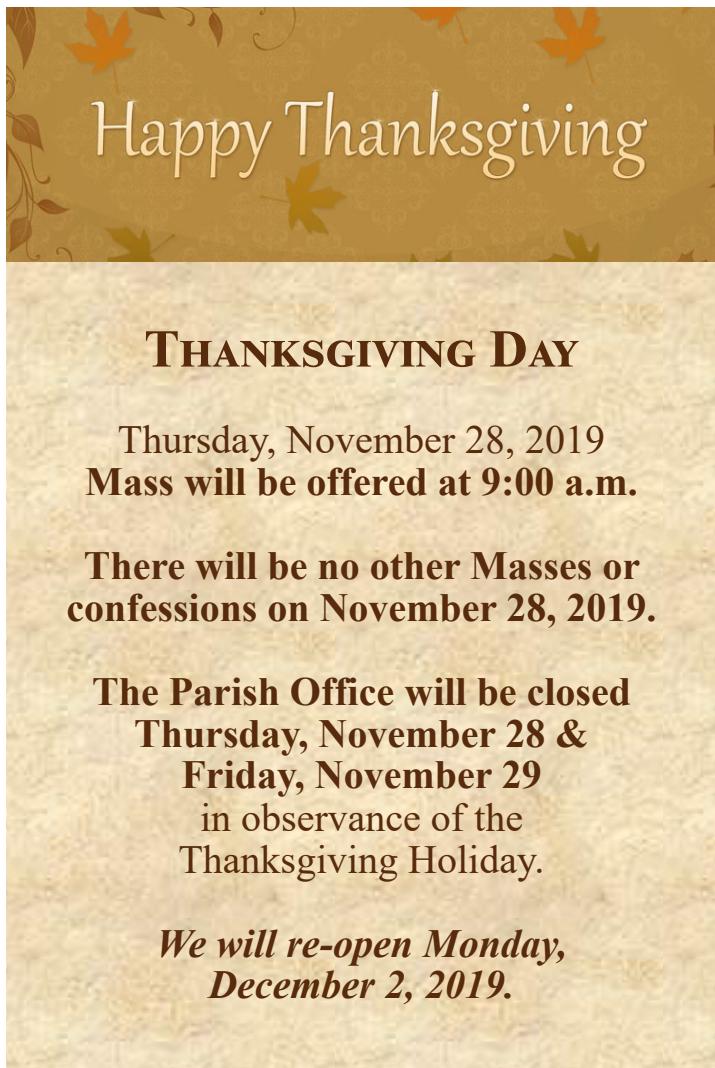


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**On the cover:**

Master of the Mansi Magdalen.  
*Salvator Mundi.*  
 1510 - 1530, oil and gold on panel.  
 Philadelphia Museum of Art, Pennsylvania.

## 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.

### **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.

## FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I received a kind email the other day. It was a reflection by a parishioner on, among other things, why people don't believe in Christianity. The reflection was centered around the phrase "I'll believe it when I see it" but taken backwards: "I'll see it when I believe it." How true that is!

Unfortunately men can oftentimes be blinded to the reality that is before them because they do not want to believe that it is true. We can see this most clearly with an example such as abortion. How many people close their eyes to the truth that a child in the womb is a human person because they don't want to see it and if they did, then they would then have to change or admit that what they did was wrong (as an aside, if you have been involved with an abortion, please come speak to a priest, there is forgiveness!).

Deacon Gilbert told me recently about a conversation he had with John Bergsma, a former Calvinist who converted to Catholicism and now teaches at the Franciscan University of Steubenville. Deacon Gil asked Dr. Bergsma how the Calvinists -- who deny that Jesus gave us the Eucharist as His Body and Blood -- deal with John chapter 6 where Jesus spoke very plainly about the necessity of eating His Body: "unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you". Dr. Bergsma answered that they didn't look at the passage too hard, but rather just glazed over it. They couldn't see the truth because they didn't want to believe it.

We will likely never witness a Eucharistic miracle with our own eyes, but Jesus told St. Thomas after the Resurrection "blessed are those who have not seen and have believed". After the Consecration at Mass, we still see what looks like bread and wine, but we know by faith that it is Jesus' Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity and we express this faith primarily by our actions and our reverence towards Him.

As we approach this Thanksgiving holiday, I would encourage you to give thanks to God for the gift of faith, and if your faith seems low to repeat the prayer of the father in the Gospels: "I believe, Lord, help my unbelief." Second to give thanks to God for giving us His very self in the Eucharist. By faith we come to know God, but in Holy Communion we are able to receive God Himself. May we never loose sight of this great truth!

