

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
SAINT THERESA PARISH
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.

CONFSSION • 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:

Cristóbal de Villalpando.

The Deluge.

1689, oil on copper.

Puebla Cathedral,

Puebla City, Mexico.

**St. John Chrysostom Homily 14 on Philippians
Philippians 4:4-7**

Rejoice in the Lord always: again, I will say, Rejoice. Let your forbearance be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. In nothing be anxious, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts through Christ Jesus.

“But in everything, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God.” There is this for one consolation, “the Lord is at hand”. And again, “I will be with you always, even unto the end of the world” (Matthew 28:20). Behold another consolation, a medicine which heals grief, and distress, and all that is painful. And what is this? Prayer, thanksgiving in all things. And so, He wills that our prayers should not simply be requests, but thanksgivings too for what we have. For how should he ask for future things, who is not thankful for the past? “But in everything by prayer and supplication.”

Wherefore we ought to give thanks for all things, even for those which seem to be grievous, for this is the part of the truly thankful man. In the other case the nature of the things demands it; but this springs from a grateful soul, and one earnestly affected toward God. God acknowledges these prayers, but others He knows not. Offer up such prayers as may be acknowledged; for He disposes all things for our profit, though we know it not. And this is a proof that it greatly profits, namely, that we know it not. “And the peace of God which passes all understanding shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus.” What means this? The peace of God which He has wrought toward men, surpasses all understanding. For who could have expected, who could have hoped, that such good things would have come? They exceed all man's understanding, not his speech alone. For His enemies, for those who hated Him, for those who determined to turn themselves away, for these, he refused not to deliver up His Only Begotten Son, that He might make peace with us. This peace then, i.e., the reconciliation, the love of God, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts.

For this is the part of a teacher, not only to exhort, but also to pray, and to assist by supplication, that they may neither be overwhelmed by temptations, nor carried about by deceit. As if he had said, ‘May He who has delivered you in such sort as mind cannot comprehend, may He Himself guard you, and secure you, so that you suffer no ill.’ Either he means this, or that that peace of which Christ says, “Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you” (John 14:27): this shall guard you, for this peace exceeds all man's understanding. How? When he tells us to be at peace with our enemies, with those who treat us unjustly, with those who are at war and enmity toward us; is it not beyond man's understanding? But rather let us look to the former. If the peace surpasses all understanding, much more does God Himself, who gives peace, pass all understanding, not ours only, but also that of Angels, and the Powers above. What means “in Christ Jesus”? Shall guard us in Him, so that you may remain firm, and not fall from His faith.

SHARING SUNDAY 2022**December 3 and 4 Sharing Sunday**

This is the weekend when parishioners bring their gifts to Mass and will take them to the altar when announced. There will also be baskets for monetary donations. Volunteers are needed after each Mass to move the gifts from the church to the family life center. The gifts will be counted and sorted at this time.

**December 5 through 7
(9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.)
Distribution Week**

Families from SVDP will come to the FLC to pick-up the gifts for their children. For the agencies and rest homes, their gifts will be bagged so they are ready for pick-up.

FIRST FRIDAY ORGAN CONCERT

December 2, 2022
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Featuring: Dr. Kevin Clarke

**FIRST FRIDAY REPARATION VIGIL**

December 2, 2022



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

San Juan Crisóstomo Homilía 14 sobre Filipenses

Filipenses 4:4-7

Alegraos en el Señor siempre: otra vez os diré, Alegraos. Sea conocida vuestra paciencia por todos los hombres. El Señor está cerca. Por nada estéis afanosos, sino sean conocidas vuestras peticiones delante de Dios en toda oración y ruego, con acción de gracias. Y la paz de Dios, que sobrepasa todo entendimiento, guardará vuestros corazones y vuestros pensamientos en Cristo Jesús.

“Sino sean conocidas vuestras peticiones delante de Dios en toda oración y ruego, con acción de gracias”. Hay esto para un consuelo, “el Señor está cerca”. Y otra vez, “Yo estaré con vosotros todos los días, hasta el fin del mundo” (Mateo 28:20). He aquí otro consuelo, una medicina que cura el dolor y la angustia y todo lo que es doloroso. ¿Y esto qué es? Oración, acción de gracias en todas las cosas. Y así, Él quiere que nuestras oraciones no sean simplemente peticiones, sino también acciones de gracias por lo que tenemos. ¿Cómo ha de pedir cosas futuras el que no agradece las cosas pasadas? “Sino en todo por oración y ruego.”

