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St. Vincent de Paul will be closed  
**Friday, May 25th and Monday, May 28th**  
in observance of Memorial Day

The office will reopen **Friday, June 1, 2018**

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**On the cover:**

Camilo, Francisco.

The Ascension.

1651, oil on canvas,

National Art Museum of Catalonia, Barcelona, Spain.

**MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE****WEEKDAY MASS****MISA ENTRE SEMANA**

Monday—Friday  
6:45 a.m., 8:30 a.m.

Miércoles  
7:00 p.m. (Español)



"Come to me all of you." -Matthew 11:28

**CONFESION • CONFESIONES**

Saturday • Sábado  
3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Sunday • Domingo  
4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Weekdays • Entre Semana  
Monday-Friday: after each Morning Mass  
Tuesday & Thursday at 6:00 p.m.  
Miércoles 6:00 p.m. (en Español)

**WEEKEND MASSES  
MISAS DEL FIN DE SEMANA****SATURDAY • SÁBADO**

8:30 a.m.  
5:00 p.m. (anticipatory Sunday Mass)

**SUNDAY • DOMINGO**

6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m. (Español),  
10:00 a.m., Noon,  
2:00 p.m. (Español),  
5:00 p.m.

**NOTICE:** There will be no morning Masses or Confessions May 22-24  
due to the biennial Priest Convocation for the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.  
Please join us for Morning Prayer at 8:30 am in the church on those days.

The evening Confessions on Tuesday and Thursday that week (the 22nd and 24th) will likewise not be held.

**Pope Francis at Mass:  
Don't dialogue with  
the devil, the great liar**

*At Mass at Casa Santa Marta, Tuesday morning, Pope Francis talked about how to deal with the devil who though defeated and dying is still dangerous.*



**By Robin Gomes**

Never approach the devil nor talk to him: he is "defeated" but dangerous because he seduces and, like a chained angry dog, bites if you go to pat him. Pope Francis offered this advice in his homily at Mass, Tuesday morning, in the chapel of the Casa Santa Marta in the Vatican.

Commenting on John's Gospel where Jesus says "the ruler of this world has been condemned," the Pope spoke about the seduction of the devil and how to deal with him. The Pope said that even though the devil is defeated and dying he has a great power and capacity to seduce. He promises many things, bringing us beautifully packed gifts, without revealing their contents.

**Dying but dangerous**

The Pope compared the devil to a dying crocodile, who hunters advise not to approach because it can still strike you dead with its tail. Hence the devil is very dangerous, his proposals are all lies and we foolishly believe him. The Pope described the devil as the father of lies, saying he speaks well, he can sing in order to deceive and he is loser who moves about like a winner. His light dazzles like the fireworks but does not last. Instead the light of the Lord is "gentle and permanent".

**Never dialogue with the devil**

The devil, the Pope said, knows how to seduce us in our vanity and curiosity and we buy everything, falling into temptation. Knowing that a thought, a desire or move is dangerous and we still go there, it is like approaching the devil who is like a chained angry dog that can still bite. Unlike Eve who thought herself a "great theologian" and fell, the Pope said we must never dialogue with the devil because he wins, he is more intelligent than us. On the contrary, Jesus in the desert responds to the devil with the Word of God, hunts down demons, sometimes asking his name but doesn't dialogue.

**Pray, watch, fast**

Recalling the advice of Jesus to watch, do penance and fast, Pope Francis said we too must do so but never enter into dialogue with the devil. And in moments of temptation we must approach the mother, like frightened children do. According to the Russian mystics, in times of spiritual upheavals, take refuge under the mantle of the great Mother of God, the Pope said.

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**



For a sweet treat for mom, be sure to drop by the tables outside Mass today—**House More**, a group of students and parents at our parish school, will be offering delicious baked goods in gratitude for any donations to support their educational endeavors.

**CONGRATS  
TO OUR NEW DEACONS!**



Eight deacons were ordained at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Houston on Saturday, May 12th, including **Dcn. Justin Cormie** and **Kingsley Nwoko**, who each spent a year here at Saint Theresa's as part of their seminary formation. Please come by the Community Center after the 8:00 am or 10:00 am Mass today (Sunday) for a festive reception and an opportunity to encourage these new deacons on their path to the priesthood.

**INSCRIPCIÓN EN LA PARROQUIA:** Pase a la oficina parroquial de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. de lunes a viernes o puede tomar una forma en el vestíbulo de la iglesia y entregársela a un ujier.

**GUARDERÍA:** La guardería esta abierta durante la misa de 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. y 12:00 p.m. No necesita hacer reservación.

### FORMACIÓN PARA LOS SACRAMENTOS

#### PREPARACIÓN DE BAUTISMO INFANTIL:

A los padres se les pide que inscriban a su hijo(a) para el bautismo. Deben traer el certificado de nacimiento del niño a la oficina de la parroquia, y asistir a una clase pre-bautismal. Se anima a los padrinos asistir a la clase. Los padrinos deben de ser mayor de diecisésis (16) años, católicos practicantes, confirmados y si esta casado, tiene que estar casado por la iglesia católica.

