



Welcome! Bienvenidos! St. Theresa Catholic Church

11528 S. US Hwy 301, Belleview, Florida 34420

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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.

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)

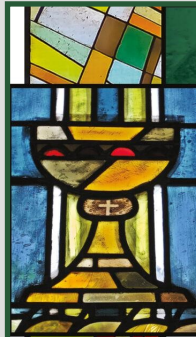
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 7, 2024

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house."

Lk 6:4



Pero Jesús les dijo: "Todos honran a un profeta, menos los de su tierra, sus parientes y los de su casa".

Lk 6, 4

14° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

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

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Mark Your Calendars
UPCOMING EVENTS
 Próximos Eventos

Sat JULY 6	FOR	REQUESTED BY
8:30 am	† Lester Phillips	Sharon & Bob Henriques
4:00 pm	† Deceased Members of K of C Counsel 8012 & Assembly 2068	Knights Of Columbus
6:00 pm (español)	St. Theresa Parishioners	
Sun JULY 7		
7:30 am	† John Storm	Barbara Cetlinski
9:00 am	† Joe & Melany Guerreiro, Tanya Brown	Paula Brown
11:00 am	† David Kosmider	Pat & Ron Brodsko
Mon JULY 8		
8:30 am	† Stephen Melus	Linda Melus
Tues JULY 9		
8:30 am	† Salvatore Costanzo	Sal & Corinne Costanzo
Wed JULY 10		
8:30 am	† Sharon Kapenas	Edwina MacMillan
Thurs JULY		
8:30 am	† Don Stipanic	PJ Stipanic
Fri JULY 12		
8:30 am	† Richard Rogers	Loretta Rogers
Sat JULY 13		
8:30 am	Society of St. Theresa	
4:00 pm	† Skolaris & Tumbry Family	Ron & Karen Tumbry
6:00 pm (español)	† Juana Acosta	Maricarmen Rottenberg
Sun JULY 14		
7:30 am	St. Theresa Parishioners	
9:00 am	† Patrick Roche	Marian Roche
11:00 am	† Helen Nowak	John Nowak & Family

Date / Time	Event	Location
Sun. July 7 to Fri. July 12	TEEN PRAYER & ACTION RETREAT	St. Theresa Campus
Mon. July 8 to Wed. July 10	BLESS BELLEVIEW EVENTS!	Belleview Community
Mon. July 15 to Wed. July 17	VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	Parish Hall
Tues. July 16 9:00 am	BLESSING OF THE GROTTTO	Grotto
Tues. July 23 9:30 am	LAY CARMELITES	Quad

2024 Vacation Bible School
July 15 - 17
 Time: **7:45 am -12:00 noon**
 Ages: **pre-K - Youth Group**

Your child will learn to stand for God obey God, and trust God through Mass, songs, crafts, music, and Bible adventures. Lunch will be provided.

Questions? Call the Parish Office (352) 245-2458. Registration forms can be picked up at the Welcome desk or the Parish office.

BAKERS! We would love to have cookies for the summer basketball league that takes place through mid -August. The teams play **Sunday and Tuesday** evenings. Cookies can be brought to the Office or when you attend Mass on the weekends.

NEW PARISHIONERS
Pat Love
Eduardo & Theresa Vazquez

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit for
JAMES ALVEY
 July 13-19, 2024
 From: *Rose M. Cruz*

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2025

Due to the large demand for mass intentions, requesters will be limited to **3 weekend Masses and 5 daily Masses**. In accordance with Canon Law, there will only be one intention per Mass.

OUR THRIFT STORE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS !!!

We are looking for volunteers to work in all areas of the store: If you are willing and able, please stop in to meet the store manager to begin the process.



FROM FATHER TOM



Six years! I have now completed six years serving as your pastor here at St. Theresa in beautiful Belleview. Hard to believe! One of my casual prayer forms when in the adoration chapel is to give my brain permission to freelance. I let the thoughts come as they may. Some, I believe, are God inspired. I drift back to my seminary days and remember how I envisioned myself as a priest. I pictured myself working in the barrios in New York City. Another dream was to work in the missions. I took steps to make that happen by sending my name to Rome, volunteering to work in Africa. The call never came. I moved on to high school ministry. There, I would teach English, maybe first year Spanish and hopefully do a little coaching. Those were some of my dreams.