Por tanto, debemos dar gracias por todas las cosas, incluso por las que parecen dolorosas, porque esto es propio del hombre verdaderamente agradecido. En el otro caso la naturaleza de las cosas lo exige; pero esto brota de un alma agradecida, y de un afecto sincero hacia Dios. Dios reconoce estas oraciones, pero no conoce otras. Ofrezca las oraciones que pueda reconocer; porque Él dispone todas las cosas para nuestro beneficio, aunque no lo sepamos. Y esta es una prueba de que es de gran provecho, a saber, que no lo sabemos. *“Y la paz de Dios que sobrepasa todo entendimiento guardará vuestros corazones y vuestros pensamientos en Cristo Jesús.”* ¿Qué significa esto? La paz de Dios que ha obrado para con los hombres sobrepasa todo entendimiento. Porque ¿quién podría haber esperado, ¿quién podría haber esperado, que tan buenas cosas hubieran venido? Exceden todo el entendimiento del hombre, no sólo su discurso. Por sus enemigos, por los que le odiaban, por los que se propusieron apartarse, por éstos se negó a no entregar a su Hijo unigénito, para hacer la paz con nosotros. Esta paz entonces, es decir, la reconciliación, el amor de Dios, guardará vuestros corazones y vuestros pensamientos.

Porque esta es la parte de un maestro, no solo exhortar, sino también orar y ayudar con la súplica, para que no sean abrumados por las tentaciones, ni arrastrados por el engaño. Como si hubiera dicho: “Que Aquel que te ha librado de tal manera que la mente no puede comprender, que Él mismo te proteja y te asegure, para que no sufras ningún mal”. Cristo dice: *“La paz os dejo, mi paz os doy”* (Juan 14:27): esto os guardará, porque esta paz sobrepasa todo entendimiento humano. ¿Cómo? Cuando nos dice que estemos en paz con nuestros enemigos, con los que nos tratan injustamente, con los que están en guerra y enemistad contra nosotros; ¿No está más allá de la comprensión del hombre? Pero mejor echemos un vistazo a lo primero. Si la paz sobrepasa todo entendimiento, mucho más Dios mismo, que da la paz, sobrepasa todo entendimiento, no sólo el nuestro, sino también el de los Ángeles, y de las Potestades de lo alto. ¿Qué significa *“en Cristo Jesús”*? Nos guardará en Él, para que permanezcan firmes y no caigan de Su fe.

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MASS INTENTIONS AND OFFERTORY

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, November 28, 2022

Weekday in Advent

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| 6:45 a.m. | Isabel H. |
| 8:30 a.m. | Kaye Houtz |
| 5:30 p.m. | ⌘ Bertilda Castillo |

Tuesday, November 29

Weekday in Advent

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| 6:45 a.m. | Dominic & Maria Vu |
| 8:30 a.m. | In Thanksgiving |
| 5:30 p.m. | ⌘ Remedios & Sofronio Paredes |

Wednesday, November 30

St. Andrew

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| 6:45 a.m. | Peter Nguyen |
| 8:30 a.m. | ⌘ Ernesto Navarro |
| 7:00 p.m. | ⌘ Pedro Cortes |

Thursday, December 1

Weekday in Advent

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| 8:30 a.m. | Celebrant Intention |
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| 5:30 p.m. | ⌘ Lawrence Jessie Vargas |

Friday, December 2

Weekday in Advent

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| 6:45 a.m. | ⌘ Sister Jose Claire |
| 8:30 a.m. | ⌘ Joseph Khoi Tran |
| 5:30 p.m. | Fr. Juan Pineda |

Saturday, December 3

St. Francis Xavier

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| 8:30 a.m. | ⌘ Agustin Gomez |
| 5:00 p.m. | ⌘ Gilma Rosa Zapata Vargas |

Sunday, December 4

Second Sunday of Advent

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| 6:30 a.m. | ⌘ Josefa Escueta |
| 8:00 a.m. | ⌘ Betty Cartwright |
| 10:00 a.m. | ⌘ Theresa Yang Suyun |
| 12:00 p.m. | ⌘ Helen Marie &
Clara Nowak Dullea |
| 2:00 p.m. | Parish Family |
| 5:00 p.m. | ⌘ Martin & Ygnacia Villarreal |

