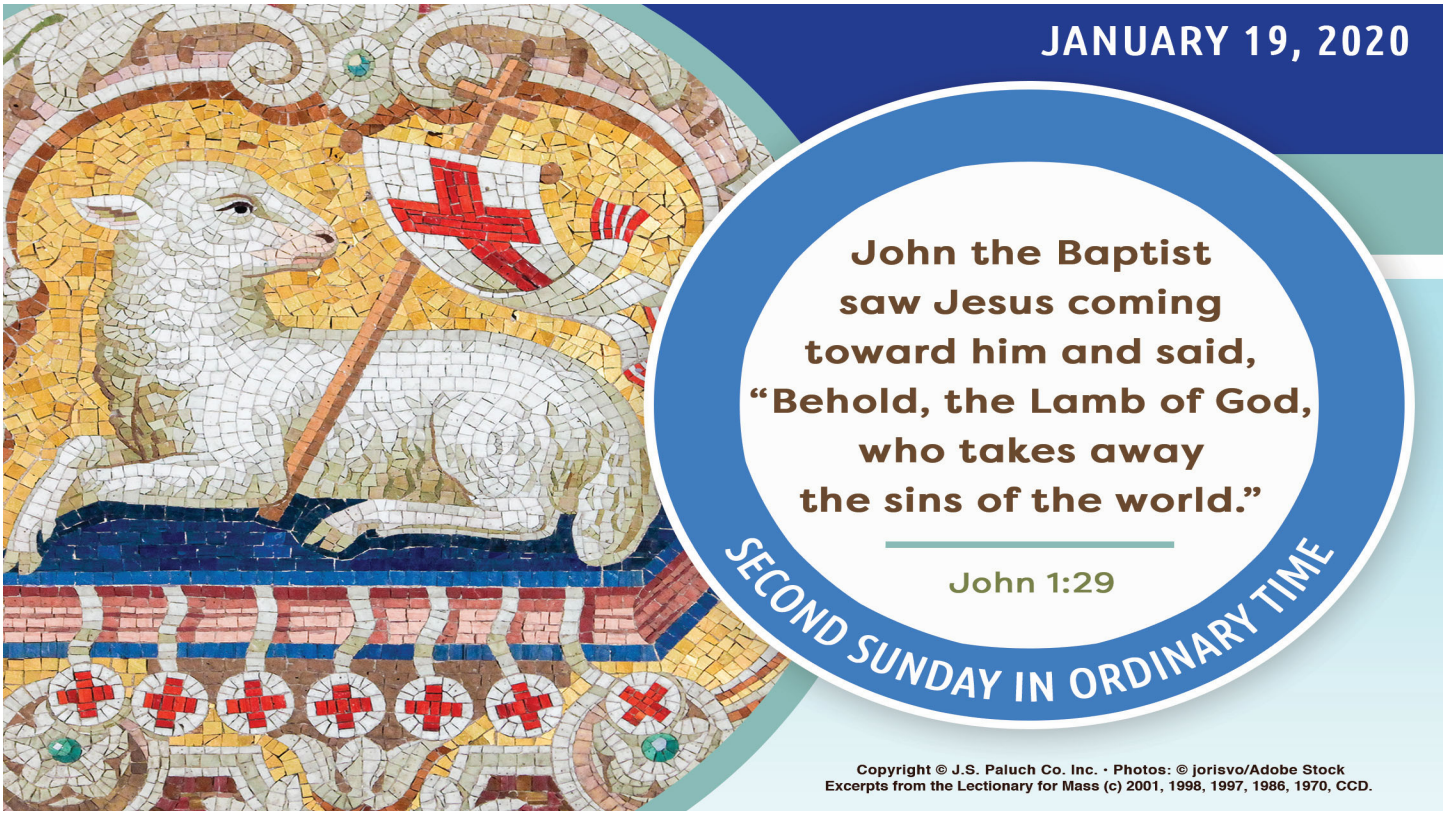

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Saint Teresa of Avila Parish

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PARISH CLERGY
Reverend J. Jerome Wild, Pastor
Deacon Francis C. Lally, Permanent Deacon
Deacon David J. Matour, Permanent Deacon
Reverend Richard M. Jacobs, Sunday Asst.
Reverend Kail C. Ellis, OSA, Sunday Asst.

