

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
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
705 SAINT THERESA BOULEVARD & SUGAR LAND, TEXAS 77498 & 281-494-1156
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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.

CONFESION • 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:

Francesco de Mura.

Christ healing the Blind Man.
1716 - 1782, oil on canvas,
National Trust,
United Kingdom, England

From the Pastor's Desk

Parents, this letter contains some sensitive topics that you might not want your child reading about. Also, if you have struggled with infertility, I know that this is a great cross and this article is one you can skip.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A few weeks ago, I was present at a funeral where the deceased's daughter jokingly insinuated that the reason her parents didn't have more children was because they used contraception, and that her parents' priest had tacitly allowed it. I was appalled that the daughter thought this was a laughing matter and that a priest would condone such an act. Nor was I any longer surprised that of the 40 or so people present, only two were still Catholic, and this daughter was not one of them. The daughter failed to realize how tragic it was that her parents used contraception and will never know how many more siblings she could have had and the joy they could have brought to each other.

Before I go any further, please note: we should never judge anyone based on the size of their family. There are a myriad of reasons why someone may or may not have one or more children and we should never assume or judge ill motives or means of any couple or family. Infertility is a great cross that some couples have to bear.

That said, if the statistics and surveys are correct, then by and large Catholic use of contraception more or less mirrors that of the world. This is a grave scandal and danger to salvation. The Catholic Church is very clear on this point:

[A]ny use whatsoever of matrimony exercised in such a way that the act is deliberately frustrated in its natural power to generate life is an offense against the law of God and of nature, and those who indulge in such are branded with the guilt of a grave sin. (Pius XI, *Casti Conubii* 56; cf. *Humanae Vitae* 14, CCC 2370).¹

When a couple *prayerfully* discerns that there is a grave reason to avoid a pregnancy at a certain time, recourse to the infertile period, through methods like Natural Family Planning, is legitimate. Since circumstances vary so much from couple to couple and what is a serious reason for one family might not be serious for another, the Church has never defined what constitutes a grave reason. Such a decision must be made by the couple prayerfully before God. It is not anyone else's place to look at a couple and judge.

Rather than judging any other couple, what we can all do, and what is most important, is seeking to do God's Will in our life. At times this does require sacrifices, but these are embraced because they serve as the means for our growing in charity and uniting us closer to Christ.

May God bless you,
Fr. David Angelino

¹ i.e. it is grave matter; for something to be a mortal sin, there must be 1) grave matter, 2) knowledge of its gravity, and 3) willful doing the act.

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



Necesita Ayuda de Emergencia?

Nuestro ministerio a SVdP está aquí para ayudar los miembros de la parroquia en tiempos de necesidad. Si necesita ayuda y no tienes a quien acudir, por favor contáctanos por email a stcc.svdp@email.com,

o déjanos un mensaje al numero 281-242-9149.

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



CONOCIENDO LA BIBLIA

Todos están invitados a la clase “**Conociendo la Biblia**” en el Centro Comunitario después de las Misa de 8:00 am.



Padres, esta carta contiene algunos temas delicados sobre los que tal vez no quiera que su hijo lea. Además, si ha tenido problemas de infertilidad, sé que este es un gran cruce y este artículo es uno que puede omitir.

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Hace unas semanas estuve presente en un funeral donde la hija de la fallecida insinuaba en broma que la razón por la que sus padres no tenían más hijos era porque usaban anticonceptivos, y que el cura de sus padres lo había permitido tácitamente. Me horrorizó que la hija pensara que esto era un asunto de risa y que un sacerdote toleraría tal acto. Tampoco me sorprendió saber que más de las 40 personas presentes, sólo dos fueran todavía católicas, y esta hija no era una de ellas. La hija no se dio cuenta de lo trágico que era que sus padres usaran anticonceptivos y nunca sabrá cuántos hermanos más podría haber tenido y la alegría que podrían haberse dado el uno al otro.

Antes de continuar, tenga en cuenta: nunca debemos juzgar a nadie en función del tamaño de su familia. Hay una sin número de razones por las cuales alguien puede o no tener uno o más hijos y nunca debemos asumir o juzgar malos motivos o medios de cualquier pareja o familia. La infertilidad es una gran cruz que tienen que sobrellevar algunas parejas.