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 \$39,379

Week	Offertory	Online	Total
May 23 - May 29	\$26,111	\$12,202	\$38,313
May 30 - June 5	\$28,136	\$14,028	\$42,163
June 6 - June 12	\$20,551	\$10,109	\$30,660
June 13 - June 19	\$23,826	\$736	\$24,562
June 20 - June 26	\$22,160	\$9,205	\$31,364
June 27 - July 3	\$19,387	\$17,976	\$37,363
July 4 - July 10	\$33,756	\$10,135	\$43,890
July 11 - July 17	\$23,744	\$8,679	\$32,423
July 18 - July 24	\$24,785	\$9,158	\$33,942
July 25 - July 31	\$23,697	\$10,406	\$34,103
August 1 - August 7	\$27,573	\$18,780	\$46,352
August 8 - August 14	\$22,902	\$8,854	\$31,756
August 15 - August 21	\$25,916	\$9,764	\$35,680
August 22 - August 28	\$22,556	\$9,745	\$32,301
August 29 - September 4	\$25,590	\$15,854	\$41,443
September 5 - September 11	\$23,186	\$11,668	\$34,853
September 12 - September 18	\$25,261	\$11,981	\$37,242
September 19 - September 25	\$26,145	\$7,994	\$34,139
September 26 - October 2	\$26,265	\$14,502	\$40,766
October 3 - October 9	\$26,160	\$10,908	\$37,068
October 10 - October 16	\$25,328	\$9,777	\$35,105
October 17 - October 23	\$24,152	\$7,843	\$31,994
October 24 - October 30	\$23,823	\$10,789	\$34,611
October 31 - November 6	\$28,160	\$14,007	\$42,167
November 7 - November 13	\$19,221	\$9,049	\$28,269
Society of African Mission	\$29,257	\$680	\$29,937

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

Totals as of November 20, 2022

Pledged \$3,231,249
Payments \$2,762,887
Adjustments \$309,772
Balance of Pledges \$158,590

Our 2017 Capitol Campaign has ended.
Current open pledges are still being received. Adjustments are being made to update pledges. Envelopes will discontinue when contributions end.

Current Parish Debt: \$1,865,632

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2022

Totals as of November 20, 2022

Goal	\$184,048
Payments	\$173,300
Balance	\$10,748

457 participants

MAINTENANCE FUND STATUS

2021-2022	\$174,654
2022-2023	\$109,213

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 12 de Enero** 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 27 de Noviembre 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, December 13, 2022**. For more information please contact Deacon James Anderson at 281-224-9986.



**Do you have Catholic questions?
We have Catholic answers!**

Curious about the Catholic faith and the Rosary? Do we ‘worship’ Mary and the Pope? Attending Mass with a Catholic spouse, but are not Catholic yourself? In the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults we go in depth to answer some of these questions and much more. 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 was not raised in the Catholic Church, 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. 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.stcssugarland.org

- THE GRIFFIN NEWS -

STCS SOCCER

Congratulations to our elementary soccer teams on a fantastic season. Our 3rd and 4th Grade teams posted undefeated seasons! Our Pre-Kinder-Kinder and 1st - 2nd Grade teams worked hard and carried themselves with Griffin Pride. A special thank you to the coaches and Augustine Nwoko, Athletic Director.



Pre-Kinder & Kinder Team
Coaches:
Benjamin McCrary
John Melancon



First & Second Grade Team
Coaches:
Joseph Mastrangelo
Chad Pinyopasarak

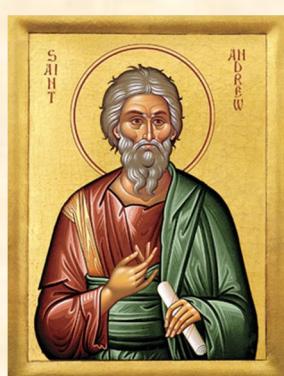


Third Grade Team
Coaches:
Martin Lockerd
Philippe Simon



Fourth Grade Team
Coaches:
Rodger Brown
Manuel Chapa





Cloud of Witnesses'
Series presents
Breakfast with Saint Andrew
the First Called
"We Have Found the Messiah."

Saturday, December 10, 2022
10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
St. Theresa Church,
Family Life Center,
St. Thomas More room

Our next mini retreat presented by Leslie Bohannon, M.A.T.S., will bring a wealth of information about Saint Andrew, brother of the Apostle Peter. We will explore his life and mission to the Greeks, learn about his founding of the Church of Constantinople and his martyrdom. Leslie will also explain iconography and symbolism connected to the life of this pivotal saint. Brothers Andrew and Peter are symbols of unity between the East and West and their legacy speaks to us through the centuries even today.

Coffee and refreshments will be served during the social time 30 min prior to the presentation. Seating is limited, please RSVP to susiemsykes@gmail.com.

