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 Our famous fish dinner is back for drive through service only on **Friday, October 16th** from 5:30 till we sell out. Fried fish dinner complete with coleslaw, green beans, hush puppies and French fries.



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On the cover:

Monogrammist, Brunswick.
Parable of the Great Banquet.
 1525, oil on panel,
 National Museum in Warsaw, Poland.

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)

**REFLECTION ON THE THIRD (III) COMMANDMENT OF GOD
“WITH LOVE REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY TO KEEP IT HOLY!”**

In reflecting on what is happening in the world during this time of pandemic I am sure that God wants to remind us that He is in control of everyone's lives, in particular those who fulfill his commandments, and that there is no need to fear. He does not want us to doubt. But why do these things happen? Maybe we have asked ourselves this question. Being human and living in the world, God has given us the responsibility to multiply and to govern what He has given us. But in the history of time, we know that human beings have not fulfilled these responsibilities very well.

I believe that God has given us this time so that we can concentrate on the domestic church via the third commandment, “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.”¹ Our Jewish brothers and sisters still celebrate Saturday as the day of rest, but since our Lord's resurrection on that glorious Sunday, in the year 33 A.D., Christians have fulfilled the precept of God's command--“The seventh day will be a day of complete rest and consecrated to the Lord”²--on Sundays, the first day of the week. And Sunday, since that time, has been when Christians have come together as the author of the Book of Hebrews tells us, “Do not abandon our assembly, as some are used to doing, but rather, let us encourage each other.”³ And with that I would like you to give some thought about this especially you fathers as the heads of household.

Ask yourselves, since the Cardinal dispensed the requirement to attend Mass or to meet in assembly, how have I and my family celebrated the Third Commandment of the Lord? Have I treated Sunday like all other days? Have I set aside time to rest or have I become more involved in my work and abandoned the commandment that God has addressed to me? If perhaps a tiny bit of your answer has been “yes” in the case of not separating Sunday to rest and enjoy with the family, remember what the Psalmist tells us - “Happy are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in God’s commands.”⁴ To abide in the Lord leads to love from the heart and this is unrivaled. If we truly love what the Holy Scriptures tell us, how can we not do as God asks us? He has to be our primary focus and with His Word the faithful joyfully comply.

Working on Sunday can be justified for those who work in necessary professions (doctors, nurses, first responders, etc), but even if that is the case, set aside time to celebrate partaking of the Holy Eucharist, which is the most precious Sacrament in this world; even if you must do this spiritually. We must pray daily to be in constant union with our Creator, but even more so, do it as a family on Sundays. This is for the benefit of our wives and our children; to know Christ through the works of each one of us. By doing this we sanctify our family through the examples we set. Be the first to invite your families to share in the Mass online or come physically since we can now meet at 50% maximum church capacity, (but do not stop bringing your face covers and practicing social distancing.) We fathers must be the spiritual leaders among our families. If the father teaches his family to serve God first in everything, and if his children see him bowed in front of a crucifix praying, this has more effect of fidelity and conversion than thousands of words; then after celebrating Mass, share in thanksgiving the family meal in your own homes with your family. Pray about this and by practicing it, you will find tranquility and peace among your family as you have never experienced.

And as Our Patron Saint, St. Therese of Lisieux tells us, *‘In the heart of the Church, my mother, I will be love.’*⁵ With love, my brothers, and sisters in Christ, practice the Third Commandment well.

Yours in Christ,
Deacon Gilbert Rodriguez

¹CCC Ten Commandments Part 3

²CCC 2168

³Hebrews 10:25

⁴Psalm 112

⁵Autobiography of St. Therese of Lisieux

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. Los Papas y los padrinos deben de ser católicos. Los niños (16) años, católicos, que desean recibir el sacramento de la comunión y los niños casados, deben de estar inscritos en la iglesia católica.

Por favor llamen a la oficina para inscribirse

Por favor llame a la oficina para inscribirse a la clase al 281-494-1156.

