



# Welcome! Bienvenidos! St. Theresa Catholic Church

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*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

Nov.—Easter 5:00 pm

## 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

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## THRIFT SHOP

MONDAY—SATURDAY

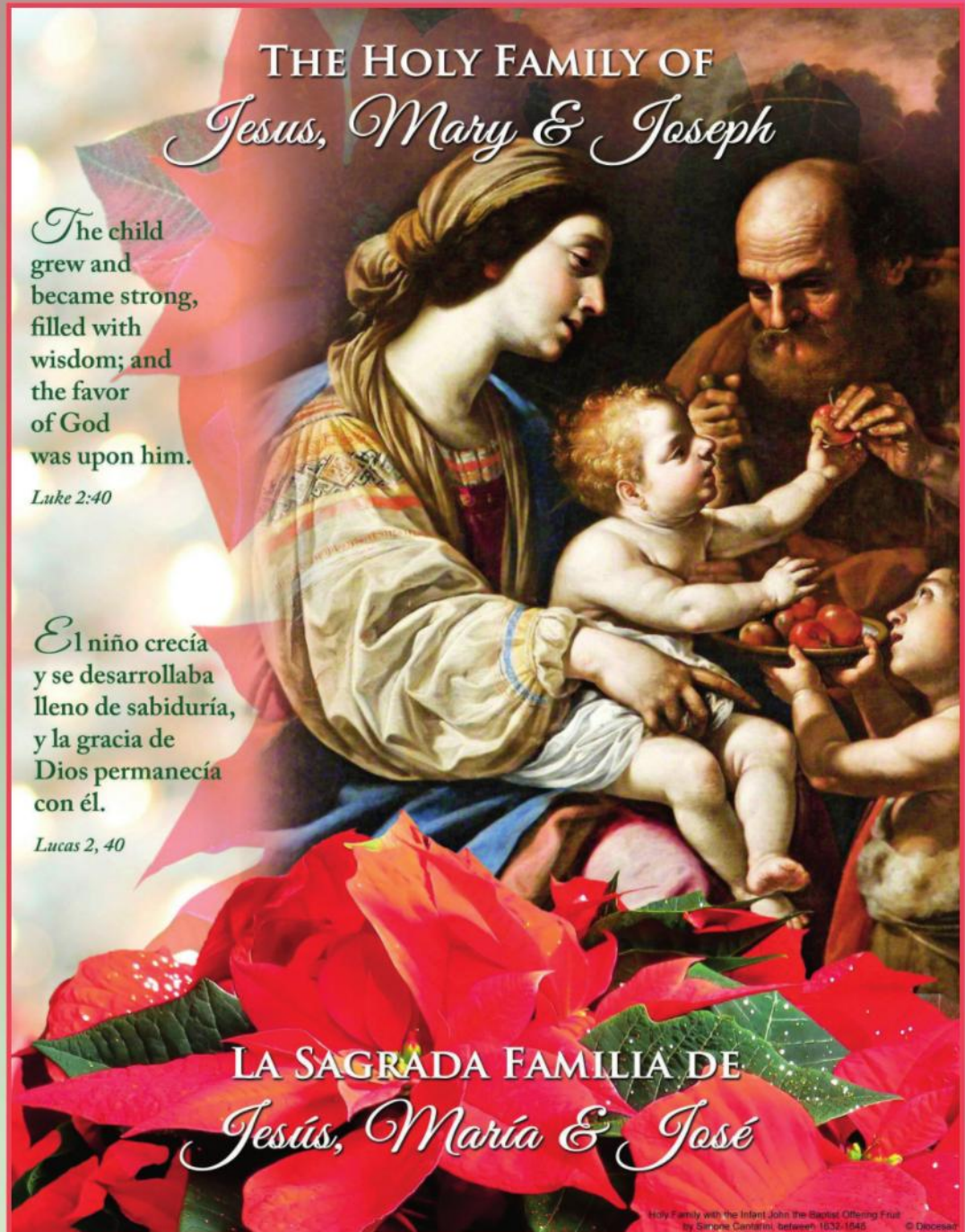
9 am—2:30 pm

## GIFT SHOP

Saturday &  
Sunday (after weekend  
Masses)

