

DAILY MASS

Monday—Saturday 8:30 am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm (Spanish) 6:00 pm Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am **ROSARY** Mon-Sat 7:50 am

Sunday 6:50 am

ANOINTING (SICK) Weekend Masses—as needed

CONFESSION Tuesday: 12:00-12:30 pm Saturday: 9:00—9:30 am or call for appointment

HOLY COMMUNION (sick & homebound) Call Parish Office

EMERGENCY SICK CALLS FUNERALS CALL 352-245-2458

PARISH OFFICE HOURS 8am—4 pm M-Th

. 8 am—Noon Fri

SOUP KITCHEN 11 am—1:00 pm Daily

FOOD PANTRY 9 am—12:15 pm M-F

SOCIAL SERVICES MONDAY—FRIDAY 9 am—1 pm

THRIFT SHOP MONDAY—SATURDAY 9 am—2:45 pm

GIFT SHOP Saturday & Sunday (after weekend Masses)

Welcome! Bienvenidos! St. Theresa Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Tom Connery Website: www.mystcc.org

St. Theresa is a home that welcomes, a charity that nourishes, a church that evangelizes and a community where friends can meet.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER







Welcome Bishop Noonan for our confirmation on Saturday, 4 pm Mass on April 13, 2024

It's Worth the Drive (Vale la pena el viaje)

St. Theresa Catholic Church

UPCOMING

Date / Time

Mon. Apr 22

Sun. Apr 14 3:00 pm

Mon. Apr 15

Mon. Apr 22 6:00 pm

Tues. Apr 23

9:00 am-12:00

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Blessed to be a

4:30 pm

6:00 pm

9:30 am Wed. Apr 24

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Próximos Eventos

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Sat APR 13	FOR	REQUESTED BY		
8:30 am	Society of St. Theresa			
4:00 pm	+Lester Phillips	loon Philling		
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6:00 pm (español)	St. Theresa Parishioners			
Sun APR 14				
7:30 am	† Rita Connery	Richard & Kathryn McGraw		
9:00 am	the second	Ruth Schreiner		
11:00 am	† Frank Montera	Linda Saltzman		
Mon APR 15				
8:30 am	† Danny Coss	Mary Jane Coss		
Tues APR 16				
8:30 am	† Robert Fritz	Ann Fritz		
Wed APR 17				
8:30 am	Victoria Knapp— Special Intentions	Peter & Londa Knapp		
Thurs APR 18				
6:00 pm	⁺ Deceased Members of the Lake Family	Mike & Theresa Lake		
Fri APR 19				
8:30 am	+ Wittemann Family	Corinne Peyer		
Sat APR 20				
8:30 am	† Tony Dorf	Rosalyn Dorf		
4:00 pm	† Edward Chmiel	Gerald Klubek		
6:00 pm (español)	† Maria Teresa Caicedo	Nancy Garcia		
Sun APR 21				
7:30 am	St. Theresa Parishioners			
9:00 am	† Sheila Spencer	Rene & Sandy Theroux		
11:00 am	† Guiseppe Mignosa	Mary Mignosa		

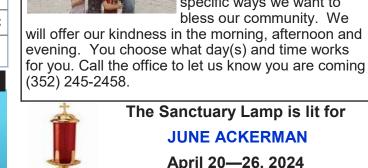
Holy Land Presentation by Jack Nettis - Monday, 4/22

A PRESENTATION BY JACK NETTIS



HOLY WEEK IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS CHRIST FROM PALM SUNDAY AND CHRIST'S ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM TO HIS DEATH, BURIAL AND RESURECTION





The Sanctuary Lamp is lit for **JUNE ACKERMAN** April 20-26, 2024

Mark Your Calendars

Event

HOLY LAND Presentation

Free EASTER CONCERT

BLESS BELLEVIEW—

Walk-up Vaccine Event

by Jack Nettis

MOST Meeting

Lay Carmelites

Meeting

Location

Parish Hall

Parish Hall

Parish Hall

Service Bldg

Quad

Social

FREE EASTER CONCERT WITH CHOIR AND

ORCHESTRA

Date: Sunday, 4/14/24

We will spend three days this summer being a blessing to Belleview. We

have a meeting Monday, April 15th at 6 pm in Parish Hall to decide the date and specific ways we want to bless our community. We

Time: 3:00 pm

Place: Church

Cost: FREE!

