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VESPERS & VINO



Young Adults: you're invited to our next *Vespers & Vino*, starting 6:30 pm in the chapel **this coming Friday, January 11**. We'll pray, then have some good wine and share a nice meal.

Feel free to bring a favorite bottle to share.

Wherever the Catholic sun doth shine, There's always laughter and good red wine. At least I've always found it so. *Benedicamus Domino!*

Hilaire Belloc

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Dolci, Carlo. *Adoration of the Magi*.
1633 - 1634, oil on canvas.
Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum,
Glasgow, Scotland.

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.

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)

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 Vigil Mass: 'God gives life at Christmas'

Celebrating "Mass During the Night" on Christmas Eve in St. Peter's Basilica, Pope Francis says Jesus' birth in a manger teaches us to share our lives with our brothers and sisters in need.



By Devin Watkins

"In Bethlehem, we discover that God does not take life, but gives it." In his homily at Mass on Christmas Eve, Pope Francis said the location of Jesus' birth marks a turning point in the course of history.

House of Bread

He noted that Bethlehem means "house of bread", and that Mary laid Jesus in a manger. "It is as if he wanted to say: 'Here I am, as your food.'" The Pope said Jesus gives us his very self, teaching us to live our lives in a new way: "not by devouring and hoarding, but by sharing and giving." We feed on Jesus, the bread of life, and are reborn in love, breaking the vicious cycle of grasping and greed. In Scripture, said the Pope, humanity's original sin was to take and eat a forbidden food. "Mankind became greedy and voracious." Even today, he said, a few people often eat splendid meals while a great many others go without even enough bread to survive. "Standing before the manger, we understand that the food of life is not material riches but love, not gluttony but charity, not ostentation but simplicity," he said.

Share with others

Pope Francis said Jesus knows we need to be fed daily, so he offered himself every day of his life. "Today too, on the altar, he becomes bread broken for us; he knocks at our door, to enter and eat with us." If we welcome God into our hearts and allow Him to dwell there, he said, history changes. "For once Jesus dwells in our heart, the center of life is no longer my ravenous and selfish ego, but the One who is born and lives for love." The Holy Father said Jesus invites us at Christmas to rise quickly from the table and to serve others, sharing our bread with those who have none.

Be not afraid

Pope Francis went on to say that Bethlehem is also called the "city of David". Before becoming king, David was a shepherd whom God chose to shepherd and lead His people. On Christmas night, shepherds welcomed Jesus in the world. An angel appeared and said to them: "Be not afraid." The Holy Father said we hear that phrase so often in the Gospels because God knows we are afraid due to our sin. "Bethlehem is the remedy for this fear, because despite man's repeated 'no', God constantly says 'yes'. He will always be God-with-us." God, said Pope Francis, makes Himself a little child so as not to frighten us.

Waiting or wanting?

The shepherds were not sleeping when the angel came; they were keeping watch. The Holy Father said our life can either be marked by waiting or by wanting. If we await the Lord amid "the gloom of our problems", he said, "we will receive his life." But if we only spend our lives in selfish want, "where all that matters are our own strengths and abilities," he said, "our heart then remains barred to God's light." Pope Francis said the shepherds set out immediately and take a risk for God by leaving their flocks unguarded. After seeing Jesus, they go off to proclaim his birth. "To keep watch, to set out, to risk, to recount the beauty: all these are acts of love," he said.

Love our brothers and sisters

At Christmas, Pope Francis concluded, we all want to go up to Bethlehem. "Today too, the road is uphill: the heights of our selfishness need to be surmounted, and we must not lose our footing or slide into worldliness and consumerism." So we entrust ourselves to the Lord, he said. "Take me upon your shoulders, Good Shepherd; loved by you, I will be able to love my brothers and sisters and to take them by the hand."

