

**FEAST OF THE
TRANSFIGURATION 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
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:

Memberger, Kaspar.

The Transfiguration of Christ.

1618, oil on panel.

Private Collection.

St. John Paul II, General Audience Wednesday 26 April 2000

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In this Octave of Easter, which is considered one great day, the liturgy tirelessly repeats the message of the Resurrection: "Jesus is truly risen!". This proclamation opens a new horizon to all humanity. All that was mysteriously foreshadowed in the Transfiguration on Tabor becomes a reality in the Resurrection. At that time the Saviour revealed to Peter, James, and John the miracle of glory and light sealed by the voice of the Father: "This is my beloved Son!" (Mc 9,7)

Christ is the center of the Transfiguration. Two witnesses of the Old Covenant appear with him: Moses, mediator of the law, and Elijah, a prophet of the living God. The divinity of Christ, proclaimed by the Father's voice, is also revealed by the symbols which Mark describes with picturesque touches. Indeed, there is light and whiteness, which represents eternity and transcendence: "His garments became glistening, intensely white, as no fuller on earth could bleach them" (Mc 9,3). Then there is the cloud, a sign of God's presence during Israel's Exodus and over the tent of the Covenant.

At Matins for the Transfiguration the Eastern liturgy again sings: "Immutable brightness of the Father's light, O Word, in your shining light on Tabor we have seen today the light that is the Father and the light that is the Spirit, a light that illuminates all creation"....

It is possible, then, to climb the mountain in order to pause, to contemplate and to be immersed in the mystery of God's light. Tabor represents all the mountains that lead us to God, according to an image dear to mystics. Another text of the Eastern Church invites us to make this ascent to the summit and the light: "Come, peoples, follow me! Let us climb the holy and heavenly mountain; let us spiritually pause in the city of the living God and contemplate in spirit the divinity of the Father and the Holy Spirit which is resplendent in the Only-begotten Son" (troparion at the conclusion of the Canon of St John Damascene).

In the Transfiguration we not only contemplate the mystery of God, passing from light to light (cf. Ps 36,10), but we are also invited to listen to the divine word that is addressed to us. Above the word of the Law in Moses and of the prophecy in Elijah, the voice of the Father can be heard referring to the voice of the Son, as I have just mentioned. In presenting his "beloved Son", the Father adds the invitation to listen to him (cf. Mc 9,7) ...

Seeing and hearing, contemplating, and obeying are therefore the ways that lead us to the holy mountain on which the Trinity is revealed in the glory of the Son. "The Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ's glorious coming, when he "will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body' (Ph 3,21). But it also recalls that "it is through many persecutions that we must enter the kingdom of God' (Ac 14,22)" (Catechism of the Catholic Church 556)....

Let us now pray to Christ transfigured in the words of the Canon of St John Damascene: "You have allured me with desire for you, O Christ, and have transformed me with your divine love. Burn away my sins with your spiritual fire and deign to fill me with your sweetness, so that leaping with joy I may exalt all your manifestations".

Donation of Altar
Arrangement
August 6, 2023



In Memory of
Jeremy Zapalac

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

10 Días de Peregrinación a Tierra Santa



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Noviembre 1 - 10, 2023
\$3,500.00 por persona
desde Houston, TX

Director espiritual:
Padre Fernando Torres
Coordinador de viaje:
Eduardo Vivanco

Para mas información
comunicarse con
Eduardo Vivanco al
832-814-5800 email:
edreagent@gmail.com

San Juan Pablo II, Audiencia general Miércoles 26 de abril de 2000

Queridos hermanos y hermanas,

En esta Octava de Pascua, que se considera un gran día, la liturgia repite incansablemente el mensaje de la Resurrección: "¡Jesús ha resucitado verdaderamente!". Esta proclamación abre un nuevo horizonte a toda la humanidad. Todo lo que fue misteriosamente anunciado en la Transfiguración en Tabor se hace realidad en la Resurrección. En ese momento el Salvador reveló a Pedro, Santiago y Juan el milagro de gloria y luz sellado por la voz del Padre: "¡Este es mi Hijo amado!" (Mc 9,7)

