

MARCH 14, 2021

*Just as Moses lifted up
the serpent in the desert,
so must the Son of Man
be lifted up, so that everyone
who believes in him
may have eternal life.*

John 3:14-15

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



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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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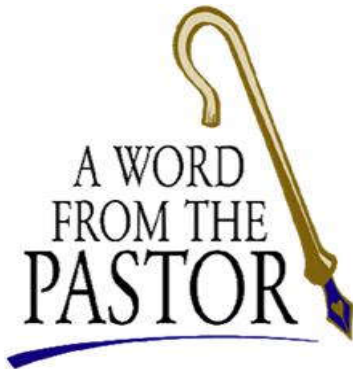
MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

405 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406

Principal: Christine Pagan

Phone: 610-265-2323

Website: www.MTCschool.org



Dear Parishioners,

Today Jesus says to Nicodemus:

*For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish
but might have eternal life. (Jn 3:16)*

The great way we receive Jesus is by Communion. When you come forward, bow when the person in front of you receives Jesus. The priest or minister will hold the Sacred Host in front of you and say “The Body of Christ”. Extending your hands, respond, “Amen”. When you receive Jesus in your hand, step aside, remove your mask, and with your right hand reverently place Our Lord in your mouth. You have accepted Jesus into your body and soul—that you might have eternal life.

We want our celebration of the Eucharist to be as reverent as possible. For that reason, I am appealing for more adult parishioners and young people to serve as altar servers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and Lectors or Greeters. Please also consider giving help with the Liturgical Environment group that decorates the Church and is attentive to different seasons and feasts of the Church liturgical year.

The Book of Chronicles tells about the deportation of the Hebrews to Babylon and their eventual return under the Persian King Cyrus. He declares, “Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!” When they went up to Jerusalem, they faced the daunting task of rebuilding the temple.

We face something similar as “living stones” of the Church we are to strengthen this edifice of Spirit by our faith, service and love. As our seniors and others receive the vaccine, they are beginning to return to Mass. We want to welcome them. Again, my sisters and brothers in Christ, please remember that you are needed to rebuild our parish as we begin to recover from the pandemic. May your Lenten journey continue to draw you to closer union with Jesus.

Blessings,

Father Jerry Will

Mass Intentions, Saints and Special Observances

Sat. March 13	Vigil Mass 4:15 PM Salvatore Basile, Sr.
Sun. March 14	4th Sunday of Lent 9:00 AM John Abramczyk 11:00 AM Antoinette & William Zack
Mon. March 15	Lenten Weekday 10:00 AM Memorial Fund Members
Tues. March 16	Lenten Weekday 7:00 AM Joseph & Catherine Simpson
Wed. March 17	Saint Patrick, Bishop 7:00 AM John & Brigid McGill
Fri. March 19	Saint Joseph 7:00 AM Catherine Pachella
Sat. March 20	Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM
Sun. March 21	Vigil Mass 4:15 PM Audrey Cimino
Sun. March 21	5th Sun. in Lent 9:00 AM Alan Anderson 11:00 AM Jack Rava



Offering Totals:

March 7, 2021 \$6969.00.
February Online Giving \$11,894.00.

As you know, the vitality of our parish depends on your faithful stewardship and generous support!

GIVING HOPE TO ALL CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia is launching the 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal: 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

Please join in supporting the Appeal as it continues to impact those in need all over the Greater Philadelphia Area.

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

Youth Ministry Stations and Social

The next gathering for the STA Youth Ministry Program will be on **Friday, March 19th**. All teens - 7th grade and up - are invited to gather for Stations of the Cross in the Church at 7 PM followed by games and snacks in the Gym. So that we can plan accordingly for food, please let Deacon & Mrs. Matour know **no later than March 17th** if you'll be joining us at stavilayouth@gmail.com. Thank you! We look forward to seeing you there!

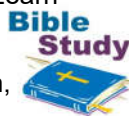


STA BIG (Brothers In God) is looking for a few good men.

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



PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE DEVOTION

The statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available for family home devotion by the Legion of Mary of the parish. Our Lady of Fatima is a powerful source of help, comfort and grace in times of trouble. Honoring her as a family is a wonderful Lenten devotional practice. Families of the parish interested in hosting the statue of Our Lady for a week can make arrangements by contacting Anne Whalon at 610-329-3761. Because of the pandemic, social distancing and the wearing of mask will be maintained. Members of the Legion will not enter the home but will deliver the statue & prayer manual on the doorstep. Pickup will be arranged in advance.



The Rose of Life for this week
Is requested by Patty & Ed Kershner
In memory of
Souls of the Innocent Unborn



Mother Teresa Regional Catholic School

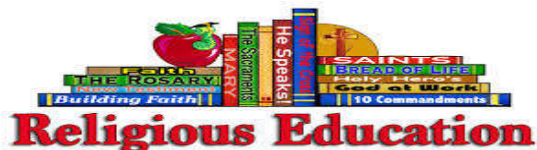


CREATING A BRIGHTER FUTURE

IN THE CLASSROOM AND VIRTUALLY!

PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE

SCHEDULE A VIRTUAL VISIT AT MTCSCCHOOL.ORG



In the Spotlight *Catechist, Renee Hasse*



This is my 6th year teaching with the PREP program at STA . I became part of the program in 2011 as an aide in my son, Dillon's, 5th grade class. I was prompted to volunteer when I couldn't help him answer questions to his homework. Realizing there was a lot I didn't understand about my faith set me on a quest to learn as much as I possibly could. Helping with this program might be a good start.

