

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
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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.

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-Novus Ordo)

On the cover:

Willemsens, Abraham
The Nativity of the Lord.
 1630 - 1672, oil on canvas
 Christie's,
 London, England.

THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY

Sermon 185 St. Augustine

(1) That day is called the birthday of the Lord on which the Wisdom of God manifested Himself as a speechless Child and the Word of God wordlessly uttered the sound of a human voice. His divinity, although hidden, was revealed by heavenly witness to the Magi and was announced to the shepherds by angelic voices. With yearly ceremony, therefore, we celebrate this day which saw the fulfillment of the prophecy: 'Truth is sprung out of the earth: and justice hath looked down from heaven.' (Ps 84:12) Truth, eternally existing in the bosom of the Father, has sprung from the earth so that He might exist also in the bosom of a mother. Truth, holding the world in place, has sprung from the earth so that He might be carried in the hands of a woman. Truth, incorruptibly nourishing the happiness of the angels, has sprung from the earth in order to be fed by human milk. Truth, whom the heavens cannot contain, has sprung from the earth so that He might be placed in a manger. For whose benefit did such unparalleled greatness come in such lowliness? Certainly, for no personal advantage, but definitely for our great good, if only we believe. Arouse yourself, O man; for you God has become man. 'Awake, sleeper, and arise from among the dead, and Christ will enlighten thee.' (Eph 5:14) For you, I repeat, God has become man. If He had not thus been born in time, you would have been dead for all eternity. Never would you have been freed from sinful flesh if He had not taken upon Himself the likeness of sinful flesh. Everlasting misery would have engulfed you if He had not taken this merciful form. You would not have been restored to life, had He not submitted to your death; you would have fallen, had He not succored you; you would have perished, had He not come.

(2) Let us joyfully celebrate the coming of our salvation and redemption. Let us celebrate the festal day on which the great and timeless One came from the great and timeless day to this brief span of our day. He has become for us ... justice, and sanctification, and redemption; so that, just as it is written, "Let him who takes pride, take pride in the Lord." '(1Cor 1:30) ... when the Lord whose birthday we are celebrating today was born of the Virgin, the announcement of the angelic choir was made in the words: 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men of good will.' (Lk 2:14) How can peace exist on earth unless it be because 'truth is sprung out of the earth,' that is, because Christ has been born in the flesh? Moreover, 'He Himself is our peace, he it is who has made both one' (Eph 2:14) so that we might become men of good will, bound together by the pleasing fetters of unity. Let us rejoice, then, in this grace so that our glory may be the testimony of our conscience (cf. 2Cor 1:12) wherein we glory not in ourselves but in the Lord. Hence the Psalmist [in speaking of the Lord] has said: 'My glory and the lifter up of my head.' (Ps 3:4) For what greater grace of God could have shone upon us than that, having an only-begotten Son, God should make Him the Son of Man, and thus, in turn, make the son of man the Son of God? Examine it as a benefit, as an inducement, as a token of justice, and see whether you find anything but a gratuitous gift of God.



The parish office will be closed Monday, December 26th and Tuesday, December 27th in observance of Christmas.



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

St. Vincent de Paul office will be closed on **Monday, December 26th and Monday, January 2, 2023** in observance of Christmas.

Office will re-open on **Friday, December 30th**

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



LA FIESTA DE LA NATIVIDAD

Sermón 185 San Agustín

(1) Ese día se llama el cumpleaños del Señor en el que la Sabiduría de Dios se manifestó como un Niño mudo y la Palabra de Dios profirió sin palabras el sonido de una voz humana. Su divinidad, aunque escondida, fue revelada por el testimonio celestial a los Magos y anunciada a los pastores por voces angelicales. Con una ceremonia anual, por lo tanto, celebramos este día que vio el cumplimiento de la profecía: 'La verdad brotó de la tierra, y la justicia miró desde los cielos'. (Sal 84:12) La verdad, eternamente existente en el seno del Padre, ha brotado de la tierra para que Él pueda existir también en el seno de una madre. La verdad, que sostiene al mundo en su lugar, ha brotado de la tierra para que Él pueda ser llevado en manos de una mujer. La verdad, alimentando incorruptiblemente la felicidad de los ángeles, ha brotado de la tierra para ser alimentada por la leche humana. La verdad, a quien los cielos no pueden contener, ha brotado de la tierra para que pueda ser colocado en un pesebre. ¿Para beneficio de quién vino tal grandeza sin paralelo en tal humildad? Ciertamente, sin beneficio personal, pero definitivamente para nuestro gran bien, si tan solo creemos. Despiértate, oh hombre; por ti Dios se ha hecho hombre. 'Despierta, tú que duermes, y levántate de entre los muertos, y Cristo te alumbrará.' (Efesios 5:14) Por vosotros, repito, Dios se ha hecho hombre. Si Él no hubiera nacido así en el tiempo, tú estarías muerto para toda la eternidad. Nunca hubieras sido librado de la carne de pecado si Él no hubiera tomado sobre sí mismo la semejanza de la carne de pecado. La miseria eterna te habría sumergido si Él no hubiera tomado esta forma misericordiosa. No habrías sido restaurado a la vida si Él no se hubiera sometido a tu muerte; habrías caído, si Él no te hubiera socorrido; habrías perecido si Él no hubiera venido.