Cristo es el centro de la Transfiguración. Con él aparecen dos testigos de la Antigua Alianza: Moisés, mediador de la ley, y Elías, profeta del Dios vivo. La divinidad de Cristo, proclamada por la voz del Padre, se revela también en los símbolos que Marcos describe con toques pintorescos. En efecto, hay luz y blancura, que representa la eternidad y la trascendencia: "Sus vestidos se volvieron resplandecientes, intensamente blancos, como ningún lavador en la tierra podría blanquearlos" (Mc 9,3). Luego está la nube, señal de la presencia de Dios durante el Éxodo de Israel y sobre la tienda de la Alianza.

En los amaneceres de la Transfiguración, la liturgia oriental vuelve a cantar: "Inmutable resplandor de la luz del Padre, oh Verbo, en tu luz resplandeciente sobre el Tabor hemos visto hoy la luz que es el Padre y la luz que es el Espíritu, luz que ilumina toda la creación"....

Es posible, pues, subir a la montaña para detenerse, contemplar y sumergirse en el misterio de la luz de Dios. Tabor representa todas las montañas que nos llevan a Dios, según una imagen querida por los místicos. Otro texto de la Iglesia oriental nos invita a hacer esta ascensión a la cumbre y a la luz: "¡Venid, pueblos, seguidme! Subamos al monte santo y celestial; detengámonos espiritualmente en la ciudad del Dios vivo y contemplemos en espíritu la divinidad del Padre y del Espíritu Santo que resplandece en el Hijo Unigénito" (tropario al final del Canon de San Juan Damasceno).

En la Transfiguración no sólo contemplamos el misterio de Dios, pasando de luz en luz (cf. Sal 36,10), sino que también somos invitados a la escucha de la palabra divina que se nos dirige. Por encima de la palabra de la Ley en Moisés y de la profecía en Elías, se escucha la voz del Padre refiriéndose a la voz del Hijo, como acabo de mencionar. Al presentar a su "Hijo amado", el Padre añade la invitación a escucharlo (cf. Mc 9,7) ...

Ver y oír, contemplar y obedecer son, pues, los caminos que nos conducen al monte santo en el que la Trinidad se revela en la gloria del Hijo. "La Transfiguración nos da un antícpo de la venida gloriosa de Cristo, cuando "cambiará nuestro cuerpo humilde para que se parezca a su cuerpo glorioso" (Ph 3,21). Pero también recuerda que "es a través de muchas persecuciones que debemos entrar en el reino de Dios" (Hch 14,22)" (Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica 556)

Oremos ahora a Cristo transfigurado en las palabras del Canon de San Juan Damasceno: "Me has seducido con deseo por ti, oh, Cristo, y me has transformado con tu amor divino. Quema mis pecados con tu fuego espiritual y dignifica para llenarme de tu dulzura, para que saltando de alegría exalte todas tus manifestaciones".

MASS INTENTIONS AND OFFERTORY

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, August 7, 2023

Sts. Sixtus II and Companions

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Martha Le & Dominique Nguyen
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Edward Patek
- 5:30 p.m. ✕ Clara & Pete Nowak

Tuesday, August 8

St. Dominic

- 6:45 a.m. Sarah Kendall
- 8:30 a.m. Victor Mathew
- 5:30 p.m. ✕ Maria Ines Valletto

Wednesday, August 9

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

- 6:45 a.m. Rita Children
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Silvino Sanchez & Adolfo Sanchez
- 7:00 p.m. ✕ Francisco J. Castillo Munoz

Thursday, August 10

St. Lawrence

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Deborah Foltyn
- 8:30 a.m. Lorenzo Medina & Lorenzo Medina Jr.
- 5:30 p.m. Rebecca Freeman