Dicho esto, si las estadísticas y las encuestas son correctas, entonces, en general, el uso católico de la anticoncepción refleja más o menos el del mundo. Este es un escándalo grave y un peligro para la salvación. La Iglesia Católica es muy clara en este punto:

[C]ualquiera que sea el uso del matrimonio ejercido de tal manera que el acto quede deliberadamente frustrado en su poder natural de generar vida, es una ofensa a la ley de Dios y de la naturaleza, y quienes se entregan a ella son marcados con la culpa de un pecado grave. (Pío XI, *Casti Conubii* 56; cf. *Humanae Vitae* 14, CCC 2370).¹

Cuando una pareja discierne en *oración* que existe una razón grave para evitar un embarazo en un momento determinado, es legítimo recurrir al período infértil, a través de métodos como la Planificación Familiar Natural. Dado que las circunstancias varían tanto de una pareja a otra y lo que es un motivo grave para una familia puede no serlo para otra, la Iglesia nunca ha definido lo que constituye un motivo grave. Tal decisión debe ser tomada por la pareja en oración ante Dios. No es el lugar de nadie más mirar a una pareja y juzgar.

Más que juzgar a cualquier otra pareja, lo que todos podemos hacer, y lo más importante, es buscar hacer la Voluntad de Dios en nuestra vida. A veces esto requiere sacrificios, pero estos se aceptan porque sirven como medio para nuestro crecimiento en la caridad y para unirnos más a Cristo.

Que Dios los bendiga,
Padre David Angelino

¹ es decir, es materia grave; para que algo sea un pecado mortal, debe haber 1) materia grave, 2) conocimiento de su gravedad y 3) acto voluntario.

MASS INTENTIONS AND OFFERTORY

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, March 20, 2023

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Ella Reed
- 8:30 a.m. Tran Family
- 5:30 p.m. Milana Maccio

Tuesday, March 21

Weekday in Lent

- 6:45 a.m. Osondu Awaraka, Chinwe, Kenenna, Muna Mbonu
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Eloy & Anthony Rivera
- 5:30 p.m. ✕ Cynthia Ann Montelongo

Wednesday, March 22

Weekday in Lent

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Adolfo Sanchez Lopez & Silvino Sanchez Molina
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Pablo Garcia
- 7:00 p.m. ✕ Juan Antonio Rodriguez

Thursday, March 23

Weekday in Lent

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Lawrence Macha
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Anna Thomas
- 5:30 p.m. ✕ Maria Antonieta Guajardo

Friday, March 24

Weekday in Lent

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Angelina & Manuel Castro
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Nelly Perez
- 5:30 p.m. ✕ Rolando A. Lozano & Carmen Santiago

Saturday, March 25

The Annunciation of the Lord

- 8:30 a.m. Celebrant Intention
- 5:00 p.m. ✕ Jeremy Zapalac

Sunday, March 26

Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 6:30 a.m. Parish Family
- 8:00 a.m. ✕ Holiber Blanco & Maikol Arguepas
- 10:00 a.m. ✕ Ebenezer & Victoria Cachola
- 12:00 p.m. ✕ Gladys Dusek
- 2:00 p.m. ✕ Ma. Guadalupe Vega
- 5:00 p.m. ✕ Helen & Michael Maluga

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
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
December 12 - December 18	\$25,232	\$8,190	\$33,422
December 19 - December 25	\$24,050	\$10,218	\$34,268
December 26 - January 1	\$35,378	\$28,013	\$63,391
January 2 - January 8	\$29,587	\$11,861	\$41,448
January 9 - January 15	\$25,660	\$8,719	\$34,379
January 16 - January 22	\$25,665	\$10,379	\$36,044
January 23 - January 29	\$22,371	\$8,159	\$30,530
January 30 - February 5	\$27,459	\$16,832	\$44,291
February 6 - February 12	\$22,976	\$8,041	\$31,016
February 13 - February 19	\$25,559	\$11,205	\$36,764
February 20 - February 26	\$26,504	\$9,652	\$36,155
February 27 - March 5	\$28,857	\$16,954	\$45,811

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017 Totals as of March 12, 2023

Pledged \$3,231,249
Payments \$2,801,775
Adjustments \$422,827
Balance of Pledges \$6,647

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: \$1,833,433

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2023

*Totals as of
March 12, 2023*

Goal	\$176,000
Payments	\$14,298
Balance	\$161,702

50 participants

MAINTENANCE FUND STATUS

2021-2022	\$174,654
2022-2023	\$129,357

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 11 de Mayo** 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 19 de Marzo del 2023** 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, April 11, 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.

