

ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM

Our thoughts and prayers go out to our Brothers and Sisters who have been affected by wildfires. Although we are safe from the flames in SF, we are exposed to the damaging effects of the smoke. When there is a smoke advisory, take these actions in your home to reduce your smoke exposure:

- Keep windows and doors closed.
- Use fans and air conditioning to stay cool. If you cannot stay cool, seek shelter elsewhere.
- If you have an HVAC system with a fresh air intake, set the system to recirculate mode, or close the outdoor intake damper.
- Use a portable air cleaner or high-efficiency filter to remove fine particles from the air.
- If you have an HVAC system with a high-efficiency filter installed, run the system's fan as often as possible to remove particles while the air quality is poor.
- Avoid activities that create more fine particles indoors, including:
 - Smoking cigarettes.
 - Using gas, propane or wood-burning stoves and furnaces.
 - Spraying aerosol products.
 - Frying or broiling food.
 - Burning candles or incense.
 - Vacuuming, unless you use a vacuum with a HEPA filter.
- Avoid strenuous activity during smoky times to reduce how much smoke you inhale.
- Have a supply of N95 respirators and learn how to use them.

Air out your home by opening windows or the fresh air intake on your HVAC system when the air quality improves, even temporarily.

ICA CRISTO REY ACADEMY

All interested 7th & 8th grade girls and their parents are invited to come to an Open House on November 16th from 9—11am. ICA is an all girls college preparatory Catholic High School located at 24th & Guerrero Sts.

- Tuition is \$2,900 per year!
- 100% of students are accepted into college, with 97% of the class admitted to a 4 year school.
- Works specifically with students with limited economic resources

For more information, please call ICA:
415.963.3202
icacademy.org

START YOUR THANKSGIVING DAY
CELEBRATION BY JOINING US
FOR EUCHARIST (MASS)
AT 10:00AM ON NOVEMBER 28TH



Parish Office closed November 28 & 29

ON-LINE GIVING



To make a **one time gift**, scan the QR code, scroll past the log in, click on **Quick Give**
To **register for the program**, scan the QR code and complete the log in, etc.

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

We Welcome You To St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church A Warm, Welcoming, Inclusive Faith Community Served by the Carmelites



**NOVEMBER 10, 2019
THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**



**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

MARRIAGE

Please call 6 months
in advance

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 8:30 am
Friday 8:30 am

BAPTISM & RECONCILIATION

Please call for an
appointment

PARISH OFFICE / MAILING ADDRESS

HOURS—10:00AM TO 4:30PM

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FEED THE HUNGRY



There is a wonderful opportunity to feed the hungry in our community. An Interfaith Church group provides a winter shelter program for homeless men. The men are housed in various religious buildings. Many different religious communities take turns providing a hot meal for the 75 to 100 men that are housed for the night.

A prayer group at St. Teresa's has been doing this ministry for several years now. It has been an eye-opening, and heartwarming experience. The meal is sometimes prepared as a group at the Church kitchen, sometimes individuals prepare food at home and meet to serve. Save these dates January 29, 2020 and February 12, 2020 both beginning at 5 pm.

We sure could use your help!

For more information, please contact Lynn Jacklevich— kg6cev@yahoo.com, or Jeanne Burns— jeanne@thornleypitt.com

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.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

November 9 & 10

Next week's second collection will benefit St. Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park.

November 16 & 17

Next week's second collection will benefit the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

MASS INTENTIONS

As we celebrate Mass together we include in our prayers:

Saturday, November 9

4:15pm † Lupita Perea
Henry Morgan, Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, November 10

8:30am The People of the Parish
10:00am Deceased Priests of the Archdiocese, especially Pastors of St. Teresa: Rev. John Kemmery, Rev. Patrick O'Connell, Rev. John Hamerr, Rev. Thomas Heretin, Rev. John Hunt, Rt. Rev. Peter Flynn, Rev. Harold J. O'Day, Rev. Peter J. Sammon, Rev. Edward K. Murray

Tuesday, November 12

8:30am The Sick & Troubled who seek Divine Help & Cure through Frederic Ozanam's intercession

Friday, November 15

8:30am † Jennifer Price

Saturday, November 16

4:15pm † James J. Burns, Jr.
Henry Morgan, Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, November 17