Bless Belleview!

Church

From: Bob Fiorentino

"All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again because God raised Christ Jesus from the dead. -1 Peter 1:3

FROM FATHER TOM



Yes, I saw the Cabrini movie. I felt compelled to watch it. My mom attended her boarding school for eight years in Dobbs Ferry. My mom proudly boasted of being a "Cabrini Girl." Did I like it? Yes and no. The movie did



portray her as a strong, ambitious, hardworking, self-sacrificing woman. She had a tender heart for the poor. She opened hospitals, schools, and orphanages for the poor immigrants. That is simply amazing for one with no money and little facility in English. She not only had to battle the civil

government but even the Church which gave her a hard time. New York was strongly Irish Catholic and was not too eager to share its resources with these newly arrived Italian immigrants. Undaunted, she refused to quit. She did the seemingly impossible. She led an inspiring life.

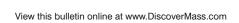
What's the problem? The movie failed to portray her source of strength, her reason for such loving care. Her faith. It is incredulous that in the entire movie you never saw her praying. She never attended mass. Worse yet, the movie never mentioned the name of Jesus. It would be like having a movie about Apple and never mentioning Steve Jobs. Mother Cabrini was a woman of deep, profound faith. She is the first American canonized saint. It was her faith that supported her in those dire, challenging times. It was the gospel that drove her to care for the poor. It was the Holy Eucharist that nourished her. Watching the movie, you would never know it. Except for her dress and dealings with the Pope and Bishop, you would never know that she was a Catholic, never mind a saint.

Aware of this, I recommend it. I am both delighted and proud that one of our own has her story told. Let the people know of our rich legacy. This barely five-foot Italian immigrant stands tall. Look, what one can do with grit and faith. Nothing is impossible for God. Enjoy the movie. There is no doubt that she was a great woman. but more so, a greater saint.

Love and Blessings, Fr. Tom







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DEL PADRE TOM



Sí, vi la película de Cabrini. Me sentí obligado a verlo. Mi madre asistió a su internado durante ocho años en Dobbs Ferry. Mi mamá se jactaba con orgullo de ser una "Chica Cabrini". ¿Me gustó? Si y no. La película la retrató como una mujer fuerte, ambiciosa, trabajadora y abnegada. Tenía un corazón tierno para los pobres. Abrió hospitales, escuelas y orfanatos para los inmigrantes pobres. Esto es sencillamente increíble para alguien que no tiene dinero y tiene poca facilidad para hablar inglés. No sólo tuvo que luchar contra el gobierno civil sino que incluso la Iglesia le hizo pasar momentos

difíciles. Nueva York era fuertemente católica irlandesa y no estaba muy dispuesta a compartir sus recursos con estos inmigrantes italianos recién llegados. Sin desanimarse, ella se negó a renunciar. Ella hizo lo que parecía imposible. Llevó una vida inspiradora.

¿Cuál es el problema? La película no logró retratar su fuente de fortaleza, el motivo de su cariñoso cuidado. Su fe. Es incrédulo que en toda la película nunca la hayas visto orando. Ella nunca asistió a misa. Peor aún, la película nunca mencionó el nombre de Jesús. Sería como ver una película sobre Apple y no mencionar nunca a Steve Jobs. La Madre Cabrini fue una mujer de profunda, profunda fe. Ella es la primera santa canonizada estadounidense. Fue su fe la que la apoyó en esos tiempos terribles y desafiantes. Fue el evangelio lo que la impulsó a cuidar de los pobres. Fue la Sagrada Eucaristía la que la alimentó. Al ver la película, nunca lo sabrías. Excepto por su vestimenta y sus tratos con el Papa y el obispo, nunca sabrías que era católica, mucho menos santa.

Consciente de ello, lo recomiendo. Estoy encantada y orgullosa de que a una de los nuestros se le cuente su historia. Que la gente conozca nuestro rico legado. Este inmigrante italiano de apenas cinco pies de altura se mantiene alto. Mira, a uno le vendría bien valor y fe. Nada es imposible para Dios. Disfruta la pelicula. No hay duda de que fue una gran mujer, pero más aún, una gran santa.

Amor y bendíciones, Padre Tom



Deacon Phillip Mills, who preached at St. Theresa in December, will be ordained a Catholic priest on **Saturday**, **May 25th** at **10:00am** at the Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe in Orlando.