## The Holy Family

December 29, 2024



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

St. Theresa Catholic Church



Sat DEC 28	FOR	REQUESTED BY
8:30 am	† Dave Reiter	Jane Reiter
4:00 pm	† Rosemarie & Robert O'Connor	Marlene Masino
6:00 pm (español)	† Maria Giraldo	Yolanda Garcia
Sun DEC 29		
7:30 am	St. Theresa Parishioners	
9:00 am	† Marcella Jacksa	Judy & Joseph Egizio
11:00 am	† Cameron Fontenot	Renee Strezo
5:00 pm	Family of Mr & Mrs James & Kathleen Estes—Special Intentions	Bellevue Krafters of St. Theresa
Mon DEC 30		
8:30 am	† John Moran	Kate Moran
Tues DEC 31		
8:30 am	† Elton John Hendershot	Pamela Ward
4:00 pm VIGIL	† Diane Adinolfi	Peter & Janet Hirst
6:00 pm español	Aurea Quiroz—Special Intentions	Yolanda Garcia
Wed JAN 1 <b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b>		
8:30 am	Father Tom Connery—special intentions	St Theresa Staff & Parishioners
10:00 am	Father Jim Torpey—special intentions	St Theresa Staff & Parishioners
Thurs JAN 2		
8:30 am	† Robert Montmoran	Claire & Robert LaDow
Fri JAN 3		
8:30 am	† Dora & Marcos Plazas	Luz & Helber Plazas
Sat JAN 4		
8:30 am	† Ann Emerson	Cindy Brennan Family
4:00 pm	† Deceased Members of K of C council 8012 & Assembly 2068	Knights of Columbus
6:00 pm (español)	St. Theresa Parishioners	
Sun JAN 5		
7:30 am	† James Hunter	Tom & Diane Mizerek
9:00 am	† Bob Creighton	Robert Mundy
11:00 am	† Stephen Mosko	Ron & Mary Jane Czynnik
5:00 pm		

Mark Your Calendars  
**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
 Próximos Eventos

Date / Time	Event	Location
Tues. Dec 31 VIGIL Masses: 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm (español)	SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD (Holy Day)	Church
Wed. Jan 1 Masses: 8:30 am, 10:00 am	SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD (Holy Day)	Church
Fri. Jan 3, 2025 6:15 pm	SACRED HEART Novena and Mass	Church
Sun. Jan 5, 2025	NAME TAG /GROCERY SUNDAY	Church
Wed. Jan 8, 2025 2:00 pm	GRIEF SHARE	tbd
Sun. Jan 12 (after 7:30, 9 am Masses)	K of C BREAKFAST	Parish Hall
Sat. Jan 18 9:00 am	3RD SATURDAY CLUB	Parish Hall

*Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God*  
**MASS TIMES**  
 DECEMBER 31 (New Year's Eve)  
 4:00 PM , 6:00 PM (español)  
 JANUARY 1 (New Year's Day)  
 8:30 AM, 10:00 am

**AN ADORATION CANDLE IS LIT FOR**

**STEVEN CHOINIÈRE (Special Intentions)**

Month of: **JANUARY 2025**

From: *Joan Choiniere*



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From: *David, Rose, Scott Cruz*



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## FROM FATHER TOM

### How to do a Yearly Examen for spiritual clarity in the New Year

A great way to move forward in the spiritual life is to look back and examine what worked and what didn't. The New Year often fills us with hope, as we say to ourselves, "Next year will be better!" The last 12 months may not have gone exactly as we wanted and our original New Year's resolutions may have only endured to the middle of January. Whatever may be the case, we look forward to the future and have a glimmer of hope that our current situation will improve.



While looking forward to what could be can keep our spirits up for the moment, a much deeper exercise that provides more nourishment to the soul consists of reviewing the entire year and being thankful for the many blessings (and crosses) that God has given us. This process allows a person to understand where they are and where God's actions may be leading them. In other words, it is only in looking back that one can move forward.

One way to reflect on the past year is to make a **Yearly Examen**. This practice is simply an extension of the **Daily Examen** that is a central part of **Ignatian spirituality**. The **Daily Examen** is practice where an individual stops two times during the day (at midday and at the close of the day) to examine God's activity and to recognize any faults or sins committed.

Here is how a **Yearly Examen** might look, based on **St. Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises**.

1. After placing yourself in God's presence, first give thanks to God for all the many blessings received during the past year. Pass through each month, remembering the blessings that occurred.
2. Pray for the grace to understand God's divine providence.
3. Next, review each month again and take notice of any feelings or movements that occur in your heart while doing this activity. Whatever you may feel (whether it was a good feeling or bad feeling), ask God to help you understand why an event happened.
4. Fourth, ask pardon for any sins you committed, trusting fully in God's mercy.
5. Last of all look forward to the New Year and think of ways that you can collaborate more with God's loving plan for your life.

If we want to progress spiritually in the New Year, we must not forget the past, but learn from it and accept everything that happened in light of God's divine providence. By doing this, we can better move forward and do so in a spirit of collaboration, realizing that God is the one who is in control. In the end, if we are to remember one thing let us recall the words God said to the prophet **Jeremiah**: "*For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me; when you seek me with all your heart, I will be found by you, says the Lord.*"

**Jeremiah 29:11-14**

*Love and Blessings, Fr. Tom*



A **Grief Share** Group will begin again at 2:00 pm on **Wednesday, January 8, 2025** at St. Theresa's.

