Saint Teresa of Avila

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"Serving the North Hills Community Since 1867"

February 12, 2012 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sacrament of Baptism: Baptisms are celebrated weekly on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays and 2nd & 4th Sundays of the year (except during Advent & Lent). Parents of infants to be baptized must register in advance for the baptismal preparation class. Expectant parents are encouraged to prepare before the birth of their child. Please call the Religious Education Center at Ext. 549 to register for the preparation class or more information.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Couples planning to marry must meet with one of the priests prior to setting a wedding date. The Diocese requires at least a six-month preparation period which includes a pre-marriage course.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11:00 am and following the 4:15 pm Saturday evening Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday before First Friday of every month. Blessed Sacrament exposed after the 7:00 am Mass. Concludes with Benediction at 7:00 pm.

RCIA-Preparation for Entering the Church: Those interested in becoming Roman Catholic Christians through the RCIA (**R**ite of **C**hristian **I**nitiation of **A**dults) should contact the RCIA Coordinator.

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Rectory Office Hours:

Monday-Friday	8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Saturday:	8:30 am - 7:30 pm
Sunday:	8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Parish Mission Statement

Our mission as the parish community of St. Teresa of Avila is to become the body of Christ on earth. Following the example of Saint Teresa, our patroness, we strive to be the eyes, hands, and feet of Christ for others, through our call to service. Nourished by the Eucharist, we continually seek to grow and become the true body of Christ in and through each other.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday Vigil-February 11, 2012
4:15 PM-St Teresa Parish
6:00 PM-Elizabeth Maruccio-St Teresa Ladies of Charity
Sunday-February 12, 2012
7:00 AM-Charles/Margaret Nardina-Jay/Barbara Kerr
8:30 AM-Maurie Lerch-Mary Fran/Family
10:30 AM-George Kondas-Marcy Ashley
12:15 PM-Henry Fichter [ann]-Wife/Family

Monday-February 13, 2012
7:00 AM-Kenneth Tyson-Dick/Mary Ann Guernsey
9:00 AM-Jill Richey [br]-Richey Family
Tuesday-February 14, 2012-St Cyril/St Methodius
7:00 AM-Sp Int John/JoAnn Rooney-Bill/MaryLou Gruber
Wednesday-February 15, 2012
7:00 AM-Mary Lou Wirth-Terri Codori
9:00 AM-Jean Lauffer-Harry Lauffer
Thursday-February 16, 2012
7:00 AM-Ludmilla Luksik-Marge/Joe Kovach
Friday-February 17, 2012-
The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
7:00 AM-Halbedl/Walch Families-Family
9:00 AM-Dr Edward McAllonis-M/M L Baker
Saturday-February 18, 2012
9:00 AM-Doris Groll-Art Groll

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday Vigil-February 18, 2012
4:15 PM-Grace Marson-Children
6:00 PM-St Teresa Parish
Sunday-February 19, 2012
7:00 AM-Mary Belansky-M/M George Kraus, Sr
8:30 AM-Carole Corbett-Family
10:30 AM-Bob/Maryalice Machesney-
Bob/Dianne Machesney
12:15 PM-Michael Martinelli/Catherine Costa-
Mary Martinelli

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Jas 1:19-27; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday:	Jas 2:1-9; Mk 8:27-33
Friday:	Jas 2:14-24, 26; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
Saturday:	Jas 3:1-10; Mk 9:2-13
Sunday:	Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25; Ps 41; 2 Cor 1:18-22; Mk 2:1-12

Readings can be found online at www.usccb.org

JESUS' WAY

Today's readings present a contrast between "Jesus' way" and the "old way." An example of the old way is the law given to Moses and Aaron about leprosy: the leper was unclean and cast out of the community. Jesus' way is the opposite: the leper is reached out to, touched, and finally cured.

Nor ought we think of the "old way" as restricted to the days of Moses and Aaron, or even to the "old" testament. The difference between the old way and Jesus' way arises in own lives. We still choose, every day, to live in our old way or in Jesus' way.

Jesus dared to touch a leper, disregarding the old way. The leper then was changed forever. He felt a calling. He couldn't keep himself from proclaiming that he had been touched by Jesus (even though Jesus told him not to!). Once Jesus touches us, we are called to proclaim his way.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).

Psalm — I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).

Second Reading — Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31 — 11:1).

Gospel — The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (Mark 1:40-45).

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Lectors: The schedule for March, April and May is being prepared. Please contact Toni with any unavailable dates by Monday, February 13.