Donation of Altar
Arrangement
January 6, 2019

In memory of
Morris Voelkel



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

DEACON FRANK CROMER MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST



Join the men of St. Theresa at the monthly "Breakfast and Prayer before Business"

Wednesday, January 9
6:45 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.
Family Life Center, Room A.

Continental breakfast and sharing the Word among friends. It's inspirational and interesting. There's no need to call; simply show up and bring a friend.

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 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? 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.

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Para mas información comunicarse con Mercy Urbina a 281-224-1720 o al email:

mercy.e.urbina@gmail.com

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 ensena 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 6 de Enero del 2019** 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.

Urbi et Orbi. El Papa Francisco: "Navidad es fraternidad entre personas de toda nación y cultura"

Este 25 de diciembre, en su tradicional Mensaje navideño y Bendición "Urbi et Orbi", el Papa Francisco pidió: "Que en esta Navidad redescubramos los nexos de fraternidad que nos unen como seres humanos y vinculan a todos los pueblos".



Renato Martinez – Ciudad del Vaticano

"Que el Niño pequeño y con frío que contemplamos hoy en el pesebre proteja a todos los niños de la tierra y a toda persona frágil, indefensa y descartada. Que todos podamos recibir paz y consuelo por el nacimiento del Salvador y, sintiéndonos amados por el único Padre celestial, reencontrarnos y vivir como hermanos", lo dijo el Papa Francisco en su Mensaje Navideño, pronunciado este martes 25 de diciembre, desde el balcón central de la Basílica de San Pedro, desde donde impartió su bendición "a la ciudad y al mundo", en la Solemnidad de la Navidad de Jesús.

Gozoso anuncio de Belén

Dirigiéndose a los fieles de Roma, a los peregrinos congregados en la Plaza de San Pedro, y a todas las personas de todas las partes del mundo que siguieron a través de los medios de comunicación este mensaje, el Santo Padre les renovó el gozoso anuncio de Belén: «Gloria a Dios en el cielo, y en la tierra paz a los hombres de buena voluntad».

Dios es Padre bueno y nosotros somos todos hermanos

Pero, ¿qué nos dice este Niño, que nos ha nacido de la Virgen María? ¿Cuál es el mensaje universal de la Navidad? Nos dice que Dios es Padre bueno y nosotros somos todos hermanos. "Esta verdad – precisó el Pontífice – está en la base de la visión cristiana de la humanidad. Sin la fraternidad que Jesucristo nos ha dado, nuestros esfuerzos por un mundo más justo no llegarían muy lejos, e incluso los mejores proyectos corren el riesgo de convertirse en estructuras sin espíritu".

Fraternidad entre personas de toda nación y cultura

Por eso, mi deseo de feliz Navidad, indicó el Papa Francisco, es un deseo de fraternidad. Fraternidad entre personas de toda nación y cultura. Fraternidad entre personas con ideas diferentes, pero capaces de respetarse y de escuchar al otro. Fraternidad entre personas de diversas religiones. Jesús ha venido a revelar el rostro de Dios a todos aquellos que lo buscan. Y el rostro de Dios se ha manifestado en un rostro humano concreto. No apareció como un ángel, sino como un hombre, nacido en un tiempo y un lugar. Así, con su encarnación, el Hijo de Dios nos indica que la salvación pasa a través del amor, la acogida y el respeto de nuestra pobre humanidad, que todos compartimos en una gran variedad de etnias, de lenguas, de culturas..., pero todos hermanos en humanidad.

Nuestras diferencias son una riqueza

Entonces, nuestras diferencias, enfatiza el Papa Francisco, no son un daño o un peligro, son una riqueza. Como para un artista que quiere hacer un mosaico: es mejor tener a disposición teselas de muchos colores, antes que de pocos. La experiencia de la familia nos lo enseña: siendo hermanos y hermanas, somos distintos unos de otros, y no siempre estamos de acuerdo, pero hay un vínculo indisoluble que nos une, y el amor de los padres nos ayuda a querernos. Lo mismo vale para la familia humana, pero aquí Dios es el "padre", el fundamento y la fuerza de nuestra fraternidad.