When a loved one dies, it can feel like you are all alone and that few people understand how painful and isolating this can be. At

**Grief Share**, you can find a safe, comforting place where you can talk with others about your grief. You'll find support, direction and guidance on how you can make it through your grief.

For more information call **Deacon Dan Pallo** at **352-391-9338** or email to **deacondan2007@gmail.com**. Also visit the Grief Share website at **[griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org)** to get more information and register. Come and join us.

## ST. THERESA ADORATION CHAPEL

If you would you like to deepen your prayer life and personal relationship with Jesus Christ, please consider adoring one hour a week in St. Theresa's Adoration Chapel.

We have a critical need for adorers for the following:

**Tuesday: 6 pm. Saturday: 8 & 9 pm. Sunday: 7 am and 7 pm.** In addition, if you would like to be an adoror or substitute, please contact **Nancy High 941-518-2194**.



## 3RD SATURDAY CLUB

The **3RD SATURDAY CLUB** will meet on **January 18th at 9 am**. The purpose of this club is to beautify the grounds and interior of St. Theresa. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the Parish Office.

REFLEXIÓN SOBRE EL AÑO: UN EXAMEN ANUAL IGNACIANO

DEL PADRE TOM



Cómo hacer un examen anual para tener claridad espiritual en el nuevo año

Una gran manera de avanzar en la vida espiritual es mirar atrás y examinar lo que funcionó y lo que no. El Año Nuevo a menudo nos llena de esperanza, ya que nos decimos a nosotros mismos: «¡El año que viene será mejor!». Puede que los últimos 12 meses no hayan ido exactamente como queríamos y que nuestros propósitos originales de Año Nuevo sólo hayan aguantado hasta mediados de enero. Sea cual sea el caso, miramos al futuro y tenemos un atisbo de esperanza de

que nuestra situación actual mejore.

Aunque mirar hacia lo que podría ser puede mantenernos animados por el momento, un ejercicio mucho más profundo y que proporciona más alimento al alma consiste en repasar todo el año y dar gracias por las muchas bendiciones (y cruces) que Dios nos ha dado. Este proceso permite a la persona comprender dónde se encuentra y hacia dónde pueden conducirla las acciones de Dios. En otras palabras, sólo mirando hacia atrás se puede avanzar.

Una manera de reflexionar sobre el año pasado es hacer un Examen Anual. Esta práctica es simplemente una extensión del Examen Diario que es una parte central de la espiritualidad ignaciana. El Examen Diario es una práctica en la que una persona se detiene dos veces durante el día (a mediodía y al final del día) para examinar la actividad de Dios y reconocer las faltas o pecados cometidos.

He aquí cómo podría ser un Examen Anual, basado en los Ejercicios Espirituales de San Ignacio.

Examen anual

1. Después de ponerte en la presencia de Dios, primero da gracias a Dios por todas las bendiciones recibidas durante el año pasado. Repasa cada mes, recordando las bendiciones ocurridas.
2. Pide la gracia de comprender la divina providencia de Dios.
3. A continuación, repasa de nuevo cada mes y toma nota de cualquier sentimiento o movimiento que se produzca en tu corazón mientras realizas esta actividad. Independientemente de lo que sientas (ya sea un sentimiento bueno o malo), pídele a Dios que te ayude a entender por qué ocurrió un acontecimiento.
4. En cuarto lugar, pide perdón por cualquier pecado que hayas cometido, confiando plenamente en la misericordia de Dios.
5. Por último, espera con ilusión el Año Nuevo y piensa en cómo puedes colaborar más con el amoroso plan de Dios para tu vida.

Si queremos progresar espiritualmente en el Año Nuevo, no debemos olvidar el pasado, sino aprender de él y aceptar todo lo ocurrido a la luz de la divina providencia de Dios. De este modo, podremos avanzar mejor y hacerlo con espíritu de colaboración, dándonos cuenta de que Dios es quien tiene el control. Al final, si hemos de recordar una cosa, recordemos las palabras que Dios dijo al profeta Jeremías:

*«Porque yo sé los planes que tengo para vosotros, dice el Señor, planes de bienestar y no de mal, para daros un futuro y una esperanza. Entonces me invocaréis y vendréis a orar a mí, y yo os escucharé. Me buscaréis y me encontraréis; cuando me busquéis de todo corazón, seré hallado por vosotros, dice el Señor».* Jeremías 29,11-14

*Amor y bendiciones, Padre Tom*



A PRAYER FROM OUR PRO LIFE CORNER

*“O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.*

*Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God’s love and compassion. Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.”*

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### My Take



Wow, 2025 is just a couple of days away. New Year's is always a chance for a fresh start and a new beginning. The practice of New Year's resolutions has been in place since the ancient Babylonians, over 3,000 years ago. And I'm sure the practice of giving up resolutions has been in practice since that time, also.