Friday, August 11

St. Clare

- 6:45 a.m. ✕ Laura Davidson
- 8:30 a.m. ✕ Luis Perez & Cirilo Chavez
- 5:30 p.m. Ana Maria Casallas

Saturday, August 12

Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30 a.m. Celin Arreguin
- 5:00 p.m. ✕ Patrocinio & Zoilo Zarate

Sunday, August 13

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 6:30 a.m. Parish Family
- 8:00 a.m. ✕ Susana Lopez & Miguel Martinez
- 10:00 a.m. ✕ Payton English
- 12:00 p.m. Celebrant's Intention
- 2:00 p.m. ✕ Esperanza Zuniga
- 5:00 p.m. Eileen Sanma

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
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	\$28,991	\$16,955	\$45,946
March 6 - March 12	\$21,873	\$8,651	\$30,524
March 13 - March 19	\$30,475	\$11,218	\$41,693
March 20 - March 26	\$29,044	\$7,913	\$36,957
March 27 - April 2	\$36,530	\$15,902	\$52,432
April 3 - April 9	\$41,390	\$15,902	\$57,292
April 10 - April 16	\$26,324	\$10,141	\$36,465
April 17 - April 23	\$25,401	\$8,031	\$33,432
April 24 - April 30	\$23,800	\$12,821	\$36,621
May 1 - May 7	\$23,799	\$15,775	\$39,573
May 8 - May 14	\$29,405	\$11,637	\$41,042
May 15 - May 21	\$23,548	\$9,889	\$33,436
May 22 - May 28	\$25,169	\$9,212	\$34,381
May 29 - June 4	\$27,702	\$17,547	\$45,249
June 5 - June 11	\$26,894	\$9,103	\$35,997
June 12 - June 18	\$28,222	\$10,386	\$38,607
June 19 - June 25	\$24,401	\$8,845	\$33,245
June 26 - July 2	\$26,368	\$16,480	\$42,847
July 3 - July 9	\$32,066	\$11,276	\$43,341
July 10 - July 16	\$27,693	\$8,714	\$36,406
July 17 - July 23	\$22,775	\$9,577	\$32,351

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2017

Totals as of July 30, 2023

Envelopes will discontinue when contributions end.

Thank you! Your participation in our Capital Campaign is greatly appreciated.

Current Parish Debt: \$1,789,907

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2023

Totals as of July 30, 2023

Goal	\$176,000
Payments	\$136,061
Balance	\$39,939

373 participants

MAINTENANCE FUND STATUS

2021-2022	\$174,654
2022-2023	\$167,846

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 Septiembre** 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 6 de Agosto 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, August 8, 2023**. For more information please contact Deacon James Anderson at 281-224-9986.



**Looking for something more in your life?
Come, explore the Catholic faith!**

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.

Sponsors

Sponsors share St. Theresa's life, its prayer and its apostolic work with our Catechumens and Candidates. No special knowledge is needed, just your willingness to be a friend. If interested, please email Kelsey Pena.



SAINT THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

www.stcssugarland.org

GRiffin NEWS

We are now accepting New Student Applications for the 2023-2024 School Year for Pre-Kindergarten. For more information or to schedule a Family tour, contact Betty Pruski at 281-494-1157 or BPruski@StTheresaCatholicSchool.org

STCSSugarLand.org



Fall Festival
Saint Theresa Catholic School
Saturday, October 7, 2023



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Would you consider **sponsoring the Fall Festival this year?**

The 2023 Saint Theresa Catholic School Fall Festival is Saturday, October 7 from 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. complete with a petting zoo, carnival rides, food, a beer garden, games, and more. The single highest donor above the \$5,000 level will have their company name/logo displayed on our **highly visible billboard on Highway 90** in Sugar Land near Highway 6, **for an entire 45 days!** You can't get that kind of advertising with that visibility through any media buys or marketing firms anywhere!