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 12 de Noviembre** 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 Kínder al 8 grado. Catequesis es un proceso continuo de evangelización, educación, formación y conversión que dura toda la vida. Para mas información por favor llame a la oficina de Catequesis de lunes a viernes al 281-494-1156 de 8:00 a.m. a 4:30 p.m.

DOMINGO DE SACRAMENTOS: Para los niños que desean la formación para los Sacramentos de Primera Reconciliación (confesión) y la Sagrada Comunión. Esta clase es en conjunto con su catequesis. Los niños deben tener mínimo siete (7) años al comienzo del año escolar. Las clases son un domingo al mes a la 1:00 p.m.

CATÓLICO BÁSICO: Católico Básico es para padres de los niños que asisten a catequesis por primera vez y desean que sus hijos se preparen para la formación de los Sacramentos de Reconciliación {Confesión} y La Primera Comunión. Esta clase es una vez al mes {en martes} a las 7:00 p.m. en el Centro Comunitario de la Parroquia. Esta clase es obligatoria para los padres solamente.

GRUPOS DE ORACIÓN Y APOSTOLADO

APOSTOLADO DE LA CRUZ: El grupo se reúne los martes a las 7:00 p.m., en el edificio de CCE. Para mayor Información por favor llame a Myrta 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: Invita a iniciar un nuevo año de formación espiritual basado en el N.T., en la misión del agradecimiento y en el evangelio dominical. Las reuniones son virtuales por motivo del covid-19 y se llevan a cabo los martes a las 7:30pm. Para mayor información llamar a Elsa Galindo al 713-534-7395.

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 conferen-

cias 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 enseña sobre la belleza del ser humano y su capacidad para cooperar con Dios y dar vida. Para mas información llame a Irma Roman al 832-287-7333.

ALCOHÓLICOS ANÓNIMOS: La Gracia de Dios nunca se acaba. Esto es únicamente con el fin de ayudar a todos aquellos que tengan problemas con el alcohol. Para mas información llame al Sr. Oscar Santaella al 346-818-1205.

NUEVA PUBLICACIÓN



Felicidades a Eduardo De Jesús Vivanco en la publicación de su segundo libro: **77 Oraciones de un Pecador Convertido!**

El libro ya recibió la aprobación eclesiástica.



” La razón de nuestra vida se descubre por medio de la fe y del amor.





**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.

**REFLEXIÓN DEL TERCER (III) MANDAMIENTO DE DIOS
“¡CON AMOR RECUERDA EL DÍA DEL SÁBADO PARA SANTIFICARLO!”**

Reflexionando en lo que está ocurriendo en el mundo durante este tiempo de pandemia estoy seguro de que Dios quiere recordarnos que Él está en control de las vidas de todos, en particular con los que cumplen con sus mandatos, y de que no hay necesidad de temer. Él no quiere que dudemos. Pero ¿Por qué pasan estas cosas? tal vez nos hemos hecho esta pregunta. Siendo humanos y viviendo en el mundo, Dios nos ha dado la responsabilidad de multiplicar y también de gobernar lo que Él nos ha dado. Pero en la historia de los tiempos, sabemos que el ser humano no ha cumplido muy bien con estas responsabilidades.

Yo creo que Dios nos ha dado este tiempo para que nosotros podamos concentrarnos en la iglesia domestica por medio del tercer mandamiento, “Recordar el día sábado, mantenerlo sagrado.”¹ Nuestros hermanos Judíos todavía celebran el sábado como el día de descanso, pero desde la resurrección de Nuestro Señor en ese glorioso domingo, que ocurrió en el año 33 A.D., los Cristianos han cumplido con el precepto del mandato de Dios, “El día séptimo será día de descanso completo y consagrado al Señor”,² en los domingos, el primer día de la semana. Y el domingo desde ese tiempo ha sido cuando los cristianos se han reunido como nos dice el autor en el Libro de los Hebreos, “No abandones nuestra asamblea, como algunos acostumbran a hacerlo, antes bien, animémonos unos a otros mutuamente.”³ Y con eso les quisiera dar algo de contemplación especialmente a Uds. padres de familia.

Pregúntense, desde cuando el Cardinal promulgo el precepto de que no es pecado faltar a Misa o de reunirnos en asamblea, ¿Cómo hemos celebrado yo y mi familia el Tercer Mandato del Señor? ¿He tratado el domingo como todos los otros días? ¿He apartado tiempo para descansar o me he involucrado más en mi trabajo y abandonado el mandamiento como Dios me lo ha escrito? Si acaso un puñito de su respuesta ha sido “si” en el caso de no separar el Domingo para descansar y gozar con la familia, recuerden el Salmo que nos dice – “¡Dichoso quien ama de corazón los mandatos del Señor!”⁴ El amor de corazón no tiene rival. Si verdaderamente amamos de corazón lo que nos dicen las Santas Escrituras, ¿cómo podemos dejar a Dios afuera de nuestras vidas? Él tiene que ser el enfoque primario y con su palabra los fieles tienen que cumplir.

Trabajar el domingo puede estar justificado para quienes trabajan en profesiones necesarias (médicos, enfermeras, socorristas, etc.), pero si ese es el caso, aparten tiempo para celebrar el partido de la Santa Eucaristía, que es el Sacramento más precioso en este mundo; aunque sea Espiritualmente. Hay que rezar diariamente para estar en constante unión con nuestro Creador, pero más profundo de hacerlo en familia los domingos. Esto es para que sus esposas y sus hijos conozcan a Cristo por media de las obras de cada uno de nosotros. Haciendo esto santificamos a nuestra familia por medio de los ejemplos que hacemos. No dejen de invitar a sus familias a compartir en la Misa en línea o vengan físicamente mientras que ya podemos reunirnos a 50% máximo, (pero no dejen de traer sus cubrebocas y practicar la distancia social.) Uds. padres de familia tienen que ser los líderes espirituales entre sus familias. Si el padre enseña a su familia a servir a Dios primero y en todo, y si sus hijos lo ven inclinado enfrente de un crucifijo orando, esto tiene más afecto de fidelidad y conversión que mil palabras. Y después de celebrar la Sata Misa compartan en el banquete en sus propios hogares con su familia. Piénselo y practíqueno y van a encontrar tranquilidad y paz entre su familia como nunca lo han experimentado.

Y como nos dice Nuestra Patroncita, Sta. Teresita de Lisieux, *‘En el corazón de la Iglesia mi madre, yo seré amor.’*⁵ Con amor mis hermanos en Cristo practiquen bien el Tercer Mandamiento.

Con humildad,
Díacono Gilberto Rodriguez

¹CDC Capitulo Primero, Artículo 3

²CDC 2168

³Hebreos 10:25

⁴Salmo 112

⁵Del Autografía de St. Teresa del Niño Jesús



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Saint Theresa Catholic School selected as a
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SUGAR LAND, TEXAS
AS A
2020 EXEMPLARY HIGH PERFORMING
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September 24, 2020

Congratulations on your recognition as a 2020 Exemplary High Performing National Blue Ribbon School! The U.S. Department of Education acknowledges your students' success as an inspiring example of how teachers, parents, and community leaders can work together to help students prepare for what comes next.

I commend you for striving to do what's right for your students and to personalize instruction to meet your students' unique needs and strengths. Thank you for what you do to help your students realize their potential and achieve their dreams.

A world-class education must be available to every young person if our nation is to meet the challenges of the future—and of right now. Great school leaders pivoted and kept learning going for their students as health realities disrupted everything.

I commend your dedication and recognize the essential work that you do in helping students prepare for successful futures. Our country needs more dedicated educators like you. It is my hope that you will become a beacon for other educators, working with them, and sharing the practices that make your students so deserving of this national recognition.

I wish you and your students continued success in the years ahead.

Betsy DeVos

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



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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Danielle Bean



Ben & Beth Nguyen

LOCAL SPEAKERS



Trey & Stephanie Cashion
Track One



James & Leigh Schuelke
Track Two

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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 or at 281-494-1156 ext. 273.

Catholic 101 is for all parents of first year CCE children who are preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion. This is for parents only. Children are invited to attend CCE during this time.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Questions or comments, please contact Paul Stoessel, the director of Middle School CCE, at faithformation@sugarlandcatholic.com

Middle School Faith Formation meets on Tuesdays & Wednesdays (Sept.-May) at 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. in the Education Building/School

HIGH SCHOOL

Contact our Director of Youth Ministry and High School Faith Formation, Gabriel Castillo: Gabriel@sugarlandcatholic.com with any questions or if you'd like to get involved!

HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION

Registration **OPEN!** Register online at sugarlandcatholic.com
Classes start **October 4th**. In-Person and Online option.
Every week Sunday's 3:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Confirmation Registration Open for students who have completed their one year of Catholic education (1 completed year of High School Faith Formation and/or 1 completed year of High School level Catholic education) Register online at sugarlandcatholic.com/youth-ministry/confirmation/



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 Kelsey Pena at (281) 494-1156 ext. 222 or by e-mail: kelsey.pena@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 contact Paul Stoessel at e-mail (paul@sugarlandcatholic.com) prior to attending your first session.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, October 12, 2020

Weekday in Ordinary Time

6:45 a.m. ✕ Romeo Orola
 8:30 a.m. ✕ Bill & Ilda Stewart
 5:30 p.m. Celebrant Intention

Tuesday, October 13

Weekday in Ordinary Time

6:45 a.m. Celebrant Intention
 8:30 a.m. ✕ Mario Martinez
 5:30 p.m. Celebrant Intention

Wednesday, October 14

St. Callistus

6:45 a.m. ✕ James Harper
 8:30 a.m. Celebrant Intention
 7:00 p.m. ✕ Juan Torres Rodriguez & Moises Jarquin Ramos

Thursday, October 15

St. Teresa of Jesus

6:45 a.m. Celebrant Intention
 8:30 a.m. ✕ Julian Villarreal Jr. & Jeremy A. Zapalac
 5:30 p.m. Celebrant Intention

Friday, October 16

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

6:45 a.m. ✕ Jesus Luspo
 8:30 a.m. ✕ Mariano & Nemesio Bigcas
 5:30 p.m. Celebrant Intention

Saturday, October 17

St. Ignatius of Antioch

8:30 a.m. ✕ Jaime Rodriguez
 5:00 p.m. Ian Dipasupil

Sunday, October 18

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 a.m. Parish Family
 8:00 a.m. Jesus & Olga Lidia Padilla
 10:00 a.m. ✕ Andrew Dojs
 12:00 p.m. ✕ Leonor Zamora
 2:00 p.m. ✕ Lisa Hill
 5:00 p.m. Jasmin Dipasupil

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.

Saint Theresa Catholic Church Offertory Comparisons During Pandemic Weekly Offertory Goal \$42,049

Week	Offertory	Online	Total
April 6 - April 12	\$20,145	\$12,828	\$32,973
April 13 - April 19	\$4,457	\$12,649	\$17,106
April 20 - April 26	\$9,026	\$12,024	\$21,050
April 27 - May 3	\$24,023	\$16,806	\$40,829
May 4 - May 10	\$21,411	\$12,430	\$33,841
May 11 - May 17	\$15,847	\$10,222	\$26,069
May 18 - May 24	\$16,204	\$8,445	\$24,649
May 25 - May 31	\$13,121	\$10,402	\$23,523
June 1 - June 7	\$18,247	\$13,244	\$31,491
June 8 - June 14	\$1,520	\$10,940	\$12,460
June 15 - June 21	\$15,614	\$9,800	\$25,414
June 22 - June 28	\$11,676	\$9,405	\$21,081
June 29 - July 5	\$19,865	\$13,469	\$33,334
July 6 - July 12	\$15,716	\$11,664	\$27,380
July 13 - July 19	\$13,157	\$9,437	\$22,594
July 20 - July 26	\$14,450	\$14,369	\$28,819
July 27 - Aug. 2	\$16,328	\$14,505	\$30,834
Aug. 3 - Aug. 9	\$18,991	\$12,647	\$31,638
Aug. 10 - Aug. 16	\$15,526	\$9,685	\$25,211
Aug. 17 - Aug. 23	\$16,960	\$10,335	\$27,295
Aug. 24 - Aug. 30	\$15,293	\$11,972	\$27,265
Aug. 31 - Sept. 6	\$18,676	\$14,239	\$32,915
Sept. 7 - Sept. 13	\$19,368	\$11,877	\$31,245
Sept. 14 - Sept. 20	\$24,890	\$10,112	\$35,002
Sept. 21 - Sept. 27	\$24,117	\$9,734	\$33,851
Sept. 28 - Oct. 4	\$18,558	\$13,786	\$32,345

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017 Totals as of October 4, 2020

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

909 Participants

Current parish debt \$ 2,173,461

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

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2020

Totals as of
 October 4, 2020

Goal \$ 205,000
 Pledged \$ 150,541
 Payments \$ 142,458

624 Participants

Saint Theresa's Sewing Ministry



Saint Theresa's sewing ministry is off to a nice start during our new pandemic norm with face masks as the present fashion statement. While searching for unique fabrics and brainstorming for fresh ideas, we have started selling our masks for \$5.00 each. Please call the office at 281-494-1156 if interested in seeing what we have in our inventory. Below is a sneak peek of a selection of masks.



**Masks - 3 sizes –
toddler to adult - \$5.00 each
Prayer Blankets - coming soon**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

St. Angela Merici Catholic Church seeking two highly motivated people who are looking for longevity and would like to help fortify our parish mission. We are currently taking applications for two full time positions on our parish staff.

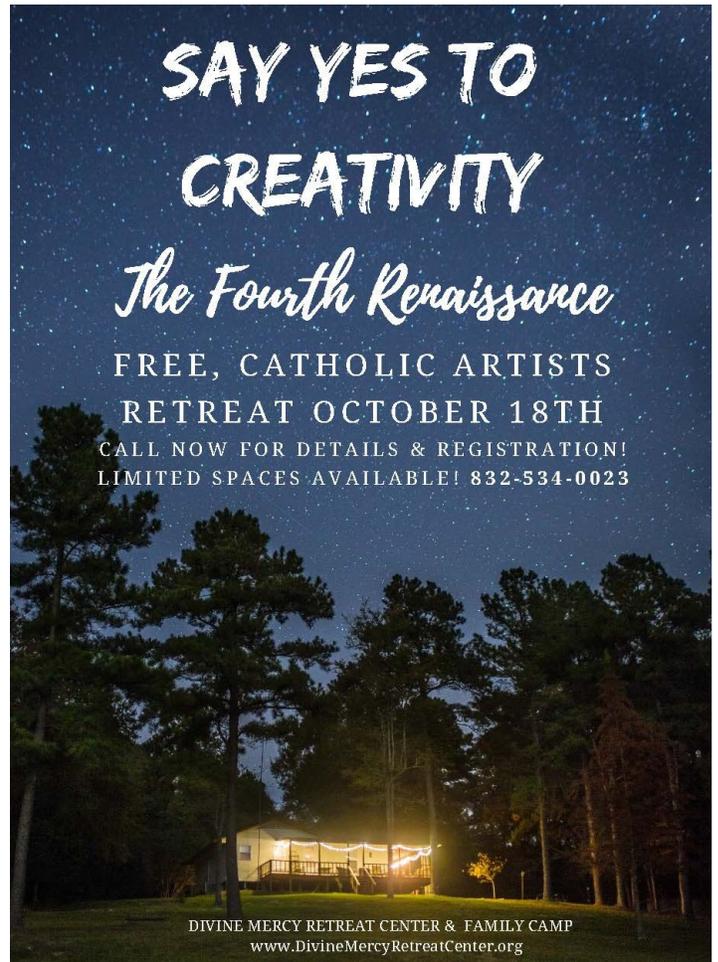
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NOVENA FOR LIFE



The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a **Novena for Life** to pray for a culture of life and civilization of love in our community, nation, and world from **October 24th through November 1st**.

The novena will begin with a **Rosary on October 24th** after the 5:00 pm Mass and end with the **Rosary for the Unborn on November 1st** after 10:00 am Mass.

We are asking families at St. Theresa to make a commitment to pray the “**Celebrate the Gospel of Life**” prayer in their homes on each of the nine days of the novena. The particular intention of this novena is **LIFE**, especially for those mothers that are contemplating an abortion.

Novena Schedule:

October 17, 18, 24 & 25 – Distribution of “**Celebrate the Gospel of Life**” prayer cards after each Mass

October 24 – Start of the Novena, Rosary after 5:00 pm Mass

October 24 – November 1 – Pray the “**Celebrate the Gospel of Life**” in your homes

November 1 – End the Novena with the “Rosary for the Unborn” after the 10:00 am Mass at the monument of the unborn in front of the church.

Please make a commitment to pray the “Celebrate the Gospel of Life” for the nine days of the Novena. Together in prayer, we can bring about change.

CELEBRATE THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life: Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy. Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of life with honesty and love to the people of our time. Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.



LIFE CHAIN is a nationwide, peaceful and prayerful public witness, against abortion. It is a time for prayerful self-analysis, repentance, and serious commitment to helping end abortion in our nation. Join members of our church as well as several area churches on Highway 6 and First Colony Blvd. to hold signs such as “Abortion Kills Children” “Abortion Hurts Women” and “Jesus Heals and Forgives.”

Life Chain will be held Sunday, November 1, 2020 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. on Highway 6 and First Colony Blvd. (in front of CVS) in Sugar Land, TX.

Please sign up at the table after every mass on, **October 24th and 25th**. For any questions please call Sam Gonzalez at 281-980-8762



“In the spirit of Christian love, commit to being peaceful, prayerful, and polite, in word and deed.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar flower sponsorship opportunities are still available for this year.



In remembrance of a loved one, a donation toward an Altar arrangement is a lovely gesture.

Please call the parish office for more details: 281-494-1156

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. 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. Please call the office to register for the class at 281-494-1156.

PRE-MARRIAGE SEMINAR: This pre-marriage seminar is to commence the marriage preparation for all couples who wish to be married within St. Theresa's Catholic community. It is held on the second Tuesday of every other month at 7:00 pm. It provides an opportunity for couples to learn about the Catholic Church's theology of matrimony and begin the process to properly receive this great sacrament of the Church. Couples will learn details of how to plan and prepare for their wedding day and matrimony thereafter. Please pre-register by calling 281-494-1156. The next seminar will be **Tuesday, October 13, 2020**. For more information please contact Deacon James Anderson at 281-224-9986.



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.

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.

Seafarers HOLIDAY GIFT WISH LIST

Note: full-sized items are much preferred over small travel size

Hairbrush/Comb	Mechanical Pencils / Pens	Soap & Shampoo
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Nail Clippers	Baseball Caps (new)	Texas Souvenirs
Q-Tips / Kleenex	Word Search/Sudoku	Personal Note or Card
Toothbrush / Toothpaste	Lip Balm / Lotion	Hot Chocolate
Pocket-Size Notebooks	Flashlight / Batteries	Needle & Thread
Shaving Cream	Gum & Hard Candy / Popcorn	Gold Bond Powder / Cream
Earbuds / Headphones	Christmas Wrapping Paper / Scotch Tape	2021 Calendars
Band-Aids (fabric)	Shoebox size boxes (cardboard or plastic)	Disposable Razors

Saint Theresa’s parish office elves are collecting items for seafarers Christmas gift boxes. These boxes will be gifted to the seafarers in the Port of Houston Ship channel. Crew sizes average 22 seafarers to gift per ship. In 2019, over 10,561 gifts were distributed on board 426 ships which represented more than 60 different countries. Please select items of choice and drop-off at the parish office during weekday business hours. **If you have questions, please call 281-494-1156.**
(Due by: November 22, 2020)



2020 WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



LIVE STREAM

World Mission Sunday

Archdiocesan Eucharistic Celebration

Sunday, October 18, 2020 11:00 a.m. Mass

St. Anthony of Padua Church - The Woodlands

<https://ap.church/mass-live-stream>

Celebrant and Homilist: Rev. Italo Dell’Oro, C.R.S.

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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.

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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:

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| 2 - Community Center | 10 - Parish Office |
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