

Church of
Saint Teresa of Avila

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord ~ April 13, 2025

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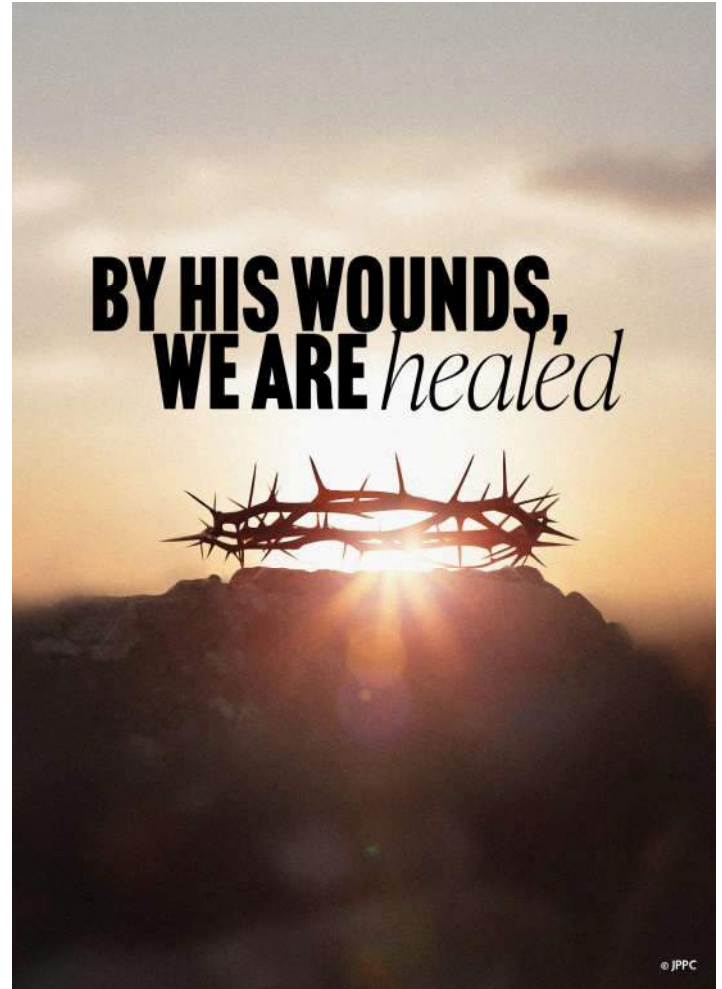
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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:15pm

Sunday: 9:00am and 11:00am

Daily Mass: Monday @ 10:00am

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday @ 7:00am

Holy Days and Holidays
as announced

Confessions: Saturday 3:00-3:30
in the Reconciliation Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration:
Every Tuesday 10:00am to 3:00pm

Church open for Private Prayer:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
And Friday, 9:00am—3:00pm

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A Word from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

On Tuesday, April 1, I was pleased to welcome Archbishop Nelson Perez to St. Teresa of Avila Parish for our Trust and Hope Parish Meeting. I am grateful for the Archbishop's participation, and the thought-provoking discussion led by our parishioner, Lori Tedjeske. More than 120 parishioners attended and had the opportunity to interact in discussion with each other and share their thoughts with the group. Archbishop Perez shared information on his background and his vision for the Catholic Church of Philadelphia for the next 20 years. If you have not had an opportunity to read the Archbishop's letter, you will find it at www.trustandhope.org. Thank you to all who participated as we work to grow our Church and share the good news of the Gospel together. We must embrace these times in which we live as the Church, open to the regenerative powers of the Holy Spirit, with trust and hope, and with courage and responsibility.

Blessings,

Father Jerry Wild



**The Mass Intentions, and
Special Observances**

Saturday, April 12th:
4:15 **Rachael Basile Smrek—**
Edith Basile Beerer

Sunday, April 13th:
9:00 AM **Kerry Murray Rowland &
David Park—**
Cathie & Joe McCullagh
11:00 AM **Anthony F. Cianciulli—**
The Family

