

# THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 Memling, Hans.  
*Christ with singing Angels.*  
 1480, oil on panel.  
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## MASS AND CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**WEEKDAY MASS  
MISA ENTRE SEMANA**

Monday—Friday  
6:45 a.m., 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday  
5:30 p.m.

Miércoles  
7:00 p.m. (español)

Friday (Extraordinary Form)  
5:30 p.m.

\*Please see above for changes  
to the Mass Schedule this week\*

**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 a las 6:00 p.m. (español)

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to the Mass Schedule this week\*

**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.

## Pope Francis at Mass: bishop, a humble and meek servant, not a prince

*During Mass, Monday morning, Pope Francis spoke about the qualities of a bishop that St. Paul speaks about in his letter to Titus.*

**By Robin Gomes**



A humble and meek servant, not a prince. This is what a bishop should be according to Pope Francis. Celebrating Holy Mass, Monday morning, at the Casa Santa Marta in the Vatican, he delivered a homily outlining the qualities of a bishop. He took his cue from the **Letter of St. Paul to Titus** in the day's Mass, that describes in detail the figure of a bishop, to bring order in the Church.

### Church not born in complete order

The Pope pointed out that the Church was born amidst **zeal and disorder** but also "**admirable things**" were accomplished. He noted that there is always confusion and disorder with the power of the **Holy Spirit** but we must not be afraid because it is a beautiful sign. Speaking in Italian, the Pope explained that the Church was never born with everything in order, in place, without problems, or confusion - never. However this confusion, this disorder, he said, must be **resolved and put in order**. As an example, he pointed to the first **Council of Jerusalem** where there was a struggle between Judaizes and non - Judaizes , but the Council finally fixed the problem.

### Bishop, administrator of God not of goods

Pope Francis said that St. Paul leaves Titus in Crete to set things right, reminding him that "**the first thing is faith**". At the same time, he provides some criteria and instructions on the figure of the bishop. The Pope outlined the definition of a bishop as a "**steward of God**", **not of goods, power, mutual self-interest** but only the interest of God. The bishop always has to correct and ask himself, "Am I an **administrator of God or a businessman?**" The bishop, the administrator of God must be **irreproachable** – something that God asked of Abraham: "Walk in my presence and be irreproachable". This, the Pope said, is the basic quality of a leader.

### Qualities of bishop

Pope Francis also spoke about what a bishop should not be. He should not be arrogant or conceited, ill-tempered or giving in to drinking, one of the most common vices in Paul's time, not a businessman or attached to money. He said it would be a calamity for the Church if a bishop had only one of these defects. Instead, a bishop should be able to "give hospitality", a "lover of good", "sensible, just, holy, master of himself, faithful to the Word worthy of the faith that he was taught". The Holy Father said it would be nice to ask these questions at the beginning of an investigation before the election of bishops, before going ahead with other inquiries. According to Pope Francis, a bishop, above all must be **humble and meek, a servant not a prince**. This, he said, is the Word of God. This, he said, is not something new after Vatican II but goes back much earlier to the time of Paul. This is from the beginning when the Church realized that it had to fix the problem of bishops. What counts before God is not being nice and preaching well but humility and service. The Pope concluded urging for prayers for bishops so that "they may be, or we may be, as Paul asks us to be".

## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS SOCKS & GLOVES DRIVE



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Donations may be dropped off in front of St. Theresa Church after all Masses  
**TODAY**  
**November 18, 2018.**

Socks and gloves of all sizes for women, children and men are needed.  
Donations will be given to  
**Fort Bend Women's Center and Houston Casa Juan Diego**



The Nursery will be closed on **Sunday, November 25th** so that the childcare workers may enjoy the Thanksgiving Holiday with family and friends.

*Have a blessed Thanksgiving!*

**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. Los Papas y los padrinos deben asistir a la clase. Los padrinos deben de ser mayores de dieciséis (16) años, católicos practicantes, tener sus sacramentos iniciales de bautizo, comunión y confirmación y si están casados, deben de estar casados 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 hoy el 13 de Enero 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. **El próximo seminario es el Jueves 10 de Enero 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 Kinder 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.

