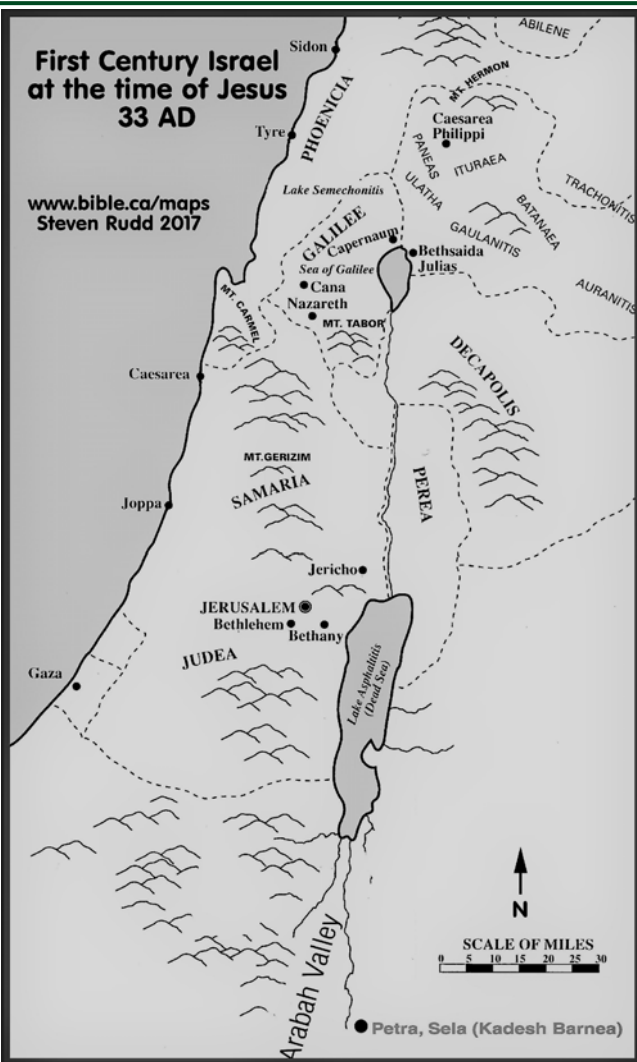
Notice that Jerusalem and Bethlehem are at the center of the map, and that the setting for our recent gospels is in the north, in Galilee. The distance between Jerusalem and Galilee is not very far – about the distance from San Francisco to San Jose – but, culturally speaking, Jerusalem and Galilee are light years apart.

The main difference between the regions is that Jerusalem is very Jewish, Galilee is not. Jerusalem is the holy city

of Judaism where the temple is located; Galilee is described in the gospels as "Galilee of the Gentiles." There are, of course, Jews in Galilee, but there are also Greeks and Romans, Canaanites and Syrians, and people from other cultures as well. Essentially, Galilee is cosmopolitan, and the cities of Caesarea Philippi and Capernaum were "modern" cities built by the Romans. Because of its multi-cultural diversity, Galilee is much more tolerant of Jesus. Jesus' ministry and preaching does not get him into trouble in Galilee; it is not until he journeys south – into the heart of soul of Judaism – that he encounters hostile Jewish opposition which ultimately results in his crucifixion and death.

The setting for today's Gospel is the region of Tyre and Sidon. Looking at the map, these port cities on the Mediterranean Sea are actually in Phoenicia . . . which is beyond the boundaries of Palestine. If Jesus traveled to these regions it is not surpris-

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ing that the Canaanite woman who approaches Jesus in today's Gospel is not Jewish. Nor should we be too surprised when Jesus says, "I was sent only to the sheep of the house of Israel."

Too often the assumption is made that, because Jesus grew up in the small village of Nazareth, he is a "country boy" who is naive regarding the ways of the world. What recent biblical scholarship has shown is that the area where Jesus grew up (Galilee) would have exposed Jesus to people of many cultures. Such biblical scholarship has an ironic twist: it turns out that those Jews in the south – in and around Jerusalem – were the ones who were naive because they were insulated from the Greco-Roman world.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.

Making God's Love Visible

This weekend is the Missionary Cooperative Appeal. This year the appeal supports the Maryknoll Sisters. Maryknoll Sisters give witness to God's love and devote their lives in service overseas. As nurses, doctors, teachers, theologians, social workers, environmentalists and more, they serve the needs of the people – the poor, the ailing and the marginalized – where they are missioned.

This mission began in 1912, when they became the first group of Catholic Sisters in the United States founded for overseas mission. Today there are approximately 400 Sisters serving in 24 places around the world.

Their work encompasses a variety of causes, including Civil and Human Rights, Economic Development, Education, Environment, Health Care, Human Trafficking, Pastoral Ministry, Peace, Women's Advocacy, Youth Issues. Their missions are located in Taiwan, Tanzania, United States, Zimbabwe, Brazil, Macau, Kenya, Korea, Panama, Peru, Ecuador, Philippines, East Timor, El Salvador, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Japan, Hawaii, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Chile, China, Rome, Iraq,

Vigil for Justice

Join The Circle of Light in a vigil - a day time event - to support the Black Lives Matter movement and keep attention on the fight for racial justice. This is a vigil: we will stand silent, masked and 6 feet apart, holding signs with a simple, positive message such as "We Stand With Black Lives Matter" or "Say Their Names" or the name of one or more of the people killed by police. We will meet at 12 noon on Saturdays at 16th and Potrero and spread south toward 17th Street and East toward Utah Street, staying for 30 minutes. Please bring your own sign if possible. You can contact Lynn Jacklevich via email kq6cev@yahoo.com if you have questions.

