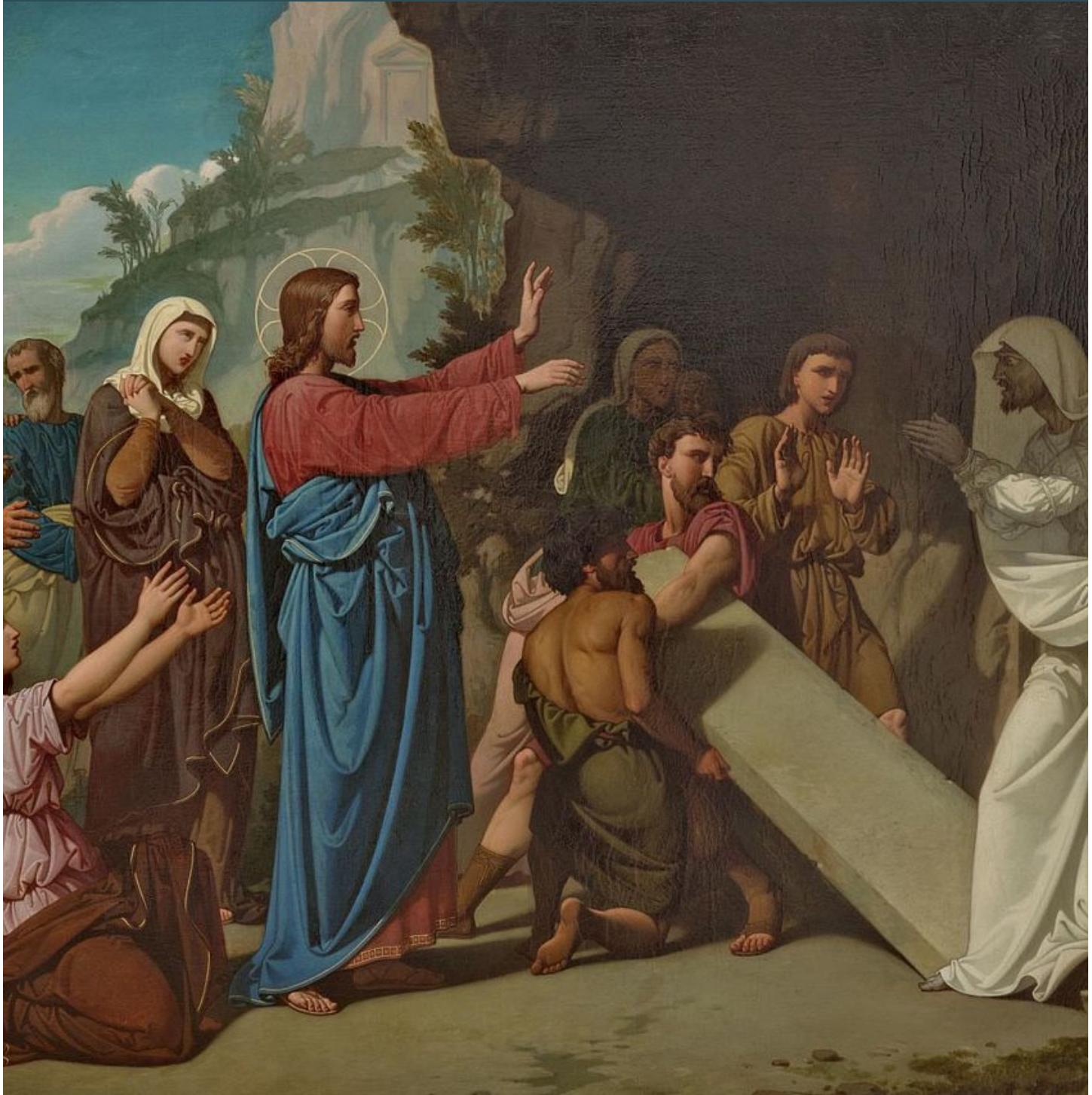


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### HOLY HOURS NEEDED

**Monday:** 7am

**Tuesday:** 1am, 7am, **11am**, 8pm,

**Wednesday:** 7am, **8am**, 10am, 11am

**Thursday:** 7am, 8am, **10am**, 1pm

**Friday:** 11am, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm 7pm

**Saturday:** 2am, **12noon**, 2pm, 3pm, **4pm**, 6pm

**Sunday:** 7am, 8am, 10am, 11am, 2pm, 3pm

Hours listed that are in bold print are the most urgent to fill, however these or ANY hour that you would like to sign up for would be great! Contact, Rebecca Freeman [rebecca@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:rebecca@sugarlandcatholic.com) or 281-844-4616.