IN LOVE

I met in the street a very poor
young man who was in love.
His hat was old; his coat was worn;
the water passed through his shoes;
and stars passed through his soul.
—Victor Hugo

From the Pastor

The new 2012 Avila Campaign will be launched next weekend, February 18 and 19. This campaign is vital to the temporal needs of the parish. You will be receiving a letter in the mail this week from the Campaign Committee. Please read it carefully and pray about how you will respond.

In other news, as Bishop Zubik has been writing in the Pittsburgh Catholic, and as Fr. Mike and I have been explaining from the pulpit, our religious freedom and rights as Catholics are being violated by our United States Government. We need to organize to defend our religious liberty. Therefore, the St. Teresa of Avila Pro-life Committee is staging a grass roots effort to protest through writing to the President, our Senators, our Representatives, and the Dept. of Health and Human Services. We plan to stage our initiative after weekend Masses soon and we need several volunteers to assist with it. If you are able to spare a half-hour or so after Masses to help with this initiative, please call Diane Machesney at 412-366-7869 to volunteer.

Many Blessings,
Father Bob

Adult Education Classes
RCIA: Tuesdays, 7 pm, Spanish Room in the School
Scripture: Mondays, 1:30 pm, Schoppol Hall
Centering Prayer: Thursdays, 1:30 pm in the Convent
All are Welcome

Parish Stewardship - February 4/5, 2012

Regular Offertory	$ 23,375
Amount Needed	$ 21,904
Overage	$ 1,471

Avila Campaign - February 4/5, 2012

2011 Parish Goal (Feb 2011-Jan 2012)	$ 365,000
Amount Pledged Year-to-Date	$ 281,060
Gifts & Payments Year-to-Date	$ 333,376
Amount Still Needed	$ 31,624

Thank you for your continued generosity.
May God bless you abundantly.

Marriage Moment
World Marriage Day - February 12

Renew your vows today or on Valentine's Day. "I, _____, take you, _____, to be my wife/husband. I promise to be true to you in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health. I will love you and honor you all the days of my life."

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The Easter Bunny Hops to St. Teresa!

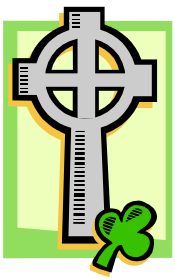
It's not too early to think about Easter fun! Bring your family to the Oaxaca Mission Group's **Easter Bunny Lunch on Saturday, March 10, 2012** in Schoppol Hall. The event runs from noon to 2PM; doors open at 11:30AM. The afternoon features a hot dog lunch, treat bag for each child, egg hunt, raffles, and entertainment by Puppet Works. Photos with the Easter Bunny will also be available.

The reservation process is changing this year. Phone reservations will not be taken. Reservation forms will be available soon in the bulletin, narthex and school. See future bulletins for more details. Cost is $5 per person with children under 2 admitted free. Payment must be made in advance with the reservation form.

All proceeds benefit the Anna Seethaler Hospital in Oaxaca, Mexico, our parish partner abroad. Help us to help the poor this Easter.

Irish Fest 2012 ~ Saturday, February 25th

Featuring:
Irish Mass
6:00 pm in the Church
Complete Irish Dinner
Henninger Auditorium
Serving begins at 7:15 pm
Irish Entertainment
Music by Guaranteed Irish
Bell School of Irish Dance



Come One, Come All
Raffles & Door Prizes
Tickets: $25 per person - on sale in the rectory
Info: Bud 412 366-6720 or Jay 412 364-9339

There will be no bulk issues of the February 17th *Pittsburgh Catholic* available in church next weekend. This special Lenten issue will be mailed to the home. Please notify the office if you do not receive one so that you can be added to the list for the Advent mailing.

SAINT TERESA OF AVILA SCHOOL

Faith Grows * Excellence Abounds

St. Teresa of Avila School - Mission Statement

The mission of St. Teresa of Avila School is to provide a foundation in the Catholic faith as we integrate Christian values with the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, and physical development of the child. Committed to the highest standards of academic excellence, we enrich our students with the knowledge and skills essential for life-long learning in the 21st Century.

Have a question about what's happening at your parish school? Call 412 367 9001 Ext 531. Visit our website at www.saintteresas.org

Monday 2/13	Spirit Dress Day
Tuesday 2/14	TNT
	Dress in Red Day $1.00
	Valentine's Day Parties 2:00
	Athletic Association Meeting 7:30 pm
Wednesday 2/15	PTG Board Meeting 1:00 pm
Thursday 2/16	"GG" (Geometry Gig...Geometry lesson taught in every math class)
Friday 2/17	Mass 9:00 am
	Donut and Drink Day
	Principals Leadership Weekend begins

NOW IS THE TIME…to begin to think about early childhood education for Prekindergarten and Kindergarten for 2012-13. Children must be 3, 4 or 5 by October 1, 2012 in order to be eligible for our three or four year old Prekindergarten, or full or half day Kindergarten. Watch this space and your mail for further information.