Lenten Scrutinies

The ancient church believed that those who had not yet renounced Satan and his demons at baptism were considered vulnerable to diabolical influences and in need of the powerful intercessory prayer offered by the assembly of baptized Christians. We celebrate that prayer in the second scrutiny at the 8:00 and 10:00 Masses today.

Second Scrutiny

We are born into a broken world that alienates us from creation, others, ourselves and God. We stumble in the darkness of sin. Naming our sin need not crush us but, rather calls us to conversion and transformation. Just as Jesus gave sight to the Man Born Blind, Christ lights the way for us and will illuminate the newly baptized when they receive the Light of Christ at the Easter Vigil.

Please keep our Elect in your prayers.



SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

www.stcssugarland.org

- THE GRIFFIN NEWS -

We are accepting New Student Applications for the 2023-2024 School Year for Grades Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, 5th, and 6th. For information or to schedule a Family tour, please contact Betty Pruski at 281-494-1157 or bpruski@sttheresacatholicschool.org

STCS SPELLING BEE



On Friday, March 10, STCS held its annual spelling competition. The two top spellers from grades 3rd, 4th, and 5th competed against one another with Mark Hazboun emerging victorious and Amelia Gibula placing second.

In the afternoon competition among the Middle School class representatives, My-Linh Junk took top honors with Samantha Court as runner-up. Congratulations to all of our spellers for a job well done. Go Griffins!

STCS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – SCHOOL NURSE

Saint Theresa Catholic School is seeking a full-time nurse for the 2023-2024 school year.

The School Nurse manages all processes related to the health and well-being of all STCS students. He or she provides assessment, screening, planning, intervention, evaluation, case management and/or referrals concerning the health and medical care needs of students for the purpose of minimizing absences due to illness, maximizing educational opportunities, and creating a healthy school climate.

The qualified individual will have at least an Associate's Degree in Nursing and licensure in the State of Texas. The Nurse must be a person of unquestioned integrity, must be well organized and detail-oriented, and must be firmly committed to maintaining the confidentiality of medical, academic, and financial records.

Qualified individuals must be a Registered Professional nurse, designated as R.N. as defined and determined by state law, and currently licensed in the state. The School Nurse must hold current certification in Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).

Send applications or inquiries to: tgoldak@sttheresacatholicschool.org

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.



Knight of Columbus Free Throw Contest State Winners

The Knights want to congratulate **Brady Ahlquist** and **Paige Mason** on their success at the State of Texas Free Throw Contest in San Antonio on March 4th. They competed with youth from all over the state of Texas and they were both champions.

Brady Ahlquist got **1st Place** in the Boys 10 Year Old Division and will be competing at the national level.

Paige Mason got **2nd Place** in the Girls 14 Year Old Division.

Congratulations to Brady and Paige



CDA Easter Lily Sale April 1st & April 2nd, 2023



The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court 2211, will be selling beautiful, live lilies after Masses **April 1st and April 2nd**, while supplies last. These blooming plants make a wonderful Easter centerpiece or gift.
Cost for each lily: \$13.00.

We appreciate your support.



Lenten Fish Fry
is back and
we are back inside!!

Next Fish Fry
March 24, 2023

Serving every Friday
during Lent from
5:30 p.m. till we sell out.

Fried or blackened fish
dinner complete with
coleslaw, green beans, hush
puppies and French fries.

All this for \$15.00
per plate including drink.

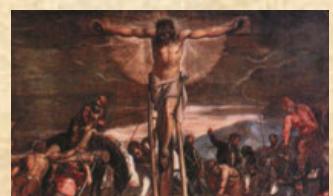


Come on in, sit down
and enjoy a great meal
with your family, friends,
and fellow parishioners!
To go plates also available.

Brought to you by: Knights
of Columbus Council 4204
Knights in Action!!