**CATÓLICO BÁSICO:** Católico Básico es para padres de los niños que asisten a catequesis por primera vez y desean que sus hijos se preparen para la formación de los Sacramentos de Reconciliación {Confesión} y La Primera Comunión. Esta clase es una vez al mes {en martes} 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.

**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 281-494-1156 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? Regístrese 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 Rodriguez 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.

**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.

**ORACIÓN Y VIDA:** El Talleres de Oración y Vida te ofrece un método práctico y variado para aprender a orar y relacionarte con Dios.

**Para adultos:** Informes: Jessica 713-517-7276

**Para jóvenes:** Informes: Nancy 281-886-6761

**CRECIMIENTO III:** Crecimiento III te invita a las clases de formación, aprenderás a orar y leer la Biblia. Las clases son los domingos de 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm en Centro Familiar. Para mas información llamar a Rocio Padilla 832-573-3713 o Ana Perez 281-948-3349.



## Fecha de repuesto de Entrenamiento del Ministerio Litúrgico

Lector

Domingo  
Noviembre 18  
a las 6:30 p.m.

Para ministros nuevos y actuales.  
Por favor, haga todo lo posible para asistir.



## ¿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 18 de Noviembre del 2018** de 10:00 am a 12:00 pm en el salón B1/7. 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.

## Papa en Santa Marta: el obispo es un servidor y no un príncipe

*Humilde, templado y no príncipe. Así es como el Papa Francisco describe como debe ser el perfil de un obispo, al comentar la Carta de San Pablo Apóstol a Tito en su homilía en la Casa Santa Marta de hoy.*

*Benedetta Capelli  
Ciudad del Vaticano*

Es la Carta del Apóstol San Pablo a Tito la que ha dirigido la reflexión del Papa Francisco en su homilía de la Misa matutina en Casa Santa Marta y en la que el Papa ha diseñado con mínimo detalle un boceto de la figura del obispo; una definición de los criterios para poner orden en la Iglesia.



## La Iglesia no nació completamente ordenada

Fervor y desorden son las dos palabras que el Papa usa para contar cómo nació la Iglesia, recordando incluso las "cosas admirables" realizadas. "Siempre hay confusión - afirma - la fuerza del Espíritu, desorden y no debemos asustarnos" porque "es un buen signo". "Nunca la Iglesia ha nacido completamente ordenada, todo en orden, sin problemas, sin confusión, nunca. Siempre ha nacido así. Y esa confusión, ese desorden, debe ser arreglado. Es verdad, porque las cosas deben ponerse en orden; pensemos, por ejemplo, al primer Concilio de Jerusalén: había una lucha entre los judaizantes y los no judaizantes ... Pensemos bien: hacen el Concilio y arreglan las cosas".

## Obispo, administrador de Dios y no de bienes

Por eso - subraya el Papa - Pablo deja a Tito en Creta para poner orden, recordándole que "lo primero es la fe". Al mismo tiempo, da los criterios y las instrucciones sobre la figura del obispo "como administrador de Dios". "La definición que da del obispo es 'administrador de Dios', no de bienes, de poder, de las cordadas, no: de Dios. Siempre tiene que corregirse a sí mismo y preguntarse: '¿Yo soy un administrador de Dios o soy un hombre de negocios?'. El obispo es administrador de Dios. Debe ser irrepreensible: esta palabra es la misma que Dios le ha pedido a Abraham: 'Camina en mi presencia y sé irrepreensible'. Es una palabra fundadora, de un líder".