(2) Celebremos con alegría la venida de nuestra salvación y redención. Celebremos el día festivo en el que el grande y eterno vino del día grande y eterno a este breve lapso de nuestro día. Él se ha hecho para nosotros... justicia, santificación y redención; para que, tal como está escrito: "El que se enorgullece, se enorgullezca del Señor". '(1Cor 1:30) ... cuando nació de la Virgen el Señor cuyo cumpleaños celebramos hoy, el anuncio del coro angélico se hizo con las palabras: 'Gloria a Dios en las alturas, y en la tierra paz entre los hombres de buena voluntad'. (Lc 2,14) ¿Cómo puede haber paz en la tierra si no es porque 'la verdad ha brotado de la tierra', es decir, porque Cristo ha nacido en la carne? Además, 'Él mismo es nuestra paz, él es quien de ambos ha hecho uno' (Ef 2,14) para que lleguemos a ser hombres de buena voluntad, unidos por los agradables grilletes de la unidad. Alegrémonos, pues, de esta gracia para que nuestra gloria sea el testimonio de nuestra conciencia (cf. 2Cor 1,12), de la cual no nos gloriamos en nosotros mismos, sino en el Señor. Por eso el salmista [al hablar del Señor] ha dicho: 'Mi gloria y el que levanta mi cabeza'. (Sal 3:4) Porque ¿qué mayor gracia de Dios pudo resplandecer sobre nosotros que, teniendo un Hijo unigénito, Dios lo hizo Hijo del hombre, y así, a su vez, ¿hizo del hijo del hombre Hijo del hombre? ¿Dios? Examínalo como un beneficio, como un incentivo, como una muestra de justicia, y ve si encuentras algo más que un don gratuito de Dios.

MASS INTENTIONS AND OFFERTORY

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 26, 2022

St. Stephen

- 6:45 a.m. ✘ Felino & Anastacia Castillo
- 8:30 a.m. ✘ Mabel Osifo
- 5:30 p.m. Pedro Garcia Family

Tuesday, December 27

St. John

- 6:45 a.m. ✘ Thomas F. Nauck & Rev. Robert Matzinger
- 8:30 a.m. ✘ Juan & Felisa DeGuzman
- 5:30 p.m. ✘ Felipe Guerrero Jr.

Wednesday, December 28

The Holy Innocents

- 6:45 a.m. ✘ Arnold & Tillie Svoboda
- 8:30 a.m. Jose Rivera
- 7:00 p.m. Tomasa Roque Alvares

Thursday, December 29

Octave of Christmas

- 6:45 a.m. Thomas Nguyen
- 8:30 a.m. ✘ Ociel Vences
- 5:30 p.m. ✘ Carmen & Pedro Merete

Friday, December 30

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

- 6:45 a.m. ✘ Andres U. Pocon Sr.
- 8:30 a.m. Cathleen Haughton
- 5:30 p.m. ✘ Gilma Rosa Zapata Vargas

Saturday, December 31

Octave of Christmas

- 8:30 a.m. Benjamin Huy Nguyen
- 5:00 p.m. Abel & Rebecca Lerma

Sunday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

- 6:30 a.m. Chijioke Uchendu
- 8:00 a.m. ✘ Gilma Rosa Zapata Vargas
- 10:00 a.m. ✘ Elisa & Jose Martinez
- 12:00 p.m. ✘ Jacqueline D. Wright
- 2:00 p.m. ✘ Maximiliano Arias & Francisca Linares
- 5:00 p.m. Parish Family

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
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
November 14 - November 20	\$23,749	\$8,644	\$32,393
November 21 - November 27	\$26,447	\$9,273	\$35,719
November 28 - December 4	\$28,158	\$14,873	\$43,031
December 5 - December 11	\$23,745	\$11,724	\$35,469

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

Totals as of December 11, 2022

Pledged \$3,231,249
 Payments \$2,766,337
 Adjustments \$313,647
 Balance of Pledges \$151,265

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 December 11, 2022

Goal \$184,048
 Payments \$198,112
 Balance \$-14,064

458 participants

MAINTENANCE FUND STATUS

2021-2022 \$174,654
 2022-2023 \$113,977

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 inscribise 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 Comuni3n, entonces RICA es para tí!