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 24, 2023



7:00 p.m. English
8:00 p.m. Español

Garage sale donations drop-off begins April 10 in the community center
ADOPT A BOOTH 2023

Booth	\$200 Level	\$500 Level	\$1,000 Level
Auction - Live PENDING—Need Co-Chair			
Auction - Silent			
Basketball Shootout			
Bean Bag Toss			
Beer/Wine			
Cake Walk			
Churros & Fruit Kabobs			
Concessions (hotdogs, popcorn, ice cream, pickles, cotton candy)			
Crawfish			
Duck Pond			
Face Painting, Hair & Nails			
Filipino Food Booth			
First Aid & Volunteers Booth			
French Fries			
Garage Sale			
Hamburgers			
Hidden Treasures			
Hi-Striker 15 ft			
Jail			
Kountry Kitchen			
Knock Down Bottles			
Margaritas			
Mexican			
Moon Walk			
Nigerian			
Plant Booth			
Raffle Booth			
Ring A Coke- School			
Rock n Roll Ride			
Rock Wall			
Skee Ball			
Sno-balls			
Soft Drinks, Tea & Lemonade		\$500	
Souvenirs & Things			
St. Dominic Rosary Shop			
St. Faustina Paint Class			
St. Joseph Woodshop			
St. Theresa Pot a Plant			
Stuffed Animals			
Turkey Legs & Sausage on a Stick			
Ven. Mary Book Corner			
Wheel Barrow Raffle—Sponsored by KCs			
Wizzer Ride			
Totals	\$	\$500	\$

\$20 per day wristband for unlimited rides

\$5,000 Donation	\$10,000 Donation	\$15,000 Donation
- Large banner across school/admin building arches - Free food/beverage at the event for up to 5 attendees	- Secondary feature on banner across church face - Free food/beverage at the event for up to 10 attendees	- Primary feature on main event banner across church face - Free food/beverage at the event for up to 15 attendees



Adoption Levels

\$200:

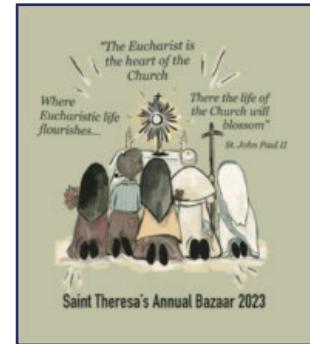
- ◆ Name or Company listed on sponsorship sign

\$500:

- ◆ 2 bazaar t-shirts
- ◆ 1 book of raffle tickets
- ◆ Name or Company listed on sponsorship sign

\$1,000:

- ◆ \$50 worth of tokens
- ◆ 4 bazaar t-shirts
- ◆ 2 books of raffle tickets
- ◆ Name or Company listed on large sponsorship sign



WHERE

Saint Theresa Church
705 St. Theresa Blvd.
Sugar Land, TX
281-494-1156

WHEN

April 22 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm
April 23 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

ITEMS NEEDED:

- *silent & live auction items
- *stuffed animals
- *cake walk items during bazaar

¡Confímate en tan solo 6 semanas!
¡No dejes pasar esta oportunidad!

CONFIRMACIÓN PARA ADULTOS

Calendario de Clases de 6:30 pm a 8:30 pm en el salón B1

Martes, 4 de Abril

Martes, 11 de Abril

Martes, 18 de Abril

Martes, 25 de Abril

Martes, 2 de Mayo

Martes, 9 de Mayo

El programa consiste de 6 clases. Una clase por semana de 2 horas.



La asistencia a todas las sesiones es obligatorio.

Recomendamos ampliamente a todos los adultos de 17 años o más, y que desean ardientemente vivir su fe católica y que aún no han sido confirmados a tomar este curso. Esta es una extraordinaria oportunidad de recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación en tan solo ocho semanas. La confirmación no es, como muchos creen erróneamente, un simple acto público donde se nos reconoce como católicos. La confirmación es la infusión plena del Espíritu Santo. La confirmación incrementa los dones del Espíritu Santo en ti. No pierdas esta oportunidad de unirte más profundamente a Cristo. -Equipo de Confirmación en Español

Las Clases se ofrecen totalmente gratis.

