

# Saint Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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Twinning with our sister parish, St. Antoine, Vieux Bourg & with the Diocese of Jeremie, Haiti, West Indies

## *Fifth Sunday of Lent* *March 26, 2023*



Msgr. Raymond G. East, Pastor; [rayeast@icloud.com](mailto:rayeast@icloud.com); Mobile: 202-355-8888

### MASS SCHEDULE

*Sunday 9:30 AM in-person and online.*

*Sunday 11:30 AM in the courtyard between the church and the convent.*

*\*Weather permitting\**

### RECONCILIATION

Monsignor East is available for drive-by confessions. Please contact the PLC to schedule a time.

### PARISH LIFE CENTER (PLC) OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Friday, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

202-678-3709

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**ADMINISTRATIVE**

Pastoral Council | Finance Council  
Parish Staff | Communications Committee  
Membership

**SERVICE**

Haiti Mission | Health Awareness  
Senior Adult Outreach | Virginia Morgan  
Memorial Soup Kitchen | Mothers on the Move  
Spiritually (M.O.M.S)

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

Eucharistic Ministers | Lectors | Ministers of  
Hospitality | Nurses | Environment

**WORSHIP & ARTS**

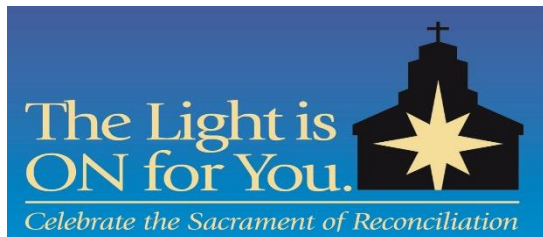
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| Sight & Sound Ministry

**EDUCATION**

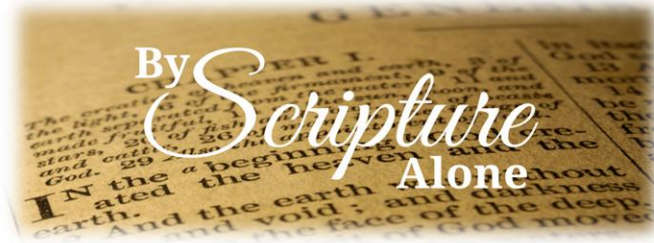
Youth Faith Formation | Adult Faith Formation  
Faith Links Small Group | Bible Study Baptism

**COMMUNITY**

Sodality | St. Vincent DePaul | S.H.A.R.E.  
| Kairos Prison Ministry | M.O.S.T. (Men of St.  
Teresa) Washington Interfaith Network Cursillo  
Ultreya Teen Club | Girl Scouts | Boy Scouts  
Bereavement Ministry



- **Confessions will be held every Wednesday during Lent beginning March 8th** 6:30PM – 7:30 PM in the Church.
- **Stations of the Cross** will be held each Friday during Lent in the Church at **7pm** through **March 31<sup>st</sup>**.



**March 26th, Fifth Sunday of Lent**

*Ezekiel 37:12-14, Psalms 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8  
Romans 8:8-11, John 11:25A, 26, John 11:1-45  
or John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45*

**March 27<sup>th</sup>, Monday the Fifth Week of Lent**

*Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or Daniel 13:41c-62, Psalms 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6, John 8:1-11*

**March 28<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday the Fifth Week of Lent**

*Numbers 21:4-9, Psalms 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21  
John 8:21-30*

**March 29<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday the Fifth Week of Lent**

*Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95, Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56, John 8:31-42*

**March 30<sup>th</sup>, Thursday the Fifth Week of Lent**

*Genesis 17:3-9, Psalms 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
John 8:51-59*

**March 31<sup>st</sup>, Friday the Fifth Week of Lent**

*Jeremiah 20:10-13, Psalms 18:2-3A, 3BC-4, 5-6, 7  
John 10:31-42*

**April 1<sup>st</sup>, Saturday the Fifth Week of Lent**

*Ezekiel 37:21-28, Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ABCD, 13  
John 11:45-56*

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Palm Sunday**

*Isaiah 50:4-7, Psalms 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24  
Philippians 2:6-11, Matthew 26:14-27:66*



**Please Pray for our sick, our shut-in, and all who are suffering from losses.** And Jesus says, "Let me fill you with My Love. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being." \_\_\_\_\_ **Ephesians 3:16**