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#### On the cover:

Juan de Barroeta.

*The resurrection of Lazarus.*

1855, oil on canvas.

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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.

### 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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Due to printing and shipping, we submit the bulletin to our printing company on Tuesday (...and sometimes Wednesday mornings, when we are running a little behind). My prayer is that we have resumed regular worship together in the Church this Sunday and that this bulletin is outdated by the time that it is printed. I realize that is unlikely to happen, though, and would like to inform everyone of a new plenary indulgence that is being offered by the Church during this time.

Sins can have both eternal and temporal consequences. The eternal consequence of mortal sin is separation from God in hell. When sacramental absolution is given in Confession, the eternal punishment of those mortal sins is forgiven, but some temporal punishment might remain. Venial sins also have temporal punishment. Temporal punishment can be satisfied by performing works of penance, prayer, indulgences, etc. Any temporal punishment that remains to be satisfied when a person dies is removed in the sufferings of Purgatory.

A plenary indulgence is the remission of all temporal punishment due to sin, the guilt of which has been forgiven. The usual requirements for a plenary indulgence are: some specific prayer or action, going to Confession, receiving Holy Communion, praying for the intentions of the Pope, and being completely detached from venial sin. With the restrictions on movement and quarantine, people are not capable of going to Confession or receiving Communion, and so the Apostolic Penitentiary has issued a new indulgence:

A Plenary Indulgence is granted to the faithful affected by coronavirus, or subjected to quarantine by order of the health authority in hospitals or in their own homes if, with a soul detached from any sin, they spiritually unite through the media to the celebration of the Holy Mass, the recitation of the Holy Rosary, the pious practice of the Via Crucis or other forms of devotion, or if at least they will recite the Creed, the Our Father, and a pious invocation to the Blessed Virgin Mary, offering this proof in a spirit of faith in God and charity towards our brothers and sisters, with the will to fulfill the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer according to the intentions of the Holy Father), as soon as it is possible for them.

Furthermore, the Apostolic Penitentiary willingly grants a Plenary Indulgence under the same conditions on the occasion of the current world epidemic, even to those faithful who offer a visit to the Blessed Sacrament, or Eucharistic adoration, or the reading of the Holy Scriptures for at least half an hour, or the recitation of the Holy Rosary, or the pious exercise of the Via Crucis, or the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, to implore from Almighty God the cessation of the epidemic, relief for those who are afflicted, and the eternal salvation of the many whom the Lord has called to himself.

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

## MORNING OF RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN



The ladies of the Knights of Columbus invite all women to a Morning of Recollection on Saturday, March 28, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. until noon in the Chapel.

**CANCELLED**

The day includes adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, preached meditations, time for private prayer, and the opportunity for confession.

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.*

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**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 registrarlos. 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 3 de Mayo 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 a las 7:00 p.m. **El próximo seminario es el Jueves 14 de Mayo del 2020** en el Salón FLC-A.

### CONVALIDACIÓN DE MATRIMONIO



Las Bodas Comunales de Otoño están programadas para el **Sábado 24 de Octubre, 2020.**

Para las parejas que ya asistieron al Seminario Matrimonial aquí en Santa Teresa, se les pide que llamen a la oficina de la iglesia para incluirlos en el proceso formal de preparaciones finales.

Para las personas que no han asistido aun al Seminario también pueden llamar a la oficina para registrarse.

**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 el salón B1 o FLC los Jueves de 7:00-9:00 P.M. Para mas información llamar a Rocío 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? Regístrese después de misa o llame a Elvira Morales al 281-682-0626.