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St.Theresa Catholic Church 7:30 pm August 17, 2023 705 St Theresa Blvd, Sugar Land, TX	Our Lady of Częstochowa 11:00 am August 20, 2023 1731 Blalock Rd, Houston, TX
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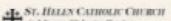
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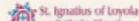
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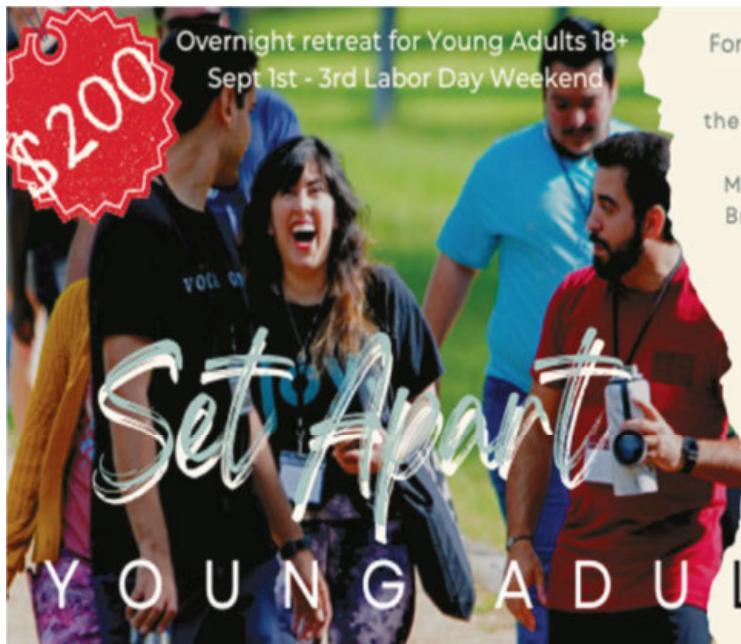
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A Summer Benefit Dinner Dance
for

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Saturday, August 26, 2023
St. Theresa Community Center
6:30PM -11:00PM

6:30PM Registration ~ 7:00PM Dinner
Ticket Cost: \$35.00 per person.

Includes:
A Buffet of Western & Filipino Food
And Dance, Dance, Dance the Night Away!

Suggested Attire: Western or Summer Best
MUSIC BY: EDGAR (Ehgay) SOLIS



FOR TICKETS: PLEASE CALL

Lin Ramirez (281) 731-0005 ~ Angelina Sarmiento (281) 416-9700
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Marina Samonte (281) 236-0450



THE
Andrew
DINNER

Tuesday, September 12, 2023
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Houston Vocations

A dinner for High School men who want to have a conversation with Priests about the Priesthood.
St. Theresa Catholic Church 705 St. Theresa Blvd. Sugar Land, TX 77498 in the Community Center
Scan the code or register at houstonvocations.com



**DEACON FRANK CROMER MEN'S
PRAYER BREAKFAST**



Join the men of St. Theresa at the monthly "Breakfast and Prayer before Business"

Wednesday, August 9

6:45 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.
Family Life Center, Room A

Continental breakfast and sharing the Word among friends. It's inspirational and interesting. There's no need to call; simply show up and bring a friend.

Mass of Remembrance of Children Lost Before Birth



Whether you have suffered a miscarriage recently or many years ago, join us for this special Mass on **Wednesday, August 16th at 6:30 pm at St. Laurence Catholic Church (3100 Sweetwater Blvd in Sugar Land).** The little one you have lost will be honored and remembered through special readings and intercessions. This Mass is also for you, as parents, to receive consolation through God's word and give thanks for this gift of life through the prayers of the Church.

Flowers and special prayer cards will also be offered to the mothers present. Please spread the word!

**2023 - 2024
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for PreK - 8th grade**

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St. Theresa Catholic Church &
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Sunday, August 6, 2023
7:30 am - 1:30 pm, KC Hall

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Sugar Land, TX 77478

Contact Paul Cinquemani

(832) 594-6753 sponsor code: st21

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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 15

6:45 a.m.