*Sandi Allison-Harris, Joyce Barbour (sister of Audrey Barbour), Marian Barbour (mother of Audrey Barbour), Bernard Brown, Briana Brown (granddaughter of Robin Kelly), Jimmy Campbell (brother of Donna Bell), Betty Cook (aunt of Wanda Smith), Bro. Jeff Corry, Chrystal Christian (granddaughter of Jackie Christian), Maurice Crump, Sr., Maria DaCunha and grandsons Jacob (10) years old and Jaxson (6), Helen Despertt, Clark James Durand, Thomas Easter, Howard Fleming, Parker Flowers, Patricia Franklin, Mary Frye, Mary Gorham, Mary Greenfield, Renee Gross, Antonio "Big Tony" Haggins, Betty Hamer (mother of Anna Friday), Delores Hatcherson, Audrey Hawkins, Princess Collins (niece of Shirley Hawkins), Henrietta Hill ( of Barbara and Kevin Hill), Catherine Hill, Kim Jackson, Patricia Pickens-James, Margaret Jenkins, Rita Johnson, Jonnette Jones, Sheila Kennedy, Inez Matthews, Paul McCloud (Ralph McCloud's brother), Veronica McKinney, Gwendolyn Means, Dorothy Morgan, Mattie Morris, Darrell Owens (son of Barbara Stewart), Vivian Parker (Sister Marie Bernadette's sister), Angela (Angie) Powell (daughter of Jackie Christian), Jocelyn Reyes, Michelle Whatley-Seabrooks, Deneice Shelton, Annette Smith, Stephanie Christian-Smith, Wanda Smith, Willa Spruill, Frieda Stanley, Deacon Tim Tilghman, Yolanda Thomas, Bernadette Trowell, Carol Walker, Jonathan Wallace (son of Mary Wallace), Mary Wallace, Sharree Walls, Denise Washington, Alice Wingate, and Tom Young.*

**How can we pray for you and your family? You can send your request directly to: [stachurchcommunications@gmail.com](mailto:stachurchcommunications@gmail.com) or contact the PLC.**



## HIGHWAY TO HEAVEN



**Most Rev. Fernand Cheri III, OFM**  
*(Auxiliary Bishop of New Orleans)*

**Vermel Thompson Chichester**  
*(Mother of the Church)*

**Doris Corbett**

*Homegoing services for Doris Corbett will be held on Saturday, March 25th at St. Philip's Episcopal Church located at 2001 14th Street, SE. The viewing will be held at 10am followed by service at 11am.*

**We will miss them dearly, but we know that they go before us, and we will see them again.**

*"Father, grant us the peace and assurance that only You can give as we mourn these losses. We know that You are the author of life, that every one of Yours that leaves this world is coming directly to You. Grant those of us who remain here, waiting, watching, and trusting in You, the comfort, and strength to go on without them."*

**Amen, Amen, Amen**



Welcome to Saint Teresa of Avila parish, where we recognize and celebrate the joy of the Lord as our strength! We are so glad you stopped by to visit us today. We think you will find STA a welcoming community of believers filled with the love of Jesus and each other. Your presence will allow us to be a friend, make a friend, and bring a friend to Christ.

*Worshiping Together at last!*

As we worship in person, whether fully vaccinated or not, Saint Teresa of Avila will practice COVID health and safety precautions for all. Each week if you plan to attend in-person Mass, **we encourage parishioners (including children) to complete the online COVID-19 questionnaire prior to arrival.** Please [click here](#) to complete the online questionnaire.

