

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SAINT THERESA PARISH
ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON—HOUSTON



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St. Theresa Parish Office will be
closed on **Friday, July 3, 2020**
In observance of Independence Day.



St Vincent de Paul Society

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Have a Blessed Independence Day

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Tegnagel, Jan
Elisha and the Shunammite woman.
1600 - 1624, oil on panel.
Bonhams, London.

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)

Monday & 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. (Latin, Extraordinary Form)

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Several weeks ago, I wrote in the bulletin that our present situation is a good opportunity to reflect on the purpose of Sunday and the true nature of the Mass.

We have lived through (and indeed are still living in) a tragic time when the faithful were prohibited from attending Mass on weekdays and Sundays. I am still unsure if the mass live-streaming of Masses was helpful or harmful to the faith of those who could not attend. It can certainly be a good devotional act and I received a number of encouraging notes (along with some pictures) from families who made the live-stream Mass a truly prayerful event and I do not want to speak ill of such efforts. I think that the faith parents showed to their children in such times will bear much fruit.

Watching different Masses on TV in order to hear homilies from various perspectives is certainly a good use of technology, but nothing can substitute for our real presence at Mass. Jesus said "I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself" (John 12:32). There were only a few persons present at Calvary when Jesus was lifted up, but we are able to be really present at Calvary at every Mass we attend.

Pope Francis spoke to this several years ago in a series of Wednesday Audiences on the Mass. The Mass, he said, is "to enter this passion, death, resurrection, ascension of Jesus; when we go to Mass it is as if we're going to Calvary itself." He continued, "As we enter the church to celebrate Mass, let us think about this: I am going to Calvary, where Jesus gave his life for me. In this way the spectacle disappears; the small talk disappears; the comments and these things that distance us from something so beautiful as the Mass" (General Audience 22 Nov 2017).

For those who are ready to return but are concerned about crowds, you may want to consider coming to Mass during the week when there are less people. As the country continues reopening, let us pray that more people will be able to return to the public celebration of Mass to be present at Calvary with our Lord.

May God bless you,
Fr. David Angelino

FIRST FRIDAY ORGAN CONCERT

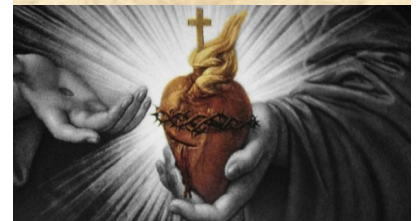
July 3, 2020
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Featuring:
Dr. Kevin Clarke



FIRST FRIDAY REPARATION VIGIL

July 3, 2020



9:00 p.m.

Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Consecration to the
Sacred & Immaculate
Hearts, & Holy Rosary

9:45 - 10:45 p.m.
Confession available

11:00 p.m.
Mass with
Gregorian chant

INSCRIPCIÓN EN LA PARROQUIA: Pase a la oficina parroquial de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. de lunes a viernes o puede tomar una forma en el vestíbulo de la iglesia y entregársela a un ujier.

GUARDERÍA: La guardería esta abierta durante la misa de 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. y 12:00 p.m. No necesita hacer reservación.

FORMACIÓN PARA LOS SACRAMENTOS

PREPARACIÓN DE BAUTISMO INFANTIL:

A los padres se les pide que inscriban a su hijo (a) para el bautismo. Deben traer el certificado de nacimiento del niño a la oficina de la parroquia para registrarlo. Los Papas y los padrinos deben asistir a una clase para bautismo. Los padrinos deben de ser mayores de dieciséis (16) años, católicos practicantes, tener sus sacramentos iniciales de bautizo, comunión y confirmación y si están casados, deben de estar casados por la iglesia católica.

Las clases se ofrecen el Segundo domingo de cada otro mes a las 3:15 p.m. en el Centro de Vida Familiar. A los padres se les pide de favor que no lleven a sus hijos a la clase. Se les dará Certificado de asistencia al final de la clase aquellos padres o padrinos que no bautizaran en Santa Teresa. Por favor llame a la oficina para inscribirse a la clase al 281-494-1156. **La próxima clase es el 12 de Julio 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 inscribase 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 9 de Julio del 2020** en el Salón FLC-A.