## El perfil para la elección del obispo

Francisco también recuerda como no debe ser un obispo. En la definición, explica que el obispo no debe ser arrogante, ni soberbio, ni enojado ni adicto al vino - uno de los vicios más comunes en la época de Pablo - ni tampoco un hombre de negocios apegado al dinero. Sería "una calamidad para la Iglesia - dice - un obispo como ese", incluso si solo tuviera uno de estos defectos. Por el contrario, el Papa señala que debe ser capaz de "dar hospitalidad", debe ser "amante del bien", "sensible, justo, santo, amo de sí mismo, fiel a la Palabra digna de fe que le ha sido enseñada": estas son las peculiaridades del servidor de Dios. "Así es el obispo. Este es el perfil del obispo. Y cuando se investiga para la elección de los obispos, ¿sería bueno hacer estas preguntas al principio? Para saber si se puede ir adelante con otras investigaciones. Pero sobre todo, veamos que el obispo debe ser humilde, manso, siervo, no príncipe. Esta es la Palabra de Dios. "Ah, sí, padre, esto es cierto, esto después del Concilio Vaticano II debe hacerse ..." - "¡No, después de Pablo!". No es una novedad postconciliar esta. Esto es desde el principio, cuando la Iglesia se dio cuenta de que tenía que poner orden con tales obispos". "En la Iglesia - concluye el Papa - no se puede poner orden sin esta actitud de los obispos". Lo que cuenta ante Dios no es ser simpáticos, predicar bien, sino la humildad y el servicio. Recordando la memoria de San Giosafat, obispo y mártir, Francisco pide rezar por los obispos para que "sean así, somos así, como Pablo nos pide ser".



# SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## -THE GRIFFIN NEWS-

### STCS GRIFFIN ATHLETICS

With the arduous task of competing in their first year in the Galveston-Houston Catholic Athletics Association, the Griffin Varsity Volleyball Team completed their season winning 3 out of their last 4 games and finishing 6<sup>th</sup> out of 9 teams. This was a tremendous accomplishment considering that the majority of our Griffin Team were 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders, competing against 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams. We are looking forward to the future of this team as our tremendous coaches, Evelyn and Gary Copelin, continue assisting the girls to hone and develop their skills with the unyielding support of our Athletic Coordinator, Coach Augustine Nwoko. The Griffin Volleyball Program is making us known in the Archdiocese, since they have a firm foundation not only in faith and morals, but also athletics.



**In celebration of our 10th Anniversary  
Saint Theresa Catholic School Cookbooks are now on sale!**

Please contact the School Office at 281-494-1157 if you are interested in purchasing one.

*All proceeds go to the Griffin Playground Fund.*

### UPCOMING SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE EVENTS

**Thursday, November 29, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.**

**Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.**

**Applications for new families are available starting December 1, 2018**

**For more information, please contact Betty Pruski at  
281-494-1157 or at [bpruski@sttheresacatholicschool.org](mailto:bpruski@sttheresacatholicschool.org)**



## Knights of Columbus

### “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest

Open to all students ages 5-14

**\$50.00** - award for first place winners in each age group. Age Groups: 5-7; 8-10; 11-14

Winning posters will be forwarded to the next level of competition.

First-place posters, in each age group, that advance all the way to the **International Level** will receive:

**\$250.00** - for First Place

**\$100.00** - for the two runner-ups

**All Posters are due by December 8, 2018.**

For more detailed information and entry form, go to [www.KC4204](http://www.KC4204) or contact Sam Gonzalez at 281-980-8762 or email at [GonzalezSam29@gmail.com](mailto:GonzalezSam29@gmail.com)



Altar flower sponsorship opportunities are still available for this year.

*In remembrance of a loved one, a donation toward an Altar arrangement is a lovely gesture.*

Please call the parish office for more details: 281-494-1156

### SAINT THERESA EVANGELIZATION & DISCIPLESHIP

### Bible Study for Adults Continuing with the Gospel of John

Next Bible study will be  
**November 29th**  
7:00pm – 8:30pm  
*Youth Lounge*  
Light Refreshments  
will be available

**Bring a Bible**  
(Catholic translation  
preferred—NAB, NJB, etc.)

**Questions? Contact**  
**Joseph Mastrangelo**  
[joseph@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:joseph@sugarlandcatholic.com)  
281-494-1156

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Houston, Texas 77074  
713-270-1940

To speak with the person who towed your vehicle, call 832-607-4652.

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# 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 Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.