Peace in Christ,  
**Fr. David Angelino**

Donation of Altar  
Arrangement  
November 24, 2019

In Memory of  
**Nita Puzon**



*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

## 2020 BAZAAR HELP NEEDED!

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to assist with  
electrical set-up.  
Live Auction  
co-chair

Please call the  
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or email:  
[diane@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:diane@sugarlandcatholic.com)

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[masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org)

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

**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 diecisésis (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 12 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 9 de Enero del 2020 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 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:** Les gustaría ser colaboradores de nuestra Madre Santísima la Virgen María para ayudarle a su Hijo a trabajar en su Reino con la misión del agradecimiento? Los Franciscanos de María empiezan un nuevo año de guía espiritual con el estudio bíblico del antiguo testamento guiado por su fundador, el Padre Santiago Martín. Todos están invitados. Martes de 7:00pm- 9:00pm salón B6. 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 6.30pm, 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 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.



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



Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial les invita a darse la oportunidad de vivir un fin de semana sin distracciones, un sacerdote y tres matrimonios les enseñarán una técnica de comunicación única y les proporcionarán las herramientas para continuar mejorando su relación matrimonial.

Para más información llamar a  
Antonio y Marilu Gomez  
832-541-6423



## **¿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 24 de Noviembre 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**

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.

## DE NUESTRO ADMINISTRADOR

Hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

El otro día recibí un correo electrónico muy amable. Fue un reflejo de un feligrés sobre, entre otras cosas, por qué la gente no cree en el Cristianismo. La reflexión se centró en la frase "Lo creeré cuando lo vea", pero vista al revés: "Lo veré cuando lo crea". ¡Qué cierto es eso!

Lamentablemente, los hombres a menudo pueden cegarse ante la realidad que se les presenta porque no quieren creer que sea verdad. Podemos ver esto más claramente con un ejemplo como el aborto. Cuántas personas cierran los ojos ante la verdad de que un niño en el útero es una persona humana porque no quieren verlo y si lo hicieran, tendrían que cambiar o admitir que lo que hicieron estuvo mal (por otro lado, si has estado involucrado en un aborto, ven a hablar con un sacerdote, ¡hay perdón!).

El Diácono Gilbert me contó recientemente sobre una conversación que tuvo con John Bergsma, un ex calvinista que se convirtió al catolicismo y ahora enseña en la Universidad Franciscana de Steubenville. El diácono Gil le preguntó al Dr. Bergsma cómo los calvinistas, que niegan que Jesús nos dio la Eucaristía como su Cuerpo y Sangre, entienden el capítulo 6 de Juan, donde Jesús habló muy claramente sobre la necesidad de comer su cuerpo: "a menos que comas la carne del Hijo del Hombre y bebas Su Sangre, no tendrás vida dentro de ti". El Dr. Bergsma respondió que no veían el pasaje con profundidad, sino que simplemente lo veían. No podían ver la verdad porque no querían creerla.

Probablemente nunca seremos testigos de un milagro eucarístico con nuestros propios ojos, pero Jesús le dijo a Santo Tomás después de la Resurrección "Bienaventurados los que no han visto y creído". Después de la consagración en la misa, todavía vemos lo que parece pan y vino, pero sabemos por fe que es el Cuerpo, la Sangre, el Alma y la Divinidad de Jesús, y expresamos esta fe principalmente por nuestras acciones y nuestra reverencia hacia Él.

A medida que nos acercamos a esta fiesta de Acción de Gracias, le animo a dar gracias a Dios por el don de la fe, y si su fe parece baja para repetir la oración del padre en los Evangelios: "Creo, Señor, ayúda a mi incredulidad". Segundo, dar gracias a Dios por darnos a Sí mismo en la Eucaristía. Por fe llegamos a conocer a Dios, pero en la Sagrada Comunión podemos recibir a Dios mismo. ¡Que nunca perdamos de vista esta gran verdad!

Paz en cristo,  
**Padre David Angelino**

Mas anuncios en español, pagina 7 y 11....



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## TRADITIONS

OF

## CHRISTMAS PAST

Saturday, December 7, 2019

Please join us for Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Event begins at 6:00 p.m.