CONVALIDACIÓN DE MATRIMONIO



Las Bodas Comunes 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 Rocio Padilla 832-573-3713 y Ana Perez 281-948-3349.

CORO FRATERNIDAD DE LA SANTÍSIMA VIRGEN MARIA:

El coro practica 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 ayudarla 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 Martin. 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 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 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

RITO DE INICIACION CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS (RICA)

**¿ESTÁ DIOS LLAMÁNDOLE 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!

Debido a la **pandemia de COVID 19**, no podemos reunirnos en persona, Sin embargo, sabemos que el llamado del Espíritu Santo no se detiene. Si usted está interesado en creciendo en su relación con Jesucristo o simplemente tenga algunas preguntas acerca de Dios y la Iglesia Católica, estamos aquí para caminar con usted.

**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,

Hace varias semanas, escribí en el boletín que nuestra situación actual es una buena oportunidad para reflexionar sobre el propósito del domingo y la verdadera naturaleza de la Misa.

Hemos vivido (y de hecho todavía estamos viviendo) un momento trágico en el que a los fieles se les prohibió asistir a Misa los días de semana y los domingos. Todavía no estoy seguro si la transmisión masiva en vivo de Misas fue útil o perjudicial para la fe de aquellos que no pudieron asistir. Ciertamente puede ser un buen acto devocional y recibí una serie de notas alentadoras (junto con algunas fotos) de familias que hicieron de la Misa en vivo un evento verdaderamente devoto y no quiero hablar mal de tales esfuerzos. Creo que la fe que los padres mostraron a sus hijos en esos momentos dará mucho fruto.

Mirar diferentes misas en la televisión para escuchar homilías desde varias perspectivas es ciertamente un buen uso de la tecnología, pero nada puede sustituir nuestra presencia real en la Misa. Jesús dijo: "Yo, cuando sea elevado de la tierra, atraeré a todos los hombres hacia mí" (Juan 12:32). Solo había unas pocas personas presentes en el Calvario cuando Jesús fue elevado, pero podemos estar realmente presentes en el Calvario en cada Misa a la que asistimos.

El Papa Francisco habló de esto hace varios años en una serie de audiencias del miércoles en la Misa. La Misa, dijo, es "entrar en esta pasión, muerte, resurrección, ascensión de Jesús; cuando vamos a Misa es como si fuéramos al Calvario mismo". Él continuó: "Al entrar a la iglesia para celebrar la Misa, pensemos en esto: voy al Calvario, donde Jesús dio su vida por mí. De esta manera el espectáculo desaparece; la pequeña charla desaparece; los comentarios y estas cosas que nos alejan de algo tan hermoso como la Misa" (Audiencia general 22 de noviembre de 2017).

Para aquellos que están listos para regresar, pero están preocupados por las multitudes, puede considerar venir a misa durante la semana cuando hay menos gente. A medida que el país continúa reabriendo, recemos para que más personas puedan regresar a la celebración pública de la Misa para estar presentes en el Calvario con nuestro Señor.

Que Dios los bendiga,
Padre David Angelino



SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

www.sttheresacatholicschool.org

- THE GRIFFIN NEWS -



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

For information, please contact Betty Pruski at 281-494-1157 or bpruski@sttheresacatholicschool.org



MOVING FORWARD WITH HOPE

The 2019-2020 academic year was momentous for STCS: we were named an Honor Roll School by the Cardinal Newman Society, took top prize in Life Sciences in the Archdiocesan Science Fair, and were even featured in the National Catholic Register for our groundbreaking Latin and P.E. curriculum integration. Despite the COVID-19 upheaval, we were able to continue to offer an outstanding education to our students, and thankfully hosted a live graduation for our 18 Eight Graders on May 22nd.

As we look to the future and the fall semester, Governor Abbott's announcements through June will be pivotal to the format for our classes. However, since everything in Texas appears to be gradually trending towards normalcy at intervals, we are planning to hold Back-to-School Night on Monday, August 10th, and starting live classes on Wednesday, August 12th.

Our firm commitment is to provide as full and regular an educational experience that is possible within current guidelines. We are encouraged that Schools have the option to run Summer Camps in person--that is a step in the right direction, for sure! It is for this reason that we are able to offer our Griffin Gateway Summer Program. As we move toward the new school year, we hope you will join us to learn more about the remarkable community of learning and laughter in your midst.

Yours in Christ,
Mark A. 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.

**2020 Saint Theresa
Catholic Daughters of the Americas Scholarship**
Court Saint Theresa of Lisieux No. 2211
Sugar Land, Texas

NEW EXTENDED DATE



Court 2211 of St. Theresa of Lisieux Catholic Church is offering **TWO** individual college scholarship to a high school graduate in the amount of \$1,000.00. To apply for this scholarship, you must be a 2020 high school graduating senior.

*If scholarships do not meet the following requirements, Catholic Daughters will not award the scholarships.

*A scholarship committee will review each essay and select the winner. The following rules apply for all entries:

RULES:

1. Each applicant must submit a typed essay. The essay must be at least one page and cannot exceed two pages. (more than two pages will be disqualified).
2. **Must use correct grammar, syntax and spelling.**
3. **The application MUST be mailed/ or emailed and postmarked by June 30, 2020 to:**
St. Theresa CDA
803 Rolling Mill
Sugar Land, TX 77498
Email to: ellardcda@gmail.com
4. The applicant's name, address, emails and phone number **must only** appear on the cover sheet of the essay. There shall be NO reference to your name or the names of any family members in your essay. (This will be cause for disqualification)
5. We must have a receipt from the college or university you are attending; we will mail a check to that college or university. This receipt must be sent to St. Theresa CDA by August 14, 2020

ESSAY: The essay should be written in the following three sections. Please write in an essay form; no resumes will be accepted.

Section 1: High school activities, community involvement.

Section 2: Goals in life in relation to college major, desired vocation after graduation, and the name of the college/ university you plan to attend.

Section 3: Respond to the following question using correct grammar, syntax and spelling:

“What impact has the Catholic Church had on preparing me for college, and college life?”

EDUCATION GRANT OPPORTUNITY



St. Basil Council 4204 is offering three individual college EDUCATION GRANTS in the amount of \$1,000.00 each to 2020 graduating high school seniors. The committee of Knights will review each essay and select the winners. The following rules will apply to the awarding of the grants:

The essay may be **HANDWRITTEN** or **TYPED**

NEW EXTENDED DATE

The essay must be received by **July 3, 2020** to:
Grand Knight Sam DeMora
1235 Pinecroft Dr, Sugar Land, TX 77498.

The applicant's **name should appear only on the coversheet** and there shall be no reference to your name or the names of any members of your family in your essay, **or you will be disqualified.**

The essay should be written in 3 **SECTIONS** or **PARAGRAPHS**.

Section I: Personal history, including length of residence in the Sugar Land area, high school activities, jobs, hobbies, and community involvement.

Section II: Goals in life in relation to college major/minor, desired vocation after college graduation, and the name of the institution you plan to attend.

Section III: Respond to the following: As Catholics in our part of Southeast Texas, we belong to the wider local Church known as the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Every diocese has a bishop as its chief pastor, with local parish priests to assist the bishop in his pastoral duties throughout his territory. **How does the Church define the identity and mission of the bishop? What are the three duties, or offices, by which the bishop carries out his ministry in the Church? Finally, how do laypersons participate in the three offices which properly belong to the bishop?**

References & Resources: *Apostolorum Successores: Directory for the Pastoral Ministry of Bishops*, Congregation for Bishops, 2004.

Christus Dominus: Decree Concerning the Pastoral Office of Bishops in the Church, Second Vatican Council, 1965.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, nos. 871-945.

The contest is open to the children or grandchildren of all KC members in good standing at Council 4204, and all registered members of St. Theresa Catholic Church of Sugar Land.

The winners of these education grants and their families will be guests of the Knights of Columbus at a general meeting in the future. **Should there be any questions, please contact Grand Knight Sam DeMora at gk4204_sd@yahoo.com**

More scholarship opportunity on page 11...

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!



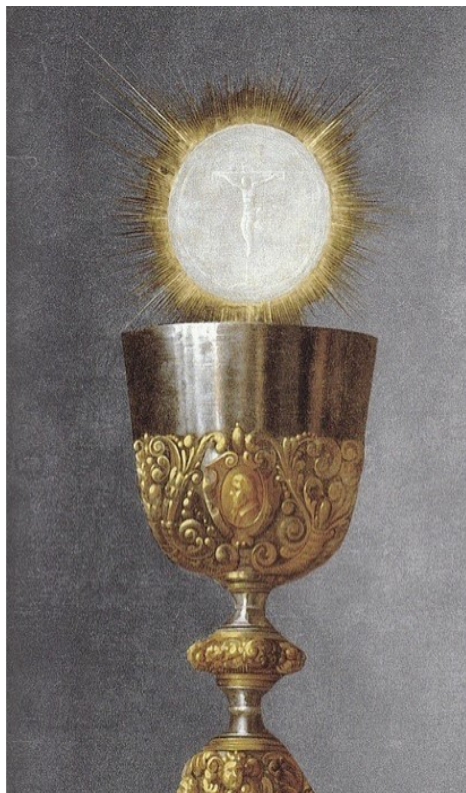
It is always a good time to explore the Catholic faith, even in a pandemic!

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!

Because of the **COVID 19 pandemic**, we are unable to gather in person, yet we know the call of the Holy Spirit does not stop. If you are interested in growing in your relationship with Jesus Christ or just have some questions about God and the Catholic Church, we are here to walk with you.

Contact Lynda Knoche at 281-450-1400 or by e-mail: lynda@sugarlandcatholic.com

If you, your child or someone you know is between the ages of seven and sixteen, not baptized or baptized in another faith community, we have an RCIA process suited to your age group. Please schedule an appointment with Paul Stoessel via phone (281-494-1156) or e-mail (paul@sugarlandcatholic.com) prior to attending your first session.



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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, June 29, 2020

Sts. Peter & Paul

6:45 a.m. ✕ Mr. & Mrs. Ullhann Varkey
8:30 a.m. Pham Family
5:30 p.m. Celebrant Intention

Tuesday, June 30

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

6:45 a.m. Ruben Perez Sr.
8:30 a.m. Celebrant Intention
5:30 p.m. ✕ Jeffery Thomas Mullins Sr.

Wednesday, July 1

St. Junipero Serra

6:45 a.m. Celebrant Intention
8:30 a.m. Celebrant Intention
7:00 p.m. Celebrant Intention

Thursday, July 2

Weekday in Ordinary Time

6:45 a.m. Celebrant Intention
8:30 a.m. Conchita Chua Ty
5:30 p.m. ✕ Ikenna Asonye

Friday, July 3

St. Thomas

6:45 a.m. ✕ Maria Nguyen
8:30 a.m. ✕ Eric Parker
5:30 p.m. Gloria Marina
Martinez Torres

Saturday, July 4

Independence Day

8:30 a.m. Celebrant Intention
5:00 p.m. Maria de Jesus Sanmiguel

Sunday, July 5

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 a.m. Celebrant Intention
8:00 a.m. ✕ Maria de la Paz & Family
10:00 a.m. Parish Family
12:00 p.m. ✕ Peggy Wathen
2:00 p.m. Arminda Rivas
5:00 p.m. Celebrant Intention

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.

CONFESSIONS

For the Month of June we will be hearing confessions after the 8:30am and 5:30pm Masses as we have been doing the past few months. Confessions will be offered **Inside** every day. They will also be offered **Outside** on Saturday.

CONFESSION TIMES:

- Monday - Friday
After the 8:30am Daily Mass
- Monday - Thursday
After the 5:30pm Daily Mass (6:00pm on Wednesday)
- Saturday 3:00 p.m.
(**Outdoor** and **Indoor** Confessions available)
- Sunday 4:00 p.m.
- Any time** (inside or outside) by appointment, please call the office.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY

June 21, 2020	\$15,614
Online Giving	\$ 9,820
Total	\$25,434

Goal Offering	\$ 45,814
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (20,380)

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

Totals as of June 21, 2020

Next Goal	\$ 5,000,000
Pledged	\$ 3,205,135
Payments	\$ 1,850,132

909 Participants

Current parish debt \$ 2,206,684

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

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2019

Totals as of June 21, 2020

Goal	\$ 205,000
Pledged	\$ 107,758
Payments	\$ 88,774

306 Participants



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.



How our Society was formed and how it is structured

Each year about this time we take the opportunity to explain our ministry and how we began. It's also no coincidence that in early July we will be asking for your financial support of our parent SVdP Central Council, so let's start with them.

Our St. Theresa SVdP conference is one of 60 conferences, totaling 1,800 Vincentian volunteers serving the poor in the Diocese. Our conferences all rely on our Central Council for Inspiration, Information, Training, Resources and Governance. SVdP Central Council is our connection to SVdP National Council that in turn makes us part of the global SVdP Society serving the poor and needy of the world. Many people believe that we were founded by Saint Vincent de Paul. Vincent was indeed dedicated to serving the poor but he lived in the 17th century. (Google him, he had quite a life)

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul was actually founded in the 19th century by a 20 year old student of the Sorbonne in Paris named Frédéric Ozanam**. Frédéric also wrote a column in a Catholic Journal at that time and had many public discussions arguing that the Catholic Church was indeed the true church founded by Christ. During one of these heated public discussions Frédéric was challenged. *"What is your Church doing now? What is your Church doing for the poor of Paris?"*

Frédéric Ozanam realized, that in 1833, the Church in Paris wasn't doing a lot for the poor. Frédéric and his student friends then resolved to join together and change things. With the help of Sister Rosalie Rendu**, a member of the Congregation of Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul, they formed what is known today as the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. The society did great work and quickly grew into a global society spanning 153 countries. The Society's first Conference in the United States was established in 1845 in St. Louis, Missouri, at the Basilica of St. Louis King of France.

Our Galveston/Houston Central Council was formed in 1871 and now 149 years later is still serving the poor and needy via the 60 local conferences in the Diocese. For example:

During the Covid-19 crisis, from March 17 to May 17 2020 our Central Council fielded 3,098 calls for assistance.

Working through local SVdP conferences: \$278,941 was distributed in financial aid impacting 3,871 individuals.

Food pantries in the Diocese (including St. Theresa's) distributed 742,660 lbs. of food.

The SVdP conferences in the Diocese performed 1,300 virtual Home Visits via video and telephone contacts.

In July please support our SVdP Central Council by contributing to the Annual Black Bag Collection to be held on July 11 and 12. As our parent SVdP Central Council gets no funding from the Diocesan Services Fund this once a year collection is vital to their continued mission which also was St. Vincent de Paul's "Extend mercy towards others, so there can be no one whom you meet without helping..." – St. Vincent de Paul

**Both Frédéric Ozanam and Sister Rosalie Rendu were Beatified by the Catholic Church. Their feast days are: Blessed Frédéric Ozanam Septem-

ber 9th. Blessed Rosalie Rendu February 7th.

Detailed SVDP Financial Report for May 2020

Utility assistance	\$1,234.05
Housing assistance	\$500.00
Food Pantry*	\$673.12
SVdP Solidarity**	\$450.00
Total Disbursements	\$2,857.17
Client family members served (est.)	250
Bags of food distributed	170
Volunteer hours donated (est.)	196

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

** Twin contributions to two particularly needy families in other SVdP conferences.

Donations of Food and Personal Care Items Are Welcome!

The SVDP ministry can always use donations of non-perishable foods. Such as canned vegetables, fruits, meats and soups. 2lb. sizes of flour and sugar.

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, oatmeal, 1lb. sizes of dry beans, rice, 2lb. sizes flour, 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 far 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.

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 SVdP office is not manned 24/7. Thank you.**

Our business hours are Mondays and Fridays

between 10:00am. and 1:00pm. Please continue to support our St. Theresa SVDP ministry financially and with your prayers, we firmly believe that all positive changes that we make in someone's life are the result of God working through us on your behalf. May God bless our loving donors and volunteers, and the friends and neighbors that we help and give hope.

May His Holy Spirit inspire us to pray, to give, to love and to serve.

-SVdP Staff



Support the Black Bag Collection
July 11-12, 2020

"Extend mercy towards others, so there can be no one whom you meet without helping." -St. Vincent de Paul



Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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www.svdphouston.org | 713.741.8234 | 2403 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, TX

CLUB UNIDAD (GEORGE MORALES SR.) MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Club Unidad will award a \$500.00 scholarship to a graduating High School Senior who is a registered member of St. Theresa's Church. Applications may be picked up at the parish office. For additional information or any questions regarding the scholarship, please contact, **George Morales, Jr.: 281-565-5469** or **David Chairez: 832-419-2271**

All scholarships applications should be postmarked no later than Friday, July 31, 2020.

SAVE LIVES ON THE SIDEWALK

A peaceful, prayerful presence outside an abortion clinic has shown to be effective in preventing abortion, even without any direct interaction. Sidewalk advocates are trained to also approach women entering the clinic, offering help and hope to redirect them to a nearby pregnancy help center.


Prayer provides the foundation of all we do.
Prayer Warriors Needed, Both on site and at home

On site: at 8200 Wednesbury Lane, Houston (Sharpstown)
Just one hour /month—or more - to provide prayer support and security for sidewalk advocates working 8:30 to 11:30 am on Mondays and Thursdays or other times.

While we have NOT experienced any problems, and expect none, we want to do everything we can to protect the sidewalk advocates. Prayer volunteers can be ready to take pictures/video of any incident, and call police if needed.

At home: Receive weekly emails to remind you to pray.
You will also receive reports of any hopeful results.

Contact Marie McCoy: 281-610-3986 or
Marie@ChristianVoicesforLife.org



Sidewalk Advocates for Life is a peaceful, prayerful sidewalk advocacy program that trains people how to most effectively offer loving, life-affirming alternatives to women and men entering the abortion facility.

For more information, see
www.sidewalkadvocates.org

- NEW - RECEPTION COMMITTEE

Get involved! Meet new people!
Join a group of parishioners who plan the parish receptions.
(set-up, decorate, serve, replenish, tear-down)

Contact the parish office for more details at 281-494-1156

SANCTUARY BEAUTIFICATION TEAMS

Saint Theresa Parish is forming a corps of volunteers to assist with maintaining the cleanliness and appearance of sacristies, confessionals, narthex/foyer, and chapel/sanctuary. Team members will also assist with candle preparation and decorating on special liturgical feast/seasons. We hope to operate as five teams, with one team working every Saturday of each month. The teams will also assist the parish priests with any needs they may have as well as various parish projects on an as-needed basis.

Contact the parish office for more details at 281-494-1156

ANNOUNCEMENTS

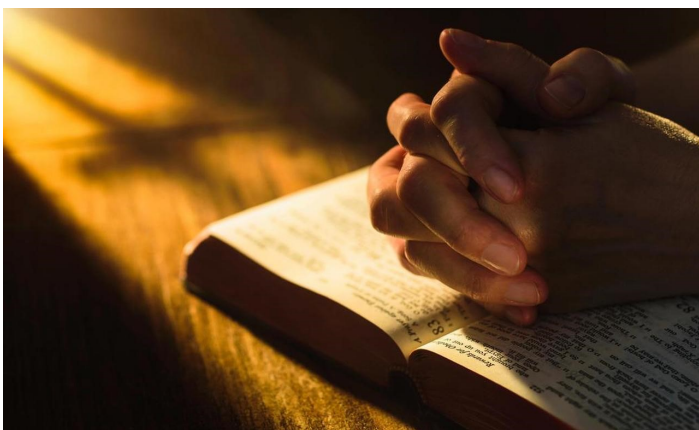
Donation of Altar Arrangement
June 28, 2020

In Memory of
George Michel Rassi



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



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, August 7, 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, August 11, 2020**. 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.

IN GRATITUDE



Dear people of St. Theresa,

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your RCIA Director for the last 26 years. I will be retiring as of July 1. I have been blessed beyond measure. I used to ask God "Why did you choose me?" but now I just pray, "Thank you so much."

This parish community has been given the charism of hospitality and you shared that with those searching for Christ as a sponsor and god-parent. Your faith and your willingness to share it has always been an inspiration to me.

I was blessed with two wise and holy mentors: Deacon Gerald DuPont and Fr. Bart Reynolds. This process would never be where it is without their guidance.

To those who serve on the RCIA team and those who served over the years, your amazing willingness to give abundantly, not counting the sacrifice, has helped make this process one of the most developed in the archdiocese. We have shared the vision with other parishes and other dioceses all over our country. Your friendship is something I value more than I can express.

To all those inquirers, catechumen and candidates, who came to us searching for Jesus Christ, your courage and your willingness to let the Holy Spirit lead you to a relationship with Our Lord, you I will miss the most. You have been my teacher, you have helped make me the Catholic woman I am today. If I get to heaven someday, it will be because of you.

Now, I am excited to give you your new RCIA Director, Kelsey Pena. Kelsey is a St. Theresa gal through and through. She was baptized here and receive all her other sacraments here. Her wonderful husband, Steve, even proposed to her on the grounds of this church. She has served in various catechetical ministries. She knows the RCIA process well and is a good servant leader. The RCIA process will only get better under her leadership.

Peace & Joy,
Lynda Knoche

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Almighty and ever-living God, I approach the sacrament of Your only-begotten Son Our Lord Jesus Christ. I come sick to the doctor of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the radiance of eternal light, and poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Lord, in your great generosity, heal my sickness, wash away my defilement, enlighten my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness. May I receive the bread of angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with humble reverence, with the purity and faith, the repentance and love, and the determined purpose that will help to bring me to salvation. May I receive the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, and its reality and power. Kind God, may I receive the Body of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born from the womb of the Virgin Mary, and so be received into His mystical body and numbered among His members. Loving Father, as on my earthly pilgrimage I now receive Your beloved Son under the veil of a sacrament, may I one day see him face to face in glory, who lives and reigns with You for ever. Amen.

Saint Thomas Aquinas

THANKSGIVING AFTER MASS

I thank you, holy Lord, almighty Father, eternal God, who deigned to feast me, sinful and unworthy servant, with the precious body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, not for any merit of mine, but only because of your merciful goodness. And I pray that this Holy Communion, far from condemning me to punishment, may bring about my pardon and salvation, encompassing me with the armor of faith and the shield of a good will. By it let my vices be done away, all lustful desires extinguished. May it advance me in charity, patience, humility, obedience, and every other virtue. Let it be strong defense against the wiles of all my enemies, visible and invisible, allaying for me every disturbance of flesh and spirit, binding me firmly to you, the one true God, and bringing my last hour to a happy close. I pray, too, that it may be your pleasure to call my sinful self one day to that banquet, wonderful past all telling, where you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, feast your saints with the vision of yourself, who are true light, the fulfillment of all desires, the joy that knows no ending, gladness unalloyed, and perfect bliss: through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Thomas Aquinas

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
 Lillie Beserra
 Patricia Beserra
 Daniel Billman
 Camila Cortez
 Karen Cromer
 Roxane Gautreau
 Doris Gijon
 Lynn Guess
 Deacon Glenn Haller
 Edith Hartensteiner
 Bernice Hebert
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 Charles Lafond
 Pam Memmer
 Fred Meyer
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 Rita Nauck
 Tom Nauck
 Jeff Ploch
 Beverly Riggs
 Ana Cruz Rivas
 Francisco Rivas
 Bernadette Roberts
 Barbara M. Saenz
 Matthew Schoonewolff
 Martina Spacek
 Mateo Alexander Sparkman
 Baldemar Torres
 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, 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, Barbara Baker, Alex Cava, María de Jesús Sanmiguel, Jane Haygood, Jeannine Scates, Ariana Cortez



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

-Indulgence. 500 days



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness or error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth.

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

*“Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for
may sake will find it” (Matthew 10:37-42).*

Saint Theresa Catholic Church

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