Necesitaras una copia de tu Acta de Bautismo reciente. Debes atender a todas las clases. Si eres casado, debes estar casado dentro de la Iglesia Católica.

Nombre _____

Teléfono _____

Correo Electrónico _____

Mandar por correo o dejar personalmente en las oficinas de la parroquia. Con atención a Alejandro Gonzalez en Español.

705 St. Theresa Blvd, Sugar Land, Texas 77498

ADULT CONFIRMATION 18+

Arrive early
April 4 at 6:30 PM
EVERY **TUESDAY** FOR 8 WEEKS
THE COMMUNITY CENTER

ADULTS (18+) WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED AND MADE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ARE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE THESE COURSES AND RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION.

**TO REGISTER YOU MUST EMAIL
GABRIEL@SUGARLANDCATHOLIC.COM
WITH THE SUBJECT: ADULT CONFIRMATION**

YOU MUST OBTAIN A COPY OF YOUR BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

IF YOU ARE MARRIED OUTSIDE OF THE CHURCH THEN YOU MUST FIRST GET YOUR MARRIAGE CONVALIDATED.

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

BREAKFAST WITH A SAINT “Cloud of Witnesses” Series Presents



St. Mary of Egypt *Model of repentance, her dramatic conversion and life in the desert.*

By Leslie Bohannon, M.A.T.S.

Saturday, March 25, 2023

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Family Life Center, Youth Lounge

Coffee and refreshments will be served 30 minutes prior to the presentation. Please

RSVP: Susiemyskies@gmail.com

Catholic Kids Camp
St. Theresa Catholic Church
July 10-14 Day Camp 7:30am-12:00pm

Open to PRK-3 to 7th Grade

Old Testament Last Supper The Sacrifice The Mass The Miracles

- Register online. Go to our website or use QR Code
- Open to those going into PRK-3 - 7th grade in Fall 2023. (Those who are older can sign up to volunteer)
- \$30 a student for the entire week.



AN INTIMATE LOOK INTO THE CANONIZATION PROCESS OF ■ ST. JOHN PAUL II ■

Bishop-Elect Sławomir Oder

Postulator and Bishop-elect Oder hosts a personal conversation about his magnificent and humbling experience evaluating St. John Paul II's sanctity for canonization.

JONES HALL
UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS
MARCH 21, 2023
7:00 - 9:00 PM

This event is free and open to the public. Registration is required. A suggested donation of \$20 is welcomed.



□ SCAN QR CODE □
TO REGISTER



OR VISIT: SJJP2Lecture.EventBrite.com

For more information: sjpiiprograms@stthom.edu | 713.525.2112

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the Sick and Dying

One of the elements of the devotion that Jesus desired St. Faustina to spread is called the Divine Mercy Chaplet. He wants it to be offered especially for sinners and for the dying. Jesus is quoted in St. Faustina's Diary as saying:

Pray as much as you can for the dying. By your insistent prayers obtain for them trust in my mercy, because they have most need of trust, and have it the least. Be assured that the grace of eternal salvation for certain souls in their final moment depends on your prayer. You know the whole abyss of My Mercy, so, draw upon it for yourself and especially for poor sinners. Sooner would heaven and earth turn into nothingness than would My mercy not embrace a trusting soul (Diary, 1777).

The Divine Mercy chaplet is one of the best means of assisting the dying. Jesus revealed the power of this prayer to St. Faustina, insisting that she use it often – even continuously. He told her: **My daughter, encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given to you. It pleases Me to grant everything they ask of Me by saying the chaplet. Write that when they say this chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as the just Judge but as the merciful Savior (Diary, 1541).** Earlier, our Lord said to her: **At the hour of their death, I defend as My own glory every soul that will say this chaplet; or when others say it for a dying person, the indulgence is the same (Diary, 811).**

Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet is particularly important during eucharistic adoration. On the occasion of the Great Jubilee of the year 2000, the Holy Father, St. John Paul II, imparted a special Apostolic Blessing “to all the faithful, who during Adoration of Our Most Merciful Savior in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar will be praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the sick and for those throughout the world who will be dying in that hour.” The Apostolic Blessings extend indefinitely for all who participate.

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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your Son, who lives and reigns with
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God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

“You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord” (Ephesians 5:8-14).

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