**LA LEGIÓN DE MARÍA:** El grupo se reúne los Lunes a las 6.30pm, 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. María Elena Rico 281-277-5776.

**ROSARIO GUADALUPANO:** El rosario se reza cada segundo domingo del mes en la iglesia. 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 próximos 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:  
Betty Rodriguez (713) 206-4959,  
Diana Galindo (281) 248-1252



## **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 29 de Marzo del 2020** 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**

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Debido a la impresión y el envío, enviamos el boletín a nuestra compañía de impresión el martes (... y, a veces, los miércoles por la mañana, cuando estamos un poco retrasados). Mi oración es que reanudemos la adoración regular juntos en la Iglesia este domingo y que este boletín esté desactualizado cuando se publique. Sin embargo, me doy cuenta de que es poco probable que esto suceda, y me gustaría informar a todos de una nueva indulgencia plenaria que la Iglesia está ofreciendo durante este tiempo.

Los pecados pueden tener consecuencias tanto eternas como temporales. La consecuencia eterna del pecado mortal es la separación de Dios en el infierno. Cuando se da la absolución sacramental en la Confesión, se perdona el castigo eterno de esos pecados mortales, pero puede quedar algún castigo temporal. Los pecados veniales también tienen castigo temporal. El castigo temporal puede satisfacerse realizando obras de penitencia, oración, indulgencias, etc. Cualquier castigo temporal que queda por cumplir cuando una persona muere se elimina en los sufrimientos del Purgatorio.

Una indulgencia plenaria es la remisión de todo castigo temporal debido al pecado, cuya culpa ha sido perdonada. Los requisitos habituales para una indulgencia plenaria son: alguna oración o acción específica, ir a la Confesión, recibir la Sagrada Comunión, orar por las intenciones del Papa y estar completamente separado del pecado venial. Con las restricciones de movimiento y cuarentena, las personas no pueden confesarse ni comulgar, por lo que la Penitenciaría Apostólica ha emitido una nueva indulgencia:

Se otorga una Indulgencia Plenaria a los fieles afectados por el coronavirus, o sometidos a cuarentena por orden de la autoridad de salud en hospitales o en sus propios hogares si, con un alma separada de cualquier pecado, se unen espiritualmente a través de los medios de comunicación para la celebración del La Santa Misa, la recitación del Santo Rosario, la práctica piadosa del Vía Crucis u otras formas de devoción, o si al menos recitarán el Credo, el Padre Nuestro, y una invocación piadosa a la Santísima Virgen María, ofreciendo esta prueba en un espíritu de fe en Dios y caridad hacia nuestros hermanos y hermanas, con la voluntad de cumplir las condiciones habituales (confesión sacramental, comunión eucarística y oración según las intenciones del Santo Padre), tan pronto como sea posible para ellos.

Además, la Penitenciaría Apostólica voluntariamente otorga una Indulgencia Plenaria bajo las mismas condiciones con ocasión de la epidemia mundial actual, incluso a aquellos fieles que ofrecen una visita al Santísimo Sacramento, o la adoración eucarística, o la lectura de las Sagradas Escrituras por al menos media hora, o la recitación del Santo Rosario, o el ejercicio piadoso del Vía Crucis, o la recitación de la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia, para implorar al Dios Todopoderoso el cese de la epidemia, el alivio de los afligidos, y la salvación eterna de los muchos a quienes el Señor ya ha llamado.

Paz en cristo,  
**Padre David Angelino**



# SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

[www.sttheresacatholicschool.org](http://www.sttheresacatholicschool.org)

- THE GRIFFIN NEWS -

## Upcoming Open House Dates

Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

We are now accepting New Student Applications for grades PK3-Eighth grades for the 2020-2021 School Year.

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

Dear Saint Theresa Parish Family,

As we are all adjusting to a new “normal” - I wanted to let our parish family know that all of you are in our thoughts and prayers. This is certainly a confusing and estranging time in all our lives. Saint Theresa Catholic School has had to temporarily close our physical campus, but the parents, students, faculty, and staff remain hard at work.