8:30am † Sylvia Roberts
The People of the Parish
10:00am † Hoang Tran

Ministers Schedule for Next Week November 16 & 17

4:15 PM

Lector: R.M. Ostler
Bread: B. Noelke
Cup: J. Burns
Hosp: J. Skowera

10:00 AM

1 Lector: S. Gomes
2 Lector: R. Pitts
1 Bread: J. Schelstrate
2 Bread: A. Schelstrate
3 Bread: C. Illich

8:30 AM

Lector: D. Canzoneri
Bread: R. Kingman
Cup: P. English
Hosp: T. Lando
1 Cup: E. Kudyba
2 Cup: G. McGrath
Hosp: J. Warnock

REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES

November is called "the month of the Holy Souls". All month a Book of Remembrance will be placed inside the Church. Parishioners are invited to write the names of deceased loved ones in this book and to bring a photo(s) for display during the month. All photos will be returned at the end of the month. Please put your name & phone number on the back of the picture.

Parish Calendar

Sun, Nov 10 - No Faith Formation
- Concert, 3pm, Church
Mon, Nov 11 - Choir Practice, 7pm, Church
- AA Step Meeting, 6:30pm, Hall
Tue, Nov 12 - AA Meeting, 7:30am, Avila
- SVdP Meeting, 9am, Hall
- SVdP Grocery Distribution
1pm, Hall
- Pastoral Council, 7pm, Avila
Wed, Nov 13 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Avila
Sat, Nov 16 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Avila
Sun, Nov 17 - Faith Formation, 9am, Hall
- Sandwich Sunday, 11am, Hall

SADDUCEES

"Some Sadducees came forward (the ones who claim there is no resurrection) to pose this problem to Jesus: 'Master, Moses prescribed that if a man's brother dies . . .'"

So begins today's Gospel, taken from Luke. Once again we find Jesus engaged in a religious controversy with the Sadducees, one of the contemporary religious groups of his day. Jesus frequently finds himself entangled in such debates, and additional groups mentioned in the Gospels include the Pharisees and the Scribes. Today's gospel speaks of the Sadducees, and in this week's column I'd like to write about this now-extinct sub-group in Judaism.

The Sadducees emerged following the *Babylonian Captivity*, which took place from 587-538 BC. When the Babylonians conquered Israel, they destroyed the temple and exiled the entire Israelite nation to Bagdad, a city a thousand miles east of Jerusalem (yes, it's the same Bagdad, Iraq). The exile lasted fifty years, affording the Israelites plenty of time to reflect upon their recent catastrophic history. The monarchy – established four centuries earlier when Saul united the twelve tribes of Israel – no longer existed; the Jerusalem Temple – built by Solomon – was destroyed; and the promised land – given to Moses and the Israelites by Yahweh – was now under the domain of a foreign entity. The exile ended in 538 BC with the Edict of Cyrus, and Jews were allowed to return to their homeland. Those who returned were known as the *remnant*.

Returning from exile, the remnant began to rebuild the Temple in 516 BC, and over the next five centuries Jerusalem became the religious center of Judaism. The Sadducees emerged as the religious and political aristocracy, becoming the priestly class and assuming responsibility for the Temple. Sacrifice could be done *only* at the Temple in Jerusalem, and it had to be done by a Sadducee priest. And – given that Jewish Pilgrims from all over the empire traveled to the Holy City to offer sacrifice – there certainly was no shortage of "work" for the Sadducees. By the time of Jesus, the business of Jerusalem was religion, and the Sadducees had a political, economic, and religious stranglehold on the city. The high priest was almost always a Sadducee, with Caiaphas and Annas (high priests mentioned at the trial of Jesus) most certainly being members of the Sadducee party.

The Sadducees exhibited a strange combination of beliefs and values in that they were politically *liberal* while being religiously *conservative*. They were politically liberal because, since Israel was usually under the control of a foreign power, the Sadducees had to cooperate with and accommodate the occupying forces. Resistance, revolution, or political unrest would lead to instability and violence, both of which disrupted the "business" of religion.

The Sadducees were religiously conservative because they advocated a strict, somewhat literal interpretation of the Scriptures. They believed that breaking any of the commandments or laws was tantamount to breaking the entire law. (Note that, by the time of Jesus, the original Ten Commandments had expanded to over 600 laws!) The Sadducees also rejected the "liberal" view of resurrection and life after death, views that put them at odds with the Pharisees. Notice that a question regarding the resurrection is at the center of the controversy in today's Gospel.

In 70 AD, the Romans sacked Jerusalem and destroyed the Temple, and on that date both the Jewish state and Jerusalem Temple ceased to exist. The Jewish state would not be reestablished until 1948 and, with the destruction of the Holy City and its Temple, the Sadducees ceased to exist as well.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.