

St. Teresa of Avila Church

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Masses: Saturday 5:00 PM,

Sunday 8 & 10 AM



February 9/10, 2008

K of C & CDA meet Sunday, Feb. 10, 7 PM

Parish Council Mtg. Feb. 14th, 7 PM

Mass Intentions

Sat. Feb. 9 5:00 PM – John & Rosa Drew by Louise Stramski
 Sun, Feb. 10 8:00 AM – For Our Parish Family
 10:00 AM – Wayne Miles by C K Burghart
 Tues, Feb. 12 8:00 AM – Special Intention
Note time change for Wednesdays of Lent
 Wed, Feb. 13 6:30 PM – Fr. David True by Family
 Thurs, Feb. 14 8:00 AM – David Bacon by Barbara Dull
 Fri. Feb. 15 8:00 AM – In Thanksgiving
 Sat. Feb. 16 5:00 PM – Louise Stramski by Backus Family
 Sun, Feb. 17 8:00 AM – For Our Parish Family
 10:00 AM -- Living & Deceased Members of Altar Society by A.S.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 3:30 PM.

Collections: February 3 136 Adult envelopes \$4316.00 10 Youth envelopes \$16.10 Building Fund \$5790.00 (\$100 in memory of Bena Meany) Minority Groups \$101.00 First Offering \$5.00 Recycle reimbursement \$19.50 Reimbursement for street lamp \$1350.00 Loose \$134.00 Total: \$11,731.60 Building Fund as of February 3 (\$782,423.10)

Readings for the week: Mon Leviticus 19:1-2,11-18; Psalm 19:8,9,10,15; Matthew 25:31-46; Tues Isaiah 55:10-11; Psalm 34:4-5,6-7,16-17,18-19; Matthew 6:7-15; Wed. Jonah 3: 1-10; Psalm 51:3-4,12-13,18-19; Luke 11:29-32; Thurs. Esther C:12,14-16,23-25; Psalm 138:1-2ab,2cde-3,7c-8; Matthew 7:7-12; Fri. Ezekiel 18:21-28; Psalm 130:1-2,3-4,5-7a,7bc-8; Matthew 5:20-26; Sat. Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Psalm 119:1-2,4-5,7-8; Matthew 5:43-48; Sunday Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 33:4-5,18-19,20,22,(22); 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society meets Tuesdays at 7 PM in the RE building Anyone who needs assistance should call our number 343-2938

Prayer Chain! Our Parish has a prayer chain for our Parish Family concerns!! You can call for prayer requests to either Kristi Kretchmar at 391-2728 or Marilyn Tytanic at 454-3556.

Parish Web Site. www.stteresaharrah.org The email address is: info@stteresaharrah.org

Please note: The second collections during the Masses in Lent will be for Catholic Relief Services.
 Thank you for your generosity

Congratulations to this year's Council and District champions in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. Our parish is sending 5 contestants to the State Championships on Saturday, March 8th. The winners are Hannah Zawisza, Katarina Hartley, Daniel Zawisza, Mackenzie Johnson and Marshall Hartley. Thank you to all the participants.

Please note: Monday is Father's day off and the Church Office is closed. Thank you.

Though the Beatitudes talk of the future, the fullness of life God will give in the time to come begins now. Trust in God and live righteously now and your happiness, now partial and interwoven with some suffering, will extend into God's future, where it will be complete.

Archdiocesan Development Fund

We are most grateful to the loyal donors and the new donors who have pledged to the Archdiocesan Development Fund Appeal. If you were not present or prepared to make a commitment last weekend, we invite you to do so today. Our parish goal for 2008 is \$20,000. With participation from each member of the parish this goal can be easily realized.

Fr. Joseph Arledge, Pastor of Prince of Peace in Altus, will be the Spiritual Director for a pilgrimage to the Shrines of Italy. October 13-24, the 12 days visit includes 5 nights in Rome, 2 nights in Assisi, 1 night in Florence and 2 nights in Venice. Side trips are planned. Cost is \$3199 each. For information call John Tagnesi, 1-888-544-4461 (toll free).

Catholic Charities Announcements:

The 16th annual **World Day of the Sick** is planned for February 11, 2008. This day, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, is a day proclaimed by Pope Benedict XVI, to especially pray for those who are ill in our community. Many churches use a Sunday surround that day as a time to have a special anointing for those in need of healing. It is also a time used to bless the caregivers. For more information, contact the FCN office at 523-3006.

The 12th Annual ***In the Father's Footsteps: Catholic Men's Conference*** will be held at Bishop McGuinness High School, February 16. The four speakers will present their lives in light of perseverance. Registration starts at 8:00; the conference ends with Mass at 5:30 PM. Advance Registration (due by February 4) is \$39. After Feb. 4, the fee is \$49; however student fee of \$15 can be paid at any time. For more information call 245-8042 or email: www.catholicmen.net.

Please check your cemetery decorations and remove if they have become unsightly. Thank you. Joe Zawisza, Cemetery Chairman.

During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday evening at 7 PM, preceded by a Soup Supper at 6 PM. Sign up sheets are in the back of the church for those who wish to contribute soup or bread. During the season of Lent, the Wednesday Mass will be at 6:30 PM

How Do Catholics Read the Bible, an adult evening class will take place Monday, Feb. 11 at the Benedict Center, 632 N. Kickapoo Ave., Shawnee. Anthony Kelsner from St. Benedict Church will lead the class. For more information, call 273-5399 ext. 5.

St. Philip Neri Church, in Midwest City will be holding its Lenten Penance Rite on February 19 at 7 PM. St. Teresa in Harrah will have a Penance Rite on March 4th at 6 PM.

Anyone using the hall is requested to empty all the trash cans before they leave. Thanks

INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW

What is the status of the Building Project?
Currently the Architect is in the process of drawing up the blueprints. When these are completed (in approximately 2 more months) the Project Manager can begin seeking bids to be approved by the Building Committee. After this process construction can begin. We appreciate your continued donations to the Building Fund.

**Cooks for the Soup Supper – February 15
Jackie Stafford, Maria Opichka, Jody Cook, Fr. Loth**

Jesus reminds us that facing temptation is the way we distinguish reality from illusion, sort out our true vocation from self-serving fantasy and ground our lives in the only truth that can endure a lifetime—the will of God.