

ASCENSION OF THE LORD
S A I N T T H E R E S A P A R I S H
ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON—HOUSTON



SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH
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WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE
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

(**Extraordinary Form**)

5:30 p.m.

CONFESIONES • 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—Novus Ordo)

On the cover:

Giotto di Bondone

The Ascension of Christ.

1304 - 1306, fresco

Scrovegni Chapel,

Padua, Italy.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I recently asked that a statement be read at Masses encouraging the reception of Holy Communion on the tongue in order to better protect the Blessed Sacrament from theft. That statement contained an error that I would like to correct. I incorrectly stated that giving Holy Communion on the tongue had been the norm in the church for nearly 2,000 years. We have writings of early Church Fathers speaking about reception of Holy Communion in the hand, the exact date when the transition was made is hard to determine and was likely different in different regions.

That practice began to change as the theology of the Blessed Sacrament developed. In 1969 the Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship under Pope St. Paul VI, who closed the Second Vatican Council in 1965, issued an Instruction on the Manner of Distributing Holy Communion called *Memorale Domini* ("The Memorial of the Lord"). This document summarized the history of the development:

It is certainly true that ancient usage once allowed the faithful to take this divine food in their hands and to place it in their mouths themselves.

It is also true that in very ancient times they were allowed to take the Blessed Sacrament with them from the place where the holy sacrifice was celebrated. This was principally so as to be able to give themselves Viaticum in case they had to face death for their faith....

Later, with a deepening understanding of the truth of the eucharistic mystery, of its power and of the presence of Christ in it, there came a greater feeling of reverence towards this sacrament and a deeper humility was felt to be demanded when receiving it. Thus the custom was established of the minister placing a particle of consecrated bread on the tongue of the communicant. (*Memorale Domini* 29 May 1969)

Memorale Domini was issued because the practice of distributing Holy Communion on the hand had been introduced in some European countries without permission. In response, Pope Paul VI asked all the bishops if they thought that "over and above the traditional manner [Communion on the tongue], the rite of receiving holy communion on the hand should be admitted? Yes: 597; No: 1,233; Yes, but with reservations: 315; Invalid votes: 20." (*ibid.*).

Bishop Laise claims that among those who said yes "were many that were not in agreement...but who nevertheless did not see another way to solve the situation of defiance" (Bishop Juan Rodolfo Laise, *Holy Communion, Communion in the Hand*). *Memorale Domini* goes on to say that "[t]he Apostolic See therefore emphatically urges bishops, priests and laity to obey carefully the law which is still valid and which has again been confirmed." Where the practice of distributing Holy Communion on the hand had *already* been established, however, the bishops of those countries were permitted to examine the situation carefully and request permission from Rome to continue if they judged it necessary. In the United States, the indult allowing Holy Communion to be distributed on the hand was given on June 17, 1977.

May God bless you,
Fr. David Angelino



The parish office will be closed **Monday, May 30** in observance of Memorial Day!

We will re-open on **Tuesday, May 31, 2022**



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Recientemente pedí que se leyera una declaración en las Misas alentando la recepción de la Sagrada Comunión en la lengua para proteger mejor el Santísimo Sacramento del robo. Esa declaración contenía un error que me gustaría corregir. Declaré incorrectamente que dar la Sagrada Comunión en la lengua había sido la norma en la iglesia durante casi 2000 años. Tenemos escritos de los primeros Padres de la Iglesia que hablan sobre la recepción de la Sagrada Comunión en la mano, la fecha exacta en que se realizó la transición es difícil de determinar y probablemente fue diferente en diferentes regiones.

Esa práctica comenzó a cambiar a medida que se desarrollaba la teología del Santísimo Sacramento. En 1969, la Sagrada Congregación para el Culto Divino bajo el Papa San Pablo VI, quien cerró el Concilio Vaticano II en 1965, emitió una Instrucción sobre la Manera de Distribuir la Sagrada Comunión llamada *Memoriale Domini* (“El Memorial del Señor”). Este documento resume la historia del desarrollo:

Ciertamente es cierto que el uso antiguo permitía a los fieles tomar este alimento divino en sus manos y llevárselo ellos mismos a la boca.