If you would like to ride on a charter bus to the Ordination (bathroom onboard and water, snacks, and a box lunch provided), please make sure to call the office (352) 245-2458 to sign up by **Friday**, **April 19th**. We are asking each passenger to contribute **\$45**. The bus has 56 seats and will leave St. Theresa at **7:45 am** that day and return about **2:30 pm**.

ADORATION CHAPEL



Could you not watch with me one hour? <u>Matthew 26:40.</u> We have a need for Adorers to help us reach the 24/7 coverage. Please contact Nancy High (941) 518-2194 to sign up.



URGENT need for volunteer <u>Receivers at the Drop-Off area</u> of the **Thrift Store**. to work any day(s) **Tuesday through Friday**. Time: <u>9:00</u> <u>am - 12:00 Noon</u>.

Please call the Parish Office (352) 245 -2458 or stop by the Thrift Store.

My Take



There's an eight-year-old girl and she's in for the fight of her life. She smiles and doesn't have a care in the world, Mom's with her. Mom and the family are praying as she goes into surgery to have a brain tumor removed from her brain stem.



Fast forward twenty-two years and that little girl is still fighting. Medicine may have stabilized the growth of the tumors from time to time but has

had insignificant effect in completely removing them. Today she has an MRI to see if the medicine is working, but there is little hope as the indications of loss of balance and tiredness seem prevalent. If the tumors are not reacting to the medication, she will have to undergo surgery to obtain a new biopsy.

If you have been at St. Theresa for a few years, you, of course, know I am writing about my niece, Maggie. Although Maggie has multiple deficiencies from that first brain tumor removal, she still can light up a room. Maggie was raised to focus on her abilities and not her disabilities. She is now a volunteer at the Army Museum in Northern Virginia and at an animal shelter.

Years ago, I was angry with God for doing this to a little eight-year-old, but as time has passed, I've come to understand it's God's will. God has a purpose and his own time which we will never understand. God's timing may be to grow our faith as we pray for healing. At the right time, God will act. Confederate General Robert E Lee once said, "it is well that war is terrible; otherwise, we would grow fond of it." If everyone lived healthy lives, we might never savor the life we are given and the realization that life is fragile.

Maggie will be celebrating her 30th birthday on May 16th and I would love to flood her with cards to celebrate her life. If you are interested in sending a her card, bring it to the office, by May 8th, with the envelope stamped and your home address. I will write Maggie's address on it and make sure she gets it. God's mercy does rain down where angels hang around.

Marcía Wheatley, Operations Manager



Nursing Home Easter Baskets

The *Nursing Home Ministry* would like to thank all the **Invisible Angels** who contributed to the success of the Easter Baskets that were given to 3 Belleview Nursing Homes. The imagination, thoughtfulness, kindness and generosity of all these Angels goes way beyond the norm. We made 65 baskets full of all kinds of great "stuff." The residents were thrilled and so surprised. There is no doubt the contents of these baskets (*filled with socks, soap, bracelets, necklaces, stuffed animals, tissues, toothpaste, toothbrushes, luffas, shampoo, beautifully crocheted eggs, Easter surprises and above all Easter Candy plus more) will keep them interested and occupied for some time. The*

looks in their eyes and the smiles and the love they gave us was so heartwarming.

Any High School Graduating Senior who is planning to attend a College or Trade School in the Fall of 2024 is encouraged to apply for a **\$1,000 scholarship** payable to the college of their choice. Applicants must be active members of St. Theresa's Parish. This scholarship is sponsored by the *St. Theresa Ladies Guild*. Application can be picked up at the Parish Office or by contacting: Joan LaClair (352)272-9164—<u>jlaclair49@gmail.com</u> OR Mary Delaney ((914) 525-0056 <u>delaneymouth1@yahoo.com</u> DEADLINE for submitting applications: <u>APRIL 26, 2024</u>



The FOOD PANTRY is in need of donations, especially the following items: DONUTS, SNACKS that have a long expiration date, BOTTLED WATER (not the gallon jugs), manual CAN OPENERS for our homeless guests. — Eric Steilberger, Asst. Director / Manager, Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen

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Hay una niña de ocho años y está en la lucha de su vida. Sonríe y no le importa nada, mamá está con ella. Mamá y la familia están rezando mientras ella entra en quirófano para que le extirpen un tumor cerebral del tronco encefálico.