**Elementary CCE** is on Tuesdays at 6:45 p.m. and Wednesdays 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 Tuesdays & Wednesdays (Sept.-May) at 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. in the Education Building/School

## HIGH SCHOOL

Contact our Director of Youth Ministry and High School Faith Formation, Gabriel Castillo: [Gabriel@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:Gabriel@sugarlandcatholic.com) with any questions or if you'd like to get involved!



building disciples by loving God and others

**SAINT THERESA YOUTH EVANGELIZATION**

We are having an excellent time in Sunday Faith Formation!  
 High School (Grades 9-12) Faith Formation Classes:  
 Sundays at 2:45 p.m.

**Confirmation classes are completely full.**

For info or questions about youth Faith Formation, contact Claire Aalerud:  
[Claire@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:Claire@sugarlandcatholic.com)



### What is unique about the Catholic Church? Come and See.

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!

#### NO INQUIRY November 21

The next Inquiry Gathering will be Wednesday, **November 28, 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.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Monday, November 19, 2018

*Weekday in Ordinary Time*

6:45 a.m. ✕ Jeff Whitten

8:30 a.m. ✕ Bill Louviere

### Tuesday, November 20

*Weekday in Ordinary Time*

6:45 a.m. ✕ Percival Eugenio

8:30 a.m. ✕ Augusthy Thomman

5:30 p.m. ✕ Philip Nguyen

### Wednesday, November 21

*Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

6:45 a.m. ✕ Mario Martinez

8:30 a.m. ✕ LaVerne Bursch

### Thursday, November 22

*Thanksgiving Day*

10:00 a.m. Celebrant Intentions

### Friday, November 23

*St. Clement I*

6:45 a.m. ✕ Adolfo Umengan

8:30 a.m. ✕ George Morales Sr.

### Saturday, November 24

*St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions*

8:30 a.m. Deceased members of

Oronsaye Family

5:00 p.m. ✕ Al & Betty Goehring

### Sunday, November 25

*Our Lord Jesus Christ,*

*King of the Universe*

6:30 a.m. Anderson Family

8:00 a.m. ✕ Faustino & Josefina Muñoz

10:00 a.m. Julianna Adika Mgbeahurike

12:00 p.m. CDA

2:00 p.m. Parish Family

5:00 p.m. ✕ Jose Luis R. Montoya Castillo

*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, November 19

NO Events

### Tuesday, November 20

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, B9  
 7:00 p.m. Natural Family Planning, FLC-B

### Wednesday, November 21

11:30 a.m. Sugar Canes, C.C.  
 7:00 p.m. RCIA, FLC-A  
 7:00 p.m. RICA, B1/7  
 7:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Group, FLC-B  
 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, November 22

NO Events

### Friday, November 23

NO Events

### Saturday, November 24

9:00 a.m. Learn English Ministry  
 9:15 a.m. Legion of Mary Meeting  
 9:30 a.m. Rosary Group, B6

### Sunday, November 25

9:00 a.m. Spanish Bible Study, C.C.  
 9:30 a.m. Catechesis/Catecismo, Escuela  
 9:30 a.m. RCIA Catechumens, FLC  
 9:30 a.m. RICA para Niños  
 10:00 a.m. CCE-Pre-K, B3, B4, B5  
 10:00 a.m. RICA para Adultos, B1/7  
 2:00 p.m. Legion of Mary, FLC-A  
 2:45 p.m. Faith Formation/High School, C.C.  
 3:30 p.m. Jubilate Deo Rehearsal  
 3:30 p.m. String Orchestra Rehearsal  
 6:00 p.m. Rosary Group, Emmaus Chapel

## SUNDAY OFFERTORY

November 11, 2018	\$ 27,474
Online Giving	\$ 4,778
Total	\$ 32,252

## PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

*Totals as of November 11, 2018*

Next Goal	\$ 5,000,000
Pledged	\$ 3,231,949
Payments	\$ 962,055

907 Participants

Current parish debt \$ 2,890,929

Amount still owed to  
Archdiocesan Capital  
Campaign (*IGNITE*) \$ 1,040,964

## DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2018

*Totals as of November 11, 2018*

Goal	\$ 205,000
Pledged	\$ 146,553
Payments	\$ 137,571

417 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)



### SUGAR CANES OF SAINT THERESA

The Sugar Canes' monthly meeting is this **Wednesday, November 21, 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.