Monday, April 14th:
10:00 AM **Timothy Duffy Family—**
Joe & Cathie McCullagh

Tuesday, April 15th:
7:00 AM **Missy Chapman—**
The Hughes Family

Wednesday, April 16th:
7:00 AM **Bridgid McGill—**
Karen & Eamon McCluskey

Thursday, April 17th:
7:00 PM **Mass of the Lord's Supper**

Friday, April 18th:
3:00 PM **Liturgy of the
Passion of the Lord**

Saturday, April 19th:
11:00 AM **Blessing of the Food**
7:00 PM **Easter Vigil**

Sunday, April 20th:
9:00 AM and 11:00 AM **Masses**
Easter Sunday
The Resurrection of the Lord

Looking Ahead at St. Teresa

Sunday, April 13th:
Easter Egg Hunt and Parish Coffee after
The 9:00 AM and 11 AM Masses

Monday, April 14th:
Women's Bible Study (GSR) After 10 AM Mass

Wednesday, April 16th:
Men's Bible Study (YM) 7:00 to 8:30 PM
Pre-Jordan Meeting 7:00 PM

**St. Teresa of Avila Parish
at Shannondell**

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

**Sunday, April 20, 2025
10:30am Bradford Bldg.**

Monthly Mass: Tuesday, May 13, 2025
10:00am - Ashcroft Bldg.

Monthly Communion Service, the Meadows
Monday, May 12, 2025
1st Floor at 1:45pm

Rosary: Wednesdays, 3:00pm
Ashcroft Bldg.

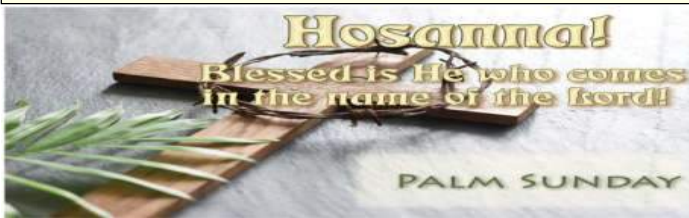


The Rose for Life is requested by
William Brescia
In Memory of
Kathleen Brescia



In March
St. Teresa of Avila Church
welcomed the following
new parishioners:

Kelly & Elizabeth Walker,
Carly and Emoni Davis



"Silent Saturday"

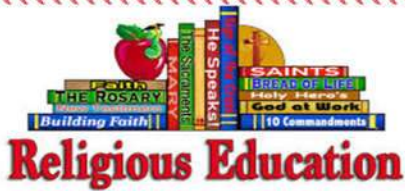
On Holy Saturday, also called "Silent Saturday," we recall Mary's silent waiting for Jesus' Resurrection. Waiting is part of God's plan, and He uses that time to heal and prepare our hearts for the next stage. Thank God for the seasons of waiting, as you prepare your heart and home to celebrate the joy of Easter Sunday.



Palm Weaving

We would like to extend a special thank you
to Anne Whalon and all those who
participated in Palm Weaving to decorate our
Church for this weekend of Palm Sunday.

Please know how much your work is
appreciated.



Religious Education

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

April

- 14 Weekly Lesson—Practice for 3rd Level
First Holy Communion @6:45 in the Church
- 20 **Easter Sunday**
- 21 No class ~ Easter Break
- 27 Sacrament of First Holy Communion at the 11:00 AM Mass
- 28 Weekly Lesson

May

- 5 Practice for May Procession
- 12 May Procession/End of Prep

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: St Teresa of Avila Parish Center

WHEN: Monday thru Thursday, July 14-17
TIME: 9:00am to 12pm, includes snack time
FEE: \$100.00 (includes four days)

Please contact the Parish Office at 610-666-5820 or email staprep@verizon.net for more information and to register.

**** Deadline to register is June 1st****

Calling all 6 to 10 year old children to our four day summer school Bible study. Using Scripture, we will Walk with Jesus and journey from his humble beginnings in Bethlehem to his adult ministry proclaiming the Kingdom of God. Join us as we incorporate quick crafts, music and lots of movement to ensure the kids have lots of fun!!