Veintidós años después, esa niña sigue luchando. Puede que la medicina haya estabilizado el crecimiento de los tumores de vez en cuando, pero ha tenido un efecto insignificante a la hora de extirparlos por completo. Hoy se somete a una resonancia magnética para ver si la medicina está funcionando, pero hay pocas esperanzas,

ya que los indicios de pérdida de equilibrio y cansancio parecen prevalecer. Si los tumores no reaccionan a la medicación, tendrá que someterse a una intervención quirúrgica para obtener una nueva biopsia.

Si usted ha estado en Santa Teresa durante algunos años, usted, por supuesto, sabe que estoy escribiendo sobre mi sobrina, Maggie. Aunque Maggie tiene múltiples deficiencias desde aquella primera extirpación de tumor cerebral, todavía puede iluminar una habitación. Maggie fue educada para centrarse en sus capacidades y no en sus discapacidades. Ahora es voluntaria en el Museo del Ejército de Virginia del Norte y en un refugio de animales.

Hace años estaba enfadada con Dios por hacerle esto a una niña de ocho años, pero con el paso del tiempo he comprendido que es la voluntad de Dios. Dios tiene un propósito y su propio tiempo que nunca entenderemos. El tiempo de Dios puede ser hacer crecer nuestra fe mientras oramos por sanación. En el momento oportuno, Dios actuará. El general confederado Robert E Lee dijo una vez: "es bueno que la guerra sea terrible; de lo contrario, nos aficionaríamos a ella". Si todo el mundo viviera sano, quizá nunca saborearíamos la vida que se nos da ni nos daríamos cuenta de que la vida es frágil.

Maggie cumplirá 30 años el 16 de mayo y me encantaría inundarla de tarjetas para celebrar su vida. Si estás interesado en enviarle una tarjeta, tráela a la oficina con el sobre franqueado y la dirección de tu casa. Yo escribiré la dirección de Maggie y me aseguraré de que la reciba. La misericordia de Dios llueve donde hay ángeles.

Marcía Wheatley, Gerente de Operaciones



VOLUNTEER DECORATORS - Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who joined us to decorate the church for Easter. It was a pleasure working with such a great group of hardworking people. We all appreciate everything you did that allowed us to finish in record time! We failed to put out the sign-up sheet to request contact information, so unfortunately, we must send a collective thank you. Each of you did a beautiful job and is guaranteed a spot on the decorating team if you are interested. Please contact Mary Gahles at marygforboone@gmail.com if you are willing to help us prepare in advance for important celebrations. In the subject line, please put VOLUNTEER PROJECTS.

SPRING CHURCH BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS

Spring cleaning? This is a reminder that the Church needs the same attention you give to your home. We rely on volunteers for many, if not most, of the housekeeping and maintenance duties that make the church run. Such things as gardening, thorough cleaning, maintenance of premises (inside and out), and decorating for the liturgical seasons are critical, but relatively few parishioners think about how such things materialize. Please watch future bulletins for announcements requesting help with crucial tasks especially before summer arrives. Remember: *To whom much is given, much is expected*. (Luke 12:48). Please contact *Mary Gahles* at marygforboone@gmail.com if you can spare a few hours toward these efforts. In the subject line, please put VOLUNTEER PROJECTS. Thank you for giving this prayerful consideration.

Third Sunday of Easter



Please Pray for our sick, homebound parishioners, friends & others in need. Call the Parish Office to make changes (352) 245-2458.

Rusty Allen	Eric Duchesne	Joanne Metzer
Roger Anderson	Kelly Forti	Eva Parenti
Jesse Benoit	Carol Gehlmann	Don Pellegrino
Thomas	Rosemary Gurick	Carolyn Roberto
Cunningham	Sammy Harris	Gary Silverstone
Lilly Chimenti	Jim Hunter	Timothy Ross
Emily Davis	Karen Kaiser	Dorina Stadelmeier
Lucy DeLuca	Peter Knapp	Michael Sylvester
Mike Devost		Michael Cyrester
	Irene MacKenzie	





Do you have a background in balancing a budget and reading financial records for companies or non-profits? Do you want to help direct St Theresa's financial future? Openings for the volunteer Finance Committee are being accepted now through May 15th for the next fiscal year, which starts July 1st. Volunteers must undergo finger printing and back-

Finance Committee Openings

ground check. If interested, send resume to Marcia Wheatley at marcia@mystccc.org.



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