Las clases se ofrecen el Segundo domingo de cada otro mes a las 3:15 p.m. en el Centro de Vida Familiar. A los padres se les pide de favor que no lleven a sus hijos a la clase. Se les dará Certificado de asistencia al final de la clase aquellos padres o padrinos que no bautizaran en Santa Teresa. Por favor llame a la oficina para inscribirse a la clase al 281-494-1156. **La próxima clase es el 8 de Julio a las 3:15 p.m.**

**PREPARACIÓN PARA EL MATRIMONIO EN ESPAÑOL:** Las personas que deseen contraer matrimonio aquí en la Iglesia de Santa Teresa son invitados a asistir una entrevista de preparación matrimonial. Esto es obligatorio para comenzar el proceso de preparación. Es para las parejas que no están casados y para las parejas que están casadas civilmente o que viven juntos. Por favor pre inscríbase llamando al 281-494-1156. El seminario se ofrece cada otro mes, el segundo jueves del mes. **El próximo seminario es el Jueves 12 de Julio del 2018** en el Salón FLC-A.

**CATEQUESIS:** Nuestro Catecismo en español se ofrece de Septiembre a Mayo, los domingos de 9:30 a 11:00 a.m. para grados de Kínder al 8 grado. Catequesis es un proceso continuo de evangelización, educación, formación y conversión que dura toda la vida. Para mas información por favor llame a la oficina de Catequesis de lunes a viernes al 281-494-1156 de 8:00 a.m. a 4:30 p.m.

**DOMINGO DE SACRAMENTOS:** Para los niños que desean la formación para los Sacramentos de Primera Reconciliación (confesión) y la Sagrada Comunión. Esta clase es en conjunto con su catequesis. Los niños deben tener mínimo siete (7) años al comienzo del año escolar. Las clases son un domingo al mes a la 1:00 p.m.

**CATOLICISMO BÁSICO:** Católico Básico es para padres de niño que asisten a catequesis

por primera vez y desean prepararse para la formación de Sacramentos de Reconciliación y Comunión. Esta clase es un martes al mes a las 7:00 p.m. en el Centro Comunitario de la Parroquia. Esta clase es obligatoria para los padres solamente.

### GRUPOS DE ORACIÓN Y APOSTOLADO

**APOSTOLADO DE LA CRUZ:** El grupo se reúne los martes a las 7:00 p.m., en el edificio de CCE. Para mayor Información por favor llame a Myrla Vanegas al 281-277-2730.

**GRUPO DE ORACIÓN DIOS CON NOSOTROS:** Se reúne en la capilla de la iglesia los Jueves de 7:00-9:00 P.M. Para mas información llamar a Rocio Padilla 832-573-3713 y Ana Perez 281-948-3349.

**CATECISMO Y BIBLIA:** Este grupo esta abierto a la comunidad, se reúne los viernes a las 6:30 pm. Para información: Ramel Ascencio 281-684-4235.

**CORO FRATERNIDAD DE LA SANTÍSIMA VIRGEN MARÍA:** El coro práctica los lunes a las 7:00 p.m. y cantan en la misa del domingo a las 8:00 a.m. o 2:00 p.m. Para mas información llame a Susan al 281-494-1156 ext 291

**ESTUDIO BÍBLICO:** El Grupo se reúne los domingos después de Misa de 8:00 a.m. (los meses de Agosto a Mayo). Para mas información llame a el Sr. Larry Ponce de León, 281-250-9651

**DEVOCIÓN AL SAGRADO CORAZÓN:** El primer viernes de mes en la capilla de la iglesia a las de 6:00 p.m. Información: Loreto Casillas 832-525-3710 o Maricela Ponce 832-896-8289.

**FRANCISCANOS DE MARÍA, MISIONEROS DEL AGRADECIMIENTO:** El carisma y la misión de los FM consiste en vivir y difundir la espiritualidad del agradecimiento que radica básicamente "en tener una relación con Dios en la gratitud por el amor que del señor se ha recibido"(estatuto,n3) Martes, salón B4 de 7:00-9:00pm. Para mayor información llamar a Elsa Galindo al [713 534-7395](tel:7135347395)

**IMAGEN DE LA VIRGEN PEREGRINA:** Desea llevarse la imagen de la Virgen Peregrina a casa una semana? Regístrate después de misa o llame a Elvira Morales al 281-682-0626.

**LA LEGIÓN DE MARÍA:** El grupo se reúne los Lunes a las 6:30 p.m. Para información con Estella Rodríguez al 832-396-6071 o Jaime Abreu 832-418-2287.

**MINISTERIO VOCACIONES:** Desea llevar el Crucifijo y Libro de Oraciones a su casa y rezar por vocaciones sacerdotales y religiosas. Para mas información llame a la Sra. Maria Elena Rico 281-277-5776.

### Retiro Nueva Vida

Todos los jóvenes de 12 a 17 años están invitados a venir a un retiro a la Iglesia de Santa Teresa en el centro familiar.

El retiro se llevara a cabo el  
**Sábado, Junio 9 de**  
8:00 am - 6:00 pm y el  
**Domingo, Junio 10 de**  
9:00 am - 1:30 pm

El retiro es gratis para todos los jóvenes.

Para mas información comunicarse con Rocio Padilla al 832-573-3713, Ana Perez al 281-948-3349 o con Katia Flores al 832-775-3099.



Invitamos a todos nuestros parroquianos a participar en los próximos retiros de ACTS. Esta experiencia ha transformado la vida de muchas personas, sólo falta que tú tomes la decisión de decirle SI al Señor.

