

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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All parishioners and visitors are encouraged to remain for a few minutes after Mass to offer a prayer of thanksgiving for the spiritual benefits received, and to pray the Hail Mary three times for the recently deceased members of the parish.



“STEP UP” TO TITHING

The biblical concept of tithing encourages the faithful to return to God a full 10 percent of their earnings by participating in the local parish’s weekly collection.

If a person does not yet tithe, they might consider “stepping up” to the 10 percent tithe by giving 5 percent of their weekly income to the parish collection this year, and gradually increasing the tithe amount by one percent each year, until they give 10 percent of their income in a weekly tithe.

A person taking home \$750.00 a week could step up to tithing by giving a weekly 5 percent offering of \$37.50 in the first year. After five years of one percent increases, they would reach a weekly 10 percent tithe of \$75.00.

By setting a goal and budgeting to meet that goal, the weekly 10 percent tithe is achievable and sustainable.

We have agreed to bring each year to the house of the Lord the first fruits of our fields. The tithe of our fields we will bring to the Levites... and the Levites shall bring tithe of the tithes to the house of our God.

–Nehemiah 10:36-39

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Doré, Gustave.

The Triumph of Christianity over Paganism.
1868, oil on canvas.

Art Gallery of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

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 (Latin, Extraordinary Form)
5:30 p.m.

CONFESSION • 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.

OREMUS: REFLECTIONS ON DIVINE WORSHIP

By Rev. Matthew G. Suniga, Parochial Vicar

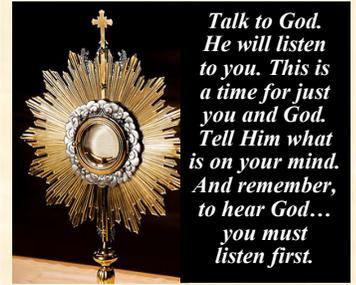
The celebration of the Holy Mass is the greatest act of worship and reverence that the Church offers to Almighty God. Within the Roman Catholic Church there are several *rites* of worship, all derived from certain liturgical traditions cultivated among the worshipping communities in various geographical centers of Christian life around the word and down through the centuries. Within the *Latin Rite* of the Catholic Church, there are two forms of celebrating the Holy Mass: the Ordinary form and the Extraordinary form. The manner in which the regular weekend Masses are celebrated at St. Theresa is the Ordinary Form of the Mass. The manner in which the Mass is celebrated in our parish chapel every Friday at 5:30pm is the Extraordinary Form, more commonly known as the Traditional Latin Mass. Contrary to popular misconception the Traditional Latin Mass was never “abolished,” and since 2007 the Holy See has permitted priests to publicly celebrate the Traditional Latin Mass without special permission from the local ordinary.

The celebrations of the Ordinary and Extraordinary forms of the Mass are governed by liturgical rubrics, little red-colored instructions in the Missal which direct the words, actions, and postures of the priest, other clergy, and the lay faithful during the Mass. The celebration of the Ordinary form of the Mass (again, the manner in which we celebrate our regular weekend Masses at St. Theresa) is further governed by the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, a legislative document which directs the liturgical actions of the priest *and* the people alike. As for the manner of receiving Holy Communion in the Ordinary form of the Mass, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 161, states: “The priest raises the host slightly and shows it to each [communicant], saying, ‘The Body of Christ.’ **The communicant replies, ‘Amen,’** and receives the Sacrament either on the tongue or, where this is allowed, in the hand, the choice lying with the communicant. As soon as the communicant receives the host, he or she consumes the whole of it” (*emphasis mine*).

In the celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass the communicant does not respond “Amen” when receiving Holy Communion, instead he or she remains silent. In fact, when receiving Holy Communion within the Eucharistic Liturgy of many other rites of the Catholic Church, the lay faithful also remain silent. Still, within the Ordinary form of the Mass in the Latin Rite, the lay faithful are directed to respond “Amen” before receiving the Blessed Sacrament on the tongue, or, if they so choose, in the hand. (Receiving Holy Communion on the tongue is the universal practice of the Church; however, the Catholic bishops of the United States have the Holy See’s permission for the faithful in this country to receive Holy Communion in the hand, if they choose to do so.)