8:30 a.m.

12:10 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m. (español)

The Parish Office will be closed

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

office will re-open

Wednesday, August 16, 2023

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HOW TO GO TO CONFESSION

In order to make a good confession, we first examine our conscience, asking God's help that we might know our sins and repent of them.

Rite of Reconciliation

Priest: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Penitent: Amen.

Penitent: **Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been (how long?) since my last confession. My sins are: (confess your sins). And for these, and all the sins of my life, I am truly sorry.**

Priest: (gives you spiritual counsel and assigns a penance for your sins)

Penitent: (Pray an *Act of Contrition*. For example):

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

—or—

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven, and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, Who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

Priest: The priest prays the formula of absolution. At the conclusion, say, "Amen."

Priest: Go in peace.

Penitent: **Thanks be to God (do your penance as soon as possible).**

EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

If guilty of serious (mortal) sin, one should go to confession right away, especially before receiving Holy Communion. A mortal sin consists in serious matter, that is known to be serious, and freely committed.

1. I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD, YOU SHALL NOT HAVE STRANGE GODS BEFORE ME. Did I fail to love God, to make God first in my life, to thank Him and to trust Him as He deserves? Did I fail to pray each day? Have I deliberately doubted or denied my faith? Have I been involved in the occult or superstitious practices? In any of my previous confessions, did I deliberately conceal sins out of shame or pride?

2. YOU SHALL NOT TAKE THE NAME OF THE LORD YOUR GOD IN VAIN. Did I curse or swear? Did I use God's name without respect, as a curse or to blaspheme? Have I used foul language or jokes?

3. REMEMBER TO KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH DAY. Have I deliberately missed Mass on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation (this is serious matter)? Did I leave Mass early without a good reason? Am I regularly late for Mass? Did I receive Holy Communion in the state of mortal sin (this is serious matter)? Did I do unnecessary work on Sunday?

4. HONOR YOUR FATHER AND YOUR MOTHER. Have I obeyed my parents? Do I respect others with lawful authority, especially teachers? Have I talked back? Did I fail to help at home or to spend time with my family?

5. YOU SHALL NOT KILL. Did I give in to feelings of anger, jealousy, or hatred? Did I fight, give a bad example or cause scandal? Have I abused alcohol or drugs (this is serious matter)? Have I had or in any way permitted or encouraged abortion (this is serious matter)? Have I thought about suicide?

6. YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY. (These are usually serious matters). Did I consent to impure thoughts or glances? Passionate Kisses? Sinful touches? Was I immodest in dress or behavior? Did I look at pornography, impure books, magazines or videos? Am I guilty of masturbation (impurity with self)? Fornication (premarital sex), adultery (sex with a married person) or contraception (by pills, devices, etc.)? Do I avoid laziness, gluttony, idleness and the occasions of impurity?

7. YOU SHALL NOT STEAL. Have I taken what is not mine? What or how much? Did I return it or make up for what I have stolen? Have I cheated on tests or home-work? Did I waste time at work?

8. YOU SHALL NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS AGAINST YOUR NEIGHBOR. Have I lied or gossiped? Do I always tell the truth? Did I reveal secrets that should have been kept confidential? Am I critical, negative or uncharitable in my speech?

9. YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S WIFE. Have I consented to impure thoughts? Have I encouraged them by stares, curiosity or impure conversations? Did I neglect to control my imagination or desire other people?

10. YOU SHALL NOT COVET YOUR NEIGHBOR'S GOODS. Am I greedy? Am I jealous of others for who they are or what they have? Am I moody? Do I work, study and keep busy to counter idle thoughts? Am I critical, negative, or uncharitable in my thoughts of others? Is my heart set on earthly possessions or on the reassures of Heaven?

"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy."

— Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium: The Joy of the Gospel*

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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Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

*“This is my beloved Son,
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