Our teachers have, in record time, rolled out their curriculum plans to maintain the continuity of instruction so that our students receive the quality education that is our school’s trademark. We are so blessed to have such extraordinary families and students. In true Griffin form, they are meeting this challenge head-on and are studying hard at home. We at STCS are extremely grateful for their patience and understanding as we work out some technical difficulties and establish new procedures for remote instruction.

STCS families and friends may still reach us through phone and e-mail. If you call the school, please leave a message, and someone will return your call. Our general e-mail, [info@sttheresacatholicschool.org](mailto:info@sttheresacatholicschool.org), is checked throughout the day.

We are continuing with our Open enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year. If you or someone you know, would like information regarding our school and/or the Admissions Process, please go to our website at <https://sttheresacatholicschool.org/admissions/application-process/> or contact Betty Pruski at [bpruski@sttheresacatholicschool.org](mailto:bpruski@sttheresacatholicschool.org).

During this time of difficulty and stress, we ask for your prayers. As your parish school community, we will continue to pray for the health and safety of all. God bless all of you.

Yours in Christ,  
**Mark Newcomb, Ph.D.**  
Headmaster

*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.*

## R.C.I.A. Children's Testimonies

*Children who have reached the age of reason are capable of receiving and nurturing a personal faith and recognizing an obligation in conscience. (RCIA252)*

*The Christian initiation of these children requires a conversion that is personal and somewhat developed, in proportion to their age. (RCIA 253)*

*Before the children are admitted to the sacraments at Easter, it should be established that they are ready for the sacraments. (RCIA256)*



### Emma

I want to be baptized so my sins will be forgiven. The Bible helps me understand what Jesus did and helps me know what I must do. When Moses led the slaves out of captivity and was in the desert shows me God is always with me. Every night my family and I pray before bed and also every morning. We pray before school, I also pray when I go to mass Jesus is with me guiding me every day. I try to be kind and help my friends at school and my teacher. It makes me want to be a better person. I'm going to try to obey the commandments more. The people in our parish are nice and kind. I like that our parish helps people in need.

### Sofia

I want to be baptized because I want to be free of sin. Baptism means coming back alive free of sin and it will help me get along better with my family members and help me to be more respectful. The Bible helped me understand that you shouldn't leave anyone out. My favorite bible story is the parable of the shepherd and the lost sheep. I do pray at night almost every night. Jesus Christ is my friend because he listens and cares for me. I help him by doing my best and helping someone every day. Now I know I'm closer to getting baptized, I will become closer to Jesus. The church community is friendly and works as a team. I love Mass.

### David

I want to be baptized so I can wash away my sins. This means to me that I will have a better connec-

tion with God it will make me happier. The Bible has made me grow more in faith with God and Jesus because I learned more about Jesus and God. The story about Adam and Eve is meaningful to me because it is what introduced me about God and Jesus, when I talk to God I talk to him through my prayers and pray every day of the week. Jesus is my friend because he is always there for me and always somebody to talk to. Preparing for the sacraments of initiation has pulled me closer to God. David's mother says he loves attending Mass. the children no longer ask so many questions about their faith. They have better discussions on faith especially since attending the family sessions.

### Gabriella

I want to be baptized to be closer to God and have guidance throughout my life. It will make me feel happy to have guidance throughout my life being close to Jesus. I want to spread the love of God to my friends. The Bible has helped me understand things and grow my faith. My favorite bible story is when John the Baptist said "behold the lamb of God" I like Noah and the Ark, Noah listened to God and was obedient. Also how he saved the animals. Her father says she prays more and when things get difficult for her she goes to her room to pray. Jesus is my friend I tell him my problems and when I am sad. Her father says she is causing changes in him since she has been attending RCIA. His faith is growing and he is trying to be a better model for her. She loves the parish and her new friends, everyone is so nice and we have fun.

### Alonzo

I want to be baptized to wash away my sins. What that means is that I will start fresh with no sins. It will help to be more caring and to listen more. The Bible has helped me to see what happened to Jesus when he was born and on the cross. The stories that are meaningful to me is Adam and Eve. I pray at night every day. Jesus is my friend because I talk to him. I help others by helping them on a math problem in school. Preparing for the sacraments has helped me to

attend Mass more than I did back then. After I am baptized I will become a nicer person to everyone even if they are not related to me. What I like about our parish they will accept a question if they are busy or not. Mother says, since Alonzo started the process we as a family have become united in the word of God. We go to church more often. We pray at night as a family before we go to bed.

