

APRIL 16, 2017
EASTER SUNDAY

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

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PARISH CLERGY

Reverend J. Jerome Wild, *Pastor*
Deacon Francis C. Lally, *Permanent Deacon*
Reverend Richard M. Jacobs, *Sunday Assistant*
Reverend Francis E. Kelly, *Pastor Emeritus*

LITURGY

Saturday Vigil: 4:15PM
Sunday: 9:00AM & 11:00AM
Holy Days: As published in the bulletin
Daily Mass: 10:00AM Monday
7:00AM Tues., Wed., & Fri.
Communion Service: 8:00AM Saturday
Confession: Saturday 3:15PM
or by appointment
Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday 7:30AM-8PM
Rosary: Monday, 6:30PM

PARISH STAFF

Heidi L. Reese, *Business Manager*
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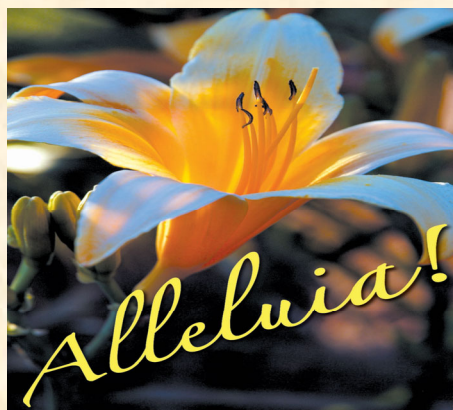
MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Happy Easter & Welcome!

Fr. Wild and the entire St. Teresa Parish family would like to extend a warm greeting to all who have come to St. Teresa of Avila Church to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord with us today. We are pleased to see so many new and familiar faces coming through our doors! We are grateful for our faithful parishioners and we welcome all visitors to our Church. We especially welcome anyone who has been away from the Church for some time. Your presence here today is a blessing for our community of faith!

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 Mrs. Gauntner at 610-666-0167 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 7:00PM on Wednesday, 5/17/17, 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 & 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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from the Pastors Desk

My Dear Parishioners,

The parish is where the Church lives. It is where the gospel is proclaimed and celebrated and where you and I are formed and sent to renew the earth. Do you know that you have something to bring to our parishyour own life and faith-response to the Resurrection of Jesus. We acknowledge this Lordship of Jesus, celebrate it and commit ourselves to being disciples. So, as pastor, I am not interested in only getting you to come to Church...but to be the Church. Why is this?

The real miracle of the rising of Jesus from the dead lies not only in the fact that a dead body was raised from death, and transformed into a radiant existence. The Creator who fashioned the infinite complexity of the universe could certainly do that, but that is not what resurrection is only about.

The true miracle is what this resurrection reveals – the inhumanly Loving God. In spite of the evil, ugliness, pain of the world, at the center of reality abides the divine Lover keeping watch above us all. In spite of our failures, our rejection of love, our destructiveness, our pettiness, our wars, our violence, God loves us and continues to reach out to us. Jesus came into our world, lived, died and rose again before we human beings even considered responding to God, simply to demonstrate that love for us, to manifest the truth that God is love.

The divine Lover is still knocking, waiting at the doorway of our souls to bring to fruition a life without bounds; this destiny is offered to us now in this world. And it continues beyond this realm of time and space. This is the true miracle proclaimed by the resurrection.

The resurrection of Jesus is far more profound than a dead body being resuscitated to its former life. The resurrection of Jesus is about a whole new way of being alive. It involves life that is no longer definitively bound by the reality of death. The mission of every parishioner is to go forward to carry this good news to all who are within our wonderful parish of St. Teresa's and beyond. Jesus is alive and we will see him again. Our loved ones are alive and we will see them again. Because of *His Resurrection*, we, too, can live forever.

Thank you for your commitment to contributing to the quality of life of our community of faith at St. Teresa by giving of your time, talent and financial treasure. Know that I am deeply grateful to be sharing this journey of life in the Risen Christ! Have a happy and blessed Easter!

