

JANUARY 17, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

AS JOHN THE BAPTIST
WATCHED JESUS
WALK BY,
HE SAID,
“BEHOLD, THE
LAMB OF GOD.”

JOHN 1:36



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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

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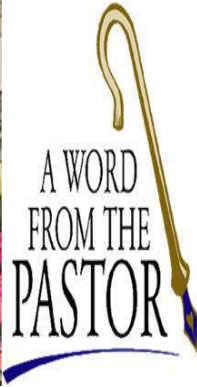
MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

405 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406

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Dear Parishioners,

In today's first reading God keeps calling out in the night to a sleeping boy. Neither the boy, Samuel, nor his teacher, Eli, understands who is calling. But God's persistence convinces them. Samuel is then ready—not ready yet to do anything, but ready to listen. "Speak, for your servant is listening" (1 Samuel 3:10).

In the Gospel Jesus is out teaching. Various people notice him and begin to gather around. They soon become disciples and, like the young Samuel, are ready—not ready yet to do anything, but ready to listen. "Speak," they say, "we are listening." God's voice is always with us, awake or asleep. It swirls around us like fog on a waterfront, enveloping us, gently urging us to wake up, to listen. Awareness of the voice comes first; then willingness to listen; then, in time, the decision to act, to live according to God's word. Let's ask today for the ability to keep our ears open so we don't miss God's voice.

Blessings,

Father Jerry Wild



Offering Totals:

January 10, 2021 \$8,897.00.

Dec. Online Giving \$13,337.00.

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

I would like to remind all Parishioners that the 'obligation' to attend Mass during the Covid-19 Pandemic continues to be lifted by Archbishop Nelson Perez for those who feel uncomfortable or compromised for various reasons.

The STA Parish will continue to film a Mass that will be made available by email and be posted on our Parish website: www.stteresaofavilaparish.com



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 now open. Many 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.

YOUTH GROUP



The Youth Group at St. Teresa of Avila Parish is open to all teens in Grades 8 to 12. We meet twice a month for prayer, camaraderie, games, food, service and discussions to guide you in your spiritual journey and help you deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ! The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, January 19th at 6:30 PM.** We typically meet in the Youth Room at STA, but out of an abundance of caution due to increasing COVID numbers, the meeting on January 19th will be held online via ZOOM. For log in information, please contact Deacon or Mrs. Matour at 610-310-8736 or stavilayouth@gmail.com

Please Note

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, January 21 and Friday, January 22, 2021. The office will reopen on Monday, January 25 at 9 AM.



January 17, 2021
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading — Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening (1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19).

Psalm — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — Your bodies are members of Christ; glorify God in your body (1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20).

Gospel — The first disciples saw where Jesus was staying and they stayed with him (John 1:35-42).

**We have found
the Messiah**



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**Mass Intentions, Saints and
Special Observances**

Sat.	January 16	Vigil Mass
	4:15 PM	Umberto Ziccardi
Sun.	January 17	2nd Sun. in Ordinary Time
	9:00 AM	Helene Buss
	11:00 AM	Blinkey Gulotto & Lorraine Pufk
Mon.	January 18	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
	10:00 AM	Mick Rabbette
Tues.	January 19	Weekday
	7:00 AM	Josephine Monteleone
Wed.	January 20	Sts. Fabian & Sebastian
	7:00 AM	Mary Pat McCoy
Fri.	January 22	St. Vincent
	7:00 AM	Monica Joyce
Sat.	January 23	Vigil Mass
	4:15 PM	Allan Anderson
Sun.	January 24	3rd Sun. in Ordinary Time
	9:00 AM	Anna & Howard Wyandt
	11:00 AM	Tom McNichol

FEAST OF FAITH

The Greeting ~ At several points during the liturgy, the presider greets us with the words, “The Lord be with you.” These simple words are not like the greetings that we exchange all day long—our “good mornings,” our “hellos” and “how are yous.” This liturgical greeting has roots deep in the Old Testament. In the book of Ruth, the words “the Lord be with you” are spoken by Boaz to the harvesters who are laboring in his fields (2:4); in the book of Judges, an angel speaks similar words to Gideon (6:12), where they are words of promise: for soon Gideon will lead his oppressed people to victory and freedom. For us, the words become a greeting of peace, a prayer that the Lord will indeed be with us, and a reminder of his promise to be with us always, to the end of the world (Matthew 28:20). Our response—“And also with you,” soon to be “And with your spirit”—returns to the presider this prayer for the Lord’s presence. As we know from the scriptures, a prayer for the Lord’s presence is no small thing, for when God comes in our midst, God brings healing, grace, and challenge. God’s presence transforms us.

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**The Rose of Life for this week
Is requested by
William & Jeannette Damask
In memory of
Deceased Family Members**



“SOUPER BOWL” FOOD DRIVE

Members of the STA Youth Group will be collecting canned goods during all masses Super Bowl Weekend, Feb. 6th/7th in support of the **Annual SOUPER BOWL Food Drive**. Their efforts will be joined with those of young people in churches across the United States as they collect food and money for those who are hungry and hurting. All donations collected at STA will be distributed to local food banks and Catholic Social Services. Please support our youth in this effort to “love our neighbors” by donating your canned goods on Saturday, February 6th or Sunday, February 7th. Any questions, contact Deacon Dave or Sue Matour at stavilayouth@gmail.com. Thank you!