Las fechas de retiros son:  
**Julio 12-15, 2018 Para Mujeres y Octubre 25-28, 2018 Para Hombres**

Contactos para Inscripciones:  
Ramel Ascencio (281) 684-42535,  
Maria Tolentino (832) 704-0017

**ROSARIO GUADALUPANO:** El rosario se reza el día 12 de cada mes en la capilla de la iglesia a las 7:00 p.m. Para información llame a Modesta Mora al 281-494-3588.

**PLANIFICACIÓN FAMILIAR NATURAL:** Es segura, saludable y efectiva al igual para concebir, o posponer embarazos y es conforme a lo que la Iglesia Católica enseña sobre la belleza del ser humano y su capacidad para cooperar con Dios y dar vida. Para mas información llame a Irma Roman al 832-287-7333.

**ALCOHÓLICOS ANÓNIMOS:** La Gracia de Dios nunca se acaba. Esto es únicamente con el fin de ayudar a todos aquellos que tengan problemas con el alcohol. Para mas información llame al Sr. Oscar Santaella al 346-818-1205.



**¿ESTÁ DIOS LLAMÁNDOTE  
A HACER ALGO MÁS?  
¡VEN Y EXPLORA LA IGLESIA  
CATÓLICA!**

Si tienes 17 años de edad o más y no has sido bautizado, o has sido bautizado en otra comunidad de fe, o bautizado Católico pero que nunca has recibido la Primera Comunión, entonces RICA es para ti!

La próxima reunión de Iniciación será el **Domingo 13 de Mayo del 2018** de 10:00 am a 12:00 pm en el salón B6. Estos encuentros informales están estructurados para responder a tus preguntas acerca de la Iglesia católica.

**Póngase en contacto con:**  
Elsa Galindo al  
**713-534-7395** (durante el día)  
Alejandro González al  
**346-255-1163**  
(después de las 4:00 pm.)

Si usted, su hijo o alguien a quien usted conoce, tiene entre 7 y 16 años de edad, no haya sido bautizado o ha sido bautizado en otra comunidad de fe, tenemos el proceso de RICA propio para cada grupo de diferentes edades. Las sesiones de Iniciación son todos los miércoles a las 6:30 pm. Por favor haga una cita en la oficina al teléfono 281-494-1156 para Registrar su Familia y los Niños antes de atender la primera sesión.



**Regina Coeli:  
El amor como constante de nuestra existencia**

*Durante el Regina Coeli del VI domingo de Pascua, el Papa explicó que el amor por los demás no puede reservarse para momentos excepcionales, sino que debe convertirse “en la constante de nuestra existencia”.*

**Mireia Bonilla – Ciudad del Vaticano**

En el VI domingo del tiempo Pascual, el Papa Francisco aseguró que “la Palabra de Dios continúa indicándonos estilos de vida coherentes para ser la comunidad del Señor resucitado” y concretamente el Evangelio de hoy, representa “la entrega de Jesús”. Antes de rezar la oración mariana del Regina Coeli asomado desde el balcón de la Plaza de San Pedro, el Papa indicó que debemos vivir “en la corriente del amor de Dios” para que nuestro amor no pierda por la calle su ardor y su audacia e invitó a “recibir con gratitud el amor que viene del Padre” tratando de no separarnos “con el egoísmo y el pecado”, algo que – puntualizó – es un programa “difícil pero no imposible”. Lo primero a tener en cuenta – señaló Francisco – es que “el amor de Cristo no es un sentimiento superficial, sino una actitud fundamental del corazón” que se manifiesta en vivir como Él quiere. Y es por ello que el amor se debe realizar “en la vida cotidiana, en las actitudes y en las acciones” o de lo contrario son sólo “palabras, palabras y palabras”. “Eso no es amor” exclamó, el amor es “concreto cada día”.

**Disponibilidad para amar al prójimo**

Y es un amor, que debemos compartir con los demás. “Jesús ha indicado en diversas ocasiones quién es el otro para amar” dijo Francisco, amor que debe ser expresado “no en palabras sino con hechos”. Es a él a quien encontramos en nuestro camino – continuó – y quien, con “su rostro y su historia” nos llama. También es “Él” quien, con su propia presencia “me aleja de mis intereses y mis certezas” y quien “espera mi disponibilidad a escuchar y hacer un trozo del camino juntos”. Una disponibilidad – dijo el Papa – que debemos tener hacia “cada hermano y hermana”: “sea quien sea y en cualquier situación que sea, empezando por aquellos cercanos a mí en la familia, en la comunidad, en el trabajo, en la escuela...” detalló. El Papa también explicó que “este amor por los demás no puede reservarse para momentos excepcionales”, sino que debe convertirse “en la constante de nuestra existencia”. Y es por eso que estamos llamados – dijo el Santo Padre – a mantener a los ancianos “como un tesoro precioso y con amor”, incluso “si crean problemas económicos e inconvenientes”. Y es por eso que a los enfermos, “incluso en la última etapa, les debemos brindar toda la asistencia posible”. “Esta es la razón por la que los niños por nacer son siempre bienvenidos”, porque “la vida siempre debe ser protegida y amada desde la concepción hasta su ocaso natural”. Por último, afirmó que somos amados por Dios en Jesucristo, quien nos pide de amarnos como Él nos ama, “pero esto no lo podremos hacer si no tenemos su mismo corazón” y es por ello que estamos llamados a asistir a la Eucaristía cada domingo – explicó el Papa – que tiene como finalidad “formar en nosotros el corazón de Cristo”.



# SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## -THE GRIFFIN NEWS-

### Substitute Teacher Opportunities

Saint Theresa Catholic School is accepting applications for individuals interested in being a periodic on-call substitute teacher in the classroom. Substitute teachers must be degreed and have classroom experience. Interested individuals should enjoy working with children in a Catholic atmosphere. Candidates must be VIRTUS trained and approved. For more information please call the school office at 281-494-1157.

### STCS Now Enrolling PreK-3 - 8<sup>th</sup> grade

Applications for the 2018-2019 school year are now open. Contact the school office at 281-494-1157 to request application materials or visit our website at [sttheresacatholicschool.org](http://sttheresacatholicschool.org).

If you would like to learn more about STCS, feel free to drop by the school office. We look forward to meeting you.



On Saturday, May 5, 2018, the STCS chess team competed in the *Cardinal DiNardo Chess Tournament*.

They earned a 2nd place overall ranking with just 0.5 points separating them from the champions. Congratulations Griffins!

*The Students and Faculty of  
Saint Theresa Catholic School Present*

***“A Salute to our Veterans”***  
***Memorial Day Concert***  
***May 28, 2018***  
***10:00 a.m.***



*Performances by STCS students and faculty  
in honor of our veterans  
for their service to our country*

*STCS Campus Community Center  
705 St. Theresa Blvd.*



# 10 Day Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

*Cana – Tiberias – Bethlehem – Mt. of Beatitudes – Nazareth  
Jerusalem – Mt. of Olives – Dead Sea – Jordan River*

**April 28 – May 7, 2019**  
**\$3,390.00 per person from Houston**

**Spiritual Director: Fr. Eurel Manzano**  
**Tour Coordinator: Diane Senger**  
***St. Theresa Catholic Church – Sugar Land, TX***

Includes: roundtrip air transportation from Houston, first class hotels, double occupancy, 2 meals a day – buffet breakfast & dinner, daily sightseeing with English speaking tour guides, daily Mass, entrance fees, airport taxes, and fuel surcharges - which might subject to change, and tips to guides and drivers.

For further information and reservations, please contact:  
Diane Senger at 281-494-1156 or email: [diane@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:diane@sugarlandcatholic.com)

# FAITH FORMATION

## ELEMENTARY

During the CCE school year (Sept.-May) classes are offered at the following times:

**Preschool CCE** is in rooms B3 – B5 during the Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass.

**Kindergarten CCE** is available on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. or Mondays at 4:30 p.m.

**Elementary CCE** is on Mondays and Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. Children are asked to go directly to the classrooms.

**Sacrament Sunday** is for all children in formation to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Any questions can be directed to Paul Stoessel, Director of Elementary CCE, at [paul@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:paul@sugarlandcatholic.com) or at 281-830-3804.

**Catholic 101** is for all parents of first-year CCE children who are preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion. This is for parents only. Children are invited to attend CCE during this time.

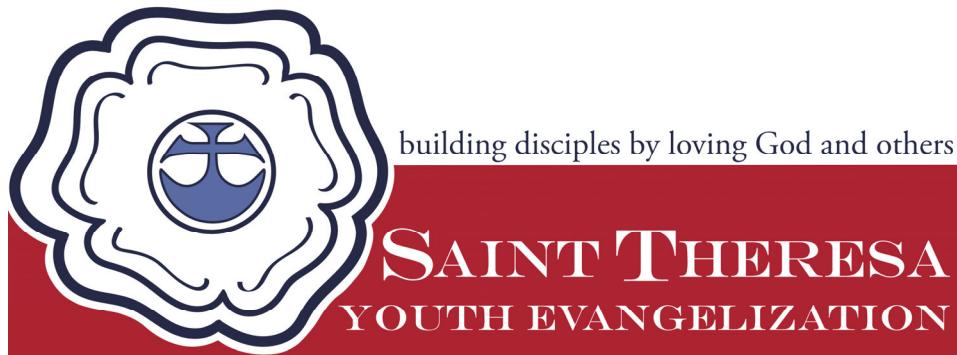
## MIDDLE SCHOOL

Questions or comments, please contact Paul Stoessel, the director of Middle School CCE, at [paul@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:paul@sugarlandcatholic.com)

Middle School Faith Formation meets on Mondays & Tuesdays (Sept.-May) at 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. in the Education Building/School

## HIGH SCHOOL

Contact our Director of Youth Ministry and H.S. Faith Formation, Joseph Mastrangelo at [joseph@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:joseph@sugarlandcatholic.com) with any questions or if you'd like to get involved!



"Let us ask the Lord for the grace not to hesitate when the Spirit calls us to take a step forward.

Let us ask for the apostolic courage to share the Gospel with others and to stop trying to make our Christian life a museum of memories."