2012-2013 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN You are invited to join the St. Teresa of Avila School Family and its very fine 105 year history by joining the school family. Enrollment for the coming school year is now open. Call the school for a pre-enrollment tour.

TUITION PAYMENT DUE Reminder to all school families that the ninth tuition payment was due February 1, 2012. Thank you!

DON'T FORGET TO SAVE Campbell's Products labels, which provide equipment and materials for our school, General Mills Box Tops for Education which provide cash for PTG activities, Shop 'n Save receipts which are used for assemblies in our school, Tyson Product Labels, and designate our school when shopping at Target which also provides cash for PTG activities. We also recycle toner/ink cartridges and cell phones which provides cash for general school needs. Thanks in advance! All of the above are "painless" and a great way to help our parish school!

Diocese of Pittsburgh Abuse Hotline: 1-888-808-1235

Religious Education News

Preschool We are still planning on having a pre-school during the 10:30 am Mass. The activities will be centered around each Sunday's Gospel. We need to know approximately how many families would be interested in this. Registration forms can be found in the Narthex of the church. If you are interested in your pre-school child, ages 3, 4 or 5 attending this, please fill in the registration form. There is no fee. We are also still looking for more volunteer leaders. If you know someone that you think would be interested, please have them call Sharon Balchus at 412-367-9001, X548.

SPIRIT Book Our young people preparing for Confirmation signed a Pledge of Enrollment committing themselves to the preparation process. You can view the Pledges in the Spirit Book located in the Narthex of the Church beginning next week, February 19. Confirmation will be celebrated on March 5.

Schoppol Hall Display We continue to display the work of the children in the parish Religious Education program in Schoppol Hall. Check it out on your way to Mass.

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, February 18

4:15 pm-T Brown, S Brown, C Brown
6:00 pm-R Buzzard, W Carney, M Cefalo

Sunday, February 19

7:00 am-C Cook, T Cook, B Dumas
8:30 am-A Caprio, A Caprio, M Caprio, L Caprio
10:30 am-K Gross, Volunteers
12:15 pm-H Deily, B Deily, N Haver

Attention All Servers: The new schedule is being prepared from Friday, March 9—Sunday, June 3. If you have scheduling conflicts, please contact Mr/Mrs Kaufold at 412 369-7068 **before** Monday, Feb. 20. **Please note: if you are no longer able to serve, it is important to notify them as soon as possible so you will not continue to be on the schedule.** Thank you.

WARM UP WITH BOOKS! Story Time returns on Thursday, February 23 from 10-11 am in the St Teresa Pre-K room. Children turning 3 or 4 by October 1, 2012 and their caregivers are welcome to this FREE hour of stories, songs, and more. Please call 412 367-9001 Ext 530 to sign up.

MARKET DAY There is still time to order for our February18 sale. Try the new Lemon Parmesan Salmon or Mini Pizza Bagels. Nine varieties of cookie dough are available for this month only. Pick up an order form at church entrances, call Laura (412)367-7886, or go to MarketDay.com to order. Order by Monday, February 13. Thank you for your great support of Market Day!

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

ALL ARE WELCOME
We have a few seats available in the Adult Choir for anyone who would like to share their musical gifts and talents with the parish. This is a great time to come forward as we begin the second half of the year – the Lenten and Easter seasons are just around the corner!

HOW LOW CAN YOU GO?
We are in need of a few more males voices to sing bass/baritone in the Adult Choir. If you are able to sing the low notes of hymns/songs at Mass, then you're one of several voices that we need to come forward. Real men aren't afraid to sing songs about Jesus – man up, and join the choir!

JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR ROUND 2
We have a few seats available for any children in Grades 4 and up who would like to participate in the Joyful Noise Choir, either as singers, or instrumentalists. Rehearsals will resume on Thursday, February 16. Registration forms can be picked up in the rectory.