What I never imagined was that I would be working in Belleview, Florida. Oddly enough, St. Theresa became a dream come true. It goes to show, God’s ways are better than our ways. Of all my assignments, St. Theresa is where I have felt most at home. I feel so comfortable, relaxed and at ease. I can just be me. Maybe it is my age, but I don’t have to struggle to prove myself. You have made it easy for me by your kindness and graciousness. Sunday masses (Saturday evening is Sunday) are the highlight of my week. I look forward to greeting you, praying with you and wearing my hats as I say good bye. I may not know everyone’s name, but I feel a deep connection when I look out and see your faces. There is nothing better than saying Mass here.

Thank you for putting up with my faults, failures and fumbles. If there is one thing that diminishes my worship experience is my deficiency in Spanish. I wish I could express myself better and be able to talk from my heart. Our Hispanic community deserves better. They are so dear to me. As I begin my seventh year, please keep me in your prayers. I need them. Know that I pray for you. I pray each morning for the **three E’s**. I want to be a hard working priest my **Entire** life, **Energetic** and **Enthusiastic**. Thank you for making it a joy in serving you.

*Love and Blessings,
Fr. Tom*

BLESS BELLVIEW

July 8th through 10th



If you are interested in volunteering, please call the office (352) 245-2458. Donations are also accepted to help fund the projects. Thank you.

Belleview Elementary School: Grounds spruce up. Starts early on Tuesday, July 9th and Wednesday, July 10th.

Shepherd’s Lighthouse Duplex: Landscaping starts Monday, July 8th.

Milkshakes—Soup Kitchen: July 8th-10th

Post Cards- St. Theresa’s Hall: Postcards to homebound parishioners. July 8th—10th at 9 am.

Splash Park: Distribute Freeze pops, goodie bags and a Cookout at Splash Park July 8th-10th at 11 am.

Basketball Courts: Hosting tournament, starting Sunday, July 7th at 6 pm. Meet each evening, Sunday, July 7th through Tuesday, July 9th to pray over the players, cheer them on and provide refreshments.

First Responder Food Donations: Provide food to be delivered to local police and firefighters. Food must be at the church by 9 am, Wednesday, July 10th.

Gift Bags for Homebound Parishioners: Assemble items to be delivered to our homebound parishioners.

Movie and Pizza Night—St. Theresa’s Hall: July 10th. Begins at 6 pm.



DEL PADRE TOM



¡Seis años! Ahora he completado seis años sirviendo como su pastor aquí en Santa Teresa en la hermosa Belleview. ¡Difícil de creer! Una de mis formas casuales de oración cuando estoy en la capilla de adoración es darle permiso a mi cerebro de ir por libre. Dejo que los pensamientos vengan como vengan. Algunos, creo, son inspirados por Dios. Vuelvo a mis días de seminarista y recuerdo cómo me imaginaba a mí mismo como sacerdote. Me imaginaba trabajando en los barrios de Nueva York. Otro sueño era trabajar en las misiones. Tomé medidas para hacerlo realidad enviando mi nombre a Roma, ofreciéndome voluntario para trabajar en África. La llamada nunca llegó. Pasé al ministerio en la escuela secundaria. Allí, enseñaría inglés, tal vez español de primer año y con suerte haría un poco de coaching. Esos eran algunos de mis sueños.

Lo que nunca imaginé es que estaría trabajando en Belleview, Florida. Por extraño que parezca, Santa Teresa se convirtió en un sueño hecho realidad. Esto demuestra que los caminos de Dios son mejores que nuestros caminos. De todas mis asignaciones, Santa Teresita es donde me he sentido más en casa. Me siento tan cómoda, relajada y a gusto. Puedo ser yo misma. Tal vez sea mi edad, pero no tengo que esforzarme para demostrar lo que valgo. Me lo habéis puesto fácil con vuestra amabilidad y gentileza. Las misas de los domingos (el sábado por la tarde es domingo) son lo mejor de mi semana. Estoy deseando saludaros, rezar con vosotros y ponerme el sombrero al despedirme. Puede que no conozca el nombre de todos, pero siento una profunda conexión cuando me asomo y veo vuestras caras. No hay nada mejor que decir misa aquí.

Gracias por aguantar mi idiosincrasia. Si hay algo que disminuye mi experiencia en el culto es mi deficiencia en español. Desearía poder expresarme mejor y poder hablar desde mi corazón. Nuestra comunidad hispana se merece algo mejor. Ellos son tan queridos para mí.

Al comenzar mi séptimo año, por favor manténganme en sus oraciones. Las necesito. Sepan que rezo por ustedes. Rezo cada mañana por las tres E's. Quiero ser un sacerdote trabajador toda mi vida, enérgico y entusiasta. Gracias por hacer que sea una alegría servirles.