LITURGY

Saturday Vigil:	4:15PM
Sunday:	9:00AM & 11:00AM
Holy Days:	*(see the bulletin)*
Daily Mass:	10:00AM Mon. 7:00AM Tues., Wed., Fri.
Communion Service:	8:00AM Saturdays
Confession:	3:15PM Sat. or by appointment
Eucharistic Adoration:	Tues. 7:30AM - 8PM

PARISH STAFF
Gina MacDermott, *Admin. Asst. to the Pastor*
Ursula Lawrence, *Parish Secretary/Receptionist*
Sarah Stong, *Adult & Children's Choir Director*

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Principal: Christine Pagan
Phone: 610-265-2323
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A warm greeting is extended to all who have come to worship with our community of faith. We are grateful for our faithful parishioners who are here every week. We also welcome all our visitors and invite you to consider joining our parish. If you are not Catholic, we encourage you to contact our Parish Office for information about becoming a member of the Church.

PARISH REGISTRATION is held in the vestibule of the Church after all Masses on the 1st and 3rd weekends of the month. You may also register at the Parish Office on weekdays during business hours.

BAPTISM is usually celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:00PM. Please call the Parish Office at 610-666-5820 for upcoming baptism dates. Parents must attend our Pre-Jordan Class prior to their child's baptism. Our next Pre-Jordan class will be held at 7:00 PM on **Wednesday, January 22 at 7 PM** in our Parish Center.

MATRIMONY: Couples must make arrangements for matrimony in person with the Pastor at least six months prior to date of their anticipated wedding ceremony. One of the parties must have family registered in the parish at the time the couple comes to make arrangements. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment with Father Wild.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Parishioners who are seriously ill, weakened by advanced age, or entering the hospital for surgery are encouraged to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Homebound sick and elderly may receive Holy Communion in their homes on a regular basis. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for a home visit or to request an anointing.

MOVING? Please let us know by calling or emailing the Parish Office so we can update our records.

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A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

The Gospel passage for today reminds us of the crucial role we play in leading others to Christ. If God is in our hearts… God goes wherever we go. We are called to bring a deep commitment of Christian ideals to a society of shifting values. For the truth to be accessible to others it must not be restricted to worship but must spread from our family life into our neighborhoods and workplace. It begins in our family life. Bishops, priests and teachers can help, but they only can and should, help. The ultimate responsibility belongs to parents when it comes to causing the young to think that religion is important. The Christian calling invites each generation to hand on the faith to the next generation.

Youth Ministry Sessions to Resume: February 2020

I am grateful that Deacon Dave Matour and his wife, Sue Matour have accepted my invitation to be the adult leaders of our Youth Ministry at St. Teresa of Avila. In the coming weeks, we will reach out to parents and our youth with more information and an invitation to join our effort at St. Teresa of Avila Parish in supporting our young people from grades 7, 8 and 9 in their journey of faith and life in the Lord that was initiated at their baptism. Please help us with your support of this effort.

Blessings,

Father Jerry Wild

Offering totals:
1/12/2020 $7,637.00.
Dec. online giving: $8,215.00.

Thanks to your generosity, the following plumbing repairs have been made this month.

- ***Trap Replacement in the Parish Center $4,300.00***

As you know, the vitality of our parish depends on your faithful stewardship and generous support. - Father Wild

Altar Servers Needed:

We are welcoming youth in Grades 4 thru 9:

- *Who are looking to grow their faith and love of the Lord.*
- *Who are willing to serve the parish once or twice a month.*
- *Who love our Lord and are open to serving Him at the Altar.*

If you can say yes to any of the above, then please contact Deacon Dave to learn more about one of the most important ministries at STA. It is a privilege and honor to serve Jesus Christ at the Altar. All training will be provided. Please contact Deacon Dave Matour via email matourd@verizon.net.

Gratefully in the Lord,
Father Jerry Wild

STA Seniors in Faith Meeting
Tues., Jan. 28, 2020 at 1:30 PM
Good Shepherd Room ~
Parish Center

Dear St. Teresa of Avila,

On behalf of the priests here at Villa St. Joseph, thank you for your continuous donations each year. It is greatly appreciated that the priests are remembered during the holiday season and we are thrilled to have your support. Please continue to pray for us and may God continue to bless you all.

