

# We Welcome You To St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

Served by the Carmelites



**MARCH 21, 2021  
FIFTH SUNDAY  
OF LENT**



1490 19TH STREET (CHURCH)

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

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 8:30 am  
Friday 8:30 am

#### MARRIAGE

Please call 6 months  
in advance

#### BAPTISM & RECONCILIATION

Please call for an  
appointment

#### PARISH OFFICE / MAILING ADDRESS

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**OPEN FOR PUBLIC MASS—PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND**  
**SATURDAY @ 4:15PM SUNDAY @ 10AM**

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO RESUME PUBLIC MASSES AT ST. TERESA'S

We are not able to open for public Masses until we can do so in a safe manner. We have a safety protocol set-up already. We will require a minimum of five (5) committed volunteers per Mass to assist us with these protocols. **We are especially in need of volunteers for the Easter Sunday Mass on April 4 at 10:00am.** At present, we are unable to open the 8:30am Sunday Masses.

- Parishioners under the age of 60 are welcome to volunteer at and attend in-person Masses.
- Parishioners age 60+ may only volunteer if they have received both doses of the vaccine more than two (2) weeks prior to the date they will begin volunteering.
- Parishioners age 60+ who have not yet been vaccinated are encouraged to stay home and continue to attend Mass via our live-stream.

A sign-up sheet was sent via email on March 10. You can sign-up through that email or call/email the Parish Office to volunteer.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together  
we include in our prayers:

4:15pm **Saturday, March 20**  
† Dan Perea

8:30am **Sunday, March 21**  
† Fr. Peter Sammon  
The People of the Parish  
Kathleen Uhlhorn (Spec. Int.)

10:00am **Tuesday, March 23**  
8:30am † Rachael Humphrey

8:30am **Friday, March 26**  
Connie Brown (Spec. Int.)

4:15pm **Saturday, March 27**  
8:30am † James J. Burns, Sr.  
The People of the Parish

8:30am **Sunday, March 28**  
10:00am † Tillie Diaz  
Kathleen Uhlhorn (Spec. Int.)

#### LENT & HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE (Check our website for information on In-person Masses or Livestream only)

*Tuesdays & Fridays in Lent*  
Mass, 8:30am

#### PALM SUNDAY

Saturday Vigil, March 27: 4:15pm  
Palm Sunday, March 28: 8:30 & 10am

#### EASTER TRIDIUM

**Holy Thursday**, April 1: 7:30pm  
**Good Friday**, April 2: 12:15pm  
**Holy Saturday**, Easter Vigil,  
April 3: 8:00pm

**Easter Sunday**,  
April 4: 8:30 & 10:00am

#### ATTEND MASS BY PHONE

To access the audio only from St. Teresa's  
livestream Masses

**DIAL:** 408-638-0968 from any phone  
**ENTER Meeting Code:** 820-821-335.  
**ENTER ID:** #

#### ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM

Are you a sustainability enthusiast? Have you been building consistent, sustainable habits to reduce your carbon footprint, especially through this unusual past year? Do you have any tips that you would like to share with your faith family? Email the green team [GreenTeam@stteresasf.org](mailto:GreenTeam@stteresasf.org) to be featured in upcoming bulletins! And remember, even small efforts can add up to great results, so don't be shy!

#### AAA 2020—Week 2

Assessed Amount: \$29,486  
Amount Pledged: \$17,270  
Balance Remaining: \$12,216

We are at **59%** of our goal! Thank you to all who have donated & pledged. Last year we had AAA wrapped up in 10 weeks (**Fr. Greenwell would like to have it done in 4 weeks this year**) and received donations from 78+ parishioners/families. We would like to receive pledges from 100 people this year. So far we have received donations from 48 individuals/families.

Please check with your employer to see if they provide matching funds for charitable donations.

You can donate through the  
Archdiocesan website:

<https://sfarch.org/aaa>  
**Choose St. Teresa Church**  
or by scanning this QR code



#### ON-LINE GIVING

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



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

## PHILIP THE APOSTLE

Central to our Christian tradition are the twelve apostles, yet – surprisingly – we know very little about these original followers of Jesus. What we do know is often a mixture of historical fact and legend, and, for this reason, when one of the twelve is named in the Sunday readings, I'd like to focus my column on that particular apostle.

“Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, ‘Sir, we would like to see Jesus.’ Philip went and told Andrew, then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.” (Jn 12:20)

So begins our Gospel passage on this, the Fifth Sunday of Lent. We never learn whether these Greeks were able to see Jesus, since the passage transitions immediately to a long discourse by Jesus. I suspect that the homily will focus on the words of Jesus, but in today's column I'd like to write about the Apostle, Philip.

In the synoptic gospels, Philip appears on every list of the apostles, but he speaks not a word in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, or Luke. It is only in the Gospel of John that Philip finds his voice, emerging from the background to enjoy his “fifteen minutes of fame”.

In John's Gospel, Jesus personally calls Philip with the words, “Follow me”. (Jn 1:43b) In the next verse, we learn that Philip is from Bethsaida, and it is at this point that Philip speaks for the first time. Addressing Nathanael, Philip testifies:

*“We have found the one about whom Moses wrote in the law, and also the prophets, Jesus, son of Joseph, from Nazareth . . . Come and see.”* (Jn 1:45-46)

Philip again speaks in the Gospel of John, when, in Chapter 6, Jesus feeds the 5000:

*“. . . [Jesus] said to Philip, ‘Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?’ He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. Philip answered him, ‘It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!’”* (Jn 6:5-7)

Philip speaks for the third and final time in John, Chapter 14:

*Philip said, ‘Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.’ Jesus answered, ‘Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father.’* (Jn 14:8-9)

In the *Acts of the Apostles* a man named Philip is mentioned (Acts 6:5), but this is a different Philip, known as Philip the Evangelist. This Philip is one of the seven men approved by the twelve to serve as deacons, and he is spoken of as the Evangelist to distinguish himself from Philip the Apostle.

There is really not much to say about Philip the Apostle without speculating. Neither early church fathers nor contemporary scholars can agree on details of his life. Early traditions claim that Philip was martyred in Hierapolis (a city in Phrygia, in Southwestern Turkey), being crucified upside down. But other sources say that Philip was beheaded or died of natural causes. Church tradition contends that Philip preached in Scythia (in central Eurasia), Syria, and Phrygia, but this tradition is grounded in the *Acts of Philip*, a bizarre fourth-century text of questionable historical accuracy.

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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.

The name Philip means lover of horses, so Philip is the patron saint of jockeys, horse breeders, and horseback riders. And – for some reason – Philip is also the patron saint of pastry chefs. Go figure.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.

## SECOND COLLECTION

This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help **Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world.

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

## THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH!

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

## Mass Intentions

The book for Mass Intentions for 2021 has available Masses. If you would like to reserve a Mass for a specific date for a loved one, please call or email the Parish Office.

Please join us in welcoming to our parish community:



Samuel Brylle Ramos, the son of Jansteen & Emmanuel Ramos. Samuel was baptized by Rev. Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm. on Saturday at 11am.



**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