WE'VE GOT THE SPIRIT!
Our very own Brass Ensemble, or "Spirit Band," is a brass sextet (total of six members) that plays five-part arrangements, and accompanies the Adult Choir throughout the entire Christmas and Easter seasons, as well as other special liturgies and parish events. The Spirit Band is a volunteer group made up of members of St. Teresa of Avila Parish. The members include: David Patterson, who arranges the music, plays lead trumpet, flugelhorn, guitar, and sings in the Adult Choir. Stan Cieslak plays trumpet, while Dan Ostronic plays trumpet and flugelhorn. Bob Dzialowski plays tenor parts on Alto and Soprano Saxophone, Tom Dionise plays trombone, and Frank Farina plays tuba. In the last three years, the ensemble has also performed at several retirement facilities, VA hospitals, the St. Teresa Parish Festival, the annual Allegheny County Courthouse Christmas Program (with the Adult Choir), and played in the Christmas Concert with the Allegheny Brass Band for our parish Concert Series. We are so grateful for these faithful parishioners who generously share their gifts and talents with us. We congratulate them on their many accomplishments!

DID YOU KNOW?
The word "flugelhorn" is German and translates into English as "wing horn" or "flank horn". It resembles a trumpet but with a wider and more conical bore. History tells us that the instrument was used on the battlefield to summon the flanks of an army.

If you would like more information about any of our music programs here at St. Teresa, please contact Ted Rybka at 412-367-9001, Ext. 514, or email stamusic@verizon.net.

YOUTH MINISTRY

All 6-12th graders and their families are invited to participate in the ***22nd annual Lovewalk for the Poor this Sunday, February 12 from 2:00-6:00 pm!*** Mass with Bishop Waltersheid starts at 2:00 pm at Sacred Heart Church in Shadyside, with a one-mile walk to the EECM soup kitchen following. All participants are invited to bring diapers, wipes, and formula for Catholic Charities and non-perishable food items for EECM soup kitchen. Families can attend on their own, but a carpool will leave St. Teresa's at 1:15 pm. Any youth not attending with a parent must bring a signed permission form (available at www.stteresayouth.com). ***The Lovewalk will replace our normal EDGE Live session for this weekend.***

Our youth group schedule will resume as normal next week! High schoolers, please join us next Sunday, February 19 for a Life Night all about Lent—what it is and how we can prepare for it! So get your friends together and we'll see you in the youth room from 6-8 pm for snacks, games, small group discussion, and prayer!

9-12th graders: if you are interested in attending the ***SKI RETREAT*** next weekend at Hidden Valley, please contact Jessie as soon as possible! This is going to be an awesome weekend—it's a chance to learn about your faith, pray together, and (of course) spend some time out on the slopes! Cost is $15 + lift ticket and rentals, and permission forms are on the youth ministry website!

Applications for the middle school and high school summer mission trips are available on the youth ministry website! Forms and $50 deposit are due to Jessie by February 26.

Vocation Prayer

Dear God, we rely on your help to strengthen us on our journey of faith. Open our hearts so we may respond generously to your call to serve your people. Bless all those in ordained and consecrated life with courage, integrity, and zeal. Amen.

The Sisters of Divine Providence will hold a Lenten Breakfast and presentation, "Busy Women Cultivating Inner Peace," on Tuesday, February 21 from 7-9 am at Kearns Spirituality Center, 9000 Babcock Blvd. Guest speaker is Anne Kertz Kernion, owner of Cards by Anne. Cost: $30. For more info or to register, call 412 635-5401 or visit online at www.divineprovidenceweb.org.

God Bless Our Newly Baptized and Their Families January 2012

Child	Parents
Aiden Leonard	Scott/Jennifer Steffl Lewandowski
Landon Eli	Jordan/Megan Haase Lipinski
Alec Harry	Bridget McCourt
Andrew Ryan	Ryan/Portia McGonigal Miller
Daniel Louis	Corry/Autumn Donston Schachern
Bailey Sarah	John/Lori Deem Schmidt
Lilly Anne	Jason/Stephanie Pelusi Wetzel

We WELCOME parishioners who registered during January 2012

Christopher & Christine Boyd
James Browne
Nathan & Naty Clark and Alison, Matthew & Elodie
Joe Hydeck
Jeffrey & Kelly Johnson and Roman & Reagan
Diana Lenzner
Joel & Elena Mariano and Gregory
Patricia Popadyn
John & Sarah Salvatore
Corry & Autumn Schachern and Daniel
Michael Steffl
Ben & Kori Szelong
John & Marylynn Walsh
Jeremy & Ashlee Wozniak

They are not only our new parishioners, but also your neighbors, co-workers, associates and classmates. When you see them, please extend a warm St Teresa welcome.