Sincerely,
Villa St. Joseph Priests
and the Social Service Department

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Mass Intentions, Saints and Special Observances

Sat. January 18	**Vigil Mass**
4:15 PM	Andrew Morrisroe
Sun. January 19	**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 AM	Marie Fisher
11:00 AM	Dick Recktenwald
Mon. January 20	**Weekday**
10:00 AM	*Funeral Mass*
Tues. January 21	**St. Agnes**
7:00 AM	Nicholas Italiano
Wed. January 22	**Weekday**
7:00 AM	Monica Joyce
Fri. January 24	**St. Francis de Sales**
7:00 AM	Joseph Simpson
Sat. January 25	**Vigil Mass**
4:15 PM	Stephen Morrin
Sun. January 26	**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 AM	Theresa Di Giambattista
11:00 AM	Kathleen Hall

The Rose of Life for this week is requested by
John and Sherri Beale
In memory of Frances M. Beale

The Knights Corner

Annual Spaghetti Dinner

The Knights of Columbus is hosting its fourth annual Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, February 1, 2019 from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM in the Visitation BVM School Gym. This year, we are also offering a choice of Chicken Parmesan. Plan to join us for an evening of good food and great company. **Ticket Cost: Adults - $10.00 when purchased in advance** ($12.00 at the door); **Children 5 years and under - $5.00 when purchased in advance** ($7.00 at the door). Tickets are available from Knights of Columbus members, and on the council website at www.kofc7565.org. Tickets will also be sold outside the church after all masses on January 25 and 26. *The Knights of Columbus, Pope John Paul I Council 7565 serves St Teresa of Avila and Visitation BVM Parishes and the community. Please contact Mike Connolly (mjc1270@gmail.com) or Bud Swedkowski (BudSwed@verizon.net) if you are interested in learning more about the Knights!*

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Teresa

All are invited to join us for Eucharistic Adoration in our chapel any time from 7:30 am until 8:00 pm., on Tuesdays.

Looking Ahead at St. Teresa

Sunday, January 19	
Children's Liturgy of the Word (Mass)	11:00 AM
Adult Choir (Church)	7:00 PM
Monday, January 20	
PREP Level 1-6 (Gym)	6:30 –7:45 PM
Rosary (Chapel)	6:30 PM
Tuesday, January 21	
Eucharistic Adoration	7:30AM-8 PM
Schola Choir (Church)	7:00 PM
Wednesday, January 22	
Brothers in God Meeting (Good Shep. Rm.)	7:00 PM
Thursday, January 23	
Legion of Mary (Good Shep Rm.)	10:00-11:30 AM
Italian Rosary (Chapel)	6:00 PM
Prayer Shawl (Faculty Rm.)	7:00 PM
Youth Choir (Church)	7:00 PM
Saturday, January 25	
Communion Service (Chapel)	8:00 AM
Women's Bible Study (Fac. Rm.)	8;45 AM
Confessions (Chapel)	3:15 PM

SACRAMENTS
A Life of Grace

We need symbols because we are body-people. We need concrete signs to express mysteries like love. We need to say and to hear loving words, to give and receive gifts, to kiss and be kissed, to shake hands, to write and receive notes of appreciation. This is true in our relationships with other people; it is also true in our relationship with God.

Sacraments and a sacramental life are absolutely central to Catholic identity and belief. To reflect on their meaning and to appreciate what they represent—God's presence to us in our ordinary life—is to grow in an understanding of what Catholics hold to be very precious. In a real sense, the sacraments are an embodiment of the good news of God's love.

Shannon Austin Bake Sale

We would like to thank the parishioners, Father Jerry Wild and Gina MacDermott for all the support and generous donations to the bake sale this past weekend. Due to your generosity $2556 will be given to the Shannon Austin Fund which helps meet many of Shannon's special needs. God bless you all.

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Mother Teresa Reg. Catholic School Open Tours

Come and learn more about MTC's programs from PK2 through Kindergarten and from 1st to 8th Grade! We'd love to tell you all about our exciting academic and spiritual programs here at MTC. MTC offers both half and full day pre-school programs?
If you would like to hear more about MTC, take a tour of receive an enrollment packet, please contact our Admissions Staff at 610-265-2323 or email admissions@mtcschool.org.