Los diferentes rostros de la fraternidad

Que en esta Navidad redescubramos los nexos de fraternidad que nos unen como seres humanos y vinculan a todos los pueblos. Que haga posible que israelíes y palestinos retomen el diálogo y emprendan un camino de paz que ponga fin a un conflicto que —desde hace más de setenta años— lacera la Tierra elegida por el Señor para mostrar su rostro de amor.



SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

-THE GRIFFIN NEWS-

PAJAMAS FOR EVERYONE!

The STCS Early Childhood students enjoyed a leisurely day of hot cocoa, cookie decorating, games, and music.

The day was capped off with a movie and popcorn.



Tuition covers about 75% of our expenses at STCS. We therefore rely on the generous financial gifts that come at the end of the year.

As you review your yearly finances, please remember our school in your gift giving. Your end-of-the-year gift allows us to continue providing an excellent education for each student. Gifts of cash, IRA Charitable Rollovers, appreciated stocks as well as honoraria, remembrance in wills and trusts will help advance the work of our outstanding school.

If you have questions about the types of gifts accepted, please contact our Business Manager, Toni Goldak, at 281-494-1157.

UPCOMING SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE EVENTS

Friday, January 18, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

**Sunday, January 27, 2019 at
11:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.**

Applications for new families are now available.

**For more information,
contact Betty Pruski at 281-494-1157 or
Bpruski@StTheresaCatholicSchool.org**

SAINT THERESA MUSIC PROGRAM SHINES THROUGHOUT THE HOLIDAY SEASON



CHI-St. Luke's Hospital Sugar Land



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Lessons and Carols



Saint Theresa Catholic School
Spirit Wear, Blankets & Cookbooks
Contact STCS School Office:
281-494-1157
Info@StTheresaCatholicSchool.org

It's coming!



When:
Saturday, January 12, 2019
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Where:
Saint Theresa Church
705 St. Theresa Blvd.
Sugar Land, TX 77498

- ★ Winner per category
(Chicken & Sausage, Seafood)
- ★ People's Choice Award
- ★ Team Spirit Award

Teams Needed — Register Now

Zydeco Music ★Free Games for the Kids ★
Dessert Station ★Hotdog Station ★
Souvenir Station ★Kona Ice ★Waffle Cones ★
Adult Beverage Station

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or 281-494-1156 (Diane Senger)

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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 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

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 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



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!

The next Inquiry Gathering will be Wednesday, **January 9, 2019** 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.** 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.

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) prior to attending your first session.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, January 7, 2019

Christmas Weekday

- 6:45 a.m. ✡ Carolo Dinh
8:30 a.m. ✡ Mary Abramcik

Tuesday, January 8

Christmas Weekday

- 6:45 a.m. ✡ Ernesto Alcocer
8:30 a.m. ✡ Juan Esteban Rodriguez & Elsie Aponte
5:30 p.m. ✡ Lucille Mueck

Wednesday, January 9

Christmas Weekday

- 6:45 a.m. ✡ Joseph Nguyen
8:30 a.m. ✡ Santarita Antao

Thursday, January 10

Christmas Weekday

- 6:45 a.m. Daniela Meza
8:30 a.m. ✡ Adelina Galido
5:30 p.m. Geon Woo Kim

Friday, January 11

Christmas Weekday

- 6:45 a.m. ✡ John Donart
8:30 a.m. Toni Osifo

Saturday, January 12

Christmas Weekday

- 8:30 a.m. ✡ Leo W. Fallstrom
5:00 p.m. ✡ Luis Lopanec

Sunday, January 13

The Baptism of the Lord

- 6:30 a.m. ✡ Margarita & Juan Rodriguez
8:00 a.m. Guadalupanos
10:00 a.m. ✡ Amanda Archibong
12:00 p.m. Hilario & Maria Rodriguez
2:00 p.m. ✡ Carolina Mendiola
5:00 p.m. Parish Family