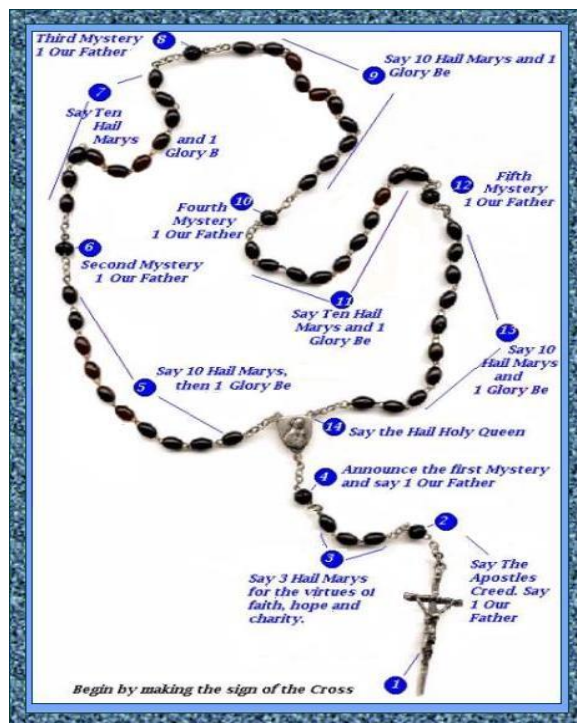
Join us every Sunday online **on STA [YouTube](#) and [Facebook Live](#) channels at 9:30 AM.** Visit the Archdiocese Website for additional recorded and live-streamed Masses at <https://adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/>.



**Outdoor Mass on Sundays will resume after Easter. Join us each week at the 9:30 A.M. Mass inside the Church or online .**

## Bulletins & Church Announcements

**Sodality will lead the virtual Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent on March 31, and April 7. The Dial-in number is 1-720-843-2420, Access Code is 5360845.**



Every Sunday, after the 9:30AM Mass, in the Church, please join the Sodality in praying the Rosary.



**Join us each week at 11:00 AM** as we come together and learn more about the origins of many gospel hymns, praise and worship chorus, and Gospel songs, followed by time for discussion and prayer. Please check the calendar of events on the website for dial in information.



While we all cannot personally wish you “**Happy Birthday,**” we wanted you to know that we did not forget! Below is the list of birthdays for the **Last of March First Day of April.**

- (3/26) Nyle Grimes
- (3/28) Tyrell Wellington
- (3/30) Yolanda Thomas
- (4/1) Shirley Johnson

We thank God for the life He has given us in each of you. **If your birthday, or a member’s you know is not listed, we do not have it! PLEASE CONTACT the Parish Life Center IMMEDIATELY to update the records!**

**Creation Story ...**

Hello all, it is time for the **Creation Story Skit!** Youth and Adults are needed to successfully present the Creation Story. Youth interested in participating, as well as Teens and Adults willing to help, please contact Bernadette Catalan.

**Let’s Do Something....**

M.O.M.S. Inc. and the YOUNG M.O.M.S. organization are asking all Mothers to call, text, email, or write their State Congressman and State Representatives telling them to support any Bill against Gun Violence. **(George Floyd Bill) THESE KILLINGS MUST STOP!**

**SEEKING ALL VOICES!!**



Join the STA Second Sunday Singers, as they **raise voices of song, praise,** and adoration to the God, who loves us so! Pease email [Shirli.stamusic@gmail.com](mailto:Shirli.stamusic@gmail.com) if you are interested.



**Here at STA, we practice Stewardship”** through our ministries, liturgies, and outreach, St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church touches the lives of hundreds of people in the Washington metropolitan area. You can help play a special and enduring role in our work. Regardless of your situation in life, there are multiple ways to support STA — first through your prayers but also through the gifts of your time, talents, financial resources and treasures.

**Thank you for your generous tithes and love offerings. There are two easy ways to give:**

- **Giving:** Visit [www.stachurchdc.org](http://www.stachurchdc.org) and click on **“Tithes and Love Offerings.”**
  - Drop off or send your donation by mail to the **Parish Life Center** at 1401 V Street, SE, Washington, DC 20020.

**BULLETIN GOSPEL REFLECTIONS**

**GOD calls us all to give of ourselves in sharing His word through the Gospel.**

The Communications Committee is looking for volunteers to share the word through our weekly bulletin **Gospel Reflections.** If you are interested in sharing through the gift of reflection, please email [stachurchcommunications@gmail.com](mailto:stachurchcommunications@gmail.com) or contact the **Parish Life Center at 202.678-3709.**

**Do you want to add something to the bulletin?** We welcome your announcements.

**Submit copy in typed format before the deadline, Wednesday by 5:00P.M.,** in order to be included in the Bulletin. Voice messages, email requests not in any announcement format will not be accepted. **The Deadline for Bulletin submissions AGAIN is Wednesday by 5:00P.M. Please submit to:**

[stachurchcommunications@gmail.com](mailto:stachurchcommunications@gmail.com)

## **PARISH VISION STATEMENT**

***“St. Teresa of Avila is called to be an evangelized and evangelizing community of believers who bear witness to Jesus Christ present in our midst.”*** Share your gifts and talents with STA! We are looking for volunteers to read the Parish Vision Statement.