Have you considered sending your child to Catholic School? MTC is proud to offer financial assistance, scholarships and grants!
Make the call today!

MTC Transfer Grants

MTC is happy to offer the Foundation's Tuition Transfer Grant Program. This grant will be awarded to students in grades 2-7 transferring from any public or charter school or homeschooled students. This grant will be $1,000 for the first year and $500 for the second year. For more details, please reach out to our Admissions Staff at 610-265-2323 or email admissions@mtcschool.org.

Mother Teresa Regional School is in need of substitute teachers. Please contact Ms. Christine Pagan, Principal, at 610-265-2323 Christine.pagan@mtcschool.org if you are interested.

Dates to Remember:

January 20 - MLK Day! No School
Jan.26 - CSW Open House (10:30 AM -1:00 PM)
Jan.27 - CSW Open House (9AM-11AM)
Jan. 28 - Special Person Day Grades 1-5, 1 PM
Jan 29. - Red, White & Blue Mass, 9 AM
Jan. 31 - Noon Dismissal & Family Bingo, 6PM

PREP classes for Levels 1-6 are held on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:45pm in the Parish Center.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

January
20 Class - MLK Project - Levels 1-6
21 ***No Class (Confirmation)***
27 *Class/Catechist Meeting/**1st Penance Practice***
28 Class - Confirmation/ ***Interviews***

February
1 *First Reconciliation* - Level 2 (10 AM Church)
3 Class
4 Class - Confirmation/ ***Interviews***
10 Class Kid Talk - Safe Environment Program
11 Class - Confirmation
17 ***No Class for PREP***
18 Class - Confirmation
18 **Meeting for Home School Parents - 6:45 PM**
24 Class - PREP
25 Class/Practice - Confirmation (no Sponsors)

March
2 Class - PREP
3 **Class/Practice Confirmation - Sponsors attending**
8 Confirmation - 11 AM Mass
9 Class - PREP
10 Class - Confirmation Celebration

Any questions, please contact Mrs. Patti Fauls at 610-666-0167 or staprep@verizon.net

Congratulations to Anne Lynch who is receiving an award at the Cathedral for serving as a catechist for 30 years. We are so grateful for her service -Fr. Wild

CALLED TO BE HOLY

With this Sunday we begin Ordinary Time. The readings tell us about God's relationship with Israel and John the Baptist's relationship with Jesus. Israel's relationship with God is so close, so intimate, that it is through Israel that God's "salvation [will] reach to the ends of the earth" (Isaiah 49:6). But we know from John the Baptist that for Israel to accomplish God's will, it must also recognize that Jesus is the Son of God. During these weeks we also get to know Jesus. We begin to understand more deeply our relationship to Jesus and what that relationship means for us, who are "called to be holy" (1 Corinthians 1:2).
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Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our recently deceased,
Florence Sbei

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for the healing of:

Eugene Yanity, Rev. Laurence Gleason Sue Perrachia, Chip Fulmer, Jimmy Siravo, Roy Sullivan, Teresa Vesey, Mary Gruber , Elise Pancio, David Bydalek, Baby Lucas Coll, William Brown, Fr. Sam Kelly, David Titanich, David Dolga, Leo Corcoran, Anne Marie Garraty, Marcia Prester, Robert Perkins, Ed Wallace, MaryAnn Dayoc, Deacon Michael Dayoc, Suzanne O'Brien, Cynthia Fish, Frances Rutlo, Julia Adams, Margaret Miller, A.J. Mc Gee, Nicholas Cruciani, Teresa Garate, Peter Mulligan, Marguerite McCutcheon, Beverly Zapata, David & Samantha Roberto, Alessio Gentile, Betty Lee Horst, Anndreana Picard, Viola Clark, Joan Moore, Jane Miecskowski, Jeanette Mallon, Raoul Garcia, Joe Lehman, Heather Bollinger, Sarah Neve, Eileen Swiech, Pat Leberman, Shannon Austin, Barrie Gehrlein, Max Maertzig, Don Pell, Eli & Ella Vivian, Helen Garcia, Eduardo Rojo, Michael Semach, Jean Brosso, Jeanette Collins, Tamara Proietto, Ron Roberts, Jack MacDonald, Marilyn Keis, Jean Butera, Brooke Weidenfeld, Julie Noble, Lahra Burmingham, Ralph Pettine, Lauren Mendez, Anthony Jacquin Mendez, Mary Snyder, Barbara DeSantis, Diana Rava, Baby Alayna Lihn, Christine Tasker, Jonathan Auris, John Witlin, Baby Brock Immel, Barbara Tassoni, Melissa Williamson, Donna Hicks, Kristine Schafer, Chip Capinski, Janice Gilpin, Sr. Dorothy Sullivan, RSM, Domenic DiPaolo, Alyssa Lackner, Gilbert Martinelli, Tina Moyer, Margaret Cesare, Lawrence Reynolds, Jim Uckele, Jennifer Owens, Jack Walsh, Peggy Walsh, Al Caza, Terry Strainick, Debbie Scott, Bill O'Neill, Butch Cunningham, Barbara Breitbarth, Steven Kehoe, Rosemary Schlichtig, Diane Benton, Tony Polvin, Diane Haws