The words and gestures prescribed for the celebration of the Holy Mass combine to form a sacred action. All the liturgical rubrics in the official books of the Church’s liturgy are important for rendering due worship to Almighty God. The rubrics are so valuable that we might think of them as “little rubies,” precious gems to be treasured as a means of offering divine worship with attention, reverence, and devotion. The priest and the people—together—should take great care to act in the liturgy according to the rubrics proper to each.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is the adoration of Jesus Christ present in the Holy Eucharist. The Eucharist is exposed in a special holder called a monstrance, people are invited to pray and worship Jesus in silence.

Our Emmaus chapel is located behind the community center and is open 24 hours a day all year long. Every hour of every day someone is praying for you and our parish.

Can you give Jesus an hour of your day? As Jesus himself asked his apostles: “can you not stay awake even an hour with me?”

Please consider signing up for an hour of adoration. Below are some hours in great need of adorers:

HOURS NEEDED

Monday - 4am, 11am, 12noon, 11pm, 5pm
 Tuesday - 12midnight, 5pm, 7pm
 Wednesday - 12midnight, 6am, 1pm
 Thursday - 1am, 4am, 8pm
 Friday - 12midnight, 2am, 3am, 4am, 6am, 2pm, 11pm
 Saturday - 2am, 2pm, 11pm
 Sunday - 12midnight, 1am, 2am, 7pm

Contact **Rebecca Freeman** at **281-844-4616** or email her at rebecca@sugarlandcatholic.com should you have any questions.

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 para registrarlo. Los Papas y los padrinos deben asistir a una clase para bautismo. 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, 8 de Septiembre 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 inscribise llamando al 281-494-1156. El seminario se ofrece cada otro mes, el segundo jueves. **El próximo seminario es el Jueves 12 de Septiembre del 2019** 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.

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 MARIA: El coro práctica los sábados a las 9:15 a.m. y cantan en la misa del domingo a las 8:00 a.m. o 2:00 p.m. Para mas información llamen al 281-494-1156.

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 B6 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 MARIA: El grupo se reúne los Lunes a las 6.30pm, en el salón de las conferencias que se encuentra ubicado detrás de la capilla del santísimo. Para mas información contactar a Alexandra Irady, 832-361-2450.

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 el salón B1 a las 7:00 p.m. Para información llame a Laura Ramon al 832-630-2175.

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.



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

Contactos para Inscripciones:
Maria Tolentino (832) 704-0017,
Diana Galindo (281) 248-1252



RITO DE INICIACION CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS (RICA)

El equipo de Formación de Fe busca adultos. Voluntarios para trabajar con niños y adolescentes en el proceso RICA. RICA es un proceso de todo el año para individuos interesados en hacerse católicos.

No ¡experiencia necesaria!
Brindamos toda la formación. Solo venga con un amor por Cristo y la voluntad de compartir su alegría con los niños. Póngase en contacto con Paul Stoessel por correo electrónico (paul@sugarlandcatholic.com) o por teléfono (281-494-1156 x273).



**RITO DE INICIACION
CRISTIANA PARA
ADULTOS (RICA)**

**¿ESTÁ DIOS LLAMÁNDOLE A
HACER ALGO MÁS? ¡VEN Y EX-
PLORA 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 25 de Agosto 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.

OREMUS: REFLEXIONES SOBRE LA ADORACIÓN DIVINA

Por el Reverendo Matthew G. Suniga, Vicario Parroquial

La celebración de la Santa Misa es el mayor acto de adoración y reverencia que la Iglesia ofrece a Dios Todopoderoso. Dentro de la Iglesia Católica Romana hay varios ritos de adoración, todos derivados de ciertas tradiciones litúrgicas cultivadas entre las comunidades de adoración en varios centros geográficos de la vida cristiana alrededor de la palabra y a través de los siglos. Dentro del Rito Latino de la Iglesia Católica, hay dos formas de celebrar la Santa Misa: la forma ordinaria y la forma extraordinaria. La forma en que se celebran las Misas regulares de fin de semana en Santa Teresa es la Forma Ordinaria de la Misa. La forma en que se celebra la Misa en nuestra capilla parroquial todos los viernes a las 5:30 pm es la Forma Extraordinaria, más comúnmente conocida como la Misa en latín tradicional. Contrariamente a la concepción errónea popular, la Misa en latín tradicional nunca fue "abolida", y desde 2007 la Santa Sede ha permitido a los sacerdotes celebrar públicamente la Misa en latín tradicional sin un permiso especial del público local.