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, December 7

NO Events

Tuesday, January 8

- 6:45 p.m. CCE-Elementary, School Build.
6:45 p.m. CCE-Middle School, School Build.
7:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Prayer, Chapel
7:00 p.m. Franciscanos de María, B4

Wednesday, January 9

- 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, FLC-A
4:30 p.m. CCE-Elementary, School Build.
6:45 p.m. CCE-Elementary, School Build.
6:45 p.m. CCE-Middle School, School Build.
6:45 p.m. Faith Formation/Oratory, FLC
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, January 10

- 9:30 a.m. Rosary Group, B6
4:30 p.m. Flos Cantum (Children's choir)
7:00 p.m. Encuentro Matrimonial, B6
7:00 p.m. Carismático de Renovación, Capilla
7:00 p.m. Bible Study, FLC-Lounge
7:00 p.m. Carmelites Meeting, B1/7
7:00 p.m. Spanish Marriage Seminar, FLC-A
7:15 p.m. Ensayo Coro Fraternidad

Friday, January 11

- 6:30 p.m. Vespers & Vino, Chapel
7:00 p.m. Date night, C.C.

Saturday, January 12

- 9:00 a.m. Learn English Ministry
9:30 a.m. Rosary Group, B6

Sunday, January 13

- 9:00 a.m. Spanish Bible Study, C.C.
9:30 a.m. Catequesis/Catecismo, Escuela
9:30 a.m. RCIA Catechumens, FLC
9:30 a.m. RICA para Niños
10:00 a.m. RICA para Adultos, B1/7
10:00 a.m. CCE-Pre-K, B3, B4, B5
2:45 p.m. Faith Formation/High School, C.C.
3:15 p.m. Spanish Baptismal Class, FLC-A
3:30 p.m. Jubilate Deo Rehearsal
3:30 p.m. String Orchestra Rehearsal
6:00 p.m. Rosary Group, Emmaus Chapel

SUNDAY OFFERTORY

December 23, 2018	\$ 27,747
Online Giving	\$ 5,288
Total	\$ 33,035
Goal Offering	\$ 45,814
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(12,778)

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

Totals as of December 23, 2018

Next Goal	\$ 5,000,000
Pledged	\$ 3,236,948
Payments	\$ 1,070,012

909 Participants

Current parish debt \$ 2,615,228

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

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2018

Totals as of December 23, 2018

Goal	\$ 205,000
Pledged	\$ 152,563
Payments	\$ 146,810

430 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

Catholic Date Night

Friday, January 11
7:00 p.m.



Join us for Date Night the 2nd Friday of every month at **7:00 PM in the Community Center**. If you have been looking for a way to get out for a nice evening and share your faith with that special person in your life, then this is the event you have been looking for! This is also an evening to spend with old friends and to make new ones.

If you are new to the parish, Date Night is a great venue for connecting with your fellow parishioners. We will have an excellent dinner, drinks, fellowship, and an opportunity to learn and discuss the reasons we are Catholic. The cost is \$10 per person (pay at the door). Any and all adults are welcome. Dates are not necessary; this is just an opportunity to have a good meal and a good time.

Free Child Care is Available IF you RSVP by Wednesday, January 9th. RSVP at www.catholicdatenight.net

Is Date Night for couples or for singles? Both! Date Night is for adults. We just call it Date Night, because it is a chance for people to get out of the house and have a good time.

Is Date Night only for Catholics? No. We are going to be exploring the beauty and richness of the Catholic faith, but this is open to anybody who is open to it.