In Christ's love,

Fr. Jerry Wild

Thank You from the Pastor!

I would like to take this occasion to thank the many parishioners who contributed to making our celebration of Palm Sunday, the Holy Triduum & Easter so beautiful. Special thanks to our Choirs, Cantors, Altar servers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, Greeters, Church Decorators, and Church Cleaners. I am very grateful to you for your generous service to our parish. – Fr. Wild



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**During the month of April,
St. Teresa of Avila Parish
welcomed through the waters of Baptism:
Brielle Rose Paraschak**



National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 4th is the National Day of Prayer. People of faith across the nation will join in intercessory prayer for our governmental leaders, local communities, and the most vulnerable among us.



Eucharistic Adoration at STA

All are invited to join us for Eucharistic Adoration in our Chapel any time from 7:30AM until 8:00PM on Tuesdays.

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Mass Intentions, Saints & Special Observances

Sat. April 15 7:00 PM	Holy Saturday
Sun. April 16 9:00AM 11:00AM	Easter Sunday
Mon. April 17 10:00AM	Easter Monday Leonard Villanova
Tues. April 18 7:00AM	Easter Tuesday Jack Harte
Wed. April 19 7:00AM	Easter Wednesday Jack Harte
Fri. April 21 7:00AM	Easter Friday Gertrude M. Buro
Sat. April 22 4:15PM	Vigil Mass John Silvestre
Sun. April 23 9:00AM 11:00AM	Second Sunday of Easter Nicholas & Barbara Verratti Grace Hriston & Friends

Looking Ahead at St. Teresa's

Monday, April 17
Rosary (Chapel) 6:30PM
No PREP

** The Parish Office will be closed on Easter Monday **

Tuesday, April 18
Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel) 7:30AM-8:00PM
Finance Council Mtg. (Good Shep. Rm.) 7:00 PM

Wednesday, April 19
Band Rehearsal (Church) 7:00-8:00 PM

Thursday, April 20
Youth Choir Rehearsal (Church) 7:00-PM
Men's Bible Study (STA. Conf. Rm.) 7:00 PM
Prayer Shawl (School Faculty Rm.) 7:00 PM

Saturday, April 22
Communion Service (Chapel) 8:00 AM
Women's Bible Study (Faculty Rm.) 8:45 AM
Confessions (Chapel) 3:15 PM

Sunday, April 23
Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:00AM
Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church) 7:00-8:30 PM



Easter Flower Memorials

Thank you to all who contributed to our 2017 Easter Flower Collection. The flowers in our Church during the Easter Season are offered in memory/honor of your loved ones.

Praying With Our Parish



Please pray for all our deceased parishioners.

Please pray for the healing of:
Rita Scotti, Pat Leberman, Shannon Austin, Frank Coll, Barrie Gehrlein, Max Maertzig,

Don Pell, Eli & Ella Vivian, Clara DaSilva, Helen Garcia, Eduardo Rojo, Michael Semach, Robert Whalon, Jean Brosso, Jeanette Collins, Tamara Proietto, Ron Roberts, John Bubser, Jack MacDonald, Marilyn Keis, Gloria DiSanto, Kaytie O'Hara, 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, Robert C. McBall, Sr., Donna Hicks, Kristine Schafer, Thomas Dietzler, Chip Capinski, Janice Gilpin, Kathy Hall, Catherine Fisher, Sr. Dorothy Sullivan, RSM, Domenic DiPaolo, Alyssa Lackner, Gilbert Martinelli, Gloria Keppta, Dottie Keim, Tina Moyer, Bob Wikel, Margaret Cesare, Lawrence Reynolds, Jim Uckele, Jennifer Owens, Jack Walsh, Peggy Walsh, Al & Dorothy Caza, Terry Strainick, Debbie Scott, Maureen Suter, Bill O'Neill, Butch Cunningham, Don Barbuto, Ryan Zoschg, Barbara Breitbarth, Steven Kehoe, Adele Semach, Rosemary Schlichtig, Diane Benton, Jim Roberto, John McPhelim, Tony Polvino, Mary DiCecco, Raymond Girini, Sr.