If you are interested in proclaiming the Parish Vision Statement on Sundays, please contact the PLC at 202.678-3709.

## **CALL FOR LECTORS**

If you are interested in sharing your gifts through the word of God, **please contact the PLC at 202.678-3709.**

## **2022 Parish Statements are ready!**

Statements can be picked up at the Parish Life Center Monday – Friday 10am – 2pm or by email request to [pcouncil2009@gmail.com](mailto:pcouncil2009@gmail.com).

**National Institute of Health** is looking for a few women to participate in a research study about stress and health behaviors. You will receive a fit bit and other compensation. For additional information, you can 800-441-1222, or Valerie Mitchell, Community Outreach Research Coordinator, at 301-827-4981.

## **MOST NEWS!!!**

### **THE MEN OF ST. TERESA’S (MOST) APRIL MEETING IS CANCELLED.**

## **REMINDER NOTICE TO ALL HEADS OF MINISTRIES**

**IF YOUR MINISTRY IS USING THE CHURCH OR PARISH LIFE CENTER FOR ANY MEETINGS OR EVENTS, IT MUST BE PUT ON THE MASTER PARISH CALENDAR. HEADS OF MINISTRIES PLEASE SEND YOUR CALENDAR REQUESTS TO THE PARISH OFFICE.**

## **Health Ministry**

March is Nutrition Month; here are A few tips for a healthy body during and throughout the year. Start your day with a healthy breakfast to keep you going all day and try swapping a soda or juice for a glass of water with lemon. Did you get a piece of fruit with your morning breakfast? If not, try having a bit of fruit for a morning or afternoon snack.

During Lent, 🌱🍷🍓 try eliminating meat for one or two days, substituting chickpeas or kidney beans in your salad, or dipping your veggies in hummus. It may help with your blood pressure reading.

## **The Catholic Lent Fasting Rules are simple:**

1. Fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. Abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays during Lent.

Look for more tips next week,

**The Communion class invites you** to briefly stop in MCH to check out ***our display of Black Inventions....*** learning more about the creativity and unique contributions in the past that impact our life today. We are set up on the 13<sup>th</sup> street side of the hall . **DO DROP DOWN...Coffee and donuts will be served.**



**JUST HAITI COFFEE** returns for sale to support our brother/sister community in Jeremie as part of STA twining parish St. Antoine . Ground and Whole Bean coffee are \$10.00/bag. Purchase can be made in MCH.



## **Baptism Preparation Virtual Class**

**Baptism Preparation Virtual Session will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 7:00PM** for parents and godparents of infants through four years of age and for parents and godparents of students enrolled in the Religious Ed Baptism Preparation Class. At least one parent and godparent must be practicing Catholics. It is important that parents and godparents attend the session. **Baptism is scheduled for Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023 at the 9:30 AM Mass. Please contact Sandi Allison-Harris (301-233-6649) or the PLC (202-678-3709) to sign up.**



**Church Spring Cleaning – STA is hosting a Spring Cleaning!** If you have items in your closet that you no longer need, please get rid of it! If you have a child or grandchild needing community service hours, please let us know. We will host our **Parish Spring Cleaning on Saturday, April 22nd at 11am.** All are welcome!



## Novena

*In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen*

**God of Life...** Heavenly Father, we come to you being grateful for the gift of life for ourselves and our brothers and sisters in Haiti. We ask that you move in a mighty way to overcome challenges of life and death by providing necessary resources amid political unrest and devastation due to natural disasters. Help us to recognize and assist in some way to achieve "quality of life" in Haiti.

**God of Hope...** We come to you asking for restoration of food, shelter, health, peace, and unity for the common good of all people.

**God of Love...** Let your love be the driving force that compels us to words and actions of faith, hope and charity. Lord, we ask you to replace any division, malice, discord, or greed with love. For in this love, we share safety, joy, and victory over evil.

*SODALITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
MOUNT CALVARY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
RETREAT*

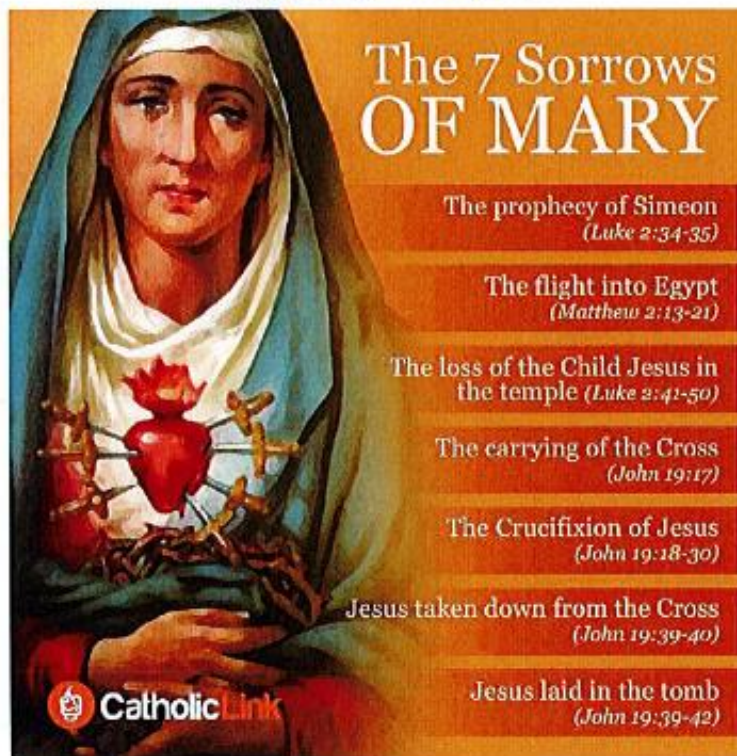
*REV. MONSIGNOR RAYMOND EAST, FACILITATOR*

*SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2023*

*MOUNT CALVARY SCHOOL LOWER HALL*

*10:00 AM - 4:00 PM*

*MASS AT 4:30 PM*



*CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST (9:30 -10:00)*

*BOXED LUNCHES*

*\$10.00 (cash only) PER PERSON*

*FOR MORE INFORMATION: Valerie M. Carroll [carrollv59@yahoo.com](mailto:carrollv59@yahoo.com)*

*Mount Calvary Church Office 301-735-5532*

*DEADLINE TO REGISTER & PAYMENT (cash only) DUE : MARCH 14, 2023*

**50 SEATS AVAILABLE**

*REGISTRATION OCCURS AFTER ALL MASSES (see back for registration form)*

*PAYMENTS CAN ALSO BE MADE BY VISITING THE PARISH OFFICE (Mon-Fri; 8am -12 pm.)*





## Sodality Retreat Registration Form

### Attendee #1

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Attendee #2

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Attendee #3

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_

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202-237-1799 | [gabrielle.millner@city-gate.org](mailto:gabrielle.millner@city-gate.org)**



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**(202) 319 6788**



# Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

April 30 - May 9, 2023



Spiritual leaders:

**Msgr. Raymond East**  
&  
**Deacon Leo Flynn**

CONTACT DCN. LEO,

LEO@THEFLYNNTEAM.COM OR 703 - 328 - 4762

## PRICE INCLUDES:

- Round-trip airfare from your desired Airport
- All airport taxes & fuel surcharges
- 8 Nights in Medjugorje at 4\* Hotel
- Breakfast and Dinner / or lunch daily (Half board)
- Wine with dinners
- Assistance of a licensed local guide
- Transfer as per itinerary
- Sightseeing and admission fees as per itinerary
- Visit the community Cenacolo and Mother's Village
- Climb Apparition Hill and Cross Mountain
- Daily Holy Mass
- Whisper Headsets
- Attend daily Evening program and talks
- Meeting with visionaries (Pending availability)
- Excursion to the places agreed by a spiritual guide
- Tips to your guide, driver and hotel staff
- 81 Tours backpack & portfolio of all travel documents

## PACKAGE PRICE



**EXCLUSIONS:** Meals not specifically noted; Beverages; Single supplement (limited availability) - \$270; Travel Insurance; checked baggage fees if required.



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## April 30 - May 9, 2023



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(Date of birth) (Passport number) (Expiration date)

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(City) (State) (Zip code)

PHONE

EMAIL

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NAME YOU WOULD LIKE ON YOUR NAME BADGE

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