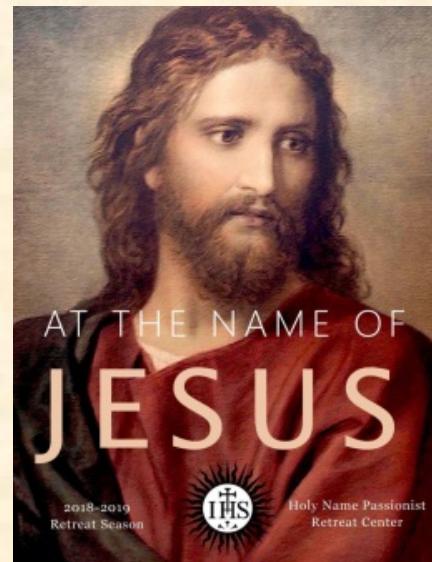
Is Date Night only for St. Theresa Parishioners? No. Feel free to bring friends from other parishes... provided you RSVP!

Do I need to have a date? No. Many people come by themselves,

Why must I RSVP? Dinner is prepared from scratch by volunteers, and we want to provide the best experience possible.

Be kind... RSVP!

"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/ for details and registration information.

GIFT BEARERS FOR WEEKEND MASSES



Are you able to bring the gifts to the Altar on behalf of the assembly?

Special birthdays and anniversaries are a great time to serve the parish.

See the sign-up book located in the vestibule.

MINISTERS NEEDED TO BRING HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK



We need your help! Saint Theresa's asks you to consider a wonderful and rewarding way to share your time and gifts.

Our parish needs Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to serve the three hospitals and ten assisted living facilities under our care. The patients and residents are unable to join us for Mass, so WE go to THEM. Each week, we visit these facilities, bringing the Eucharist

and the latest bulletin to each small Catholic population. We need more volunteers. We need you!

Requirements: Be a practicing Catholic, baptized & confirmed.

Time involved: Approximately one hour twice a month; weekend or weekday.

Training: Will be conducted as you can join our coordinator as she conducts a Communion Service on **Wednesday, January 23rd in the church at 11:00 am and 6:30 pm**. You will see first-hand how to provide this important service, ask questions, and "shadow" one of our volunteers until you feel confident to take on this ministry solo. (You and a partner can do this together if you prefer.)

Goal: It is our goal to have enough volunteers assigned to each facility so that the schedule can be spread out and no one is expected to do more than he/she can comfortably cover. We need substitutes as well, so if you can't commit to a regular schedule, please receive the training so you can assist when we need someone to cover. If everyone does something, no one has to do everything.

Please call or text Kate Barton at (281) 250-1347 with any questions you may have, or to set up a time to join her at a Communion Service (her number is also in the bulletin under Pastoral Care).

Thank you!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Saint Theresa Catholic Church
Sugar Land

TITLE: Full-Time Maintenance Supervisor

General Summary

PURPOSE: Under the supervision and in support of the pastor's vision and mission, oversees the maintenance of all facilities and equipment. The Maintenance Supervisor exercises the particular abilities of a highly organized person, is able to work independently, has familiarity with working with vendors and what is needed for successful implementation. This position requires highly-developed relational skills that include the ability to communicate well in person, on the telephone, e-mail, text, and formal correspondence.

Skills, Knowledge and/or Abilities

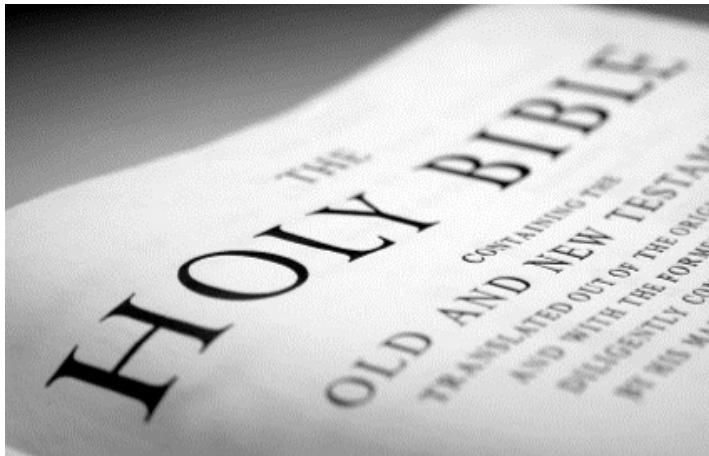
- Proficiency in the use of the Microsoft Office suite
- Strong interpersonal skills to communicate well with staff, vendors, and parishioners
- Solid organizational and management skills

