



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

9 am—12:00 pm M-F

SOCIAL SERVICES

MONDAY—FRIDAY

9 am—1 pm

THRIFT SHOP

MONDAY—SATURDAY

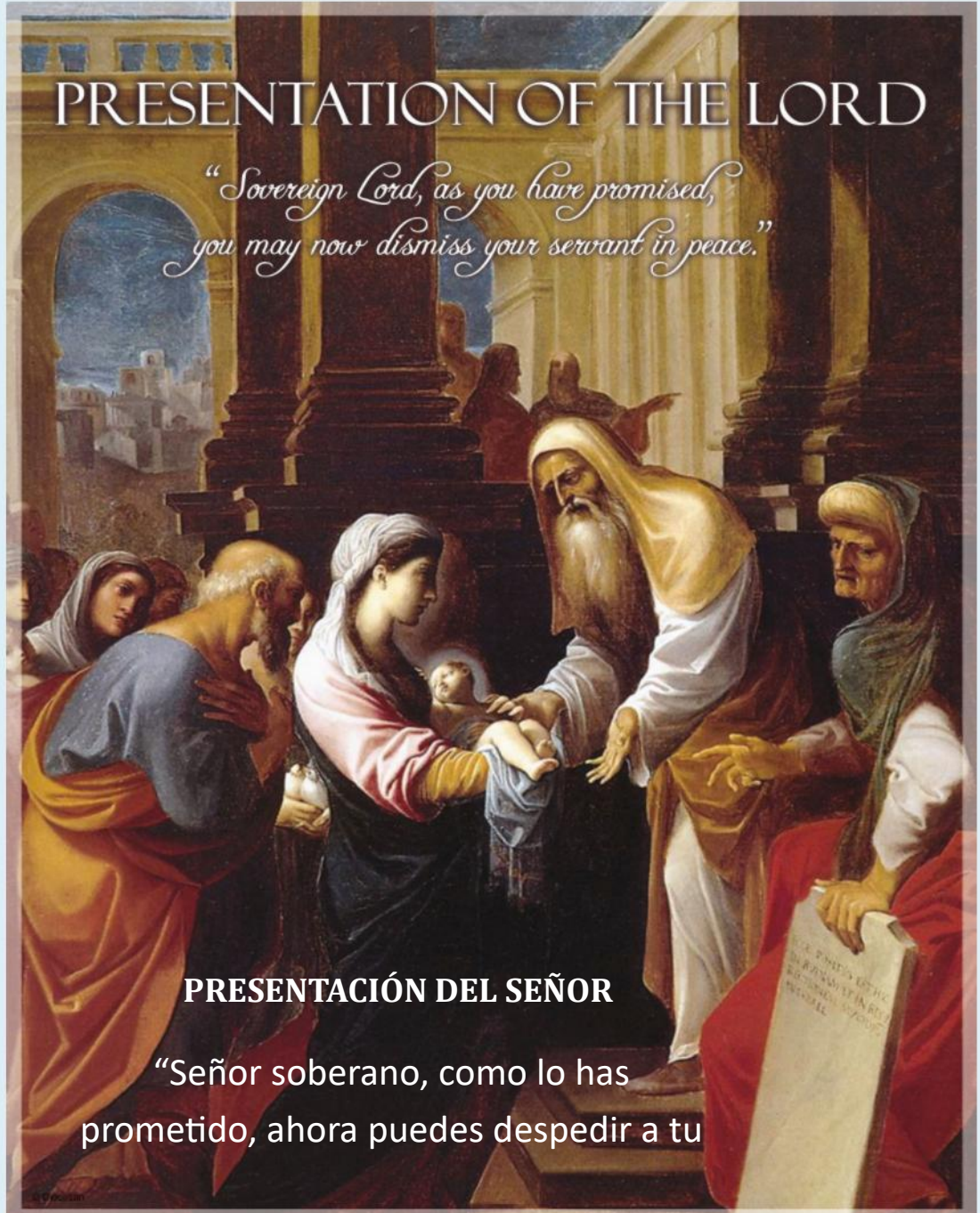
9 am—2:30 pm

GIFT SHOP

Saturday &
Sunday (after weekend
Masses)