### Gabrielle

I want to be baptized to follow God and to be holy, this means when I get baptized all my sins will wash away. I can pray for my friends and family for them to have a loving relationship with God. The Bible has helped me to learn about Jesus and God the story that is meaningful is when Jesus was born and the story of the three kings. I pray very peacefully and calm to God. I pray every single night. Jesus is my friend because he cares about me and makes me feel better, when I talk to Him. Jesus calls me to be courteous and to be respectful. Receiving the sacraments are important for having eternal life and it makes me feel safe since God is protecting me. After I get baptized I'll try to pray two times every single night. I love our parish because it is full of kind and loving people. Mother says: Gabby tries to live her life the way Jesus teaches us. I truly think she feels this way in her heart. I know that she's ready to start this next chapter by her actions how she communicates. I see her desire to be a follower of Christ.

### Jackson

I desire to be baptized because the sacraments will bring me closer to God. I know there is more after baptism. Reading the word of God and trying to live the words. I try to be a follower of Jesus, the words help me to know what he wants of me in my life. My favorite story in the Bible is the "Prodigal Son." I sense in the Father Gods love for his people. I love our parish new friends and attending mass with my family. I attend Catholic High School. I have become a better student. I respect my teachers more. I especially enjoy belonging to the Rosary club. I like the prayers during school. Mother says, while he

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# FAITH FORMATION

## ELEMENTARY

During the CCE school year (Sept.-May) classes are offered at the following times:

**Preschool CCE** is in rooms B3 – B5 during the Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass.

**Kindergarten CCE** is available on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. or Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.

**Elementary CCE** is on Tuesdays at 6:45 p.m. and Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. Children are asked to go directly to the classrooms.

**Sacrament Sunday** is for all children in formation to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Any questions can be directed to Paul Stoessel, Director of Elementary CCE, at [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!



### Lent is a good time to 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, **April 1, 2020** 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.



**Q** Why are the elect presented with the Creed and the Lord's Prayer?

**A** Now that the elect have finished their initial formation and draw closer to the waters of Baptism, the Church finds them ready to receive and pray with the Creed and the Lord's Prayer. During the Third Week of Lent, the assembly "hands over" the Creed to the elect. The elect will "give back" or recite the Creed on Holy Saturday as part of the preparation rites. During the Fifth Week of Lent, the elect are given the Lord's Prayer, which will become their prayer as Christians. These presentations entrust to the elect the discipline of faith and prayer.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## LIVE STREAM MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday  
8:30 a.m.

## Sunday

Spanish Mass  
8:00 a.m.

English Mass  
10:00 a.m.

**Mass Intentions:**  
The priests here at St. Theresa will be offering individual private Masses for all of the intentions requested for this time.

*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, March 30  
NO Events

Tuesday, March 31  
NO Events

Wednesday, April 1  
NO Events

Thursday, April 2  
NO Events

Friday, April 3  
NO Events

Saturday, April 4  
NO Events

Sunday, April 5  
NO Events

## SUNDAY OFFERTORY

March 22, 2020	\$ 1,087
Online Giving	\$ 7,864
Total	\$ 8,951

Goal Offering	\$ 45,814
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (36,863)

## PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

*Totals as of March 22, 2020*

Next Goal	\$ 5,000,000
Pledged	\$ 3,205,135
Payments	\$ 1,682,641

909 Participants

Current parish debt \$ 2,393,556

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

## DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2019

*Totals as of March 22, 2020*

Goal	\$ 205,000
Pledged	\$ 58,427
Payments	\$ 36,819

166 Participants



Offering  
Envelopes

If you are using our on-line option for contributions and would like your envelopes to be discontinued, please inform the parish office.  
281-494-1156.

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has been attending RCIA he has matured. She is often blown away by his dedication in school, his prayer life. The family prays together and share their faith in Christ more.