Education, Training, and/or Experience

- At minimum, a high school diploma required. A degree, certification, or extended work experience in maintenance supervision preferred.

Contact the office for details

ANNOUNCEMENTS



WEEKLY READINGS

January 7, 2019 through January 13, 2019

Monday:	1 Jn 3:22 -- 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1 Jn 4:19 -- 5:4; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29 or Ps 104; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

LECTURAS SEMANALES

7 de Enero del 2019 al 13 de Enero del 2019

Lunes:	1 Jn 3:22 -- 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Martes:	1 Jn 4:7-10; Mc 6:34-44
Miércoles:	1 Jn 4:11-18; Mc 6:45-52
Jueves:	1 Jn 4:19 -- 5:4; Lc 4:14-22a
Viernes:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Lc 5:12-16
Sábado:	1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30
Domingo:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 o Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Sal 29 (28) o Sal 104 (103); Hch 10:34-38 o Tit 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lc 3:15-16, 21-22

Solemnidad de la Epifanía del Señor : Is 60:1-6; Sal 72 (71); Ef 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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, February 1, 2019.**

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, February 12, 2019.** For more information please contact Deacon James Anderson at 281-224-9986.

PRAYER FOR MY FAMILY

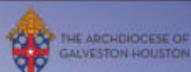
Loving God, I offer thanks for the gift of my family. Help us to work together for peace and harmony in our relationships.

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.



Meet sisters & other consecrated women
Meet with other high school women!
Build friendships & community
Pray together

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Donations are welcome

For registration and Information:

(713) 652-8239

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www.houstonvocations.com/insight



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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
 Enrique Barajas
 Evelyn Bartos
 Rita Beckey
 Servando Bermudez
 Matthew Cortes
 Karen Cromer
 Raul De Freitas
 Dennis Deruytter
 Brittany Dodson
 Gerry Doyle
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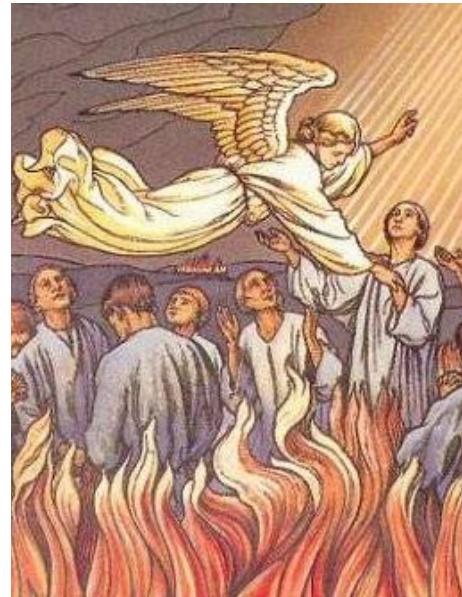
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 Gwen Salisbury
 Jeannie Scates
 Nigel Smith
 Ava Stone
 Gary Sudela
 Baldemar Torres
 Daniel Santiago Villasana
 Jerelyn Walker
 Frank Williams

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, 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. Bittinger, Max Ybarra, Ramon Bondoc, Kitty Burney, Ann Guerrero



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

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

O God, who on this day revealed your
Only Begotten Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy
that we, who know you already by faith,
may be brought to behold the beauty
of your sublime glory.

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.

"They were overjoyed at seeing the star; and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage." (Matthew 2:1-12)

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