With cocktails, hors d' oeuvres, and

Silent Auction

Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Music Provided by: Sound Connection

\$50 per person

Donations / Sponsorship

If you would like to donate an item to the silent auction,

or would like to be an event sponsor,

please email [tgoldak@sttheresacatholicschool.org](mailto:tgoldak@sttheresacatholicschool.org)

### TICKETS AVAILABLE IN THE STCS SCHOOL OFFICE

# of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ Payment by: Cash check FACTS Credit Card

Credit card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_\_ CSV: \_\_\_\_\_

Free childcare available by RSVP:

# of children: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

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## REFLEXIONES DE ADVIENTO: PREPARANDO UN PESEBRE



EL SEMINARISTA LUIS GARCÍA TE INVITA A DESCUBRIR CUÁLES SON LAS ANTÍFONAS DE ADVIENTO. VEN CON EL CORAZÓN ABIERTO PARA RECIBIR EL MENSAJE DE LOS PROFETAS MIENTRAS ESPERAMOS LA LLEGADA DE NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO.

MIERCOLES 4 & 18 DE  
DICIEMBRE

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

&

VIERNES 20 DE  
DICIEMBRE

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

EN LA CAPILLA DE SANTA  
TERESA

(LOS MIERCOLES EMPEZAREMOS  
CON LA SANTA MISA)

# 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:Gabriel@sugarlandcatholic.com) with any questions or if you'd like to get involved!

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

**Thank you for your Sock Orders!** Our High School teen's have raised **\$3,500**. This money will go towards our Confirmation teen's Rosaries and will help pay the cost for six teen's to go on the Confirmation Retreat. If you would like to sponsor or donate to our High School teen's, checks can be made payable to "St. Theresa's Catholic Church" with the Memo "High School Youth Ministry".

We will be at all of the Mass's December 7th & 8th handing out your ordered socks! If you weren't able to place your order, we will be accepting orders at this time.



**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!

**NO Inquiry during Thanksgiving week.**

The next Inquiry Gathering will be Wednesday, **December 4, 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](mailto: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](mailto:paul@sugarlandcatholic.com)) prior to attending your first session.

**Today, we celebrate the reception of Fran Bachan and LaTanya Surratt into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church. Please continue to pray for them and all our catechumens and candidates on their journeys.**

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday, November 25, 2019**
*St. Catherine of Alexandria*

6:45 a.m. ✕ Hau Dao

8:30 a.m. ✕ Al &amp; Betty Goehring

**Tuesday, November 26**
*Weekday in Ordinary time*

 6:45 a.m. ✕ Miguel & Minnie DelaHaya  
 8:30 a.m. ✕ Louis Lopanec Jr.  
 5:30 p.m. ✕ Rolando Salazar

**Wednesday, November 27**
*Weekday in Ordinary Time*

 6:45 a.m. ✕ Timm Farbach  
 8:30 a.m. ✕ Kuma Tang Teh  
 7:00 p.m. ✕ Severo Zapata

**Thursday, November 28**
*Thanksgiving Day*

9:00 a.m. Celebrant Intentions

**Friday, November 29**
*Weekday in Ordinary Time*

 6:45 a.m. ✕ Van Tran  
 8:30 a.m. ✕ Souls of Departed Legionaries  
 5:30 p.m. Natalia DeLeon

**Saturday, November 30**
*St. Andrew*

 8:30 a.m. ✕ Augusthy Thomman  
 5:00 p.m. ✕ Ernesto Navarro

**Sunday, December 1**
*Frist Sunday of Advent*

 6:30 a.m. Club Unidad  
 8:00 a.m. Parish Family  
 10:00 a.m. ✕ John Elliot  
 12:00 p.m. ✕ Geri Doyle  
 2:00 p.m. Lelia Altamirano  
 5:00 p.m. Pro-Life Intentions

## PARISH EVENTS

**Monday, November 25**

6:30 p.m. The King's Men, FLC-D

**Tuesday, November 26**

 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  
 7:00 p.m. Franciscans of Mary, B4

**Wednesday, November 27**

 9:00 a.m. Learn English Ministry, B1/7  
 11:00 a.m. Estudio de la Biblia, B4  
 5:00 p.m. Learn English Ministry, B9  
 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, November 28**

NO Events

**Friday, November 29**

9:00 a.m. Learn English Ministry, B1/7

**Saturday, November 30**

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

**Sunday, December 1**

 9:15 a.m. Estudio de la Biblia, C.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  
 1:00 p.m. Sacrament Sunday, Makeup, C.C.  
 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