Las celebraciones de las formas ordinarias y extraordinarias de la misa se rigen por rúbricas litúrgicas, pequeñas instrucciones de color rojo en el misal que dirigen las palabras, acciones y posturas del sacerdote, otro clero y los fieles laicos durante la misa. La celebración de la forma ordinaria de la misa (de nuevo, la forma en que celebramos nuestras misas regulares de fin de semana en Santa Teresa) se rige además por la Instrucción General del Misal Romano, un documento legislativo que dirige las acciones litúrgicas del sacerdote y la gente por igual. En cuanto a la forma de recibir la Sagrada Comunión en la forma ordinaria de la Misa, la Instrucción General del Misal Romano, no. 161, dice: "El sacerdote levanta la hostia ligeramente y se lo muestra a cada [comulgante], diciendo: 'El cuerpo de Cristo'. El comulgante responde: 'Amén', y recibe el Sacramento en la lengua o, si es permitido, en la mano, la elección es del comulgante. Tan pronto como el comulgante recibe la hostia, él o ella la consume toda" (énfasis mío).

En la celebración de la Misa en latín tradicional, el comulgante no responde "Amén" cuando recibe la Sagrada Comunión, sino que permanece en silencio. De hecho, cuando reciben la Sagrada Comunión dentro de la Liturgia Eucarística de muchos otros ritos de la Iglesia Católica, los fieles laicos también permanecen en silencio. Aún así, dentro de la forma Ordinaria de la Misa en el Rito Latino, los fieles laicos deben responder "Amén" antes de recibir el Santísimo Sacramento en la lengua o, si así lo desean, en la mano. (Recibir la Sagrada Comunión en la lengua es la práctica universal de la Iglesia; sin embargo, los obispos católicos de los Estados Unidos tienen el permiso de la Santa Sede para que los fieles en este país reciban la Sagrada Comunión en la mano, si así lo desean.)

Las palabras y los gestos prescritos para la celebración de la Santa Misa se combinan para formar una acción sagrada. Todas las rúbricas litúrgicas en los libros oficiales de la liturgia de la Iglesia son importantes para rendir culto a Dios Todopoderoso. Las rúbricas son tan valiosas que podríamos pensar en ellas como "pequeños rubíes", gemas preciosas para ser atesoradas como un medio para ofrecer adoración divina con atención, reverencia y devoción. El sacerdote y el pueblo, juntos, deben tener mucho cuidado de actuar en la liturgia de acuerdo con las rúbricas propias de cada uno.



SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL -THE GRIFFIN NEWS-

SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

With the generous support of our Knights of Columbus St. Basil Council 4024, groundbreaking on the new STCS playground has begun. The first structure has been completed – The Ga-Ga Ball Pit! Our students are already enjoying this variant of the old school game of dodgeball. If you would like to make a donation to the new playground, please contact Betty Pruski at 281-494-1157 x294 or at bpruski@sttheresacatholicschool.org



**ORBIS FESTIVALIS NEWS
website: stcsfestival.org**



Saint Theresa Catholic School’s annual festival, Orbis Festivalis, will be Saturday, October 12th and Sunday, October 13th. This festival is packed full of entertainment and fun for family and friends of all ages! There will be live music all weekend long from some of your favorite local bands. Plus, games and rides for everyone!

- We are accepting applications for vendors for our World Marketplace. Please go to the website for sign-up information.
- Donations of new, handmade items are needed for our School Store. If you are a craft enthusiast and have handmade items you would like to donate, please drop them off at our School Office.
- CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT sign-ups are available at the festival website.
- We are looking for festival day volunteers. If you would like to donate your time, please visit our sign-up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f49abab2ea2fe3-orbis>

Applications for new students are available.

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

Saint Theresa Catholic School’s Mission is to furnish students with an outstanding Classical education informed by the wisdom of the Catholic intellectual and spiritual tradition.

St. JOHN PAUL II FOUNDATION

TOGETHER IN HOLINESS MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 28, 2019 — 8:30AM to 3:30PM

Two Locations:
St. Theresa Catholic Church
705 Saint Theresa Blvd.
Sugar Land, TX 77498, and
Sts. Simon & Jude Catholic Church
26777 Glen Loch Dr
The Woodlands, TX 77381

The St. John Paul II Foundation presents the 5th annual *Together in Holiness* conference, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. This one-day event includes dynamic presentations, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Featured speakers are **Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers** and **Most Rev. Joseph E. Strickland**, and breakout sessions at each location will discuss living the vocation of marriage as a young growing family or as empty-nesters. On-site childcare is available (2-12yrs), pre-registration required. Cost: \$59/couple or \$35/individual. For more information, please visit togetherinholiness.org or email Houston conference coordinators at th@forlifeandfamily.org.



BLESSED BEGINNINGS LIFE CENTER

Parenting is hard, but we're here to help! Parents with children 0-5 are invited to join us as we discuss practical parenting tips and provide baby items and raffles!

When: Wednesday 11:00 AM

Where: Catholic Charities

Mamie George Community Center (1111 Collins Road)

Call: 713-874-6760 for more information

or visit www.CatholicCharities.org/BlessedBeginnings

Light from the East:
A Byzantine Catholic Retreat
on the Life and Mission of

St. Anastasia

Deliverer from Potions and spells,
"Pharmakolytria"



Presented by
Leslie Hrusch Bohannon, M.A.T.S.
Member of St. John Chrysostom
Byzantine Catholic Church

St. Theresa Catholic Church
Family Life Center Youth Lounge

**Saturday,
September 14, 2019**

9:30 a.m. Coffee Social
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Please reserve your seat(s) at
hiblanka@yahoo.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 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 faithformation@sugarlandcatholic.com or at 281-494-1156 ext. 273.

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 faithformation@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!

HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION

Open to all students 9th-12th Grade. Grow in your faith with this class once a week. **Sundays 3:00-4:30pm in the Community Center Starting September 15th**

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

To be Confirmed students need to have completed at least one year of High School Faith Formation or be currently enrolled in a Catholic High School. Mandatory Parent's Meeting was in April. Make-up Parent's Meeting is today, August 25th 7:00pm in the Community Center. Stop by the Main Office for Registration Papers.

FALL RETREAT REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

October 11th-13th

Open to All High School Students
Pick up a registration form in the Main Office
Only \$96 for the whole weekend, meals included.



Looking for something more in your life? Come, 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, **August 28, 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 seventeen, not baptized or baptized in another faith community, we have an RCIA process suited to your age group. 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, August 26, 2019

Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 6:45 a.m. Martha Say
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Bryant Parker

Tuesday, August 27

St. Monica

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Franklin Pavlicek
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Eleesha Matthew
- 5:30 p.m. Deceased members of
Silva Family

Wednesday, August 28

St. Augustine

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Cynthia Pyka
- 8:30 a.m. Toni Osifo
- 7:00 p.m. Celebrant Intentions

Thursday, August 29

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Roland R. Rodriguez
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Lena & Lee Cortemelia
- 5:30 p.m. Joseph & Agnes Nguyen

Friday, August 30

Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Varkey Joseph
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Jose Miguel Cuesta
- 5:30 p.m. ✕ Jacqueline del Rocio Wright

Saturday, August 31

Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30 a.m. Nkechi Nwogo
- 5:00 p.m. ✕ Bill Louviere

Sunday, September 1

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 6:30 a.m. Pro-Life Intentions
- 8:00 a.m. Parish Family
- 10:00 a.m. Club Unidad
- 12:00 p.m. ✕ Chloe McFall
- 2:00 p.m. ✕ Luisa Contreras
- 5:00 p.m. ✕ Vicenta Elias

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

PARISH EVENTS

Monday, August 26

- 7:00 p.m. Grief Minist. (español), FLC-Lounge

Tuesday, August 27

- 9:00 a.m. Learn English Ministry, B1/7
- 4:00 p.m. Flos Cantum (Children's choir)
- 7:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Prayer, Chapel
- 7:00 p.m. Franciscanos de Maria, B6

Wednesday, August 28

- 6:45 p.m. Faith Formation/Oratory, FLC-D
- 7:00 p.m. RCIA, FLC-A
- 7:00 p.m. RICA, B1/7
- 7:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Prayer Team, FLC-B
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 29

- 9:30 a.m. Rosary Group, B6
- 7:00 p.m. Dios con Nosotros, FLC-B

Friday, August 30

No Events

Saturday, August 31

- 9:15 a.m. Ensayo Coro Fraternidad
- 9:30 a.m. Rosary Group, B6

Sunday, September 1

- 9:00 a.m. Estudio de la Biblia, C.C.
- 9:30 a.m. RICA para Niños
- 9:30 a.m. RCIA Catechumens, FLC
- 10:00 a.m. RICA para Adultos, B1/7
- 3:30 p.m. Jubilate Deo Rehearsal
- 3:30 p.m. String Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Rosary Group, Emmaus Chapel