GIVE BLOOD

**St. Theresa Catholic
Church**

Sunday, December 4
7:30 am - 1:30 pm
KC Hall

Donors will receive a limited-edition promotional item of their choice!

Questions? Contact:
Paul Cinquemani (832) 594-6753
sponsor code: st21



Eva, blood recipient

**Share your
donation story**



@commitforlife | #commitforlife

 Gulf Coast Regional
Blood Center

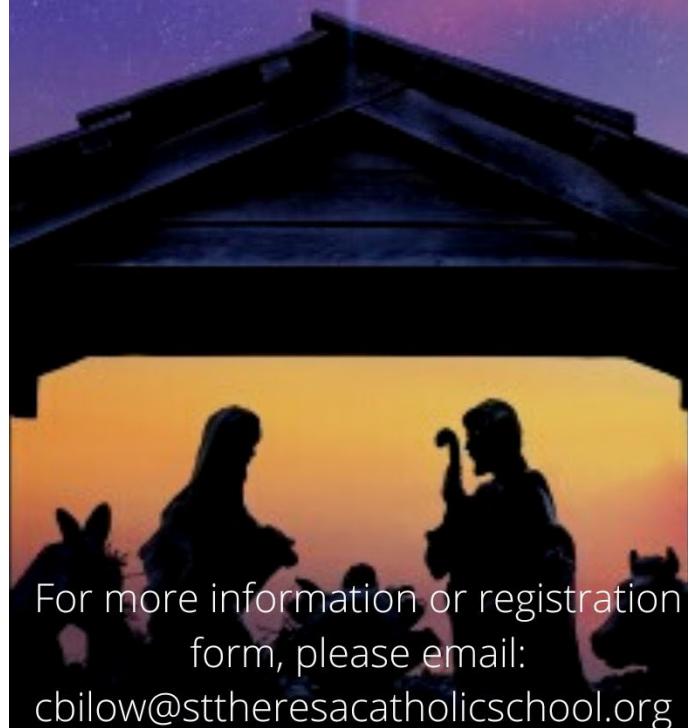
EAT. DRINK. BRING I.D.

***Q Come, All Ye Children
Come to the Stable***

**Join us for STCC's 2nd
annual Traditional
Christmas Pageant!**

**Saturday, December 17 at
3:30-4:30 p.m at the Parish
Community Center**

All are welcome!



For more information or registration form, please email:
cbilow@sttheresacatholicschool.org

Advent Mission

Fr. Elias Mills, Franciscan of the Immaculate

"Mary to the Max!"

The Life and teachings of St. Maximilian Kolbe

Get Blessed & Venerate St. Kolbe Relic

Receive a Large Blue Miraculous Medal

6:30pm- Adoration & Rosary

Mon, Tue, Wed Nov 28th-30th 7:00 PM

Select PLUMBING
Leak Investigators

Got a leak? Plumbing Problems?
Bathroom Remodeling!

Call Select Plumbing during the month of November and 10% of the cost for your services will be donated back to

Saint Theresa Catholic School

281-561-9651
to schedule your appointment

Eddy Santizo
Master Plumber

MPL 19051
Licensed and insured

HAR.com
BBB Accredited Business
A+ Rating

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS
OF THE AMERICAS**



CDA Christmas Poinsettia and Bake Sale December 10 & 11



The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. Theresa of Lisieux, #2211, will be selling beautiful, live poinsettias and baked goods after the Masses, **December 10th and 11th**, while supplies last.

These blooming plants make a wonderful Christmas centerpiece or gift. Cost for each poinsettia: \$13.00. Poinsettia & Bake Sale proceeds benefit scholarships and charitable donations.
We appreciate your support.

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. Theresa of Lisieux, meet the fourth (4th) Monday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. in the KC Hall. We welcome all ladies of the parish, 18 years and older, to join us anytime to learn more about our organization and become a member. Our next meeting is November 28th.

Please contact Regent, Martha Durio at **281-788-3318** or **marthadurio2211@gmail.com** for more information.