#### **Frank**

I want to be baptized to receive God to go to heaven. It will bring my family together more. I know my life will change. RCIA has helped me learn about God. It has helped me understand about forgiveness. I am more forgiving. Hearing the gospel and Jesus working wonders on people who doubted and now believe is fascinating. Jesus is my friend. I pray every day he motivates me to get by each day. My favorite story in the Bible is “the Good Samaritan” the story touches me because I see it happening at school. When a student is always acting up and he does a good thing they praise him. But the student that always does the right thing doesn’t get attention for it. I like being around the church and the people are kind. Parents agree that they are closer as a family. They read the Bible together and pray together.

#### **Andrew**

I want to be baptized so my sins will be washed away and I will be stronger and pray more. My favorite story is Adam and Eve and how sin happened to be in the world this is why I must be baptized in order to go to heaven. I try to follow Jesus by being a better person and be kinder. At school I try to listen more to my teachers. Mother says the family is praying together now. They now have discussions about the Bible. I like my church and going to Mass with my family.

#### **Alyssa**

Alyssa had been attending Mass and praying with her grandmother. Her daily prayer became more meaningful once she entered the RCIA process. Her parents and grandmother says she has a strong personality and has influenced her parents to be closer to Christ. She has invited her family to pray together. Alyssa wants to become a child of God and especially to receive the Eucharist, which she knows is the True Presence of Christ.



#### **Detailed SVDP Report for February 2020**

Utility assistance	\$3,502.06
Housing assistance	\$853.70
Food Pantry*	\$1,095.68
SVdP Twin Payments**	\$850.00
Office Supplies	\$222.95
Total Disbursements	\$5,841.52

Client family members served 357

Bags of food distributed 278

Volunteer hours donated (est.) 413

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

\*\* Twin payments to St. Thomas Aquinas, Holy Rosary and Holy Family SVdP ministries to help particularly needy families.

#### **FOOD PANTRY CLOSES DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC.**

As we write this bulletin insert (March 20th) our SVdP Food Pantry and offices are closed to the general public in response to the Covid-19 virus outbreak. The decision to close was a difficult one to make, but as a large number of our Vincentian volunteers are retired and of an age that would be particularly at risk, the leadership of our ministry decided that we should close the food pantry temporarily and re-evaluate the situation each week going forward. We sincerely regret the inconvenience this will cause but look forward to re-opening our food pantry and offices when it is safe to do so.

#### **A Prayer in this Time of Crisis and Uncertainty**

Come Holy Spirit, protect, guide, and inspire the researchers and medical professionals who are working tirelessly to find a cure for, and are caring for those who are suffering from this disease.

Come Holy Spirit, take away the fear, anxiety, and feelings of isolation from people receiving treatment or under quarantine. Give them a sense of purpose in pursuing good health and protecting others from exposure to the disease. Protect their families and friends and bring peace to all who love them. **Amen**

We respectfully ask that you do not leave donations of food and groceries in the donation boxes located inside the entrances to the Church and Chapel until the Food Pantry re-opens once more.

-SVdP Staff



# POSTPONED

Would you like to be a sponsor of our bazaar T-Shirt? All sponsors will have their family or company name proudly listed on our shirt.

**Sponsorship cost \$300.00**

Please contact Diane Senger in the parish office at 281-494-1156 or email at [diane@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:diane@sugarlandcatholic.com)



We need your **HELP!**  
Volunteer opportunities are available.

If you are interested in volunteering please call the parish office,  
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[diane@sugarlandcatholic.com](mailto:diane@sugarlandcatholic.com)

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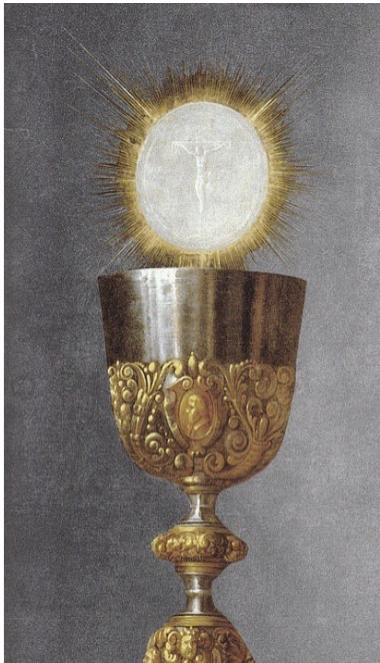
## ONLINE GIVING

The parish website has instructions on how to register for convenient on-line giving. You will have full control of your contribution account and scheduling. This option can be a great way to support the church more consistently and strengthen your commitment to charity.

If you would like to begin online giving, visit the link on our website or call Diane Senger: 281-494-1156.

[www.SugarLandCatholic.com](http://www.SugarLandCatholic.com)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Please use the following link to view the live-stream Mass in church:

<https://venue.streamspot.com/7596b517>

Currently we will live stream the 8:00 a.m. and the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Masses.



## WEEKLY READINGS

Have you been missing the weekly readings? We are making some edits to the bulletin in order to make more space for our events.

If you would like the readings emailed to you daily go to the Catholic Bishop's website <http://www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm>, click on "Today's Readings" and subscribe at the bottom of the page.

**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, April 3, 2020.**

**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, April 14, 2020**. For more information please contact Deacon James Anderson at 281-224-9986.

# Knights of Columbus St. Basil Council 4204

## 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Golf Tournament

FRIDAY, MAY 8TH, 2020  
THE QUAIL VALLEY GOLF COURSE  
MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS

Entry Fee: \$100 per individual; \$400 per team.  
(Includes green fee, range balls, shared cart, hamburger buffet lunch and prizes)

Format: Four-Player Team Scramble (Men and Women; Teams and Individuals Welcome)  
8:30 A.M. Shotgun start followed by lunch, awards and prizes

Please make checks payable to:

MAIL ENTRY AND CHECKS TO:

**Knights of Columbus Council 4204**

KC CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT  
c/o Lloyd Waguespack  
21343 Winding Path Way  
Richmond, TX 77406



Pay by credit card at: <https://kc4204sales.square.site>

For additional information contact: Lloyd Waguespack - 713-899-2645 - Email: [lloydwaguespack@comcast.net](mailto:lloydwaguespack@comcast.net)

**Gold Sponsor**

1-4 person team entry fee  
1-Hole sponsor sign

**\$600.00**

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2-Individual entry fees  
1-Hole sponsor sign

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**Bronze Sponsor**

1-Individual entry fee  
1-Hole sponsor sign

**\$300.00**

**Hole Sponsor**

1-Hole sponsor sign on tee box

**\$100.00**

**Beverage Cart Sponsor    \$250.00**

1-Special cart signage

**Please return entry and check by: Friday, May 1st, 2020**

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Telephone:	Telephone::
Email:	Email:
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# PRAYER REQUESTS

## PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Omnipotent and eternal God, the everlasting Salvation of those who believe, hear us on behalf of Thy sick servant, N., for whom we beg the aid of Thy loving mercy, that, with his bodily health restored, he may give thanks to Thee in Thy church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Enrique Barajas  
 Evelyn Bartos  
 Daniel Billman  
 Karen Cromer  
 Roxane Gautreau  
 Doris Gijon  
 Lynn Guess  
 Deacon Glenn Haller  
 Edith Hartensteiner  
 Jane Haygood  
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 Barbara M. Saenz  
 Jeannine Scates  
 Martina Spacek  
 Mateo Alexander Sparkman  
 Shirley Westbrook  
 Harriet Wolda  
 John Wolda

## 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, 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, Dennis Deruytter, Larry Klaus, Richard Patronella, Carlos Rusca, Alex Iglesias, Wayne Matthieson, Abraham Loja, Elaine Helton, Loida Abaigar, Matilde Torres, Erwin Matura, Frances Woellert, Victoria Regalado de Gurrola, Consuelo Gonzalez, John Cromer, Frank Cole, David Britain, Galli Cribbs, Sr., Mike Reyes



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

*-Indulgence. 500 days*



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death.

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.**

*"O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them" (Ezekiel 37:12).*

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