November 17, 2019	\$ 26,651
Online Giving	\$ 9,809
Total	\$ 36,460
Goal Offering	\$ 45,814
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$ 9,354)

## PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

*Totals as of November 17, 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 November 17, 2019*

Goal	\$ 205,000
Pledged	\$ 162,722
Payments	\$ 153,706

436 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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*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.*

## SHARING SUNDAY CHRISTMAS GIFT PROGRAM



We encourage you to pull a tag from the Christmas tree and purchase a gift to share with those in need. The Christmas tree will be up from **November 23rd** through **December 8th**. On Sharing Sunday (**December 7th & 8th**), we ask that you bring your UNWRAPPED gift to any of the Sunday Masses. Gifts will be brought up to the steps of the sanctuary when requested.

### WAYS TO HELP:

#### Sharing Sunday

**December 7th & 8th** after each Mass *Help move gifts from the Church to the Community Center (trucks/vans welcome!)*

#### Tag Replenish

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

Gift Distribution will be **December 9th - December 10th** from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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

### KITCHEN CLEANLINESS TRAINING



All apostolates or other parish groups that use the Community Center's kitchen for cooking, or for any other food preparation, are asked to participate in a kitchen cleanliness training on Monday, December 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Center. This training will ensure that anyone using the kitchen can maintain the safety and cleanliness of food preparation equipment and surfaces during and after each use. **At least one representative of each apostolate or group that uses the Community Center kitchen should attend this training.** If you have any questions, please contact Diane Senger or Fr. Matthew Suniga at 281-494-1156. Thank you.

# Save the Date!



**WHEN:**  
**Saturday, January 11, 2020**

**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

### COOKING TEAMS NEEDED AND FUN VOLUNTEERS TO HELP PLAN EVENT

#### NO ENTRY FEE

Online registration form and advanced ticket purchasing available soon

To participate as entry or volunteer, please call 281-494-1156 (Diane Senger)

#### BENEFITING

2017 Capital Campaign A Living Sacrifice, Holy and Acceptable to God



## Knights of Columbus

### “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest

Open to all students ages 5-14

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

Winning posters will be forwarded to the next level of competition.  
First-place posters, in each age group, that advance all the way to the  
**International Level** will receive:

**\$250.00** - for First Place      **\$100.00** - for the two runner-ups

**All Posters are due by December 9, 2019.** For more detailed information and entry form, go to [www.KC4204.org](http://www.KC4204.org) or contact Sam Gonzalez at 281-980-8762, email: [GonzalezSam29@gmail.com](mailto:GonzalezSam29@gmail.com)



## BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, December 8, 2019  
7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
in the Knights of Columbus Hall.  
Sign up after Mass on  
November 30th - December 1st



The next blood drive is **Sunday, 12/08/2019 from 7:30 am to 1:30 pm**. Give the gift of LIFE in our community! Our drive will have at least 4 double-red automation donating machines, that cuts down donation time. And a medical provider can use the double red blood immediately... Please, share among your family and friends!! Let's save even more lives! –  
**Paul Cinquemani, Blood Drive Chairperson, 832-594-6753**

## ENTRENAMIENTO DE LIMPIEZA DE COCINA



Todos los apostolados u otros grupos parroquiales que usan la cocina del Centro Comunitario para cocinar, o para cualquier otra preparación de alimentos, deben asistir a un entrenamiento de limpieza de la cocina el lunes 9 de diciembre a las 6:30 pm en el Centro Comunitario. Este entrenamiento asegurará que toda persona que use la cocina pueda mantener la seguridad y la limpieza de los equipos y superficies de preparación de alimentos durante y después de cada uso. **Al menos un representante de cada apostolado o grupo que use la cocina del Centro Comunitario debe asistir a este taller.** Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con Diane Senger o el Padre Matthew Suniga al 281-494-1156. Gracias.

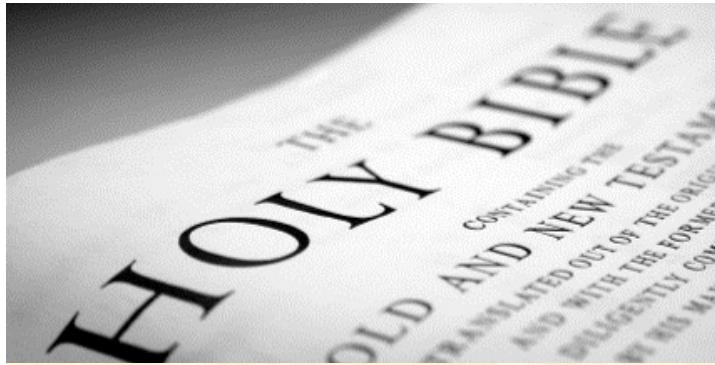


This year December 8th falls on a Sunday.  
Current Church law only allows for the celebration of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday if it is the Traditional Latin Mass.