Pope Francis  
*Gaudete et Exsultate*

Fulfill the call of Pope Francis!  
Become a Confirmation Mentor for our youth!  
For more information contact Joseph Mastrangelo at  
[joseph@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:joseph@sugarlandcatholic.com)

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Monday, May 14, 2018

*St. Matthias*  
6:45 a.m. Rodriguez Medina Family  
8:30 a.m. ✕ Albert Buxkemper

### Tuesday, May 15

*Easter Weekday*  
6:45 a.m. Maria Bui  
8:30 a.m. San Isidro Labrador

### Wednesday, May 16

*Easter Weekday*  
6:45 a.m. ✕ Elaine May  
8:30 a.m. ✕ Jerry Matthiesen

### Thursday, May 17

*Easter Weekday*  
6:45 a.m. Houtz Family  
8:30 a.m. Daniel Family

### Friday, May 18

*Easter Weekday*  
6:45 a.m. ✕ Theresa Pham  
8:30 a.m. ✕ Ann John Curiale

### Saturday, May 19

*Pope St. John I*  
8:30 a.m. Lay Carmelites  
10:30 a.m. First Holy Communicants  
1:00 p.m. First Holy Communicants  
5:00 p.m. ✕ Salome Gonzalez

### Sunday, May 20

*Pentecost Sunday*  
6:30 a.m. ✕ Clarence & Bertha Rife  
8:00 a.m. ✕ Diego Payan & Irma Gallegos  
10:00 a.m. ✕ Gerry Blanchette  
12:00 p.m. Parish Family  
2:00 p.m. ✕ Salvador & Rodolfo Sanchez  
5:00 p.m. ✕ Maria Ana & Jose Rodriguez

*One may request Mass intentions through our website or by visiting the parish office during regular business hours. Mass intentions are available two (2) months in advance only.*

## PARISH EVENTS

### Monday, May 14

6:30 p.m. Men's Prayer Group, B1/7  
6:30 p.m. Practica: Primera Comunion (Gr. 3)

### Tuesday, May 15

4:00 p.m. String Orchestra Rehearsal  
6:30 p.m. Practica: Primera Comunion (Gr. 4)  
7:00 p.m. Natural Family Planning, FLC-B  
7:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Prayer, Chapel  
7:00 p.m. Franciscanos de María, B4  
7:00 p.m. Talleres de Oración y Vida, B3/B9

### Wednesday, May 16

11:30 a.m. Sugar Canes, CC  
7:00 p.m. RICA, B1/7  
7:00 p.m. RCIA, FLC-A  
7:00 p.m. ROC/Faith Formation, FLC  
7:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Group, FLC  
7:00 p.m. Adult Confirmation, School Library  
7:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Group, FLC-B  
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, May 17

9:30 a.m. Rosary Group, B6  
4:30 p.m. Flos Cantum (Children's choir)  
7:00 p.m. Encuentro Matrimonial, B7  
7:00 p.m. Carismático de Renovación, Capilla  
7:15 p.m. Ensayo Coro Fraternidad

### Friday, May 18

NO Events

### Saturday, May 19

9:00 a.m. Learn English Ministry  
9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary Meeting  
9:00 a.m. Carmelites Meeting, FLC-A  
9:30 a.m. Rosary Group, B6

### Sunday, May 20

9:00 a.m. Spanish Bible Class, CC  
9:30 a.m. RCIA Catechumens, FLC  
9:30 a.m. RICA para Niños  
10:00 a.m. Adult Confirmation Spanish, B9  
10:00 a.m. RICA para Adultos, B1/7, B6  
3:30 p.m. Jubilate Deo Rehearsal  
6:00 p.m. Rosary Group, Emmaus Chapel

## SUNDAY OFFERTORY

May 6, 2018	\$ 31,790
Online Giving	\$ 9,210
Total	\$ 41,000

## PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

*Totals as of May 6, 2018*

Next Goal	\$ 5,000,000
Pledged	\$ 3,233,179
Payments	\$ 733,780
898 Participants	

Current debt \$ 3,180,006

Parish contribution to Archdiocesan Capital Campaign (*IGNITE*) \$ 1,200,000

## DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2018

*Totals as of May 6, 2018*

Goal	\$ 205,000
Pledged	\$ 71,923
Payments	\$ 54,419

247 Participants

## ONLINE GIVING

The parish website has instructions on how to register for convenient on-line giving. You will have full control of your contribution account and scheduling. This option can be a great way to support the church more consistently and strengthen your commitment to charity.

If you would like to begin online giving, visit the link on our website or call Diane Senger: 281-494-1156.

[www.SugarLandCatholic.com](http://www.SugarLandCatholic.com)

## Saint Theresa Catholic Church 2018 Bazaar

### Thank You

Thanks to Saint Theresa parishioners and the surrounding community, this year's bazaar was a success once again. Thank you all for your support and enthusiasm throughout this annual event.

A special thanks goes out to all of the booth chairs, volunteers, supply runner and administrative staff. Your hard work was shown with smiles and fun loving hearts.

The bazaar kick-off dance and bazaar rally dance were fun events that brought community together and helped with our fundraising. The Filipino community poured their hearts into organizing and promoting these dances, which were well attended.

A tremendous thanks goes out to the group of Knights and a few women that were the key to making sure our bazaar set-up and tear-down happened. This was the most strenuous task and they were out there for days lifting, hauling, sweating... It was an overwhelming sight to see and they deserve medals for their support.

Sincerely,  
Diane Senger, 2018 Bazaar Chair

Bazaar donations are still coming in for the Filipino booth, the plant booth, the Nigerian booth, the jewelry booth, and the Indian community.

**Thank You**

Please support our bazaar with your donation, through **June 1, 2018**.

### GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKSHOP

**Saturday, May 19, 2018  
from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
St. Laurence Catholic Church  
(Ave Maria Center)**

If you like to experience the power of the HOLY SPIRIT and practice his charismatic gifts, attend this Workshop! This is a hands-on presentation of the charismatic gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT (1 Cor. 12:7-11):

the gifts of tongues, interpretation, prophecy, word of knowledge and wisdom, discernment, faith, healing and miracles. *Fr. Mark Goring*, director of the Catholic Charismatic Center, is our main speaker; he brings with him a team of spirit-filled speakers. The Workshop ends with a powerful healing service. This workshop is free and lunch is provided. To register, call

**Deacon Rey Arellano at  
(713-854-8804).**

A special event celebrating  
**THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI**



**Saturday, June 2, 2018**  
Eucharistic Procession: 4:00 p.m.  
Mass: 5:30 p.m.  
Reception after Mass

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**  
507 South Fourth Street  
Richmond, Texas 77469  
281-342-3609

## EDUCATION GRANT OPPORTUNITY

St. Basil Council 4204 is offering three individual college EDUCATION GRANTS in the amount of \$1,000.00 each to 2018 graduating high school seniors. The committee of Knights will review each essay and select the winners. The following rules will apply to the awarding of the grants:

The essay may be **HANDWRITTEN** or **TYPED**

The essay must be received by **May 27, 2018** by:  
**Grand Knight Sam Gonzalez,  
 702 Burney Road, Sugar Land, TX 77498-2610.**

**The applicant's name should appear only on the cover sheet** and there shall be no reference to your name or the names of any members of your family in your essay, **or you will be disqualified.**

The essay should be written in 3 SECTIONS or PARAGRAPHS.

**Section I:** Personal history, including length of residence in the Sugar Land area, high school activities, jobs, hobbies, and community involvement.

**Section II:** Goals in life in relation to college major/minor, desired vocation after college graduation, and the name of the institution you plan to attend.

**Section III:** Respond to the following: "**What is the purpose of education from the perspective of the Catholic Church? Where does a college or university fit in that vision?"**

**References & Resources:** Holy Scriptures: Proverbs 4; Matthew 28:16-20; 1 Corinthians 12 & 13

Catechism of the Catholic Church: nos. 2221 – 2231

The Second Vatican Council: *Gravissimum Educationis* (Declaration on Christian Education)

Congregation for Catholic Education: *The Catholic School*

Pope St. John Paul II: *Address to the Bishops of the Ecclesiastical Regions of Chicago, Indianapolis, and Milwaukee (U.S.A.) on their "Ad Limina" visit (May 1998)*

Archbishop Michael J. Miller, CSB:

-*The Holy See's Teaching On Catholic Schools,*  
 -*Address given to the Solidarity Association in Washington D.C. (September 2005)*



The contest is open to the children or grandchildren of all KC's who are members in good standing at Council 4204, all Columbian Squires of Circle 3058, Jr Catholic Daughters of Court 2211, and all registered members of St. Theresa Catholic Church of Sugar Land.

The winners of these education grants and their families will be guests of the Knights of Columbus at their annual awards banquet in June. **Should there be any questions, please contact Grand Knight Sam Gonzalez at gonzalezsam29@gmail.com**

## Saint Theresa Catholic Daughters of the Americas Scholarship *Saint Theresa of Lisieux No. 2211 Sugar Land, Texas*

Court Saint Theresa of Lisieux is offering one individual college scholarships to high school graduates in the amount of \$1,000.00. To apply for this scholarship, you must be a 2018 high school graduating senior, and a member of a Catholic Church.



\*If scholarships do not meet the following requirements, Catholic Daughters will not award scholarships.\* A scholarship committee will review each essay and select the winner. The following rules apply for all entries:

### RULES:

1. Each applicant must submit a typed essay. The essay must be at least one page and cannot exceed two pages. (more than two pages will be disqualified).
2. **Must use correct grammar, syntax and spelling.**
3. **The application MUST be mailed/ or emailed postmarked by May 25, 2018 to:** St. Theresa CDA  
 803 Rolling Mill  
 Sugar Land, TX 77498 or  
 email at [ellardcda@gmail.com](mailto:ellardcda@gmail.com)
4. The applicant's name, address, emails and phone number **must only** appear on the cover sheet of the essay. There shall be NO reference to your name or the names of any family members in your essay. (This will be cause for disqualification)
5. Winners will present their essay at our June 25, 2018 CDA meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall. We must have a receipt from the college or university you are attending; we will mail a check to that college or university. This receipt must be sent to St. Theresa CDA by August 13, 2018

**ESSAY:** The essay should be written in the following three sections. Please write in an essay form; no resumes will be accepted.

**Section 1:** High school activities, community involvement.

**Section 2:** Goals in life in relation to college major, desired vocation after graduation, and the name of the college/university you plan to attend.

**Section 3:** Respond to the following question using correct grammar, syntax and spelling:

**"What impact has the Catholic Church had on preparing me for college, and college life?"**

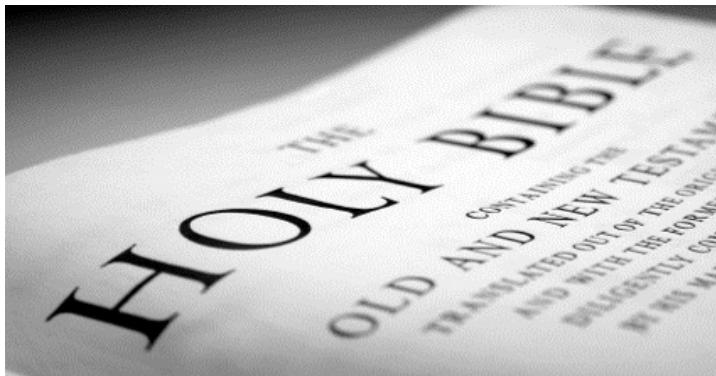
## CLUB UNIDAD (GEORGE MORALES SR.) MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Club Unidad will award a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating High School Senior who is a registered member of St. Theresa's Church. Applications may be picked up at the parish office.