Amor y bendiciones, Padre Tom

Blessing of the Grotto - Tuesday, July 16th



Many months of hard work have transformed the grotto area into a haven of peaceful contemplation. We invite you to come to the gardens and enjoy quiet solitude in prayer and worship.

Please join us at the **8:30 a.m. Mass on Tuesday, July 16th**, the feast day of **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel**. The Grotto will be blessed in honor of the Carmelite order of which St. Therese was a member. We hope this will inspire you to make return visits to sit and enjoy God's beauty.

Your participation is crucial to maintaining the gardens. We are looking for volunteers to help water the area several times weekly. Would you please consider donating 1 to 2 hours periodically to help us keep the grotto and church grounds thriving? Please contact **Mary Gahles** at 724.581.7171



It's Back! Forty Hour Devotion!

Last January we celebrated 40 hours of prayer before the Lord in our church. We will offer it again, beginning Wednesday, July 17 at five o'clock and concluding Friday with our 8:30 mass. I realize it will be challenging as many of our parishioners are away during the summer. Why not wait? I chose these days to be in union with the grand Eucharistic Congress taking place at the same time in Indianapolis. We will be united in prayer with them. Sign up by calling the office or after masses on the week-end of the 13th and 14th. We need two people for the night hours 9pm-6am. Thank you and Bless you

My Take



What is one thing you should not take to bed with you? Worrying is the one thing you shouldn't take to bed with you. Before that first cup of coffee, the stress and the demands of the day settle in. And it's quite easy to get caught up in it and sometimes you end your day on a low note. Unable to get a good night's rest leaves us feeling our physical limitations the next day. It can leave us vulnerable. We were made to rest and rest we should, remembering that God "will neither slumber nor sleep."



"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28. God is giving you an invitation to rest in him. He will restore your strength and revitalize. Once we have restored and revitalized, we can continue to do our work and bear fruit in his name.

It's hard to sometimes let it all go at night and trust that God has a plan. It may not have been revealed yet, but it will be in his time. Before you go to sleep tonight, ask God to speak to you in your dreams that night. As we have seen in many stories of the Bible, God loves to visit at night when all is quiet. If he shares ideas or wisdom at night, be sure to take heart. Say your prayers, thank God for the day and let your mind rest. If you can't sleep, it might be God keeping you up because someone needs your prayers. God can be saying I want to talk, and you have time. If God keeps you up to pray or talk, trust him to give you the strength to get through the next day.

Marcia Wheatley,
Operations Manager



- Reach out to others !
- Ongoing prayer life !
- Sunday Worship !
- Engage in a Small Group !
- Serve & Share!



Flocknote is a communication tool that will let St Theresa quickly and easily reach the parishioners of St. Theresa, and the members of our ministries and groups. Flocknote can reach everyone at St. Theresa in a moment's notice through: •Text messages •Email •Phone calls (for members who don't have email or a smartphone). Sign up at the Welcome Desk at weekend Masses or go to our website at mystcc.org for detailed instructions. Contact the Parish Office for more information or assistance.



ADORATION CHAPEL

Could you not watch with me one hour? Matthew 26:40.
Please contact **Nancy High (941) 518-2194** to sign up.

RECRUITING ALTAR SERVERS !!



We are recruiting new altar servers (**Children and Adults**)! If interested in serving, please contact the Parish Office (352) 245-2458.

SOCIETY OF ST. THERESA: Enroll your loved one for a 12 month membership. He/she will be remembered each month during the 8:30 am Mass on the 2nd Saturday of the month. Mass cards are available. Names will not be read out loud but the list will be placed on the Altar. Call the Parish Office (352) 245-2458. Suggested donation: **\$10**



Roses from Heaven Gift Shop



Come in and browse your gift shop. Statues, Rosaries, Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation. Bibles; English and Spanish. Hours: Saturday 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm and Sunday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. Contact the office (352) 245-2458, Anita Hunter (352) 207-4466 or Marie Bairstow (352) 812-4752 if you need something during the week.

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Mi opinión



¿Qué cosa no deberías llevarte a la cama? La preocupación es lo único que no debes llevarte a la cama. Antes de esa primera taza de café, el estrés y las exigencias del día se asientan. Y es bastante fácil quedar atrapado en ello y, a veces, terminar el día con una nota baja. No poder descansar bien por la noche nos deja sintiendo nuestras limitaciones físicas al día siguiente. Puede dejarnos vulnerables. Fuimos hechos para descansar y descansar deberíamos, recordando que Dios “no se adormecerá ni dormirá”.