Please pray for all those who serve our country:
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 Lerner; 1st Lt. Valerie Smith; Msgt. Timothy R. Whalon; 1st Lt. Jaysen Satterwhite.

Please help us keep our Parish Prayer List current. Contact the Parish Office at 610-666-5820 or starectory@verizon.net to add or remove names from the list.

Collections

4/2/2017 Offering \$9,309.00
Maintenance \$2,261.00

Thank you for your generous stewardship!



The Rose of Life this weekend is Donated by Joan Moore in Memory of Marty Moore

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Mother Teresa Regional Catholic School

Sharing Hands, Hearts and Minds Educating Students from Pre-School to 8th Grade

2017-2018 Enrollment is Open!

If you are considering a Catholic education for your child, now is the time to schedule a tour. We are accepting applications for Early Childhood thru 8th grade. As a further incentive, \$1000 grants are available for all MTC 1st grade students. While \$2000 is available for any new 2nd-8th grade students. These grants are only for the 2017-2018 school year and only for new students. For more information or to receive an enrollment packet, please contact Patsy Swope at 610-265-2323 x225 or patsy.swope@mtcschool.org.

MTC is Hosting Designer Bag Bingo!

The event takes place on Saturday, **April 22nd** and doors open at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$25 which include 10 games, desserts, coffee, and tea. All proceeds benefit MTC directly so try to attend! For more information contact Patsy Swope at 610-265-2323 x225 or mtcbingo@gmail.com.

All-American Fund Run Information

WHAT IS THE FUND RUN?

- The fund run is a great day at MTC, where students will participate in running and relays to raise money for their school programs
- Students reach out to family members and friends throughout the month of April to pledge them
- There are many great prizes students can win, including dress-down passes, create your NIKE sneakers, American Girl dolls, and the chance to lead the school in the run!!
- The run takes place on **April 28th** in school

Our goal is for each student to raise \$100, or \$15,000 as a school

For further information, go to:
<http://mtcschool.org/time-mtc-2016-fund-run/>



STA Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

2017-18 PREP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

We are planning to again offer Level 1 and kindergarten PREP on Sunday mornings. Home-school tuition is \$100 per student and is available for the Archdiocesan curriculum in levels 1-6. Home-school is not available for sacramental preparation lessons (levels 2, 3, and 6). NEW this year is a tuition discount of \$25 per child extended to all volunteer catechists. Volunteers are needed in several areas in PREP, YM and Children's Liturgy of the Word; mentoring, resources and training are provided. Registration information and forms are available from Mrs. Erin Gauntner, Coordinator of Religious Education & Youth Ministry (phone: 610-666-0167, email: staprep@verizon.net)



We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we celebrate Easter joy! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends as we encounter our risen Lord. We reflect on our brothers and sisters whom we have walked with in India, Zambia, El Salvador, Mexico, Ethiopia and Hawaii. And we commit to bring Easter joy to each person we meet in our daily lives. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl at church or PREP by **May 1**.

ALL ENGAGED COUPLES

Planning to Marry

PRE-CANA PROGRAM

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish

Phoenixville, PA

Saturday—April 29, 2017

Program begins at 8:00am and ends after 4:00pm Mass. It includes lunch, snacks, and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This one-day Program meets all the requirements of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. A certificate is provided upon completion. Call the Parish Office for an application: 610-933-2526 or visit our website www.stmaryassumption.org—click on Parish Information and then Sacraments/PREP.

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Guidelines for Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Teresa of Avila Parish

St. Teresa of Avila Parish rejoices with all expectant parents and we look forward to assisting our parishioners who will be planning baptisms at our church. Our parish generally celebrates the Sacrament of Baptism on the first and third Sundays of the month.