The annual Thanksgiving dinner will NOT be catered this year. **God Bless!**

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



St. Vincent de Paul office will be closed on **Friday, November 23, and Monday, November 26, 2018** in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

They will re-open on **Friday, November 30, 2018**.

### 12 Day Eastern Europe Pilgrimage

*Poland – Czech Republic – Austria – Hungary*

**October 7 – 18, 2019**

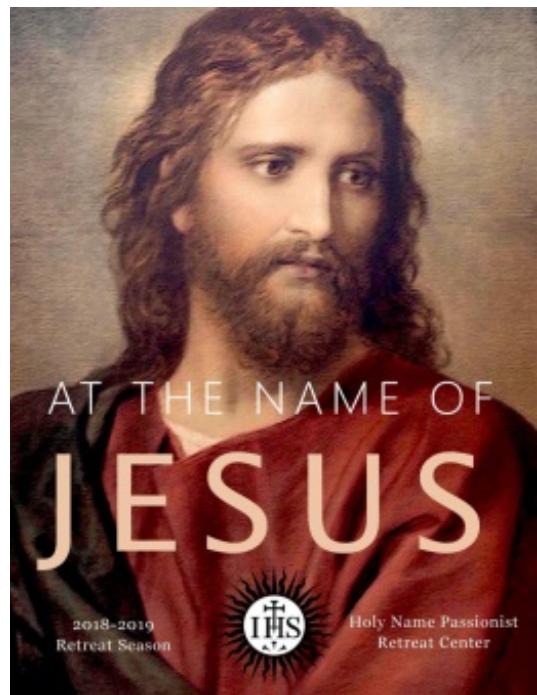
\$3,490.00 per person from Houston

Spiritual Director: **Fr. Gregorio Mirto**  
Tour Coordinator: **Dr. Mercedes Sulit**

Includes: roundtrip air transportation from Houston, comfortable accommodations (double occupancy), two meals a day (buffet breakfast & dinner), guidance from English speaking pilgrimage guides, daily Mass, entrance fees, airport taxes, and fuel surcharges (subject to change), and tips to guides and drivers.

For further information, please contact Mercedes Sulit at 832-729-0906 or email: [Sulit.mercedes@yahoo.com](mailto:Sulit.mercedes@yahoo.com)

## “At the Name of Jesus” *A Women’s Retreat*



Join the ladies of Saint Theresa's for spiritual renewal at Holy Name Retreat Center the weekend of **February 22-24, 2019**.

The theme of the retreat will be:  
**“At the Name of Jesus”**

For more information, contact Holy Name Retreat Center (713-464-0211), Carla Anderson at 337-849-4707, Gladys Zamora at 832-212-2251, or visit [holynameretreatcenter.com/catholic-retreat-registration-home/](http://holynameretreatcenter.com/catholic-retreat-registration-home/) for details and registration information.

**PRAYER BEFORE MASS**

Almighty and ever-living God, I approach the sacrament of Your only-begotten Son Our Lord Jesus Christ. I come sick to the doctor of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the radiance of eternal light, and poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Lord, in your great generosity, heal my sickness, wash away my defilement, enlighten my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness. May I receive the bread of angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with humble reverence, with the purity and faith, the repentance and love, and the determined purpose that will help to bring me to salvation. May I receive the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, and its reality and power. Kind God, may I receive the Body of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born from the womb of the Virgin Mary, and so be received into His mystical body and numbered among His members. Loving Father, as on my earthly pilgrimage I now receive Your beloved Son under the veil of a sacrament, may I one day see him face to face in glory, who lives and reigns with You for ever. Amen.