La próxima reuni3n de Iniciaci3n ser3 el **Domingo 8 de Enero del 2023** de 10:00 am a 12:00 pm en el sal3n B1/7. Estos encuentros informales est3n estructurados para responder a tus preguntas acerca de la Iglesia cat3lica.

P3ngase en contacto con: Elsa Galindo al 281-494-1156

Si usted, su hijo o alguien a quien usted conoce, tiene entre 7 y 16 a3os 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 Iniciaci3n son todos los mi3rcoles a las 6:30 pm. Por favor haga una cita en la oficina al tel3fono 281-494-1156 para Registrar su Familia y los Ni3os antes de atender la primera sesi3n.

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, February 14, 2023**. 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 of 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 of 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 CELEBRATES GRANDPARENTS' DAY



On Friday, November 18, STCS students honored their grandparents with poems, songs, and plays.

Is God calling you to serve on our Advisory School Council?

Our School is currently seeking individuals who feel called to service on our Advisory School Council. The Saint Theresa Catholic Advisory School Council serves in an advisory capacity to the Pastor and the Principal of the School. Those eligible to be a member of the Council:

- *Shall be at least 25 years of age*
- *May not be a spouse, child, sibling, in-law, or parent of a school staff member*
- *May not be an executive of an organization with a similar mission and program structure*
- *May not be affiliated with an organization that is expected to fundraise for the same type of fundraising as that of a STCS Advisory Council member.*

In accepting a position on the Advisory School Council, the Council member will provide leadership assistance and support to STCS as follows:

- *Interest in and commitment to a Classical and Catholic education and a specific commitment to the mission and philosophy of the School*
- *Participation in committee work as related to the School's Long Range Strategic Planning Process*
- *Availability to attend meetings, periodic in-service programs, and fundraising events*
- *Ability to maintain high levels of integrity and confidentiality*
- *Ability to deal with situations related to the good of the educational ministry of STCS*
- *Capacity to give witness to Christian and moral values within the School and Parish communities. If non-Catholic, not opposed to the tenets of the Catholic faith*
- *Ability to maintain adherence to our Volunteer Code of Ethics and Safe Environment training.*

If you feel led to discover more about the opportunity to be a Council member, please contact our Principal, Mrs. Francesca Rice, for more information at frice@sttheresacatholicschool.org or 281-494-1157.

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.

BLESSING OF WINE

Tuesday, December 27th at the 5:30 p.m. Mass



All are invited to bring a bottle (or more!) of wine to be blessed at the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Tuesday the 27th for a special blessing in honor of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist. Please make sure the bottle is labeled with your name.

This annual blessing is done in honor of Saint John, who tradition holds was once given a cup of poisoned wine to drink by those who rejected the Gospel. Before drinking, he blessed the cup, and the poison departed the cup in the form of a serpent.

CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY



Families today face many struggles, both through cultural pressures and through personal struggles. Despite these struggles families have a great capacity for love and joy, a joy that is strengthened through the peace and truth found in Christ.

To help strengthen families and revitalize our parish, Fr. David Angelino and the Knights of Columbus are inviting each family in our parish to **consecrate** themselves to the Holy Family and to devote themselves to the ideal model of familial love set by Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

PROCESS / SCHEDULE

December 24th – January 1st

1. **Daily Family Prayer** – Each family should pray together each day for a week.
2. **Fasting** - Families are strongly encouraged to fast from something during this week. Fasting should be from something that is normally consumed or an activity that is regularly done.
3. **Reconciliation** - Families are strongly encourage to go to confession prior to the Consecration (Sunday, January 1st)

January 1st

- Attend Mass and recite the “*Consecration to the Holy Family*” prayer together as a parish family.



Consecration brochures will be available after each Mass on December 17 & 18.

Please make a commitment to consecrate your family to the Holy Family.

Interested in growing in your faith?
Interested in meeting others?
Come join us!

St Theresa Women's Book Club



Join us for fellowship & faith. New book starts **January 11, 2023**
Book: Resdiscover the Saints by: Matthew Kelly



EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY
YOUTH LOUNGE @ 7PM
ROSARY @ 6:40PM OPTIONAL

To register scan code or click here
<https://forms.gle/aQJt2c5yyAvdJQY69>
Questions? contact Carolyn:
cbracksieck@gmail.com





The Blessing of Belonging to a Family

(The paragraph below has appeared in the SVdP bulletin insert for many years, and it is still as relevant today.)

On Friday, December 30, we celebrate ‘The Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph’, the perfect loving family that all of us admire and in a humble way, aspire to emulate. We believe that most of us here today have worried and stressed at some time over the wellbeing of our children but have had the blessing of knowing that a spouse, grandparent or a sibling was always there to help and support us no matter what. Imagine how difficult it would be if you were the **only** family to your children. No spouse or extended family willing to help you feed, clothe or provide shelter for your children. Many of the friends and neighbors that we try to help are trapped in this very situation. They need to work but are unable to hold down a job because they are caring for infants and small children at home. Daycare isn’t an option because the jobs available to them don’t pay well enough to afford it. Their family support network is usually a friendly neighbor, probably in the same situation, and access to ministries like our St Vincent de Paul Society. Please remember these broken families and also the Vincentian volunteers throughout the Galveston/Houston Diocese who work tirelessly to give them hope at this time of Advent. They surely need your prayers.

Thanks for your Support.

We thank all our loving parish members, schools and organizations, too many to list, who supported our SVdP ministry both spiritually and financially over the last 12 months. We thank each one of you for giving our Vincentians the opportunity to grow spiritually by serving the poor and needy in our community on your behalf. We are honored and blessed to be allowed to serve.

Detailed SVDP Report for	Nov. 2022	Nov. 2021
Utility assistance	\$2,768.76	\$4,947.26
Housing assistance	\$2,776.52	\$2,542.75
Food Pantry*	\$2,480.64	\$2,220.32
Funeral Assistance	\$700.00	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	\$8,725.92	\$9,710.33
Total Deposits	\$9,643.88	\$8,339.29
Client family members served	343	442
Bags of food distributed	356	322
Volunteer hours donated (est.)	240	284

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

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 Mondays and Fridays between 10am and 1:00pm. Our address is:

**SVdP at St. Theresa Catholic Church
705 St. Theresa Blvd, Sugar Land, TX 77498**

Giving Tree / Sharing Sunday Update 2022



Ninety-six families in our parish signed up to participate in the ‘Sharing Sunday’ program registering 300+ children between the ages of newborn and 17 years. Many of these families have been struggling to pay rent and utilities resulting from the uncertainties of the last year. We are grateful to our parishioners for fulfilling the wishes on the Giving Tree by donating holiday gifts.

THANK YOU!

Our SVdP ministry also wants to thank all the volunteer members of the Sharing Sunday Team. Great Job Everyone!

The SVdP ministry can always use your help with donations of non-perishable foods. Sadly, however, we cannot accept donations of frozen or fresh meat and produce. **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 also will contaminate other food donations left there.

Donations of Food and Personal Care Items Are Welcome! Clothing and shoes can 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 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.svdnp@gmail.com Tel # 281-242-9149



Necesita Ayuda de Emergencia?

Nuestro ministerio a SVdP está aquí para ayudar los miembros de la parroquia en tiempos de necesidad.

Si necesita ayuda i no tienes a quien acudir, por favor contáctanos por email a stcc.svdv@email.com, o déjanos un mensaje al numero 281-242-9149.

Incluya su nombre, direccion, numero de teléfono, y un sumario breve de su situación y necesidades, y alguien los va a contactar. Si Ud está llamando, por favor hable lento y repita los detalles.

San Isidro Cemetery Association Meeting



Date: **Sunday, January 8, 2023**
Time: **2:00 p.m.**

The San Isidro Cemetery Association of Sugar Land will hold a general meeting on Sunday, January 8, 2023. The meeting will be held at the Sugar Land Heritage Museum and Visitor Center, 198 Kempner Street, Sugar Land, TX and start at 2:00PM. All persons who are interested in San Isidro Cemetery and its operations are invited to attend this meeting.

PARISH MEN'S SINGING NIGHT



Thursday, January 5, 2023
6:45pm in the
Parish Choir Suite

Twelfth night, twelfth night! Join us for our greatest Men's Singing Night yet, **January 5, at 6:45pm** in the **Parish Choir Suite**. The Parish Choir Suite is at the east end of the walkway alongside the circle drive on 7th Street.

Let's plan for beer, and possibly hot cider if the weather suggests it, and all the most grand and elevating Christmas carols, including of course a rousing chorus of "We three kings" and "The First Nowell." As always, this is an evening of unabashed, vigorous singing and camaraderie.

Bring your sons, bring your friends, bring your neighbor. Come and exercise your voice!

Note well: This Men's Singing Night has been TRANSFERRED from the last Thursday of December to January 5. We will not meet December 29. Please come for singing and good cheer on Thursday, January 5, the eve of the Epiphany, 6:45pm, in the Parish Choir Suite.





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

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Omar Barajas
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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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Amen.

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