January 2, 2021

Dear Fr. Wild, Lori, and all our Friends at St. Teresa Parish,

We want to express our deepest appreciation for your wonderful and generous Christmas gifts. You are always so generous to us in so many ways. We thank you for the gift cards and toiletries. They are such needed and practical gifts for our sisters. May God Bless all of you during this New Year for your loving service to us!

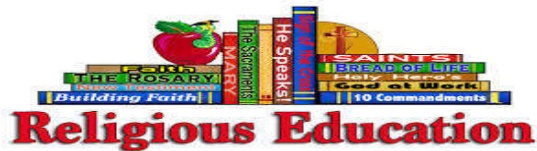
*Sincerely,
The Sisters here at Camilla Hall*



The Prayer of Spiritual Communion can be prayed not only if you are unable to attend Mass during the coronavirus but even in the midst of your daily work.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my life & soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally at Mass, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.





Religious Education

STA Parish Religious Education Program 2020—2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are rapidly approaching the end of the Second 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:

January

- 18 Weekly lesson, parent/student meetings (grades 1-6), Third Quarter begins (gr. 1-6)
- 25 Weekly lesson, *Confirmation Candidate Interviews with Father Wild*

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 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. 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.

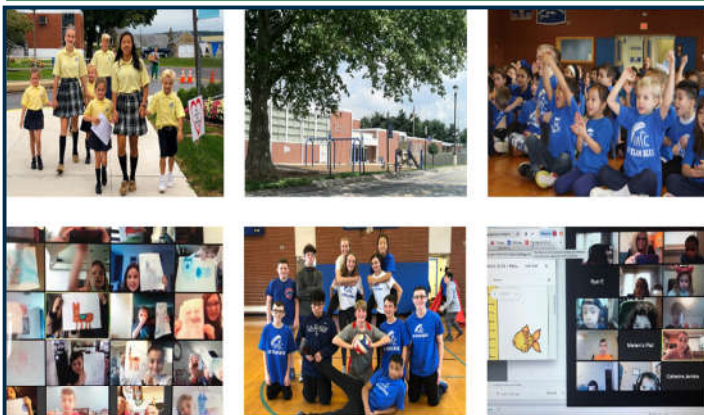
Watch Mass from STA....

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



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PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE

SCHEDULE A VIRTUAL VISIT AT MTC.SCHOOL.ORG



Congratulations to Andrew Auris!

Andrew, age 14, has completed his service and been awarded his Eagle Scout Badge. He is the grandson of Dick and Barbara Auris.

Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our recently deceased.

Danny Remar and George Brown

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:

Richard Sullivan, Joan McPhelim, Deborah Hall, Diane Benton, Kathy McNichol, 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, 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, Raoul Garcia, Joe Lehman, Heather Bollinger, Sarah Neve, 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, Jack MacDonald, 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, Diane Haws, Margaret Bosler, Scott Little

Please pray for all those who serve our country:

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

Around the Archdiocese & Local Area



Metanoia Young Adults

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County, PA. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith & meet fellow Catholics in the area. Our upcoming events are listed below and begin at 7:30pm on most Tuesdays unless otherwise noted.

As the current gathering restrictions in our area are frequently changing, please be sure you are subscribed to our newsletter to receive access to our virtual meetings and our latest information by heading to <http://www.metanoiayoungadults.org>.

Questions? Contact metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com for more information, or visit our Facebook Page (www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults).

January 2021

Tuesday, January 19: Virtual Bingo Night with Prizes

Tuesday, Jan. 26: Holy Hour at Mary Mother of the Redeemer Parish, Montgomeryville



January 23 Philadelphia March for Life

Please join us at the Philadelphia March For Life, Saturday, January 23, 2021 sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office for Life and Family, the Pro-Life Union of Greater Philadelphia and many other organizations. The event will include a 9 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral celebrated by Archbishop Nelson Perez, followed by a march to the Philadelphia Women's Center at 777 Appletree St. and a closing rally at Independence Mall from 12 to 1 pm. This commemorates the 47th anniversary of Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling. Facemasks and social distancing are required at all times, and there is free and paid parking at the Cathedral and paid parking in the vicinity of Independence Mall. See prolifeunion.org for details.



Villa Joseph Marie High School has openings for part-time van drivers for two newly developed runs beginning immediately. This is a split schedule with morning and afternoon hours. Retirees welcome! Please contact mbrown@vjmhhs.org for more information.

Last Call for 2021 Roses for Life

2021 Rose for Life donations were due on 12/20/20.

There is one date that has not been turned in, Jan. 24, 2021. If you have taken this envelope, please return it as soon as possible. *Thank you!*

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



Martin Luther King, Jr.