Please remember in your prayers the men and women in the military that God will protect and guide them, and bring them safely home: **PFC Christopher Matessa, PO3 Nicholas Reiner, Maj Kurt Kline, Ens Adam McCann, PO1 George Staab Jr, Armn Miriya Soergel, TSgt Peter Soergel, PltSgt Matthew Banaszewski, Lt Benjamin Kostka, Lt Alicia Kostka, Lt Christopher Sebal, SFC Daniel Plants, OS1 Dominic Genito, MA1 Felicia Genito, Capt John Mance, LtCol Brian Stokes, Richard Lipke, Kristin Burke Thompson, LtCol Thomas Lippert, Michael Braddick, Ryan Dietz, Sgt Matthew Ehrin, Ssgt Jason Miller, Seaman Tyler Miller, Thomas Pace Jr, Seaman David Smith, Seaman Daniel Smith, Col Michael Moyer, Capt Brian Goerl, TSgt Jason Goerl, Pvt Jeffery Goerl, 1st Lt Kari Cox.**

We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family of:
Donald Miller, brother of Dolores Cook
May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

***Please Pray for the Sick and Those in Nursing Homes*:**
Kevin Kelley, Patricia Lomb, Jenna Christner, Anna McGarvey, Pete Klein, Stacy Uhl, Sarah Rowland, William Coyle, Marion Kovacik, Brian Cooke, Sally Mrozowski, Nancy Costello, Anna Belshock, Arthur Howcroft, Claire Carter, Isabella Hickey, Bill Botterman, Diane Greer, Maura Burwinkel, Rosemary Flaherty, Wilma Candioto, Carlie Grey-Homer, Linda Voytko, Albert Meiser, Ann Ecroyd, Patrick Hartung, Norma Dreier, Rachel Hirst, Agnes Brei, Noah Lauer, Johanna Schwarz, Eileen Ravis, Evelyn Pastorius, Norman Knitter, Michelle Metzger, Francis Geary, Elle Banach, William Ramsden, Alexander Ference, Kathy Bittner, Agnes Dorn, Lorraine Arbuckle, Roy Arbuckle, Charla Nist, Molly Daly, Mary Pasewicz, Joshua McGoey, Sadie Pluto, Edna Higley, Amanda Lohrberg, Ann Zezulewicz, Victor Flinko, Dorothy Irlbacher, Leonard Malchesky, Reg Savage, Connie Edwards, Dennis Miller, Thomas Sosso, Betty Macel, Marylibby/Roy Meyer, Kevin McSorley, Rita Reiland, Dave Reiland, Jane Schneider, Zac Gillman, Sophia Olson, Mark Caye, Concetta Mendicino, Daniel Dailey, Teresa Mitchell, Anna Mae Kneip, Heidi Hartle, Paul McGuire, Daryl Daugherty, Lois Wolff, Steve Terjak, Michelle Lally, Gerry Dorn, Cally Uhl, Roberta Barrett, Kaitlin Serwatka, Andy Blasko, Reid Warmus, Mary Ellen O'Malley, Frank Arcurio, Paula Heil, Kathleen Coyne, Dorothy Ostronic, RoseMary Kuhman, Chris McGoey, Brian Wissner, Ruth Mueller, Jim Carmody, Patricia Bolinda, Edward Thoma, Clara Leiterman, Mildred Scheller, Elaine Clark, Ann Taormina, Betty Ferrara, Bob Presley, Madeline Domencic, Elizabeth Stahl, Hirumi Staab, David Kelsch, Anne Risley, Elizabeth Thomas, Mary Rothermel, Thomas/Francis Bezak, Joanne Donovan, Helen McKenzie, Ron Kneip, Joseph Zawoyski Jr, Claudia Veder, Rosemary Bialek, Tracy Podgorski, Lorraine Vogel, Joe/Pat Rzotkiewicz, Elizabeth McGuire, Joseph Teichman, Ed Kitzki, Kathleen Miller, Joshua Woods, Jackie Wiegand, Barbara Hiles, Karen Fowler, Jim/Joann Ibinson, Helen Moyer, Douglas Locher, Camryn Surman, Eleanor Worgan, Virginia Rabenstein, Karen Mulligan, Evelyn Young, Maurita Smith, Margaret Oswald, Susan Lacher, Betty Staab, George/Joan Bope, Judy Meinert, Jean Bedel, Amanda Bundy, Betty McCarthy, Chelsea McKita, Jan McSorley, Patrick Fowler, Anthony Graham, Andy Beck, Eric Riegner, Carrington Ulicny, Louis Delullo, Jack Tataseo, BethAnn Harper, James Kello, June Rinko, Leo Wahl, Mildred Schwartz, Jean Sachs, MaryAnn Eggers, Michael Monteverde, Gerry Kuras, John Edwards, Camden Way, Shannon Wolfe.
Note: To insure one's privacy, only the individual or immediate family member that is a parishioner of St Teresa Church can add a name to the prayer list.

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