Please pray for all those who serve our country:

Army Spec. Anthony Chiaravalloti, Vincent Bergandino, MGySgt Darin Chinavare; Cmdr. David L. Cute, Jr. USN; John Doran; Lance Hecker, Sp.Op; Cmdr. Matt Kosnar, LCPL Mikey Kirkpatrick; Capt. Thomas Larner; Captain Valerie Smith; Msgt. Timothy R. Whalon; Capt. Jaysen Satterwhite.

Due to the change in tax laws, donation summaries for 2019 will be sent out *by request only*. If you would like to receive your donation summary for 2019, please contact the parish office at 610-666-5820 or email to starectory@verizon.net

"The time is always right to do what is right." MLK, Jr.

Around the Archdiocese & Local Area

Main Line Singles Dinner Club (Ages 52-66)

CATHOLIC men & women are cordially invited to join "The Main Line Singles Dinner Club", to share common interests & dine together twice a month.

Our next scheduled events are:

(Sun) Jan 19th @ 6:15 P.M., XOLO TACOS RESTAURANT -located at 14 N. Merion Ave., Bryn Mawr, PA 19010.

(Sun.) Feb 2, 2020, 5:00 P.M., a "Super Bowl Sunday House Party" at a member's home in Havertown, PA.

For more info call Barb (610) 896-6542.

Catholic men are encouraged to participate.

Metanoia Young Adults

Metanoia Young Adults is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montco. that supports Catholics in their 20's & 30's who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area.

metanoiayoungadults.org

Tuesday, Jan. 21: Arch. Chaput Open Forum with CYACC@ St. Simon & Jude, West Chester - 7pm

Tuesday, Jan. 28: Prayer, Penance, Pub - 7:30pm @ Mary Mother of the Redeemer, North Wales, Fellowship to follow at Pour House, North Wales

IHM Conference Center
401 S. Bryn Mawr Ave., Bryn Mawr, PA 19101

Movie With Meaning: "The Soloist"
Wednesday, January 22, 2020
10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. (if necessary)
Stipend: $20 (includes lunch)
*Lunch is served for both groups at 12:00 noon

Columnist Steve Lopez is at a dead end. The newspaper business is in an uproar, his marriage has fallen apart, and he can't entirely remember what he loved about his job in the first place. While walking through Los Angeles' Skid Row, he sees the bedraggled figure of Nathaniel Ayers, pouring his world into a two-stringed violin. This sets Steve on an unexpected quest to change the life of this young artist. But as he fights to save Ayer's life, he begins to realize that it is Ayers who is profoundly changing his own. Starring Jamie Foxx and Robert Downey, Jr.

To register: call the Center at 610-581-0120 or email Sister Marie at ihmconferencecenter@gmail.com

Final Call for 2020 Roses for Life

2020 Rose for Life donations were due on 12/22/19. Envelopes may be placed in the Collection Basket, mailed or dropped off at the Parish Office. There are still *4 dates* that have not been turned in. If you have taken envelopes, please return them as soon as possible. *Thank you!*