For additional information or any questions regarding the scholarship, please contact **George Morales, Jr.: 281-565-5469.**

**All scholarships applications should be postmarked no later than Tuesday, May 22, 2018.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### WEEKLY READINGS

*May 14, 2018 through May 20, 2018*

Monday:	Acts 1:15-27, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday:	Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39; Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

**The Ascension of the Lord:** Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19 or, for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20

### LECTURAS SEMANALES

*14 de Mayo del 2018 al 20 de Mayo del 2018*

Lunes:	Hch 1:15-27, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17
Martes:	Hch 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a
Miércoles:	Hch 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19
Jueves:	Hch 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
Viernes:	Hch 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19
Sábado:	Hch 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25
Domingo:	Vigilia: Gn 11:1-9 o Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b o Ez 37:1-14 o Jl 3:1-5; Sal 104 (103); Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39; Dia: Hch 2:1-11; Sal 104; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 o Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 o Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

**La Ascensión del Señor:** Hch 1:15-17, 20c-26; Sal 103; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; o, para la Ascensión, Hch 1:1-11; Sal 47; Ef 1:17-23 o Ef 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mc 16:15-20

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** We kindly request that all families of our parish be registered before registering for CCE or sacramental preparation classes. Registration and change forms are available in the vestibule of the church and in the parish office. To update your parish information, please call the parish office from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR INFANTS:** Parents are asked to register their child for Baptism, to bring a copy of the child's birth certificate to the parish office, and to attend a pre-Baptism class. Godparents are encouraged to attend class. Godparents must be at least sixteen years of age, practicing Catholics, Confirmed, and, if married, married through the Church. Classes are offered the first Friday of every other month, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Parents are kindly asked not to bring their children to the class. Certificates of attendance for the baptism preparation are provided at the end of the class for those who are not baptizing at St. Theresa Church. Please call the office to register for the class at 281-494-1156, Ext. 228. **The next class will be on Friday, June 1, 2018.**

**PRE-MARRIAGE SEMINAR:** This pre-marriage seminar is to commence the marriage preparation for all couples who wish to be married within St. Theresa's Catholic community. It is held on the second Tuesday of every other month at 7:00 pm. It provides an opportunity for couples to learn about the Catholic Church's theology of matrimony and begin the process to properly receive this great sacrament of the Church. Couples will learn details of how to plan and prepare for their wedding day and matrimony thereafter. Please pre-register by calling 281-494-1156. The next seminar will be **Tuesday, June 12, 2018.** For more information please contact Deacon James Anderson at 281-224-9986.

### PRAYER FOR MY FAMILY

Loving God, I offer thanks for the gift of my family. Help us to work together for peace and harmony in our relationships.

Grant us the grace to accept each other's faults and weaknesses. Protect us from harsh words and hurt feelings.

Assist us to encourage one another's strengths and abilities. Lead us to mutual understanding and support.



May we always forgive each other's failings and rejoice in one another's successes.

Watch over my family, Dear Lord. Bless us with good health and happiness. Fill our hearts with love, patience and kindness for one another, now and always. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## R.C.I.A Testimony for Michael Horton

*From the time of Barnabas escorting Saul to the apostles (Acts 9:26-27), Christians have given witness for those seeking baptism or reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church. Today, RCIA sponsors, team and community members give testimony concerning readiness for initiation.*



Michael Horton has been dating a devout Catholic woman for a few years and she often invited Michael to attend Mass with her. Michael said his first experiences of the Mass were weird, until he learned about what was going on and why. Michael's experience of the Altar, statues, images,

and the sounds of the Mass gave him a realization that there was something else that he desired to be a part of. Growing up in a Christian household, he already had a faith in God.

While attending LSU, Michael became part of a Catholic bible study group. It was an important part of his faith journey. When he graduated and returned back to Sugar Land, he began attending Mass here and he entered the RCIA process. Michael has enjoyed learning about the Catholic faith. He finds the history of the Church fascinating, especially when reading about the early church fathers. He has enjoyed learning more about the saints and especially Mary.

Michael has taken on the discipline of praying the rosary, especially during Lent. He notices when he misses this prayer time, he feels 'off.' When he makes it a priority, he feels closer to God.

Michael has become a regular at the Vino and Vespers services, and he worked at the Bazaar, both of which have even further involved him in the community of Saint Theresa.

Michael learned that the RCIA process was more than just learning about Catholicism. He had to develop a closer relationship to Christ and this meant breaking down the walls that separated him from giving his all to Christ. Michael's gift is music. At one time he said it was important to him as God. Through this process, Michael now says he will follow wherever God is leading him, even to the point of giving up music if that would be God's will for him. Michael is now giving this gift back to God by singing in the choir.

Michael has told his sponsor, Ron Giannis, and anyone who will listen, that it is hard waiting to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord. Michael is excited to become a member of our Catholic community.



### SUGAR CANES OF SAINT THERESA

The Sugar Canes' monthly meeting is this **Wednesday, May 16, 2018**. We meet at the Parish Community Center at 11:30 am. We welcome all guests and newcomers, age 50 +, to attend our monthly meetings the 3rd Wednesday of each month - same place, same time.

After our brown bag lunch we will have a brief business meeting followed by Bingo. Coffee, iced tea, water, and desserts are provided. **God Bless!**

For more information, contact Cathy Mewis at 281-494-2482 or Carol Terral at 281-494-7527.



**Come and see.  
Explore the Catholic faith.**

If you are seventeen years of age or older and are: unbaptized, baptized in another faith community, or a baptized Catholic who has never received your First Holy Communion, then the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is for you!

The next Inquiry Gathering will be Wednesday, **May 16, 2018** from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. **You may begin the process at any time during the year.** Free babysitting is available upon request. Bring your spouse or friend, if you'd like. These informal gatherings are structured to answer your questions about the Catholic Church. The RCIA team is ready to walk your journey of faith with you.

Contact Lynda Knoche at 281-450-1400 or by e-mail: [lynda@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:lynda@sugarlandcatholic.com).

If you, your child or someone you know is between the ages of seven and sixteen, not baptized or baptized in another faith community, we have an RCIA process suited to your age group. Inquiry sessions are every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Please schedule an appointment with Paul Stoessel via phone (281-494-1156) or e-mail ([paul@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:paul@sugarlandcatholic.com)) prior to attending your first session.

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Omnipotent and eternal God, the everlasting Salvation of those who believe, hear us on behalf of Thy sick servant, **N.**, for whom we beg the aid of Thy loving mercy, that, with his bodily health restored, he may give thanks to Thee in Thy church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

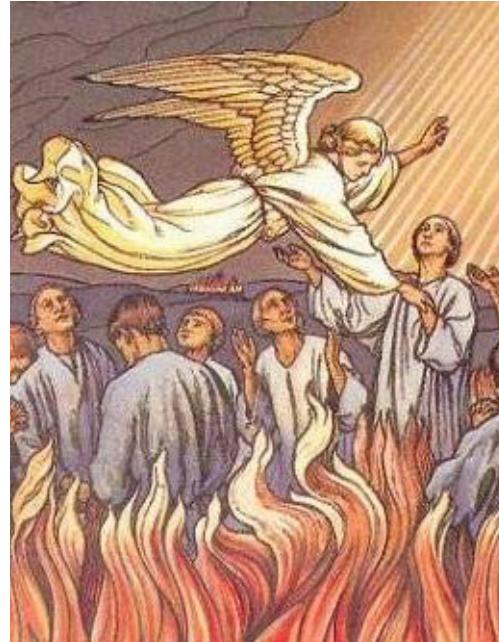
Sandra Aguilar	Joe Puga
Enrique Barajas	Mary Lou Ramsey
Rita Beckey	Bernadette Roberts
Teresinha B. Bitdinger	Barbara M. Saenz
Matthew Cortes	Gwen Salisbury
Jan Counts	Nigel Smith
Karen Cromer	Ava Stone
Elia Davila	Gary Sudela
Raul De Freitas	Baldemar Torres
Dennis Deruytter	Daniel Santiago Villasana
Brittany Dodson	Jerelyn Walker
Gerry Doyle	Frank Williams
JoAnn Duncan	
Maria Elvira	
Maria Ewah	
Paula Flores	
Andrea Catalina Garcia	
Daniel Lee Garcia	
Maria Elena Garcia	
Doris Gijon	
Fernando Gomez	
Martha Gonzalez	
Bernice Guess	
Deacon Glenn Haller	
Ann Hamilton	
Edith Hartenstein	
Wayne Heitman	
Alice Hicks	
Tyler Hill	
Larry Klaus	
Arnold Knoche	
Shirley Kreimeyer	
Judy Lancaster	
Alfredo Hernandez Lara	
Paul Matocha	
Dick Memmer	
Hertha Meyer	
Julia G. Moreno	
Rocio Munoz	
Jun & Wilma Narvacan	
Rita Nauck	
Mildred Netardus	
Fr. Roy Oggero	
Janne Perez-Quila	

## PRAYER FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

*We remember with gratitude, and pray for God's mercy upon:*

Deacon Frank Cromer, Deacon Don Senger, James Hopkins, Frances Scott, Thomas Koon, Amalia Ponce DeLeon, Elmo Ordeneaux, Carlos Hernandez, Santiago Abaigar, Efrain Lee Davis, Joyce Franklin, Bob Roberts, Anita Swoboda, Jeannine Pencak, Jorge Cavazos Jr., Ana Daisy Valencia, Joseph David Welsh, Christopher Lee Johnson, Martin Stieb, Margarita Tobon, Andrew Dojs, Kim Poroo, Maria S. Melendez, Mary Camacho, Arturo Trujillo, John McDonald, Annette O'Shea, Carmen Luz Santiago, Julio Gonzalez, Emma G. Torres, Geralyn M. Blanchette, Chris Bordonaro, Ryan Sparkman, Richard O'Grady, Patricia Shannon, Helen DeRegil, Harry Richards, Robert Lee Byrd



**Teach me, O Lord, to do Thy will, for Thou art my God (Psalm 142:10).**

*-Indulgence. 500 days*



## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Gladden us with holy joys, almighty God,  
and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving,  
for the Ascension of Christ your Son  
is our exaltation, and, where the Head has  
gone before in glory, the Body is called  
to follow in hope.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*“Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature” (Mark 16:15).*

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