Have you set your New Year's resolutions yet? Will it be to exercise more, go on a diet, read more, or quit smoking? Perhaps, you will make resolutions to pray more, to read the Bible from cover to cover, or to attend Mass during the week and/or weekend?

If there is not any motivation behind any resolution, then it is subject to fail. Pray to God for help in determining your 2025 resolutions. Would losing weight please God? It may if you resolve to use a healthy you to serve him. God would be happy if we made spiritual resolutions also. Consider making resolutions to give your time, talent, and treasure to him. Commit to making a difference at Church, home and even when driving. "And whatever you do, whether in the word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord, Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Colossians 3:17

Don't be discouraged if you fail occasionally. Use this setback to motivate you further. Ask a friend or loved one to be your accountability partner to help and encourage you. If your resolution is part of God's plan, you will receive his help in fulfilling it. Maybe 2025 is the year you get brave enough to invite a friend or family member to attend church with you. Not only is that a great resolution for you, but a great gift to them. A new year means a new chapter. May 2025 be an incredible part of your story. Happy New Year!

Marcia Wheatley, Operations Manager



#### THRIFT STORE

Our Thrift store is low on **GROCERY BAGS (plastic or paper—any size).**

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#### GROCERY SUNDAY - JANUARY 5, 2025



Please consider helping our St. Theresa parish provide food for our guests during the holidays. We welcome grocery store

**Gift Cards from Winn Dixie & Publix** in any amount. Donations of food items (e.g. canned vegetables, etc.) are also greatly appreciated! Bring them to drop off at Mass.

#### NAME TAG SUNDAY - JANUARY 5, 2025



Get to know your fellow parishioners! We will have **Name Tag Sunday** every 1st weekend of each month. If you have a name tag from any group you belong to, please wear it.



Thank you Volunteers for making Christmas special for many community children!

## Mí opinión



Vaya, el 2025 está a solo un par de días de distancia. El Año Nuevo siempre es una oportunidad para un nuevo comienzo. La práctica de los propósitos de Año Nuevo ha existido desde los antiguos babilonios, hace más de 3000 años. Y estoy seguro de que la práctica de renunciar a los propósitos también se ha practicado desde entonces.

¿Ya ha establecido sus propósitos de Año Nuevo? ¿Serán hacer más ejercicio, ponerse a dieta, leer más o dejar de fumar? Tal vez, ¿hará propósitos de orar más, leer la Biblia de cabo a rabo o asistir a misa durante la semana y/o el fin de semana?

Si no hay ninguna motivación detrás de un propósito, entonces está sujeto a fracasar. Ore a Dios para que lo ayude a determinar sus propósitos para el 2025. ¿Perder peso agradecería a Dios? Puede ser que sí, si decide utilizar una persona saludable para servirle. Dios estaría feliz si también hiciéramos propósitos espirituales. Considere hacer propósitos para darle su tiempo, talento y tesoro. Comprométete a marcar una diferencia en la Iglesia, en tu hogar e incluso cuando conduces. "Y todo lo que hagáis, sea de palabra o de hecho, hacedlo todo en el nombre del Señor Jesús, dando gracias a Dios Padre por medio de él." Colosenses 3:17

No te desanimes si fallas ocasionalmente. Usa este revés para motivarte aún más. Pídele a un amigo o a un ser querido que sea tu compañero de rendición de cuentas para que te ayude y te anime. Si tu resolución es parte del plan de Dios, recibirás su ayuda para cumplirla. Tal vez 2025 sea el año en que tengas el valor suficiente para invitar a un amigo o familiar a asistir a la iglesia contigo. No solo es una gran resolución para ti, sino un gran regalo para ellos. Un nuevo año significa un nuevo capítulo. Que 2025 sea una parte increíble de tu historia. ¡Feliz año nuevo!

*Marcia Wheatley, Gerente de Operaciones*

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**The Holy Family**

**December 29, 2024**



*"Father God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today, we ask that you would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. In Jesus' name, Amen!" Call the Office to make changes.*

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**Bilingual Volunteers Needed for La Guadalupeana Clinic Medical and Dental**

La Guadalupeana Clinic is a ministry of Blessed Trinity and Catholic Charity. La Guadalupeana clinic is a non-profit organization that provides medical and dental services. We are looking for caring and compassionate volunteers who truly want to make a difference in the lives of patients. The clinic is looking for doctors, nurses, dentists, dental assistants, hygienists, translators, psychologists, psychiatrists and health specialists. For more information and the application please call **352-509-6996** or [bluquis@cflcc.org](mailto:bluquis@cflcc.org)

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