

THE ST. TERESA BELL TOWER NEWSLETTER

Years ago St. Teresa Parish had a newsletter, titled "The Bell Tower". This is most appropriate, since the Church Tower Bells remind everyone in the area to pray and focus on God. This newsletter enables parish members to be aware of parish activities, deepen one's faith and grow together as God's people. During 2009 we celebrate our 93rd year as St. Teresa of Avila Parish. May God Bless Us & Future Generations!

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St. Teresa Parish Staff

Last month there was a picture of the current Pastoral Council. Pictured above is our great Parish Staff: (seated) Maria Glandorf, Office Director; Michelle Thoman, Associate of Religious Education; Sharon Willmes, School Principal; Terri Buckner, Financial Director; (standing) Deacon Mike Davenport; Rick Davis, Music & Worship Director; Deacon Gregg Rose; Fr. Tom Bolte, Pastor; Bill Thoman, Physical Plant Director.

The staff prays and meets together on Thursday afternoons and is always open to ideas & suggestions from parish members. With God's help and the support of all 1,300 parish families we can build upon the accomplishments of the past and continue the faith for future generations.



Saturday, August 15 is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven. It is a Holy Day for Catholics, since Mary freely chose to give birth to Jesus and the Lord honored her by taking her body and soul into heaven. However, because this year Aug. 15 is on a Saturday; the Bishops of the United States have dispensed the faithful from the obligation to attend mass. Here at St. Teresa Church our masses for the

Solemnity of the Assumption will be at 7:00am and 8:30am.



It's St. Teresa Festival Time

Pictured are the parish maintenance staff and summer student helpers inviting everyone to **The GREAT ST. TERESA SUMMER FESTIVAL!** The times are Friday 6:30 pm to 11:30pm, Saturday 5pm to 11:30pm and Sunday 4:00 to 10:00pm (the chicken dinner is from 3:30pm to 7:00pm on Sunday).

We need your help: Come Monday thru Thursday, July 27 – 30, starting at 6:30pm to help set up the Festival. If you haven't volunteered to work at a booth, call Cheri Frey @ 921-1251 and she'll give you possible booths. Help make our **Basket Raffle** a Success. Bring new, unused items to the Parish Office by July 30 or for pick up call Tana @ 471-0320. If you would like to put together a basket and send it for the raffle, that would be great. **Bid & Buy Booth** needs new items, such as tickets to sports events, small appliances, gift certificates, donations of service, or cash to buy major items. Bring them to the office by July 30 or call Cherie @ 921-1251.



This year we have a **Delicious Chicken Dinner** (dine in or carry out) on Sunday from 3:30 to 7:00 pm in the cafeteria featuring 2 or 3 pieces of chicken, rolls, coleslaw, green beans & dessert.

The original "Mr. Softy" will be back this year; for all those who enjoy Ice Cream (like Fr. Bolte). **Plus a D.J. will be here,** located by the Major Award Booth for you to request your favorite songs.

Festival Worker Mass will be at 12:00am, midnight, on Sunday, August 3 in Church. This is one way we thank those, who volunteer at the Festival late on Saturday.

Visit the New Religious Booth, which will have flyers about the Catholic faith, how to read the Bible, free rosaries and will take your prayer requests. Plus, they will have free drawings every hour to win Religious Items. If you have