Ministry Schedule

Lectors:

Saturday, April 19
4:15pm - P. Petrowicz
L. Chaya
E. DeLisle

Sunday, April 20
9:00am - S. John
J. John
11:00am - R. Jennings
B. Nowak

Extraordinary

Ministers:

Saturday, April 19
4:15pm - D. Lally
S. E. Lenahan
M. Ziff

Sunday, April 20
9:00am - D. Lally
E. Cain
J. Toner
11:00am - R. Hasse
C. Hasse
K. Schubach

Altar Servers:

Saturday, April 19
4:15pm - T. Nguyen
Need, Need, Need

Sunday, April 20
9:00am - E. John
M. Rundle
11:00am - J. Chapman
L. Chapman

Ushers:

Saturday, April 19
4:15pm - J. Beale
K. Burns
Need
Need

Sunday, April 20
9:00am - D. Humphrey
J. Toner
P. Leberman
R. Robinson
11:00am - J. McGrath
F. Marks
W. Miller
C. Chapman

Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our recently deceased.

Betsy Marsh, Felix Ofili (father of Parishioner Frank Ofili), **Donald DiFilippo** (father of Parishioner David DiFilippo)

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.

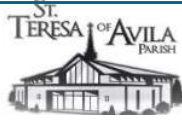
Please pray for the healing of:

Father Joseph McLaughlin, Savannah Rose Jensen, Tina Moyer Justin DiFilippo, Michelle Short, Mike McKenna, Robyn DiDonato, Lisa DiDonato, Maria Rojo, David Cute, Jason Molinet, Joan Moore, Bill Lynch, Allan Anderson, Mike Poserina, Susan Dhanjal, Doug Woodward, Ruby Mariano, Gerri Lorenzi, Bill Crowley, Rachael McFillin, Michael Hamilton, Wendy Becker, Emma Schlegel, Esther Brassington, *and for all the sick of our parish.*

(Please take note: Names submitted for prayers will remain in the bulletin for 1 month.)



Parish Events



April

- 13** Parish Coffee and Easter Egg Hunt after the 9 & 11am Mass
- 17** Holy Thursday ~
Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7pm
Adoration 8:00pm-9:30pm
- 18** Good Friday ~
Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3 pm
(No morning Mass/No Stations of the Cross)
- 19** Holy Saturday ~ (No confessions)
Blessing of Easter Food - 11am - Church
Easter Vigil Mass ~ 7pm
- 20** Easter Sunday
Mass times - 9am and 11am
- 26** Recitation of the Holy Rosary after the 9am and 11am Mass
- 27** Recitation of the Holy Rosary after the 9am and 11am Mass
- 27** Sacrament of First Holy Communion at 11am Mass
- 30** IHM Companions in Prayer Parish Center 3 PM



Offering Totals:

April 6, 2025 \$3,800.00.

March Online Offering \$16,087.00

Thank you to all of our parishioners who have contributed to our annual Stewardship Appeal campaign for 2025

****Upcoming Collections for 4/20/2025****

**Weekly Offering
EASTER**



PASSION SUNDAY (PALM SUNDAY)

Saturday, Vigil Mass April 12 at 4:15 PM

Sunday, April 13 at 9:00 & 11:00

Blessed Palms will be distributed at all Masses.

HOLY THURSDAY

April 17

(No morning Mass)

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:30 PM

GOOD FRIDAY

April 18

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY

April 19

(No Confessions on Holy Saturday)

Blessing of Easter Food at 11:00 AM

Easter Vigil Liturgy at 7:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY

April 20

Regularly Scheduled Sunday Masses at 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM



ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On Good Friday, April 18, 2025, we commemorate the Mystery of the Lord's Passion, contemplating the sacrifice by which Jesus redeemed the human race from sin and death. It also has been our long standing tradition on this day each year to offer alms in support of the Catholic Community in the Holy Land.

At the direction of Pope Francis, funds generated by Good Friday collections throughout the world support vital programs and critical services in the Holy Land. They are used to maintain the sacred places, to provide educational and pastoral programs, and to serve the needs of the poor through established charitable institutions.

On behalf of those Christians and others in so much need, I ask you to support the Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land generously. Given current world events, our generosity to our brothers and sisters in this portion of the world is vitally important this year. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your families.

Sincerely in Christ,
Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez, D.D.
Archbishop of Philadelphia

Blessing of the Easter Food



You are invited to bring a basket of food that you will be sharing with your loved ones on Easter for a Special Blessing in the Church on Holy Saturday at 11:00 AM.



Please note that the parish office will be closed on Monday, April 1. The office will reopen on Tuesday, April 2 at 9:00 AM.

MAUREEN MULLIN MAHONEY

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