2023 ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR

SATURDAY APRIL 22 6:00 PM – 11:00 PM
SUNDAY APRIL 23 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Saint Theresa Catholic Church
 705 St. Theresa Blvd., Sugar Land, TX 77498

Chairpersons needed in the following list of categories:

- **General Chairperson** – Oversee all aspects of bazaar
- **Vice-Chairperson** – Assist the General Chairperson
- **Treasurer** – Coordinate token booths & accounting room (Thanks Rosa!)
- **Booth Chairperson** – Coordinate all the different booths & their needs
- **Volunteer Chairperson** – Organize volunteers for bazaar & manpower sign-up weekend
- **Entertainment** – Search & schedule community entertainment
- **Advertising** – Coordinate all advertising, announcements, & social media
- **Sponsorship** – Coordinate all sponsors & adopt a booth sign-up
- **Supplies** – Organize & maintain food & general supplies for the bazaar
- **Rentals** – Schedule & coordinate drop-off & pick-up of rental items such as rides, fans, coolers, tables, chairs, & other items

This is a great opportunity to get involved, meet fellow parishioners, and serve the parish! Please call or email Diane Blanchette to learn more about our annual bazaar.

diane@sugarlandcatholic.com
 281-494-1156

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



CHRISTMAS EVE
Saturday, December 24
 5:00 p.m.
 5:15 p.m. (Community Center)
 7:00 p.m.
 9:00 p.m. *Misa de Noche Buena*

Midnight of Christmas
 11:00 p.m. *Office of Readings & Motets*
 12:00 *Midnight Mass*

CHRISTMAS DAY
Sunday, December 25
 6:30 a.m.
 8:00 a.m. (*español*)
 10:00 a.m.
 12:00 p.m. *Noon*

Please note

There will be **NO** other Masses after the Noon Mass on Sunday.

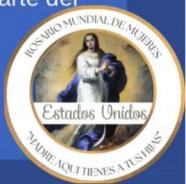


ROSARIO MUNDIAL DE MUJERES
8 de diciembre
2022
Rosario 5:30 pm
Misa 7:30 pm
 Parroquia:
 Santa Theresa Catholic
 Church
 705 St Theresa Blvd Sugar
 Land, TX 77498.

Por favor llevar
 una vela blanca

Invitamos a todas las mujeres de
 Houston Texas a formar parte del
 ejército de la inmaculada.

**"Madre aqui tienes
 a tus hijas"**





St Vincent de Paul Society

good works

Detailed SVdP Report for

	Oct 2022	Oct 2021
Utility assistance	\$3,493.68	\$6,388.84
Housing assistance	\$3,850.00	\$1,696.93
Food Pantry*	\$4,232.16	\$1,965.19
Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$83.25
SVdP Twin Payments**	\$199.84	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	\$11,575.84	\$10,134.21
Total Deposits	\$14,276.74	\$7,978.54
Family members served	582	412
Bags of food distributed	490	269
Volunteer hours donated (est.)	303	264

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

**Twin assistance to Holy Family SVdP helping a needy family in Oct. 2022

Thanksgiving Blessings

As this Thanksgiving celebration week approaches and family visitors are heading home, it's a great time for all to reflect on their many blessings. We pray that you have a strong prayer life and are part of a loving family and community, that you have a roof over your head, have food on the table, and can pay all your bills. As Vincentians helping the needy in our community, we often encounter families and individuals who are not so blessed. For one reason or another they don't get along with their family, so they have no one to turn to in bad times. Many are still struggling to catch up paying back rent and utilities, and some are just poor in spirit with no prayer connection to God and no hope for a better tomorrow. In fact, they don't want to think about tomorrow because yesterday was a struggle to survive, today was a struggle to survive and tomorrow may be worse. Please pray for these struggling individuals and families at this special time of Thanksgiving, they surely need your prayers.

Turkey Dinner Update

In the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving our Vincentian volunteers have distributed Turkey Dinner Coupons to 75 St. Theresa parish family's courtesy of our neighboring parish of St. Laurence. Each coupon will be exchanged for a turkey and all the dinner fixings needed to make a family Thanksgiving meal. Thank you to St. Laurence's Social Concerns Ministry and your parish community for their generosity.

We Give Thanks Too!

Our St. Vincent de Paul ministry would like to thank all of our benefactors and donors with loving hearts who support us financially and spiritually throughout the year -- individuals, ministries and organizations too many to list. You are perfect examples of Charity and Love in Action! We are truly blessed to be given the opportunity to serve the less fortunate families in the parish and surrounding communities on your behalf.

Do 'You' Need Emergency Help?

Our St Vincent de Paul ministry is here to help our parish members in time of need. 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 details.

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.



STCC students celebrating their food donations – Thank You!

Our mailing address is:
**SVdP at St. Theresa Catholic Church
705 St. Theresa Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77498**

Donations of Food & 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 help us out by not leaving fresh or frozen meat, produce or bread 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 Food Pantry hours are Mondays and Fridays only, between 10:00am. and 1:00pm.**

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St. Vincent de Paul will be closed Monday, November 28, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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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