If you do not wish to attend the Traditional Latin Mass on Sunday December 8th at 5:00, please make plans to attend Mass at another time.

For those that wish to celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception in English, the Church moves her feast to Monday December the 9th. We will have Mass in honor of this feast in English on Monday at 6:45 am, 8:30 am, and 5:30 pm.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### WEEKLY READINGS

*November 25, 2019 through December 1, 2019*

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| Monday:    | Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4   |
| Tuesday:   | Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11  |
| Wednesday: | Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19  |
| Thursday:  | Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28;<br>Thanksgiving Day: Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor<br>1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19 |
| Friday:    | Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33  |
| Saturday:  | Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22   |
| Sunday:    | Is 2:1-5; Ps 122; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:<br>37-44   |

**Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe:** 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

### LECTURAS SEMANALES

*25 de Noviembre del 2019 al 1 de Diciembre del 2019*

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|------------|--|
| Lunes:     | Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lc 21:1-4  |
| Martes:    | Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lc 21:5-11   |
| Miércoles: | Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lc 21:12-19   |
| Jueves:    | Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lc 21:20-28; Dia<br>de Accion de Gracias: Eclo 50:22-24; 1<br>Cor 1:3-9; Lc 17:11-19 |
| Viernes:   | Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lc 21:29-33   |
| Sábado:    | Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22  |
| Domingo:   | Is 2:1-5; Sal 122 (121); Rom 13:11-14; Mt<br>24:37-44  |

**Solemnidad de Jesús Cristo, Rey del Universo:**

2 Sm 5:1-3; Sal 122 (121); Col 1:12-20; Lc 23:35-43

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

**BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR INFANTS:** Parents are asked to register their child for Baptism, to bring a copy of the child's birth certificate and to register for the pre-Baptism class. Parents and Godparents must attend the class. Godparents must be at least sixteen years of age, practicing Catholics, have received their Initiation Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation, if married, married through the Catholic Church. Classes are offered the first Friday of every other month, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Parents are kindly asked not to bring their children to the class. Certificates of attendance for the baptism preparation are provided at the end of the class for those who are not baptizing at St. Theresa Church. Please call the office to register for the class at 281-494-1156. **The next class will be on Friday, December 6, 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, December 10, 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.



### Thanksgiving Blessings

Thanksgiving celebrations will be soon be in full swing this coming week and our St. Vincent de Paul ministry would like to thank all of our benefactors and donors with loving hearts who support us financially and spiritually throughout the year, individuals, ministries and organizations too many to list. We are truly blessed to be given the opportunity to serve the less fortunate families in the parish and surrounding communities on your behalf.

As in previous years, our Vincentian volunteers distributed 75 Turkey Dinner Coupons in the past weeks, courtesy of our neighboring parish of St. Laurence. Each coupon was given to a needy family with children in our parish and was redeemable for a Turkey and all the trimmings needed to make a Thanksgiving dinner. Thank you, St. Laurence Social Concerns Ministry and your parish community, for your generosity.

### Help Wanted

Now and then when helping the elderly or needy in our parish community our Vincentians find themselves in need of advice on subjects like household plumbing, electrical wiring issues, and HVAC systems. If you have experience in any of these areas and wouldn't mind responding to the occasional call from us for advice or assistance, please send us an email with your contact information to [svdp@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:svdp@sugarlandcatholic.com).

### Detailed SVDP Report for October 2019

Utility assistance	\$2,286.97
Housing assistance	\$1,262.15
Food Pantry*	\$1,999.51
SVdP Twin Payment**	\$300.00
SVdP Solidarity***	\$600.00
Total Disbursements	\$6,448.63
Client family members served	391
Bags of food distributed	290
Volunteer hours donated (est.)	286

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

\*\* Twin payment to St. Thomas Aquinas SVdP to help a particularly needy family.

\*\*\* Annual Solidarity Dues to our Diocese SVdP central office.

### Love is Charity - Charity is Love in Action!

Last weeks homily by Fr. Mathew on this subject was right on point. Please act and continue to support our SVDP ministry financially and with your prayers so that we can continue our works of charity, restoring 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.

### What Food Do We Give To Those Who Need Help?

We stock around 48 different non perishable items that have been reviewed by a professional nutritionist, they include: cans of soups, meats, beans, vegetables, fruits, 1lb.dry beans, 1lb.rice, 2lb.flour, 2lb.sugar, vegetable oil, peanut butter, jelly, various pastas, breakfast cereals as well as personal care items like toothpaste, soap, diapers and baby wipes.

### Why Small Sizes of Sugar, Rice, Beans and Flour?

As needy families usually pick up groceries every month, giving out 5 or 10 lb. sizes of sugar, rice, beans and flour would be too much to be consumed in a month. Also, because of our limited facility we are unable to obtain a city permit that would allow us to open and repackage food into smaller packages of 1 or 2lbs size.

### Donations of Food and Personal Care Items Are Welcome!

The SVDP ministry can always use your help with donations of non-perishable foods like those listed above. **Please only leave 'food, diapers and personal care items' in the donation boxes located just inside the Church and Chapel entrances.**

Clothing and other items should be placed in the large blue SVDP donation box located in the parking lot area between the Family Life Center and the Emmaus Chapel. 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 do not leave donated items near the office entrances as the office is not manned 24/7. Our business hours are Mondays and Fridays between 10:00am. and 1:00pm.**

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

### -SVdP Staff

**St. Vincent de Paul office will be closed on Friday, November 29th in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.**

**We will re-open on Monday, December 2, 2019.**

# 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  
 Sara Aguirre  
 Enrique Barajas  
 Evelyn Bartos  
 Rosalba Ceballos  
 Maria Cortes  
 Matthew Cortes  
 Jan Counts  
 John Cromer  
 Karen Cromer  
 Hortencia Cuellar  
 Ana Cruz Rivas  
 Raul De Freitas  
 Brittany Dodson  
 Maria Elvira  
 Maria Ewah  
 Paula Flores  
 Rev. Timothy Gahn  
 Andrea Catalina Garcia  
 Maria Elena Garcia  
 Doris Gijon  
 Fernando Gomez  
 Martha Gonzalez  
 Wilda Guidry  
 John Hallberg  
 Deacon Glenn Haller  
 Edith Hartensteiner  
 Wayne Heitman  
 Fera Henri  
 Joanne Henry  
 Gio Hernandez  
 Sylvia Hernandez  
 Tyler Hill  
 Augustine Hoang  
 Linda Kasper  
 Arnold Knoche  
 Shirley Kreimeyer  
 Debbie Kutra  
 Alfredo Hernandez Lara  
 Carlos Alberto Lopez  
 Julia Luna  
 Corelie Malcaba  
 Dick Memmer  
 Hertha Meyer

Jesus Meza  
 Adalberta Monsivais  
 Jun & Wilma Narvacan  
 Rita Nauck  
 Tom Nauck  
 Mildred Netardus  
 Fr. Roy Oggero  
 Roman Ogorodowicz  
 Abrana Perez  
 Janne Perez-Quila  
 Jeff Ploch  
 Joe Puga  
 Mary Lou Ramsey  
 Bernadette Roberts  
 Maria Rodriguez  
 Mario Rodriguez  
 Barbara M. Saenz  
 Angelique Sakry  
 Jeannine Scates  
 Melissa Sciba  
 Janie Segura  
 Joe A. Segura  
 Rufus Segura  
 Nigel Smith  
 Ava Stone  
 Baldemar Torres  
 Daniel Santiago Villasana  
 Jerelyn Walker  
 Shirley Westbrook  
 Frank Williams  
 Harriet Wolda  
 John Wolda  
 Juan Zarate  
 Rey Zavala

## 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, Chloie McFall, Roseller Englis, Mary Magnon, Julia G. Moreno, Gwen Salisbury, Don Finnegan, Betty Parker, Dennis Deruyter, Alex Iglesias, Larry Klaus, Erwin Matura, Frances Woellert, Victoria Regalado de Guriola



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

*-Indulgence. 500 days*



## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Almighty ever-living God,  
whose will is to restore all things  
in your beloved Son, the King of the universe,  
grant, we pray, that the whole creation set free  
from slavery, may render your majesty service  
and ceaselessly proclaim your praise.

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.**

*“Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” (Luke 23:43)*

### Saint Theresa Catholic Church

705 Saint Theresa Boulevard  
Sugar Land, Texas 77498

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