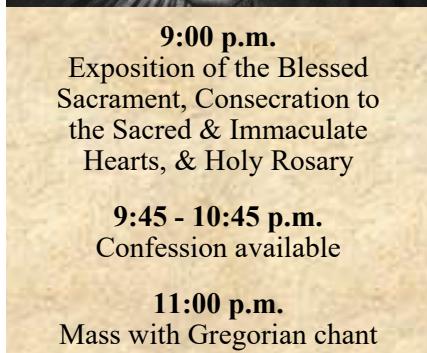
También es cierto que en tiempos muy antiguos se les permitía llevar consigo el Santísimo Sacramento del lugar donde se celebraba el santo sacrificio. Esto fue principalmente para poder darse el Viático en caso de que tuvieran que enfrentarse a la muerte por su fe....

Más tarde, con una comprensión más profunda de la verdad del misterio eucarístico, de su poder y de la presencia de Cristo en él, se produjo un mayor sentimiento de reverencia hacia este sacramento y se sintió que se exigía una humildad más profunda al recibirlo. Así se estableció la costumbre de que el ministro pusiera una partícula de pan consagrado en la lengua del comulgante. (*Memoriale Domini* 29 de mayo de 1969)

Memoriale Domini se emitió porque la práctica de distribuir la Sagrada Comunión en la mano se había introducido en algunos países europeos sin permiso. En respuesta, el Papa Pablo VI preguntó a todos los obispos si pensaban que “más allá de la manera tradicional [Comunión en la lengua], ¿debería admitirse el rito de recibir la sagrada comunión en la mano? Sí: 597; nº: 1.233; Sí, pero con reservas: 315; Votos inválidos: 20.” (*ibidem.*).

Monseñor Laise afirma que entre los que dijeron que sí “había muchos que no estaban de acuerdo... pero que sin embargo no veían otra manera de solucionar la situación de desafío” (Obispo Juan Rodolfo Laise, *Sagrada Comunión, Comunión en la Mano*). *Memoriale Domini* continúa diciendo que “[l]a Sede Apostólica, por lo tanto, exhorta enfáticamente a los obispos, sacerdotes y laicos a obedecer cuidadosamente la ley que aún es válida y que ha sido nuevamente confirmada”. Sin embargo, donde ya se había establecido la práctica de distribuir la Sagrada Comunión en la mano, a los obispos de esos países se les permitió examinar la situación cuidadosamente y solicitar permiso a Roma para continuar si lo consideraban necesario. En los Estados Unidos, el 17 de junio de 1977 se otorgó el indulto que permitía distribuir la Sagrada Comunión en la mano.

Que Dios Los bendiga,
Padre David Angelino



MASS INTENTIONS AND OFFERTORY

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, May 30, 2022

Easter Weekday

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| 6:45 a.m. | ✉ Eduardo Fajardo |
| 8:30 a.m. | Maria Christina Perez |
| 5:30 p.m. | Holy Souls in Purgatory |

Tuesday, May 31

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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| 6:45 a.m. | ✉ Jose Miguel Cuesta |
| 8:30 a.m. | ✉ Charlie Lopanec |
| 5:30 p.m. | Danielle Bishop |

Wednesday, June 1

St. Justin

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| 6:45 a.m. | Celebrant Intention |
| 8:30 a.m. | Celebrant Intention |
| 7:00 p.m. | ✉ Pedro Cortes |

Thursday, June 2

St. Marcellinus & Peter

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| 6:45 a.m. | ✉ Jorge Myers |
| 8:30 a.m. | ✉ Marita Alcoz Rodriguez |
| 5:30 p.m. | ✉ Anastacia & Felino Castillo |

Friday, June 3

St. Charles Lwanga & Companions

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| 6:45 a.m. | Curry & Hodson Families |
| 8:30 a.m. | ✉ Gilma Rosa Zapata Vargas |
| 5:30 p.m. | JT Harpel Family |

Saturday, June 4

Easter Weekday

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| 8:30 a.m. | ✉ Albert Buxkemper |
| 5:00 p.m. | ✉ Gilma Rosa Zapata Vargas |

Sunday, June 5

Pentecost Sunday

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| 6:30 a.m. | Chukwu Ebuka Obi |
| 8:00 a.m. | ✉ Carmen Meza &
Antonio Anaya |
| 10:00 a.m. | Parish Family |
| 12:00 p.m. | ✉ Evangelina Tiango |
| 2:00 p.m. | ✉ Lucia & Jose Gildardo Guarin |
| 5:00 p.m. | Deacon Chris Meyers |

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 Weekly Offertory Goal \$41,901

Week	Offertory	Online	Total	Maintenance Fund
November 22 - November 28	\$24,293	\$12,937	\$37,229	\$90
November 29 - December 5	\$27,643	\$15,163	\$42,806	\$1,505
December 6 - December 12	\$20,131	\$10,069	\$30,201	\$742
December 13 - December 19	\$23,952	\$10,097	\$34,049	\$697
December 20 - December 26	\$19,797	\$10,593	\$30,390	\$1,607
December 27 - January 2	\$31,853	\$18,365	\$50,217	\$12,747
January 3 - January 9	\$18,216	\$12,968	\$31,184	\$350
January 10 - January 16	\$21,528	\$9,153	\$30,680	\$2,492
January 17 - January 23	\$20,145	\$9,833	\$29,978	\$283
January 24 - January 30	\$22,368	\$10,722	\$33,090	\$1,128
January 31 - February 6	\$23,711	\$16,137	\$39,847	\$2,107
February 7 - February 13	\$23,265	\$7,641	\$30,906	\$127
February 14 - February 20	\$20,294	\$9,627	\$29,921	\$1,436
February 21 - February 27	\$26,556	\$9,338	\$35,894	\$1,024
February 28 - March 6	\$29,234	\$18,409	\$47,643	\$1,627
March 7 - March 13	\$24,306	\$9,440	\$33,746	\$103
March 14 - March 20	\$24,757	\$10,371	\$34,128	\$3,890
March 21 - March 27	\$19,817	\$8,682	\$28,499	\$283
March 28 - April 3	\$27,653	\$16,889	\$44,542	\$893
April 4 - April 10	\$27,632	\$9,998	\$37,630	\$617
April 11 - April 17	\$37,634	\$9,322	\$46,956	\$1,933
April 18 - April 24	\$18,079	\$8,358	\$26,437	\$866
April 25 - May 1	\$31,784	\$15,323	\$47,107	\$1,399
May 2 - May 8	\$24,369	\$12,955	\$37,324	\$1,651
May 9 - May 15	\$27,030	\$8,445	\$35,474	\$1,582
May 16 - May 22	\$23,790	\$8,503	\$32,293	\$432

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

Totals as of May 22, 2022

Pledged \$3,231,249
Payments \$2,665,974
Adjustments \$59,556
Balance of Pledges \$505,718

Our 2017 Capitol Campaign has ended.
Current open pledges are still being received. Adjustments are being made to update pledges.

Current Parish Debt: \$1,935,229

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2022

Totals as of May 22, 2022

Goal	\$184,048
Payments	\$94,765
Balance	\$89,283

PREPARACIÓN PARA BAUTISMO INFANTIL

Les felicitamos por el nacimiento de su hijo/hija!
Por favor llamen a la oficina para inscribirse al
281-494-1156 ext. 228.

PREPARACIÓN PARA EL MATRIMONIO

Las personas que deseen contraer matrimonio aquí en la Iglesia de Santa Teresa son invitados a asistir a una entrevista de preparación matrimonial. Esto es obligatorio para comenzar el proceso de preparación. Es para las parejas que no están casadas 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 Julio** en el Salón FLC-A.

INSCRIPCIÓN EN LA PARROQUIA

Solicitamos amablemente que todas las familias de nuestra parroquia estén registradas antes de registrarse para CCE o clases de preparación sacramental. Los formularios de registro y cambio están disponibles en el vestíbulo de la iglesia y en la oficina parroquial. Para actualizar la información en la parroquia, llame a la oficina parroquial de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. Lunes a Viernes.



**RITO DE INICIACION CRISTIANA
PARA ADULTOS (RICA)**

**¿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 Mayo del 2022** 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 **281-494-1156**

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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR INFANTS

We congratulate you on your birth of your child!
Please call the office at 281-494-1156 ext. 228 to register.

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, June 14, 2022**. For more information please contact Deacon James Anderson at 281-224-9986.

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.



**What is unique about the Catholic Church?
Come and see!**

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!

You may begin the process at any time during the year.

We are meeting virtually on Zoom. 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 (paul@sugarlandcatholic.com) prior to attending your first session.



SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

www.sttheresacatholicschool.org

- THE GRIFFIN NEWS -

We are accepting New Student Applications for the 2022-2023 School Year for Grades Pre-Kindergarten, & 5th. For information, please contact Betty Pruski at 281-494-1157 or bpruski@sttheresacatholicschool.org.

STCS ANNUAL HOUSE ACADEMIC TOURNAMENT

On Friday, May 24, our 5th – 8th Grade students competed in our Annual House Academic Tournament with the House of Saint Hildegard earning victory. The students engaged in rigorous competition in such areas as Spanish Drama, Latin Composition, and Group Chess.



House Heads
Mr. James Dietz
Mr. Benjamin George

Charism
Generous Hospitality



STCS GRIFFIN DANCE TROUPE

Congratulations to our young Griffins Dance Group on a successful year capped off with a beautiful recital. A special thank you to dance instructor, Megan Frato.



AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS

STCS members of the American Heritage Girls Troop TX1001 presented our Principal, Mrs. Rice, with a token of gratitude for the school's support of the American Heritage Girls program.

For information regarding the AHG Troop, please contact Erin Serice at erinserice@gmail.com.



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.

**2022 Saint Theresa
Catholic Daughters of the Americas Scholarship**
*Court Saint Theresa of Lisieux No. 2211
Sugar Land, Texas*



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 2022 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 winners. 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 10, 2022 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 12, 2022**.

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 life.

Section 2: Goals in life, and the name of the college/university you plan to attend.

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

The Year of the Family will conclude on June 26, 2022. Pope Francis established the Year of the Family to help strengthen faith and live God's joy more fruitfully in family life. How has your family helped you to become the person you are, and how will you apply that in college and beyond?

SUMMER 2022 PROJECT—MARTHA-MARY GUILD

Who? Members of the Martha-Mary Guild

Girls who will enter grades 3-8 (and STCS alumnae) are welcome to participate. The guild is open not only to STCS girls but also to parishioners.

What? A gathering of young women for spiritual growth and service to others under the patronage of Saints Martha and Mary, models of the active life and the contemplative life.

When? Through the weeks of the summer (depending on the sponsors' availability). We hope to meet on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays beginning the first week of June (June 1-3). 1:00-3:00 p.m.

We will begin in the meeting room and, at the end of each session, walk over to the Marian shrine (Our Lady of Mt. Carmel) in Church for prayer and chant. If we have Saturday events (e.g., gardening), we will begin with 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Where? Our meeting room is in the Old Convent (where we previously met). Access the room through the doorway closest to the parish Choir Room. Pick-up, circle drive.

Why? This summer, we will knit baby booties and other layette items for Project Gabriel. Once you sign up, you will receive a list of recommended supplies. We already have some baby yarn on hand. Knitting needles of various sizes (i.e., diameter) will be listed. The usual length is 10 inches. Weather permitting, we will revive and restore the STCS garden, a long-neglected site that still show potential.

How? Don't know how to knit? Come; you will learn in a relaxing environment! Prefer to *crochet* the baby items? Let us know. We will search for a crochet instructor and some patterns. Have you never gardened? Join us; you will have fun learning!

Cost: A wholesome attitude and generosity of time. No fee is exacted.

If you are interested, contact Dr. Catherine Bilow
cbilow5@comcast.net

Altar flower sponsorship opportunities are available for the 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

Steubenville Conference

Open to all High School Aged Kids (current 8th grade students going into 9th in the Fall to current seniors graduating High School)



Register on
Church Website!



June 24th-26th

Youth Weekend Trip!

What: Some of the best Catholic Speakers in the Country, Adoration, Confession, Rosaries, Mass, Woman & Men Sessions. The BEST Catholic Adventure of the Summer!

Who's Chaperoning? Youth Ministers, Claire Aalerud and Gabriel Castillo, Fr. David Angelino

Lodging: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Irving Convention Center, Irving TX

How: Students arrive early Friday morning at St. Theresa's. We get on our own private coach bus and travel to Dallas. Check in luggage at Hotel and head to Convention Center for the events.



Donations Needed!

Old Sewing Machine at Home?

Donate to our Youth Ministry!

We are starting a High School girls group to learn how to sew. Open to cash donations so we can buy machines too! (Drop off in Main Office)

Encouraging the Youth to Sew!

Catholic Kids Camp!

St. Theresa Catholic Church

July 18th-22nd Day Camp 7:45am-12:00pm

Open to PRK-3 to 7th Grade

Register ONLINE: St. Theresa's > Youth Ministry <https://sugarlandcatholic.com/summer-kids-camp-2022/>

Miraculous Medal The Sacred Heart The Little Way Divine Mercy Our Lady of Sorrows

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT CENTER & FAMILY CAMP

4TH ANNUAL GIRLS SUMMER DAY CAMP

"LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF"
- MARK 12:31

GIRLS DAY CAMP JUNE 17TH & 24TH
GIRLS 4-12 YRS OLD

NEW! GLAMPING JUNE 24TH -25TH

Junior Camp Counselors Needed 13-17 yrs old

Call to Register 832-534-0023
www.DivineMercyRetreatCenter.org

14 days Pilgrimage/Retreat



Marian Shrines & Treasure of Spain, Portugal & France

Santiago Compostela-Garabandal-Monserrat-Zaragoza-Barcelona and Porto, Portugal ~ Lourdes, France

July 22 - August 4, 2022
\$3,350.00 per person from Houston

Spiritual Director:
Fr. Nelson Cabanero
Pilgrimage leaders: **Bernadette Staples, Jenny Gorrosquieta, Vic & Angelina Sarmiento**

For more information, please call
Bernadette @ 832 668-6487~
Jenny @ 832-681-1074~Angelina @ (281) 416-9700 email address:
aasarmiento@sbcglobal.net



ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL BAZAAR 2022

RAFFLE WINNERS

Karen Brousseau

Prize #1—\$4,500 in Visa Gift Cards

Rev. Louis Zee

Prize #2—\$3,000 in Visa Gift Cards

Perla Vidal

Prize #3—\$1,500 in Visa Gift Cards

Robert Springob

Prize #4—\$1,000 in Visa Gift Card

Barbara Tichacek

Prize #5—\$500 in Visa Gift Card

St. Theresa Catholic Church

Prize #6—BBQ Grill

Coming soon—end of Bazaar results

Congratulations to all the Winners!

PARISH MEN'S SINGING NIGHT



Join the men of the parish (high school age and up) for an evening of singing in the **Family Life Center's gym**, **Thursday, June 2, 6:45-8:15pm**. Sawyer Sellers, the director of the school music program, will lead the singing from the front, and will make every effort to communicate his energy to the crowd, so be prepared to see at least stomping, clapping and shouting. We need a real crowd of guys. Come and get rowdy with your voice. The more the merrier, and truly the easier it becomes to sing along, so bring your buddies.

Please note this activity has been moved to the gym. Mr. Sellers requests that you email him at his school email address if you plan to attend, so that he can prepare music sheets and libations: ssellers@sttheresacatholicschool.org. Your reservations will make it possible to arrange for the distribution of music, and snacks. He is hoping for some 300 hundred email reservations—make all of this interest a reality. No preparation or skill required, only eat some supper before you come and bring a good will.



STRING ENSEMBLE



We would like to invite our young members (currently attending Middle or High School) to join our string ensemble and singers for our Saturday 5:00pm Mass. We would love to have you as part of our music program, and continue our rich musical traditions at St. Theresa's. We meet 45 minutes before the Mass to practice. Singers and players of all levels are invited. For more details, please contact Gustavo Andres, our Assistant Music Director at Gustavo@sugarlandcatholic.com.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Annual Impact Report 2021

Below are the highlights from this annual report issued by our parent organization comprised of 60 conferences in the Archdiocese of Galveston/Houston. (For more information about the Society visit <https://www.svdphouston.org>)

In 2021, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul provided **\$13.2 million** in direct aid to **52,000** people.

Food Network

\$8 million in total food distribution

14,000 households assisted

21 St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantries served communities

Financial Assistance

\$1.2 million in utility support assisting **5,200** families.

\$2.5 million in total rental assistance to **6,700** households.

\$0.8 million in total disaster relief to **668** households

Volunteer Services

2000 Vincentian volunteers donated **3,521,836** service hours bringing hope to their communities in need.

Contact us at stcc.svdp@gmail.com if you would like further details on this report or the Society's 2021 Financial Report.

St. Theresa's SVDP Report for April, 2022 April, 2021

Utility assistance	\$2,585.47	\$1,979.72
Housing assistance	\$4,319.47	\$1,800.00
Food Pantry*	\$742.96	\$741.56
SVdP Twin Payments**	\$811.00	\$500.00
Total Disbursements	\$8,458.90	\$5,021.28
Total Deposits	\$10,016.62	\$7,087.34
Client family members served	265	201
Bags of food distributed	246	213
Volunteer hours donated (est.)	195	195

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

** Twin payment to St. Thomas Aquinas conference to help an especially needy family.

April Activity

Although the Food Pantry had three closure days during April (Good Friday, Easter Monday and one day due to staffing issues) we still more than doubled the amount of rental assistance that we provided in the previous year (April 2021). Utility assistance was also 30% higher than in April 2021. We were able to provide this increased assistance because your donations supporting our ministry were 41% higher than those in April 2021. Food purchases also were low due to our large inventory of donated non perishable food items in the pantry.

Thanks for your Continued Support.

We gratefully thank all our loving parish members and ministries too many to list who support our SVdP ministry both spiritually and financially. Without your continued support our ministry could not restore hope to the poor and needy in our community. We thank each one of you for caring and giving our Vincentians the opportunity to grow in spirituality by serving the poor and needy in our community on your behalf. We are honored and truly blessed to be allowed to serve.

Do 'You' or Someone You know Need Emergency Help ?

This pandemic has affected many of us in different ways, loss of a family member, loss of a job, or being unable to work because of disability or sickness in the family. **Our SVdP ministry is here to help our parish members.** We can provide food and maybe keep the lights on by paying a bill or help pay the rent if eviction is threatened. If you need help and have no one to turn to, please contact us by email at: stcc.svdp@gmail.com or leave a voice message at **281-242-9149**. Include your name, address, telephone number and a short summary of your situation and needs and someone will contact you. If you are calling, please speak slowly and distinctly and repeat your name and telephone number.

How You Can Donate Directly to Our SVdP Ministry

Donation checks made out to '*St. Vincent de Paul*' or envelopes containing money and labeled '*St. Vincent de Paul*' can be dropped into any collection basket at any Mass. These donations will be passed on to our SVdP ministry. You may also drop off funding donations at the Food Pantry most Mondays and Fridays between 10am and 1:00pm. Our mailing address is:

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Please contact us at stcc.svdp@gmail.com if you need help setting up a matching gift. **Many thanks to those donors who already are doing this! Donations of Food and Personal Care Items Are Welcome!** The SVdP ministry can always use your help with donations of non-perishable foods still within their expiration dates. Sadly however we cannot accept donations of frozen or fresh meat and produce. Leaving perishable food un-refrigerated in the Texas heat is never a good idea so we respectfully request... **Please do not leave fresh or frozen meat, or produce in the donation boxes located in the Church and Chapel entries.** For health and safety reasons we have no option but to trash these donations. They may also contaminate other food donations left there. Only clothing and shoes should be placed in the large blue SVdP donation boxes located in the parking lot area between the Family Life Center and the Emmaus Chapel. Please do not leave other non clothing items next to or near these blue bins as these items will not be picked up and will be trashed. Thank you for your consideration and understanding of these limitations.

Our business hours are Mondays and Fridays between 10:00am. and 1:00pm. Email is stcc.svdp@gmail.com Tel # 281-242-9149

St. Vincent de Paul office will be closed
Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.

The office will re-open **Friday, June 3, 2022.**

Thank you for supporting our SVdP Ministry
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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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I adore Thee, O Blessed Trinity, one God;
have mercy on me now and at the hour
of my death and save me.

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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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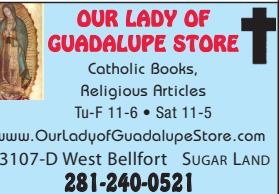
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