“Venid a mí todos los que estáis cansados y agobiados, y yo os haré descansar”. Mateo 11:28. Dios te está invitando a descansar en él. Él te restaurará las fuerzas y te revitalizará. Una vez que hayamos sido restaurados y revitalizados, podremos continuar haciendo nuestro trabajo y dando frutos en su nombre.

A veces es difícil dejar todo pasar de noche y confiar en que Dios tiene un plan. Puede que aún no haya sido revelado, pero lo será en su momento. Antes de irte a dormir esta noche, pídele a Dios que te hable en tus sueños esa noche. Como hemos visto en muchas historias de la Biblia, a Dios le encanta visitarnos de noche, cuando todo está en silencio. Si comparte ideas o sabiduría por la noche, asegúrese de animarse. Di tus oraciones, agradece a Dios por el día y deja que tu mente descanse. Si no puedes dormir, puede ser que Dios te mantenga despierto porque alguien necesita tus oraciones. Dios puede estar diciendo quiero hablar y tienes tiempo. Si Dios te mantiene despierto para orar o hablar, confía en que él te dará la fuerza para pasar el día siguiente.

Marcia Wheatley,
Gerente de Operaciones

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Strength in Weakness

Is Paul serious? Can you imagine being content with “weaknesses, insults, hardships, and persecutions?” (2 Cor 12:10) Paul could have been proud of all that God revealed to him, and of all that he accomplished in spreading the gospel. But instead he boasts about his weaknesses. He knows that all the good work he has done have been accomplished by Christ. So he accepted suffering, rejection, setbacks and persecution because they helped him see how much Christ was doing through him.

We can learn a lot from St. Paul. Remember how Jesus said to love your neighbor as yourself. Paul loved himself in the good sense of accepting his faults and weaknesses. He was always aware that he once persecuted Christians. But that fault enabled him to experience God's forgiveness.

St. Paul says that when he is weak, then he is strong. He knows that God will still work through him, showing God's power to heal the sick and draw converts to Christ, in spite of Paul's weaknesses. Paul did what he could to encourage others to follow Jesus, but he knew the results of his preaching and healing were up to God. When you think that you would fail at spreading the faith, remember Paul and give your weaknesses to God. Then see what he can do!

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Social Services has an ongoing need of toiletry items for our guests such as **SHAMPOO, ANTIPERSPIRANTS / DEODORANTS, and BUG SPRAY.** Please drop items off at the Social Services Office or at the church before

Masses. Thank you.



Thank you.

NEEDS

- ◆ PEANUT BUTTER
- ◆ JELLY
- ◆ CANNED FOOD – (Meats) with Pop up Tops
- ◆ LARGE CLOTH GROCERY STORE BAGS



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

Rusty Allen	Kelly Forti	Don Pellegrino
Roger Anderson	Julie Grosner	Carolyn Roberto
Jesse Benoit	Rosemary Gurick	Timothy Ross
Denise Billeter	Sammy Harris	Joseph Sardisco
Thomas Cunningham	Jim Hunter	Gary Sexstone
Lilly Chimenti	Peter Knapp	Francine Sothen
Jean Dahring	Robert & Clair LaDow	Lori Spurlock
Lucy DeLuca	Joanne Metzner	Frances Stonewell Family
Gene Dever	Eva Parenti	Pam & Paul Sullivan
Mike Devost	Gary Pearson	Michael Sylvester
Eric Duchesne		Joan Ward

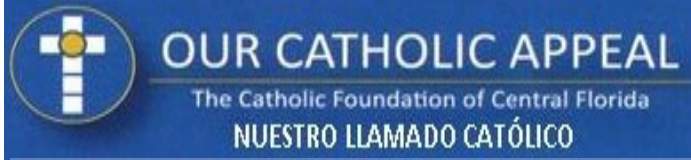


Have some free time? Join the **Cleaning Angels**. We clean on **Thursdays** starting about **9:30 am**. Takes about **2 hours**. If interested, please contact the Parish Office (352) 245-2458. Thank you.



Week Ending June 30, 2024

Offertory:	\$10,959.85
Project Growth:	\$ 2,018.50
Soup Kitchen:	\$ 1,252.50
Social Services:	\$ 451.50
Thrift Store:	\$ 7,747.75



OCA Goal for 2024	<u>\$142,243.00</u>
Collected to date	\$131,204.00
Under Goal (Por debajo de la meta)	<i>\$11,038.00</i>
ONLINE Pledges: https://www.cfocf.org/oca/ (Select <u>ST. THERESA</u> as your Parish). Thank you.	
PLEASE HELP US MEET OUR GOAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE	