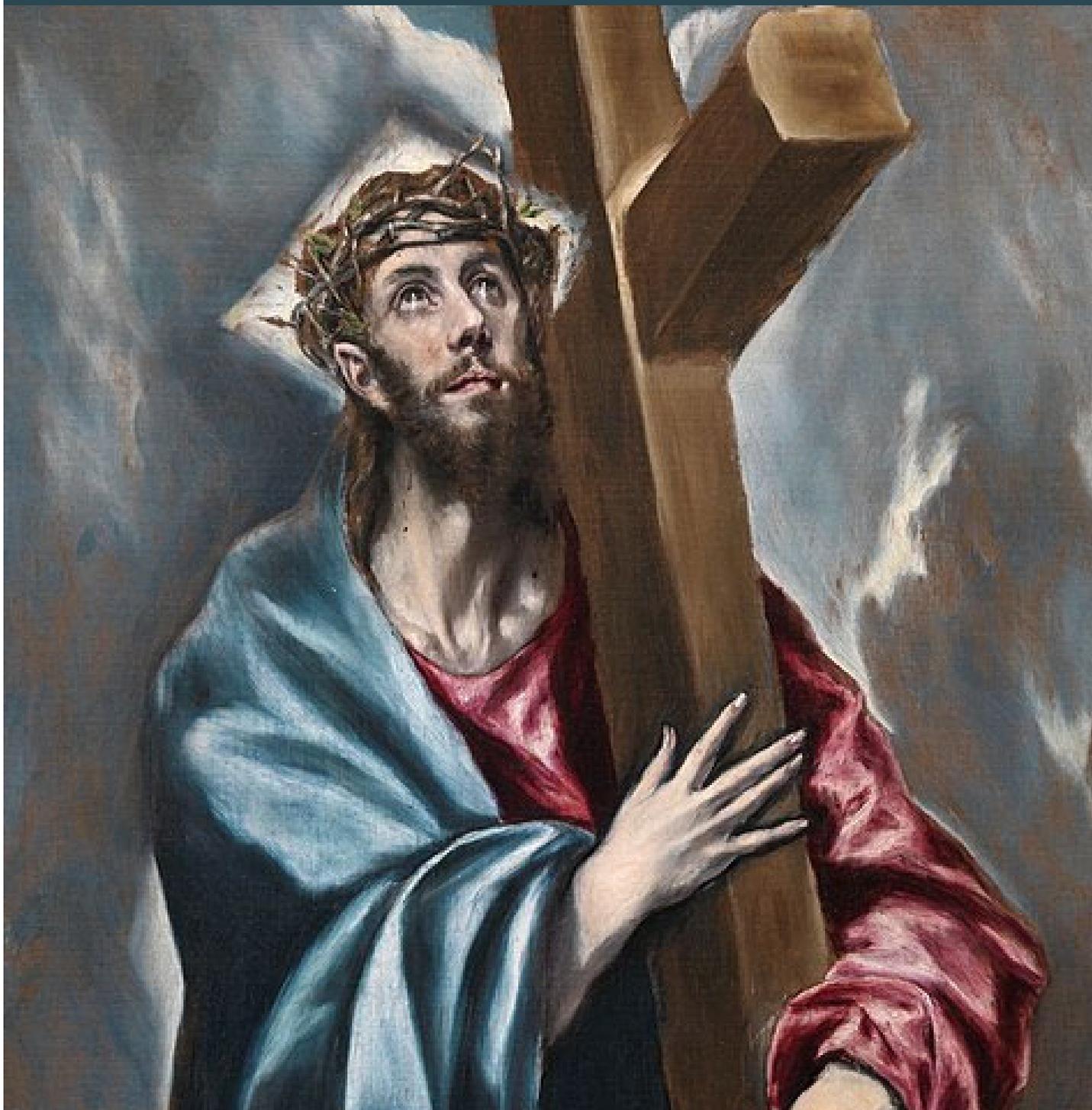


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Christ carrying the Cross.

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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 (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

Well-meaning decisions sometimes bring about unintended, negative consequences. In 1963 Pope Paul VI published the Second Vatican Council's Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, widely known by its Latin name, *Sacrosanctum concilium*. Among other things, this document gives bishops permission to allow for the reception of Holy Communion under both kinds, i.e., under the species of bread *and* wine. *Sacrosanctum concilium* states:

“The dogmatic principles which were laid down by the Council of Trent remaining intact, communion under both kinds *may be granted when the bishops think fit*, not only to clerics and religious, but also to the laity, in cases to be determined by the Apostolic See, as, for instance, to the newly ordained in the Mass of their sacred ordination, to the newly professed in the Mass of their religious profession, and to the newly baptized in the Mass which follows their baptism” (SC, 55).

From these 83 words came the practice of receiving Holy Communion under both forms, which is now common at parochial Masses throughout the Catholic Church in the United States.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) elaborates further on this practice, saying, “Holy Communion has a fuller form *as a sign* when it takes place under both kinds” (no. 281). The GIRM conditions that statement with the following directive to bishops and priests: “[T]hey should instruct the Christian faithful that the Catholic faith teaches that Christ, whole and entire, and the true Sacrament, is received even under only one species, and hence that as regards the resulting fruits, those who receive under only one species are not deprived of any grace that is necessary for salvation” (no. 282).

Such universal norms are applied through particular norms issued by the bishops of a given country, with the approval of the Holy See. In the document called *Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion under Both Kinds in the Dioceses of the United States of America*, the bishops of this country say: “[T]he need to avoid obscuring the role of the Priest and the Deacon as the ordinary ministers of Holy Communion by an excessive use of extraordinary ministers might in some circumstances constitute a reason for limiting the distribution of Holy Communion under both species” (no. 24). Clearly, the bishops desire that the sacramental theology of Holy Orders and the clergy's proper role as the *ordinary ministers* of Holy Communion be upheld in the ministrations of the Eucharist.

There have been some unintended, negative consequences resulting from the frequent practice of receiving Holy Communion under both kinds. Some Catholics now believe that they are not receiving Christ “whole and entire” unless they receive Holy Communion under the appearance of bread *and* wine; this notion is simply false. In some places, the large number of extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion is so common at weekly Masses that many children grow up without learning or observing the distinction between the ordinary and extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, which has implications for their understanding of the sacrament of Holy Orders.

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DEACON FRANK CROMER MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST



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

**Wednesday,
September 11**
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.

VESPERS & VINO



Young Adults: you're invited to our next *Vespers & Vino*, starting 6:30 pm in the chapel **this coming Friday, September 13th**. We'll pray, then have some good wine and share a nice meal.

Feel free to bring a favorite bottle to share.

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 hoy, 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:
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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.

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**RITO DE INICIACIÓN
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**¿ESTÁ DIOS LLAMÁNDOLE A
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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 8 de Septiembre 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

Las decisiones bien intencionadas a veces conllevan consecuencias negativas no deseadas. En 1963, el Papa Pablo VI publicó la Constitución del Concilio Vaticano II sobre la Sagrada Liturgia, ampliamente conocida por su nombre en latín, *Sacrosanctum concilium*. Entre otras cosas, este documento da permiso a los obispos para permitir la recepción de la Sagrada Comunión bajo ambas especies, es decir, bajo las especies de pan y vino. *Sacrosanctum concilium* afirma:

"Los principios dogmáticos establecidos por el Concilio de Trento permanecen intactos, la comunión bajo ambas especies puede otorgarse cuando los obispos lo consideren apropiado, no solo a los clérigos y religiosos, sino también a los laicos, en los casos que determine el Apostólico Ver, por ejemplo, a los recién ordenados en la Misa de su sagrada ordenación, a los recién profesos en la Misa de su profesión religiosa, y a los recién bautizados en la Misa que sigue a su bautismo" (SC, 55).

De estas 83 palabras surgió la práctica de recibir la Sagrada Comunión bajo ambas formas, que ahora es común en las Misas parroquiales en toda la Iglesia Católica en los Estados Unidos.

La Instrucción General del Misal Romano (GIRM) profundiza en esta práctica, diciendo: "La Sagrada Comunión tiene una forma más completa *como señal* cuando se lleva a cabo bajo ambas especies" (n. 281). La GIRM condiciona esa declaración con la siguiente directiva a los obispos y sacerdotes: "Deben instruir a los fieles cristianos que la fe católica enseña que Cristo, completo y entero, y el verdadero Sacramento, se recibe incluso bajo una sola especie, y por lo tanto, en lo que respecta a los frutos resultantes, aquellos que reciben una sola especie no están privados de la gracia necesaria para la salvación" (n. 282).

Dichas normas universales se aplican a través de normas particulares emitidas por los obispos de un país determinado, con la aprobación de la Santa Sede. En el documento titulado *Normas para la distribución y recepción de la Sagrada Comunión bajo las dos especies en las diócesis de los Estados Unidos de América*, los obispos de este país dicen: "[L]a necesidad de evitar oscurecer el papel del sacerdote y el diácono como los ministros ordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión por el uso excesivo de ministros extraordinarios podrían, en algunas circunstancias, constituir una razón para limitar la distribución de la Sagrada Comunión en ambas especies" (no. 24). Claramente, los obispos desean que la teología sacramental de las órdenes sagradas y el papel apropiado del clero como *ministros ordinarios* de la Sagrada Comunión se mantengan en los ministerios de la Eucaristía.

Ha habido algunas consecuencias negativas no deseadas como resultado de la práctica frecuente de recibir la Sagrada Comunión bajo ambas especies. Algunos católicos ahora creen que no están recibiendo a Cristo "entero y completo" a menos que reciban la Sagrada Comunión bajo la apariencia de pan y vino; Esta noción es simplemente falsa. En algunos lugares, la gran cantidad de ministros extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión es tan común en las misas semanales que muchos niños crecen sin aprender ni observar la distinción entre el ministro ordinario y extraordinario de la Sagrada Comunión, lo que tiene implicaciones para su comprensión del sacramento de Ordenes Sagradas.

El *valor del signo* de la Sagrada Comunión bajo ambas especies es importante, pero nunca tuvo la intención de ser promovido a expensas de la enseñanza perenne de la Iglesia de que Cristo está realmente presente incluso en la migaja más pequeña o la gota más minúscula del Santísimo Sacramento. A lo largo de los

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SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL -THE GRIFFIN NEWS-

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- 10 Wristbands, 100 game tickets for event
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- Reserved table for 10
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- Social Media Recognition
- Church Bulletin Recognition
- Printed Collateral
- 5 Wristbands, 50 game tickets for event
- Reserved parking for guests
- Reserved table for 10

\$2,500 – Games Sponsor

- Event signage at Games
- Website Recognition
- Social Media Recognition
- Church Bulletin Recognition
- Printed Collateral
- 3 Wristbands, 25 game tickets for event

\$1,250 – Ride Sponsor

- Event signage at Rides
- Website Recognition
- Social Media Recognition
- Church Bulletin Recognition
- Printed Collateral
- 2 Wristbands, 10 game tickets for event

\$500 – Community Sponsor

- Event signage at Raffle
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- Social Media Recognition
- Church Bulletin Recognition

To become a sponsor or for additional information, please visit: www.stcsfestival.org
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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.

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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.



KSHJ AM 1430 Houston Catholic Radio is having its Fall Share-a-thon and we could use your help to keep the Guadalupe Radio Network on the air and fulfilling its mission. Support Catholic Radio by listening to the Share-a-thon from September 10 through the 13th and making donations.

Other ways to help include matching gift funds and volunteering for the call center on September 10th. For information, contact David at David@grnonline.com or call 832-786-4500. Please pray for the Guadalupe Radio Network and God bless you.

The *sign-value* of Holy Communion under both kinds is important, but it was never intended to be promoted at the expense of the Church's perennial teaching that Christ is really present even in the smallest crumb or most miniscule drop of the Blessed Sacrament. Over the years I have been at many liturgies in which the Precious Blood was accidentally spilled on the floor or on clothing, and I have been in a church with visible stains on the carpet where the Precious Blood was spilled time and again over several years. If the Blessed Sacrament can be so easily put in danger of mishaps and profanation, is it any wonder that the Catholic Church in the United States has many good-hearted, faithful people who nevertheless believe that the Blessed Sacrament is merely a symbol, a sign of Christ? The *sign-value* of receiving Holy Communion under both kinds—which often requires a great number of extraordinary ministers at Sunday Mass—is not more important than the *reality* that in a particular way, in His bishops and priests [and with the help of deacons associated with them], it is **Christ Himself** who feeds the flock with the fullness of His own Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity, even when the faithful receive Holy Communion under the appearance of bread alone or, as is common among those with celiac disease, under the appearance of wine alone.

If we desire to instill in our children a right understanding of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, then we must think critically about certain commonplace liturgical practices—always doing so in accord with the mind of the Church and with obedience to the diocesan bishop—in order to help our children develop a deep sense of the sacred and eucharistic awe, or else we will do them a great disservice. Our children deserve the best; the greatest gift we can offer is to help them know, love and serve Jesus Christ who comes to them truly, really, and substantially in the Blessed Sacrament.

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.

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, **September 11, 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, September 9, 2019

St. Peter Claver

6:45 a.m. All Souls
8:30 a.m. ✘ Martin Rivera

Tuesday, September 10

Weekday in Ordinary Time

6:45 a.m. ✘ Laura Davidson
8:30 a.m. ✘ Pedro Maupome
5:30 p.m. ✘ Donald Lanham

Wednesday, September 11

Weekday in Ordinary Time

6:45 a.m. Elizabeth Bui
8:30 a.m. All Souls
7:00 p.m. ✘ Matilde Reyes

Thursday, September 12

The Most Holy Name of Mary

6:45 a.m. ✘ Juanita & Paul Smith
8:30 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory
5:30 p.m. Melina Guadalupe Sapon

Friday, September 13

St. John Chrysostom

6:45 a.m. ✘ Donald Berger
8:30 a.m. ✘ Roberto Denham Ledesma
5:30 p.m. Jose Mangabat Castro

Saturday, September 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:30 a.m. ✘ Roland R. Rodriguez
5:00 p.m. ✘ Joseph Thu Nguyen

Sunday, September 15

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 a.m. ✘ Roland R. Rodriguez
8:00 a.m. ✘ Manuel Marcucci
10:00 a.m. ✘ James & Patricia A. Linder
12:00 p.m. Parish Family
2:00 p.m. Rose Rodriguez
5:00 p.m. ✘ Anita & Brian Almeida

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, September 9

6:00 p.m. Seguimiento, FLC-C
6:30 p.m. The King's Men Group, FLC-D

Tuesday, September 10

9:00 a.m. Learn English Ministry, B1/7
4:00 p.m. Flos Cantum (Children's choir)
5:00 p.m. Learn English Ministry, B1/7
7:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Prayer, Chapel
7:00 p.m. Franciscanos de Maria, B6

Wednesday, September 11

6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, FLC-A
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, September 12

9:30 a.m. Rosary Group, B6
6:30 p.m. Carmelites Meeting
7:00 p.m. Dios con Nosotros, FLC-C
7:00 p.m. Spanish Marriage Seminar, FLC-A

Friday, September 13

6:30 p.m. Vespers & Vino, Chapel
7:30 p.m. Date Night, C.C.

Saturday, September 14

9:00 a.m. Learn English Ministry, B1/7
9:15 a.m. Ensayo Coro Fraternidad
9:30 a.m. Rosary Group, B6

Sunday, September 15

9:00 a.m. Estudio de la Biblia, FLC-C
9:30 a.m. Catequesis/Catecismo, Escuela
9:30 a.m. RICA para Niños
9:30 a.m. RCIA Catechumens, FLC
10:00 a.m. RICA para Adultos, B1/7
10:00 a.m. CCE-Pre-K, B3, B4, B5
3:00 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

September 1, 2019	\$ 28,417
Online Giving	\$ 7,017
Total	\$ 35,434

Goal Offering	\$ 45,814
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$ 10,380)

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

Totals as of September 1, 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 September 1, 2019

Goal	\$ 205,000
Pledged	\$ 136,086
Payments	\$ 121,119

396 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.

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



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

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 the tithe of the tithes to the house of our God.

–Nehemiah 10:36-39

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

9:00am - 12:00 noon, Saturdays

9:00am - 12:00 noon & 5:00 - 8:00pm, 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 Mattli: Dam4330@gmail.com



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 Date Night

Friday, September 13

7:00 p.m.

Join us for Date Night the 3rd Friday of this 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, September 11th. 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!

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

11 Días de Peregrinación a Tierra Santa



Tiberiades - Monte de las Bienaventuranzas - Nazaret - Belén - Jerusalén

Junio 14 - 24, 2020

\$3,350.00 por persona desde Houston, TX

Director espiritual: **Padre Gregorio Mirto**
Coordinador de la Peregrinación: **Mike Maltez**

Para mas información comunicarse con Mike Maltez al 713-298-8589 o Ana Maltez al 713-269-8589, email: mmaltez23@yahoo.com

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

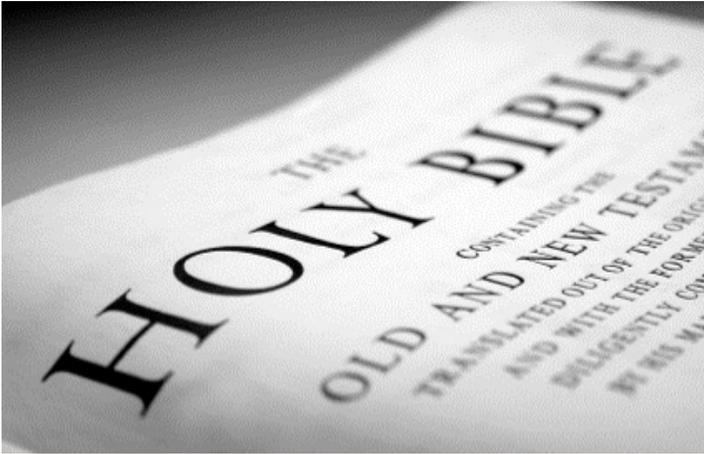
St. Theresa Catholic Church
Family Life Center Youth Lounge

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS



WEEKLY READINGS

September 9, 2019 through September 15, 2019

Monday:	Col 1:24 -- 2:3; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday:	Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Sunday:	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

LECTURAS SEMANALES

9 de Septiembre del 2019 al 15 de Septiembre del 2019

Lunes:	Col 1:24 -- 2:3; Lc 6:6-11
Martes:	Col 2:6-15; Lc 6:12-19
Miércoles:	Col 3:1-11; Lc 6:20-26
Jueves:	Col 3:12-17; Lc 6:27-38
Viernes:	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lc 6:39-42
Sábado:	Nm 21:4b-9; Fil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Domingo:	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Sal 51; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lc 15:1-32 [1-10]

Vigésimo Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: Sab 9:13-18b; Sal 90; Flm 9-10, 12-17; Lc 14:25-33

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.

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.



“Come here every thirteenth of the month ...and I will reveal to you who I am...” -Our Lady to Sr. Lucia

Please join us for a Rosary in honor of Our Lady of Fatima on **Friday, September 13th** at 6:30 pm in the church.

This Holy Rosary will be dedicated to:
Peace on earth
Matrimonial unity and
Healing for those in poor health



“Venir aquí cada trece del mes...y voy a revelar a ustedes lo que soy...”

-De Nuestra Señora a la Hermana Lucía

Por favor, únase a nosotros para un rosario en honor de la Virgen de Fátima el **viernes, 13 de septiembre** a las 6:30 pm en la iglesia.

Este Santo Rosario será dedicado a:
La paz en la tierra
La unidad matrimonial y
La salud de los enfermos

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años, he estado en muchas liturgias en las que la Sangre Preciosa se derramó accidentalmente en el piso o en la ropa, y he estado en una iglesia con manchas visibles en la alfombra donde la Sangre Preciosa se derramó una y otra vez durante varios años. Si el Santísimo Sacramento puede ponerse tan fácilmente en peligro de percances y profanación, no es de extrañar que la Iglesia Católica en los Estados Unidos tenga muchas personas fieles y de buen corazón que, sin embargo, creen que el Santísimo Sacramento es simplemente un símbolo, ¿un signo de Cristo? El *valor del signo* de recibir la Sagrada Comunión bajo ambas especies, que a menudo requiere una gran cantidad de ministros extraordinarios en la misa dominical, no es más importante que la *realidad* que, de manera particular, en sus obispos y sacerdotes [y con la ayuda de diáconos asociado con ellos], *es Cristo mismo* quien alimenta al rebaño con la plenitud de su propio cuerpo, sangre, alma y divinidad, incluso cuando los fieles reciben la Sagrada Comunión solo con la apariencia de pan o, como es común entre las personas con enfermedad celiaca, bajo la apariencia de vino solo.

Si deseamos inculcar en nuestros hijos una comprensión correcta de la Presencia Real de Cristo en la Eucaristía, entonces debemos pensar críticamente sobre ciertas prácticas litúrgicas comunes, siempre de acuerdo con la mente de la Iglesia y con la obediencia al obispo diocesano -para poder ayudar a nuestros hijos a desarrollar un sentido profundo del temor sagrado y eucarístico, o les haremos un gran daño. Nuestros hijos merecen lo mejor; El mejor regalo que podemos ofrecer es ayudarles a conocer, amar y servir a Jesucristo que viene a ellos de manera verdadera, real y sustancial en el Santísimo Sacramento.

7 day Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Mexico

Mexico City – Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe – Tlaxpetlac – 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>

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	Dick Memmer
Sara Aguirre	Hertha Meyer
Enrique Barajas	Jesus Meza
Evelyn Bartos	Jun & Wilma Narvacan
Rosalba Ceballos	Rita Nauck
Maria Cortes	Tom Nauck
Matthew Cortes	Mildred Netardus
Jan Counts	Fr. Roy Oggero
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Karen Cromer	Abrana Perez
Ana Cruz Rivas	Janne Perez-Quila
Raul De Freitas	Joe Puga
Dennis Deruytter	Mary Lou Ramsey
Brittany Dodson	Bernadette Roberts
Maria Elvira	Maria Rodriguez
Maria Ewah	Mario Rodriguez
Paula Flores	Barbara M. Saenz
Rev. Timothy Gahn	Angelique Sakry
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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
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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	
Erwin Matura	

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, Ralph Leal, Teresinha B. Bitdinger, Max Ybarra, Ramon Bondoc, Kitty Burney, Ann Guerrero, Joseph Anthony Guerrero, Marina Wong Jim, Florentino Pardillo, 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, Mary Magnon, Julia G. Moreno, Gwen Salisbury, Don Finnegan, Betty Parker



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

-Indulgence. 500 days



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance.

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

“Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple” (Luke 14:27).

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