

FOURTH SUNDAY OF Easter

APRIL 25, 2021



I am the good shepherd.
A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10:11

Saint Teresa of Avila Parish

LOVE GOD. LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR. MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS.

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: 4:15 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Daily Mass: 10AM Mon., 7AM Tues., Wed., Fri.

Confession: 3PM to 3:30PM

Saturday, in the Chapel

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is being celebrated in the Chapel, not in the Reconciliation Room. We are asking visitors to the Church to please wear a face mask and maintain social distancing in accord with the government directed protocols for entering public space.

Website: www.stteresaofavilaparish.com



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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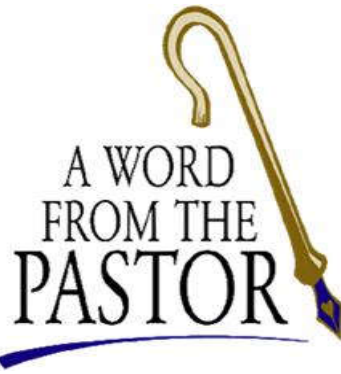
MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

405 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406

Principal: Christine Pagan

Phone: 610-265-2323

Website: www.MTCschool.org



Dear Parishioners,

The difference between the good shepherd and the hired hand is the difference between life and death. Unlike a hired hand who only works for pay and would run away at the first sign of difficulty, Jesus is a good shepherd who willingly lays down his life for his sheep. The good shepherd draws the sheep near to him. They belong to him—not as a possession that can be discarded, but as precious ones who are assured that they can rely on his care and protection. The sheep owe their very lives to the shepherd. Without him, they will be scattered and left on their own in what is often a dangerous world.

No sheep with any sense would wander off and leave the fold. The shepherd provides food and safety. Away from the fold, the sheep risks death in the jaws of wolves or starvation in the desert. Jesus is the Good Shepherd and invites us to be good sheep. Jesus has experienced the best and the worst of all that life has in store. He has known the simple joys and the deep disappointments of life; he has known temptation, anxiety, and fatigue. Jesus walks ahead of us, leading the way. We may be tempted to wander away, lured by temporary pleasures and tempted by the illusion of something better over the horizon. In the noise of daily life, surrounded by messages that compete with God and God's ways, it is easy to become distracted from what is important and lasting. Jesus, our Good Shepherd, invites us to be good sheep who are so close to him that we hear and recognize his voice. As good sheep, we are called to follow the voice of the Shepherd, trusting that he will guide us to the best pasture, where we can thrive.

Blessings,



Offering Totals:

April 18, 2021 \$5,692.00.

March Online \$12,344.09.

Thank you to those who responded to our Spring Stewardship Appeal. Our Stewardship Collection is an important source of income for our parish and its mission. As you know, the vitality of St. Teresa of Avila Parish depends on your faithful stewardship and generous support.

thank you!

New Procedure for Cleaning of the Church After Masses

Due to more recent guidance from the CDC that reflects our evolving data on transmission throughout the pandemic, we will be modifying our method of cleaning the Church after Masses on the weekend. The C.D.C. has previously acknowledged that surfaces are *not* the primary way the virus spreads. But the agency's statements last week went further. There is really no evidence anyone has gotten Covid-19 by touching a contaminated surface. Consequently, we will no longer spray the pews with cleaning agents.... after each Mass on the weekend. We appreciate the help of a few parishioners to clean the high touch areas such as door handles. A professional cleaner will do a thorough cleaning of the Church during the week. Thank you to so many parishioners who have been so faithful in helping us with the cleaning throughout this past year!



St. Teresa of Avila BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

2:00PM-7:00pm ~ Parish Center Gym.

Register www.redcrossblood.org.

Please use sponsor code: **STA Parish.**

Or call 1-800-733-2767



April 25, 2021
The Fourth Sunday of Easter

First Reading — There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalm — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel — The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).



Mass Intentions, Saints and Special Observances

Sat. April 24	Vigil Mass
4:15 PM	Gloria & Ronald Girini, Sr.
Sun. April 25	4th Sunday of Easter
9:00 AM	Mom and Dad Raus
11:00 AM	John Machita
	“20th Anniversary”
Mon. April 26	Easter Weekday
10:00 AM	Funeral
Tues. April 27	Easter Weekday
7:00 AM	Al Caza
Wed. April 28	St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis
7:00 AM	Philip W. Calvacante
Fri. April 30	St. Pius V
7:00 AM	Thomas Savage
Sat. May 1	Vigil Mass
4:15 PM	Audrey Cimino
Sun. May 2	5th Sunday Of Easter
9:00 AM	Rosemary Caito
11:00 AM	Carmen & Pasqualina Adonizio and Family

**The Rose of Life for this week
Is requested by
The Matour Family
In memory of Al Caza**



STA BIG (Brothers In God) is looking for a few good men.

- Who yearn for Catholic Fellowship as Brothers
- Who yearn to Journey with God's Word
- Who yearn to Discern and to Listen and Learn

Come and See every Wednesday at 7pm.
Either on Zoom or in the Parish Youth Group Room (COVID-19 Dependent). **Bible Study**

For information, email Deacon Dave at matourd@verizon.net



GIVING HOPE TO ALL

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide the necessary support to hundreds of thousands of people. These individuals are served by an array of organizations, programs, and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The beneficiaries of the Catholic Charities Appeal focus on five key areas:



- Education
- Social Services
- Evangelization, Parish and Spiritual Life
- Clergy
- Local Mission Activities

For more information about the ways you can support CCA, please call 215-587-5650 or email cca@thecfcp.org



Mass Intentions

Looking for a special way to honor someone special or remember a loved one no longer with us?

Remember Mass Intentions

The 2021 Mass Book is open.

Dates are available in 2021. The suggested offering is \$15 for each mass. Please visit the Parish Office M-F from 9-3 to secure a date for your special Intention.

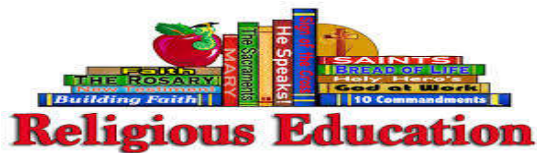
Thank you to our youth group members under the direction of Deacon and Mrs. Matour who participated in an Earth Day remembrance by picking up trash and gardening on our parish grounds last Sunday, April 18. --- Fr. Wild



**Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 25, 2021**

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.

— 1 John 3:1



Religious Education

STA Parish Religious Education Program 2020—2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are rapidly approaching the end of the Fourth Quarter of our Catechist Directed Home School Program and are so grateful for our dedicated Catechists and you, our parents and guardians, who have been so committed to your child's faith development!

UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

April

- 25 First Holy Communion, 11:00 AM Mass
- 26 Weekly Lesson

May

- 3 Weekly Lesson, parent meetings (Grades 1-6)
Final Assessments Due
- 10 Parent/Student meetings, Fourth Quarter ends
(grades 1-6)

If you have any questions, please contact
Gina MacDermott, CRE, at 610-666-5820 or
sta.busmgr@gmail.com.

FEAST OF FAITH ~ The Gospel Reading

The climax of the Liturgy of the Word comes with the proclamation of the Gospel. Everything tells us that something important is happening. We stand. We sing special acclamations. Servers with candles and sometimes incense lead the deacon or priest to the ambo, where the reading is proclaimed from a special book. All of the readings are important, but the liturgy directs special attention to the Gospel for a reason. "[A]mong all the inspired writings, even among those of the New Testament, the Gospels have a special place, and rightly so, because they are our principal source for the life and teaching of the Incarnate Word, our Saviour" (Dei Verbum, the Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation of the Second Vatican Council, 18). In the Gospels, the narrative of Christ's saving life, death, and resurrection continues to be proclaimed in our midst. Our Sunday Lectionary is structured so as to allow us to hear as much of the Gospels as possible. The readings are arranged in a three-year cycle. In Year A, the Gospel readings are taken mainly from Matthew; in Year B, from Mark and John; and in Year C, from Luke. In this way, over the course of three years, we hear a substantial portion of all four Gospels.

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St. Teresa of Avila Parish Information

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 We always welcome new parishioners to St. Teresa of Avila Parish. Please call or visit the Parish Office on weekdays during business hours, to register.

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. Due to the COVID pandemic please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

MATRIMONY: Couples must make arrangements for matrimony in person with the parish clergy 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 the parish clergy.

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.

Watch Mass from STA.....

St. Teresa of Avila Parish continues to film Mass which is available by email and posted on our Parish website: www.stteresaofavilaparish.com. Please contact the parish office, 610-666-5820 or starectory@verizon.net, to add/update your email address and stay connected with our parish.

**Archdiocesan Evening Rosary
Nightly at 8 PM
phillyevang.org/rosary.**



To sign up for the Online Giving Program through OSV, please go to this website and follow the posted instructions
www.osvonlinegiving.com/4395

Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our recently deceased.
Joseph A. Lehman and William Murphy

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

Please pray for the healing of:

David Dolga and Family, Debra Hall, Esther Brassington, Joan McPhelim, Deborah Hall, Diane Benton, Helen Dorfman, Mary Ann Walsh, Kathy Auris, Cheryl Karvounis, Cheryl Cox, Jack London, Tina Migliarese, Maria Cucchara, Bill Miller, Karli Schilling, Dolores Greco, Teresa Garate, Jack Lunden, Andy Capone, Edward Hartman, Owen Connor, Nino Gulotta, Diane Bentola, Eugene Yanity, Sue Perrachia, Jimmy Siravo, Teresa Vesey, Mary Gruber, Elise Pancio, David Bydalek, Baby Lucas Coll, William Brown, David Titanich, Leo Corcoran, Anne Marie Garraty, Marcia Prester, Robert Perkins, Ed Wallace, Suzanne O'Brien, Cynthia Fish, Frances Rutlo, Julia Adams, Margaret Miller, A.J. Mc Gee, Nicholas Cruciani, Teresa Garate, Peter Mulligan, Beverly Zapata, David & Samantha Roberto, Alessio Gentile, Betty Lee Horst, Anndreana Picard, Viola Clark, Joan Moore, Jane Miecskowski, Raoul Garcia, Joe Lehman, Heather Bollinger, Eileen Swiech, Pat Leberman, Shannon Austin, Barrie Gehrlein, Max Maertzig, Eli & Ella Vivian, Eduardo Rojo, Michael Semach, Jean Brosso, Jeanette Collins, Tamara Proietto, Ron Roberts, Marilyn Keis, Jean Butera, Brooke Weidenfeld, Julie Noble, Lahra Birmingham, 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, Domenic DiPaolo, Alyssa Lackner, Gilbert Martinelli, Tina Moyer, Margaret Cesare, Lawrence Reynolds, Jim Uckele, Jennifer Owens, Jack Walsh, Peggy Walsh, Terry Strainick, Debbie Scott, Bill O'Neill, Butch Cunningham, Steven Kehoe, Rosemary Schlichtig, Diane Benton, Tony Polvin, Margaret Bosler, Scott Little

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; Capt. Thomas Larnar; Captain Valerie Smith; Msgt. Timothy R. Whalon; Capt. Jaysen Satterwhite.

Join us for a Mass in support of those suffering from addiction. All are invited: Sat., May 8th at 11:00 AM
St. Eleanor Catholic Church



647 Locust Street, Collegetown, PA
Celebrant: Rev. Alessandro Giardini
Rosary and Confession ~ 10:30 AM

*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
Philippians 4:13*

Around the Archdiocese & Local Area

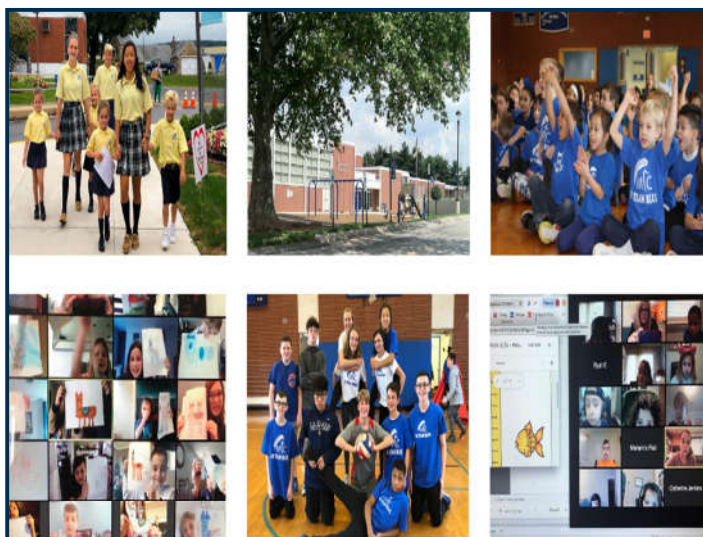
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? The annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on **Saturday, May 1st** at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at the 5:15 pm Vigil Mass with Archbishop Nelson Pérez presiding. This mass will be commemorating all married couples who are newlyweds, or celebrating 5, 10, 25 or 50 year wedding anniversary milestones. *Friends and family are welcome and encouraged to attend.*



To register visit: phillycatholiclife.org...
or call: 215-587-050

MAIN LINE SINGLES DINNER CLUB (AGES 52-67)
Catholic men & women are cordially invited to join "The Main Line Singles Dinner Club" to share common interests & dine together 2 times a month. Our next scheduled event is **(Sun) May 16, 2021, @ 5:00 P.M.** a safe seating restaurant event @ the new **JIN DING Chinese Restaurant** located @ 1051 Conestoga Rd., Bryn Mawr, PA 19010. More info call Barb (610) 896-6542. Catholic men are encouraged to participate.



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