SUNDAY OFFERTORY

August 18, 2019	\$ 29,478
Online Giving	\$ 6,640
Total	\$ 36,118

Goal Offering	\$ 45,814
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$ 9,696)

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

Totals as of August 18, 2019

Next Goal	\$ 5,000,000
Pledged	\$ 3,205,135
Payments	\$ 1,525,834

909 Participants

Current parish debt \$ 2,467,382

Amount still owed to
Archdiocesan Capital
Campaign (*IGNITE*) \$ 795,181

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2019

Totals as of August 18, 2019

Goal	\$ 205,000
Pledged	\$ 131,606
Payments	\$ 112,895

389 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



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



BACK TO SCHOOL!

A PRAYER FOR OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

Lord God, Thank you for the unique gifts of every child as they transition into a new school year. Fill each student with fresh enthusiasm and a heart that is excited to learn and grow. Cover them with Your enduring love. Give them confidence and grace, and equip them with the ability to persevere through trials. Bless their teachers with wisdom, understanding, and a heart to serve, as they embark on this journey together. Amen

Many thanks to our generous parish community and also our surrounding neighbors who responded to our donation requests made via social media, our School Supply Drive was a big success again this year! It isn't possible to thank every individual, or every ministry and organization that made this 2019 schools supply drive such a success but you all know who you are, and because of you 174 children belonging to 66 needy families in our parish received a backpack full of school supplies.



Madeleine Ellard and Rita Freeman were two of the SVdP volunteers sorting and distributing donated school supplies.



Thanks are due to everyone who donated supplies, and those who volunteered their time signing up families needing help, sorting supplies, and making sure that the children were given the correct school supplies to match their grade level.

DETAILED SVDP REPORT FOR JULY 2019

Utility assistance	\$6,377.49
Housing assistance	\$1,734.85
Food Pantry***	\$2,563.54
School Supplies**	\$0.00
SVdP Twin Payment*	\$300.00
Office Supplies	\$39.15
Total Disbursements	\$11,015.03

Client family members served	496
Bags of food distributed	359
Volunteer hours donated	323
Families/Children receiving School Supplies	66/174

* Twin payment to St. John Fisher SVdP to help a needy family.

** Because of the quantity of donations received we had no need to purchase additional school supplies this year.

*** Does not include the value of donated food and diapers etc.

Your support throughout the year enables us, on your behalf, to make a positive difference in so many individual lives and families in need.

The SVDP ministry can always use your help with donations of non-perishable foods like breakfast cereals, canned fruits, canned vegetables and meats, 2lb sizes of flour and sugar, 1lb sizes of rice and pinto beans. We also need donations of baby wipes and diapers sizes 3 through 5 as well as personal care items like body wash, shampoo and toothpaste. Please leave food and diapers in the donation boxes located just inside the Church and Chapel entrances. Clothing items should be put in the large blue SVDP donation box located in the parking lot area between the Family Life Center and the Emmaus Chapel.



Our business hours are Mondays and Fridays between 10:00am. and 1:00pm. **Please do not leave donated items near the office entrances as the office is not manned 24/7.** Unfortunately we cannot accept donations of used electrical or electronic items for safety reasons, if you leave them we may have to pay to recycle them. Please continue to support our SVDP ministry financially and with your prayers so that we can restore hope to our needy friends and neighbors, we firmly believe that all positive changes that we make in someone's life are the result of God working through us on your behalf.

May God bless our loving donors and volunteers, and the friends and neighbors to whom we help and give hope.

-SVdP Staff



Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

Open to all Catholic students currently in grades 8 - 12.

\$50.00 - award for first place winners in each grade. Winning essays will be forwarded to the next level of competition. Essays, at each grade level, that advance all the way to the **International level** will receive:

\$300.00 - for First Place

\$100.00 - for the two runner ups

All essays are due by October 15, 2019

The **Essay Guidelines** and **Entry Form** can be downloaded from: <http://www.kc4204.org/>

For more detailed information, please contact Sam Gonzalez at 281-980-8762 or via e-mail at GonzalezSam29@gmail.com

LEARN ENGLISH MINISTRY

We are in our 12th year of teaching conversational English to adults. All classes are free but you must be 18 years old or older to take the class.

Classes begin Saturday, September 14, 2019

St. Theresa Catholic Church

Classes

9:00 am - 12:00 noon, Saturdays
9:00 am - 12:00 noon & 5:00 - 8:00 pm, Tuesdays
Rooms B1/7

*We are in need of volunteers to co-teach our classes.
No teaching experience is needed.*

If you can speak English, you can share your skill with other adults. Each new volunteer is paired with an experienced volunteer.

Contact Dennis Mattl: Dam4330@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



MAMIE GEORGE COMMUNITY CENTER

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Invites you to join us for the 2019



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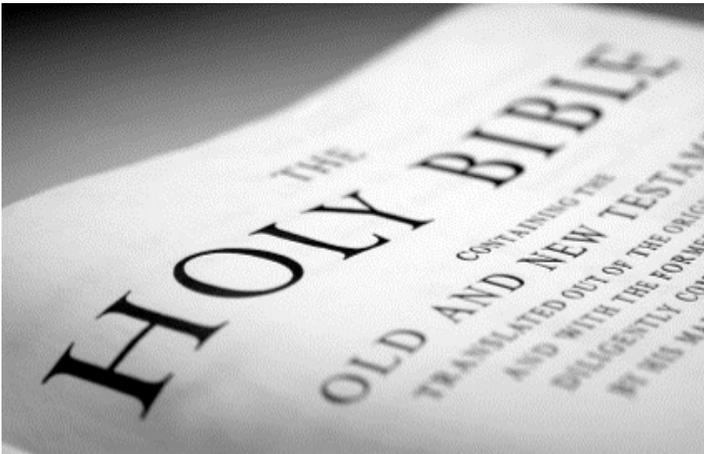
Shining a Light on Hope Honoring
Former County Commissioner
James Patterson

Thursday, September 12, 2019
Safari Texas Ranch
Sugar Land, TX

Tables and Individual Tickets Available

All proceeds benefit Catholic Charities in Fort Bend County
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



WEEKLY READINGS

August 26, 2019 through September 1, 2019

Monday:	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13; Mk 6:17-29
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

LECTURAS SEMANALES

26 de Agosto del 2019 al 1 de Septiembre del 2019

Lunes:	1 Tes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22
Martes:	1 Tes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26
Miércoles:	1 Tes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32
Jueves:	1 Tes 3:7-13; Mc 6:17-29
Viernes:	1 Tes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13
Sábado:	1 Tes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30
Domingo:	Eclo 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Sal 68; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lc 14:1, 7-14

Vigésimo Primer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: Is 66:18-21; Sal 117; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lc 13:22-30

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, October 4, 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, October 8, 2019.** For more information please contact Deacon James Anderson at 281-224-9986.



The Faith Formation team is looking for adult catechists to work with children and teens in the RCIA process. RCIA is a year-round process for individuals interested in becoming Catholic. No experience necessary! We provide all the training. Just come with a love for Christ and willingness to share your joy with children. Contact Paul Stoessel by email (paul@sugarlandcatholic.com) or phone (281-494-1156 x273).



CATHOLIC
MUTUAL
GROUP

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM CHANGE

The CMG (Catholic Mutual Group) online training is replacing VIRTUS. The training consists of 3 vignette style training videos that are approximately 60 minutes. A criminal background check is included and must be completed.

The training is available in English and Spanish. **We will no longer offer live training. All Safe Environment training will only be available online.**

- All new employees and volunteers will complete the Safe Haven online training program instead of VIRTUS PGC training.
- All individuals must complete the training and complete a background check prior to the start of employment and/or volunteer service.
- The 5 year anniversary date is still in place. Individuals who recently attended VIRTUS will not be due to complete refresher training until they have reached their 5 year anniversary date.
- As the 5-year anniversary is reached, individuals will need to log into CMGConnect with their previous personal VIRTUS user Id and 1234 as the password. **Once you log into the CMGConnect account, you will be able to change your password.** If you do not remember your user Id, you may contact the following:

1. Rosa Michel, 281-494-1156 or rosa@sugarlandatholic.com
2. Daphne Woods, 1-800-6108 ext. 2375 or dwoods@catholicmutual.org
3. CMG at cmgconnect@catholicmutual.org

The following individuals below will now be required to complete Safe Haven online training as well:

1. Individuals who have never attended training.
2. Individuals who are now due to refresher training and had not attended VIRTUS training.
3. Individuals who are currently due and have not attended VIRTUS training.
4. Individuals who are out of compliance or past due.

7 day Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Mexico



*Mexico City – Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe –
Tulpetlac – Teotihuacan – Puebla –
Coyoacan – Xochimilco*

March 6 - 12, 2020

\$1,990.00 per person from Houston

Spiritual Director: **Rev. Derlis Garcia**
Tour Coordinators: **Eduardo Vivanco & Irma Roman**

For further information and reservations, please contact Eduardo Vivanco at 832-814-5800 or email: edreagent@gmail.com, Irma Roman at 832-287-7333 or <https://nativitypilgrimage.com/frderlis-houston>

12 Días de Peregrinación a Fátima



*Lisboa - Fátima - Santarém - Salamanca - Ávila -
Burgos - Loyola - Lourdes - Múnich - Oberammergau*

Junio 24 - Julio 5, 2020

\$4,100.00 por persona desde Houston, TX

Director espiritual: **Padre Ricardo Arriola**
Coordinadora de excursiones:
Eduardo Vivanco y Irma Roman

Para mas información comunicarse con Eduardo Vivanco al 832-814-5800, email: edreagent@gmail.com, Irma Roman al 832-287-7333 o <https://nativitypilgrimage.com/Eduardo-oberammergau>

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	Erwin Matura
Sara Aguirre	Dick Memmer
Enrique Barajas	Hertha Meyer
Evelyn Bartos	Jesus Meza
Rosalba Ceballos	Jun & Wilma Narvacan
Maria Cortes	Rita Nauck
Matthew Cortes	Tom Nauck
Jan Counts	Mildred Netardus
John Cromer	Fr. Roy Oggero
Karen Cromer	Roman Ogrodowicz
Ana Cruz Rivas	Abrana Perez
Raul De Freitas	Janne Perez-Quila
Dennis Deruytter	Joe Puga
Brittany Dodson	Mary Lou Ramsey
Maria Elvira	Bernadette Roberts
Maria Ewah	Maria Rodriguez
Don Finnegan	Mario Rodriguez
Paula Flores	Barbara M. Saenz
Rev. Timothy Gahn	Angelique Sakry
Andrea Catalina Garcia	Jeannine Scates
Maria Elena Garcia	Melissa Sciba
Fr. Sean Garrity	Janie Segura
Doris Gijon	Joe A. Segura
Fernando Gomez	Rufus Segura
Martha Gonzalez	Nigel Smith
Wilda Guidry	Ava Stone
John Hallberg	Baldemar Torres
Deacon Glenn Haller	Daniel Santiago Villasana
Edith Hartensteiner	Jerelyn Walker
Wayne Heitman	Shirley Westbrook
Fera Henri	Frank Williams
Joanne Henry	John Wolda
Sylvia Hernandez	Rey Zavala
Tyler Hill	
Augustine Hoang	
Linda Kasper	
Larry Klaus	
Arnold Knoche	
Shirley Kreimeyer	
Debbie Kutra	
Alfredo Hernandez Lara	
Carlos Alberto Lopez	
Julia Luna	
Corelie Malcaba	

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, 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, Ann Guerrero, Joseph Anthony Guerrero, Marina Wong Jim, Florentino Pardo, Marcos Luna, Thomas Doellman, Jose Garcia, Rosa Waguespack, Gerry Doyle, Bernice Guess, Don Mario Serra Ty, Cajetan Almeida, Mary Anola Lee, Melitona Aldovino, Chloe McFall, Roseller Englis, Julia G. Moreno, Gwen Salisbury



O Lord, remember not our former iniquities, and forgive us our sins, for Thy Name's sake.

-Indulgence. 500 days



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

O GOD, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found.

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.

“People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God” (Luke 13:30).

Saint Theresa Catholic Church

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Sugar Land, Texas 77498

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| 1 - St. Theresa School | 9 - CCE Conference Room |
| 2 - Community Center | 10 - Parish Office |
| 3 - Emmaus Chapel | 11 - Church |
| 4 - Family Life Center/Gym | 12 - Temporary Office |
| 5 - Choir Room | 13 - Little Flower Chapel |
| 6 - Youth Lounge | 14 - Rooms (B1 - B11) |
| 7 - St. Catherine Room (Rm A) | 15 - St. Vincent de Paul |
| 8 - St. Thomas More Room (Rm B) | 16 - St. Basil Hall |