My favorite place to eat: Anywhere that has outdoor dining, I enjoy food especially if I'm outside.

My favorite color: I love the warmth the shades of red and orange invoke. They are colors I lean toward when decorating

My favorite sport: I don't have a favorite sport as I don't watch so they're unfamiliar to me.

What I like best about teaching our Catholic Faith: Volunteering helped me realize there was a fire burning in me to understand the tenets and doctrines of our faith, to be in right worship and to strengthen my relationship with Jesus Christ, the mediator to God our Almighty Father. God provided a spot for me to fill, He opens a door, we just need to walk through! The best part of teaching at STA is the awareness that I'm answering a call, one from a loving father and I'm happy and grateful to oblige!

UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

March

- 15. Weekly Lesson; parent/student meetings (Gr. 1-6)
Third Quarter Ends
- 22 Weekly Lesson; parent/student meetings (Gr. 1-6)
Fourth Quarter Begins
- 29 Weekly Lesson

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

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

Due to the change in tax laws, donation summaries for 2020 will be sent out *by request only*. If you would like to receive your donation summary for 2020, please contact the parish office at 610-666-5820 or email to starectory@verizon.net

Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our recently deceased.

John C. MacDonald

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

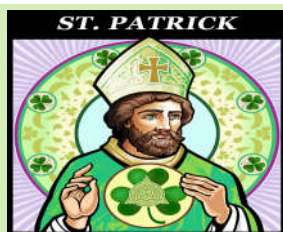
Please pray for the healing of:

Esther Brassington, Joan McPhelim, Deborah Hall, Diane Benton, Dick Tenfelde, 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, Sarah Hughes, Doris Diconcini, Diane Bentola, Eugene Yanity, Sue Perrachia, Jimmy Siravo, Teresa Vesey, Mary Gruber, Elise Pancio, David Bydalek, Baby Lucas Coll, William Brown, David Titanich, David Dolga, 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, Marguerite McCutcheon, 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 Wittlin, 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, Diane Haws, Margaret Bosler, Scott Little

Please pray for all those who serve our country:

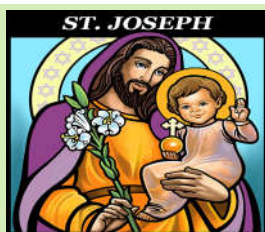
Army Spec. Anthony Chiaravalloti, Vincent Bergandino, MGySgt Darin Chinavare; Cmdr. David L. Cute, Jr.

USN; John Doran; Lance Hecker, Sp.Op; Cmdr. Matt Kosnar; Capt. Thomas Lerner; Captain Valerie Smith; Msgt. Timothy R. Whalon; Capt. Jaysen Satterwhite.



March 17

Happy
Feast
Day



March 19

Around the Archdiocese & Local Area



St. Mary Polish American Society is having its annual Easter food sale to support its mission of promoting Polish heritage in Montgomery County and assisting with the restoration of St. Mary Catholic Church in Conshohocken, the home for the Traditional Latin Mass in the Archdiocese of Phila.

Food items include: Babkas for \$15 each from L&M Bakery in Delran, NJ (cheese, cinnamon crumb, or raspberry cheese); Frozen pierogi for \$9 a dozen from Polka Deli in Port Richmond Philadelphia (potato, potato cheese, or sauerkraut) -Smoked kielbasa for \$6 a pound from Czerw's in Port Richmond Philadelphia.

To place a food order, please email smpas@stmarypolish.org or call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861. Orders must be placed by Monday, March 15th. Order pick-up will be on Saturday, March 27th from 11 am to 3 pm in St. Mary's Hall under St. Mary Catholic Church at the corner of Elm and Oak Streets in Conshohocken.

Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School Practice Entrance/Scholarship Test: For 7th

Graders on Sat. and Sunday – April 24th and 25th

Morning or Evening Tours—6th and 7th grade students with one parent; information: gmahs.org

Open House: Sunday, April 18th

More information and registration can be found at gmahs.org/visitgwynedd.



Mount Saint Joseph Academy

7th Grade Practice Test -Sat., March 27 and Sun March 28,

6th Grade Practice - Saturday, April 17 Registration

is open at www.msjad.org/practicetest. Personal tours are scheduled by appointment, to reserve your tour – call (215) 233-9133. For more information or to learn more about the event, email the Admissions Team at

admiss@msjad.org.



The Knights of Columbus will be having a benefits night virtual presentation open to all parishioners. *The goal is to help inform folks about the many financial/insurance benefits a person has when they become a Knight.*

Meeting Details: Event is on **March 18, 2021 at 7pm** open to all parishioners. Presenters will

include Anthony Vuolo and Jim Iannacone from the M Staice Agency, Michael J Connolly - District Deputy, and Carlos Medina, Hispanic New Council Development

Registration: <https://forms.gle/W8vpSgyErpdBfjov6>

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) March 21, 2021 @ 5:00 P.M.**, an outdoor/safe seating/heated/lit tent @ Enotecca Tredici Restaurant located @ 915 W. Lancaster Ave. Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 More info call Barb (610)896-6542. Catholic men are encouraged to participate!