*Saint Thomas Aquinas*

**THANKSGIVING AFTER MASS**

I thank you, holy Lord, almighty Father, eternal God, who deigned to feast me, sinful and unworthy servant, with the precious body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, not for any merit of mine, but only because of your merciful goodness. And I pray that this Holy Communion, far from condemning me to punishment, may bring about my pardon and salvation, encompassing me with the armor of faith and the shield of a good will. By it let my vices be done away, all lustful desires extinguished. May it advance me in charity, patience, humility, obedience, and every other virtue. Let it be strong defense against the wiles of all my enemies, visible and invisible, allaying for me every disturbance of flesh and spirit, binding me firmly to you, the one true God, and bringing my last hour to a happy close. I pray, too, that it may be your pleasure to call my sinful self one day to that banquet, wonderful past all telling, where you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, feast your saints with the vision of yourself, who are true light, the fulfillment of all desires, the joy that knows no ending, gladness unalloyed, and perfect bliss: through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Saint Thomas Aquinas*

**SHARING SUNDAY CHRISTMAS GIFT PROGRAM**

We encourage you to pull a tag from the Christmas tree and purchase a gift to share with those in need. The Christmas tree will be up from **November 30th** through **December 16th**.

On Sharing Sunday (**December 15th & 16th**), we ask that you bring your UNWRAPPED gift to any of the Sunday Masses. Gifts will be brought up to the steps of the sanctuary when requested.

**Ways to Help:****Purple Tag Night**

**November 30th at 6:00 p.m.**

*Help assemble tags in the Family Life Center Room A*

**Sharing Sunday**

**December 15th & 16th** after each Mass

*Help move gifts from the Church to the Community Center (trucks/vans welcome!)*

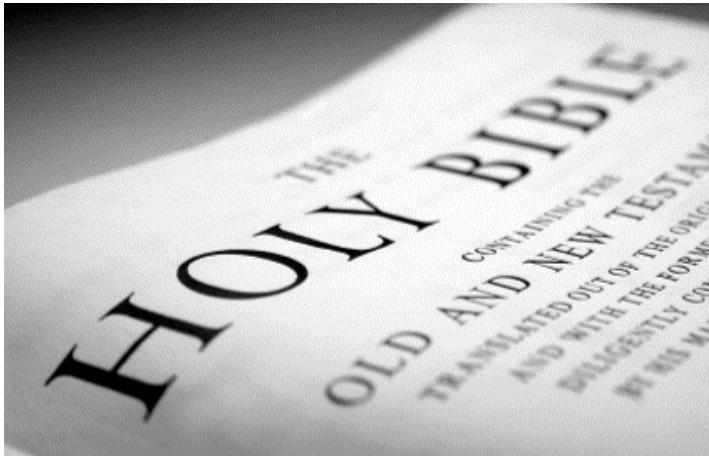
**Tag Replenish**

*Help replenish purple tags on the tree after each Mass (baskets of tags will be nearby)*

Gift Distribution will be **December 17th - December 18th** from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Please contact Belinda Orsborn if you have any questions at 832-248-4995.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### WEEKLY READINGS

*November 19, 2018 through November 25, 2018*

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| Monday:    | Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43  |
| Tuesday:   | Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10   |
| Wednesday: | Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28  |
| Thursday:  | Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44; Thanksgiving Day:<br>Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19 |
| Friday:    | Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48   |
| Saturday:  | Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40   |
| Sunday:    | Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37   |

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

### LECTURAS SEMANALES

*19 de Noviembre del 2018 al 25 de Noviembre del 2018*

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|------------|--|
| Lunes:     | Ap 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Lc 18:35-43   |
| Martes:    | Ap 3:1-6, 14-22; Lc 19:1-10  |
| Miércoles: | Ap 4:1-11; Lc 19:11-28   |
| Jueves:    | Ap 5:1-10; Lc 19:41-44; Día de Acción de Gracias: Sir 50:22-24; 1 COR 1:3-9; Lc 17:11-19 |
| Viernes:   | Ap 10:8-11; Lc 19:45-48  |
| Sábado:    | Ap 11:4-12; Lc 20:27-40  |
| Domingo:   | Dn 7:13-14; Sal 93 (92); Apo 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37   |

**Trigésimo Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario:** Dn 12:1-3; Sal 16 (15); Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mc 13:24-32

**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 and to register for the pre-Baptism class. Parents and Godparents must attend the class. Godparents must be at least sixteen years of age, practicing Catholics, have received their Initiation Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation, if married, married through the Catholic 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. **The next class will be on Friday, December 7, 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, December 11, 2018.** For more information please

### 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.

**Bulletin Announcements:** Submissions to the bulletin are due on the Friday (10 days) before the Sunday of publication. Send bulletin notices to Michelle Rivas at [michelle.rivas@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:michelle.rivas@sugarlandcatholic.com) or FAX: 281-242-1393.

**E-Blast:** Visit our parish website ([sugarlandcatholic.com](http://sugarlandcatholic.com)) and click on the link to sign up for our bi-monthly e-blast. Every two weeks, an e-mail will be sent directly to your computer or smart phone with updated information about parish schedules, events, and more. Sign up today!

**Gabriel Project:** Gabriel Project is seeking monetary or material donations for pregnant women in need. Please contact Pina at 281-650-1225 or [sttheresa.prolife@gmail.com](mailto:sttheresa.prolife@gmail.com)

**Marriage Encounter:** Are you looking for a new way to let your spouse know you love them in the midst of your jobs, carpooling the kids, and trying to keep up with your house, pool, and yard? Tell him or her they're still #1 in your life... share a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend with each other. Contact Brian & Tina Little at 281-773-4014 or on-line at [www.houstonme.org](http://www.houstonme.org).

**Monthly Pro-Life Rosary:** The first Sunday of each month we pray the Rosary to end abortion. **Sunday, December 2, 2018** we will pray the Rosary after the 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Masses in front of the Right to Life Monument.

**Nursery:** The nursery is open during the 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & Noon Sunday Masses. Children from 18 months to 4 years of age are welcome. No reservation is necessary. For more information, contact Andrea Ramsey at 281-725-0127.

**Project Rachel:** If you are grieving from a past abortion, contact a member of our Pro-Life team (see page 15) or our diocesan Project Rachel ministry coordinator, Julie Fritsch, for confidential help (713-741-8728).

**St. Theresa's Mothers' Playgroup:** Mothers and children welcome! We meet at 10:00 a.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month in the church nursery. Contact Karen Jesko at 281-787-1539 for more information.

**Loving Embrace Infertility Support Group:** Meets the 3rd Thursday, each month, 7:30-9pm. Monthly meeting rotation: Couples Dinner, Ladies Dinner, and Couples Discussion. *Loving Embrace* is a Catholic educational support group for couples who have endured or are presently enduring the pain and suffering of infertility. The group provides support for coping with infertility and explores resources, methods, and options that are morally faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church. For rotation information contact Erin Colaco at [infertilitysupporthouston@gmail.com](mailto:infertilitysupporthouston@gmail.com)

**Military Bulletin Board:** Please contact Cheryl Pospisil ([c.pospisil@yahoo.com](mailto:c.pospisil@yahoo.com)) with any updates to the Military bulletin board in the narthex. This includes adding new pictures or updating the information currently on the board. Photos (with accompanying descriptions) can also be dropped off at the church office.

**Grief Support Ministry:** The hopelessness and sadness that comes from experiencing the loss of a loved one can leave us frozen in place, just trying to cope with everyday life. Support groups are an important tool for finding hope and coping tools on this journey. We are a group of compassionate lay people who also have experienced the death of someone we dearly loved. Join us to listen and share, because no one should grieve alone! For more information please contact Sandy Barber at 832-451-9117 or [walkthroughgrief@gmail.com](mailto:walkthroughgrief@gmail.com).

**Perpetual Adoration Ministry:** The perpetual adoration ministry is a Eucharistic devotion where people commit to taking an hour to praise and worship Jesus before the Most Blessed Sacrament. The hour you sign up for is spent in silent prayer and meditation. You may bring your own prayer books, use the books in the chapel, read the Bible, pray the rosary, or just sit and enjoy the peace that comes from simply being in the Presence of God. Adoration is in the Emmaus Chapel; it is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. For more information, contact Rebecca Freeman at 281-844-4616.

**Club Unidad:** Our vision is to be a service ministry organization, effectively using our gifts and talents to serve the needs within and outside our community. Our mission is to actively encourage involvement in church activities by members of our Spanish-speaking community, to take the lead in celebrating religious feasts, to be available and lend a helping hand to both the church and fellow parishioners, and to promote higher education by granting scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are registered parishioners. For more information, please contact George Morales, Jr. at 281-565-5469.