Due to the serious responsibilities that infant baptism places on parents, those presenting their child for baptism at St. Teresa's Parish must attend our Pre-Jordan Class. Expectant parents are encouraged to attend this class prior to the birth of their child. **Our next class will be held at 7:00PM on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, in the Good Shepherd Room in our Parish Center.**



Altar Servers

Young ladies and gentlemen in 4th grade and above are welcome to join the Ministry of Altar Server. The honor of serving in the Holy Sanctuary offers a young person the opportunity to grow in faith and love of our Lord! Please call Janice or Ken Orrner at 610-630-8427 for further information.

CALLING ALL BAKERS!

The next Parish Coffee will be Sunday, **April 30** after both Masses. If you would like to donate baked goods, fruit or another snack for the event, please contact Jennifer Gambino at 610-631-0555 or jennifergambino@yahoo.com.

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry has been officially renamed **ANTHEM**. The name has its basis in the biblical story of David, both warrior and poet, who wrote the psalms with an authentic heart of praise, speaking deeply to the connection music has for the faith life of young people. Learn more and sign up for e-updates by visiting <http://anthemphilly.com>

Around the Archdiocese & Local Area

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County, PA, supporting those in their 20s and 30s looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. Further information is available on their Facebook Page (www.facebook.com/users/www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults). Upcoming events:

* Tuesday, **April 18**: Theology on Tap at Appalachian Brewing Company in Collegetown (Dinner/Drinks at 7pm, speaker begins at 7:30pm)

* Tuesday, **April 25**: Bible Study at Corpus Christi Parish in Lansdale

Saint Titus 7th Annual Ladies Night B-I-N-G-O on Saturday, **April 22** in St. Titus Hall, 3000 Keenwood Road, East Norriton. Doors open at 5:30pm and BINGO begins at 7:00pm. Seats are \$20 each which includes one pack of BINGO cards. Proceeds will benefit the School Tuition Subsidy Fund. There will be great prizes, raffles & vendors! Contact Helen Heflin at 215-920-4523 or heflin618@verizon.net for more information.

Divine Mercy Sunday—Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist

Sunday, **April 23**, 11:00AM-2:00PM

Will include Conference, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Devotions, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Conference Presenter: Sister Joan Noreen. www.olme.org

Family Fully Alive Festival

The Family Fully Alive Festival is a celebration of family with presentations on marriage, life, and spirituality along with exhibits, refreshments, and obstacle courses, bounce houses, and arts & crafts for children. Mass and confession will be available during the event. Sunday, **April 30**, St. Joseph Parish, 338 Manor Avenue, Downingtown PA. www.familyfullyalive.us

Archdiocesan Mothers of Children with Disabilities Retreat

to be held on Tuesday, **May 2**, 9:00am-2:00pm at the Malvern Retreat House. Sister Sheila Galligan, IHM will direct the retreat for mothers and grandmothers who are raising children with disabilities of all ages. Father Jim Olson will be the celebrant for Mass. There will be time for pray, reflect, and chat with other mothers. Go to www.opdarchphilly.org to register or for more information, please contact Malvern Retreat House at 610-644-0400.

Young Adult Retreat

Malvern Retreat House is hosting a retreat for adults ages 19-29 on **May 12-13**. Fr. Anthony Hangholt will focus on the theme *Created for Joy*. His presentations will center on the truth that when we encounter Christ the healer we are made whole and are enabled to find happiness and lasting joy. Please visit malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400 for more information.

The National Catholic Singles Conference (NCSC)

Join hundreds of single Catholics of all ages at the conference on **May 19-21**, 2017 to be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Pittsburgh, PA. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, prayer, food, fellowship, and more! Space is limited, so register now! Please call Mirjana Northrop at 888-267-8885 x8049 or natcatsingles@gmail.com for more information or to register for this event.

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