**Lay Carmelites Ministry:** The Lay Carmelites are an order, not an organization. They are one of the oldest religious orders that follow the contemplative life. They live their daily lives in a secular society, evangelizing, serving, and following the examples of the many Carmelite Saints. For more information please contact Tonie Arizpe at 832-715-6281.

**Pastoral Council:** The Pastoral Council is made up of 12 members elected to three-year terms who represent parishioners, parish ministries, and parish organizations. The Council serves in a consultative capacity with the Pastor by bringing forth concerns from the community and working with the Pastor to resolve them. The Council also coordinates parish events and helps the parish meet the needs of the parishioners. The Council meets monthly.

**Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic:** The Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic (a.k.a. Dominican Laity) are Lay Catholic men and women, single and married, who serve God in the world as members of the order of preachers (Dominicans). We constantly seek to develop a spiritual life rooted in the pillars of prayer, study, community, and preaching in to the lay state. We meet as a group once a month at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in midtown Houston. If you have been a practicing Catholic for at least two years and would like to discern whether you have a Lay Dominican vocation, we'd love to hear from you! For more information, please e-mail Alan Phipps, O.P. at [alanphipps@gmail.com](mailto:alanphipps@gmail.com) or call 281-410-1856.

# 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	Janne Perez-Quila
Enrique Barajas	Joe Puga
Evelyn Bartos	Mary Lou Ramsey
Rita Beckey	Bernadette Roberts
Servando Bermudez	Barbara M. Saenz
Matthew Cortes	Gwen Salisbury
Karen Cromer	Nigel Smith
Raul De Freitas	Ava Stone
Dennis Deruytter	Gary Sudela
Brittany Dodson	Baldemar Torres
Gerry Doyle	Daniel Santiago Villasana
Maria Elvira	Jerelyn Walker
Maria Ewah	Frank Williams
Paula Flores	
Andrea Catalina Garcia	
Maria Elena Garcia	
Fr. Sean Garrity	
Doris Gijon	
Fernando Gomez	
Martha Gonzalez	
Bernice Guess	
Wilda Guidry	
Deacon Glenn Haller	
Ann Hamilton	
Edith Hartensteiner	
Wayne Heitman	
Sylvia Hernandez	
Tyler Hill	
Augustine Hoang	
Larry Klaus	
Arnold Knoche	
Shirley Kreimeyer	
Debbie Kutra	
Alfredo Hernandez Lara	
Carlos Alberto Lopez	
Dick Memmer	
Hertha Meyer	
Jesus Meza	
Julia G. Moreno	
Tom Nauck	
Jun & Wilma Narvacan	
Rita Nauck	
Mildred Netardus	
Fr. Roy Oggero	

## 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, Deacon Joaquin Garcia, 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. Mendez, Mary Camacho, Arturo Trujillo, John McDonald, Annette O'Shea, Carmen Luz Santiago, Julio Gonzalez, Emma G. Torres, Karen Lowery, Geralyn M. Blanchette, Chris Bordonaro, Ryan Sparkman, Richard O'Grady, Patricia Shannon, Helen DeRegil, Harry Richards, Robert Lee Byrd, Ulvio Lamar, Theodore Patrick Gahan, Jr., Silvino Martinez, Daniel Lee Garcia, Judy Lancaster, Paul Matocha, JoAnn Duncan, Hector Garza, Pablo Gurrola, Maria Avitia, Jean Toner, Mary Covarrubias, William Louviere, Linda Casey, Alice Hicks, Brandon Freeman, Mark Rychlik, Angel Marcucci, Ralph Leal, Teresinha B. Bitdinger, Max Ybarra, Ramon Bondoc, Kitty Burney



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

*-Indulgence. 500 days*



## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,  
the constant gladness of being devoted  
to you, for it is full and lasting  
happiness to serve with constancy  
the author of all that is good.

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.**

*“And they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in the clouds’  
with great power and glory.” (Mark 13:24-32)*

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