The Presentation Of The Lord

February 2, 2025



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

St. Theresa Catholic Church



Sat FEB 1	FOR	REQUESTED BY
8:30 am	† James Hunter	Christine Wessinger
	† Laura Barry	Julie Barry
4:00 pm	† Deceased Members of K of C Council 8012 & Assembly 2068	Knights of Columbus
6:00 pm (español)	† Jose Rovira	Loretta & Vicki
Sun FEB 2		
7:30 am	† Chester Cetlinski	Barbara Cetlinski
	Scouts of America	Chris Standish
9:00 am	† Walter Lotz	Ruth Schreiner
11:00 am	St. Theresa Parishioners	
5:00 pm	† Victor M. Henriquez	Denise Henriquez
Mon FEB 3		
8:30 am	Marie & Caryl Pettijohn—Special Intentions	Bethany Rivera
Tues FEB 4		
8:30 am	Dot Usrey—Special Intentions	Audrey Merkel
Wed FEB 5		
8:30 am	† James Briner	Joe & Laura DiLoreto
Thurs FEB 6		
8:30 am	† Patricia Lichtenthal	Marian Roche
Fri FEB 7		
8:30 am	† Maria Eugenia & Yolanda Moreno	Luz Bacca
Sat FEB 8		
8:30 am	Society of St. Theresa	
4:00 pm	† Phyllis Phillips	Joan Phillips
6:00 pm (español)	St. Theresa Parishioners	
Sun FEB 9		
7:30 am	† Thomas Myers	Doris Myers
9:00 am	† Walter Lotz	Rene & Sandy Theroux
11:00 am	† Louie (Bud) Choiniere	Joan Choiniere
5:00 pm	† Anthony M. Garrubbo	Anthony & Mary Beth Derosé

Mark Your Calendars
UPCOMING EVENTS
 Próximos Eventos

Date / Time	Event	Location
Sun. Feb 2 All Masses	NAME TAG / GROCERY SUNDAY	Church
Tues. Feb 4 1:00 pm	PRAYING THE MASS—Fr. Jim	Library
Fri. Feb 7 6:15 pm	SACRED HEART NOVENA AND MASS	Church
Fri. Feb 7 8:30 am	YOUNG AT HEART MASS & POT LUCK BREAKFAST	Church / Parish Hall
Sat. Feb 8 9 am	EMHC TRAINING	Church
Sat. Feb 8—Sun. Feb 9 after Masses	SOUPER BOWL OF CARING	Church
Sun. Feb 9 after 7:30 & 9 am Masses	K OF C BREAKFAST	Parish Hall
Sun. Feb 9 6:15 pm	SUPER BOWL PARTY	Parish Hall
Mon. Feb 10 6 pm	LADIES GUILD & MOST	Parish Hall
Thurs. Feb 13 6:45 pm	ULTREYA	Parish Hall
Sat. Feb 15—9 am	3RD SATURDAY CLUB	Campus
Sun. Feb 16 11 am	ANNIVERSARY MASS AND LUNCHEON	Church / Parish Hall
Tues. Feb 25 9:30 am	LAY CARMELITES	Quad

NAME TAG / GROCERY SUNDAY - FEB. 2, 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.



Please help our **Food Pantry** fill the increasing need of our community by donating food items. Bring items to the church before or after Masses.

Praying the Mass



We, as Catholics, know what the ritual is for Mass. We do things over and over again. When the Priests says “Let us pray”, we stand up. But why do these gestures and postures over and over again? Now is your chance to understand the Mass and how to recognize the value of the Holy Sacrifice. Join **Father Jim** in the Library on **Tuesday, February 4th** at 1:00 pm for answers to Making Holy the gestures, postures, the why & the purpose of the things we do: from the sign of the Cross, how the Mass & the Bible are so deeply connected... Then on **Tuesday, February 25th** at 1:00 pm will be a session on: **Ask your priest...** Any topic of interest...

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO REGISTER FOR THESE FREE SESSIONS. ROOM IS LIMITED.



THE SANCTUARY LAMP IS LIT FOR

BILL THOMPSON

February 8—14, 2025

From: FLORENCE THOMPSON

FROM FATHER TOM



He was a life saver. 2025 was not starting off well. I am on the phone with the IRS on New Year' Eve. Probably not the best day to be calling. My checking account was compromised. I had to make changes to my automatic withdrawal. Sounds simple enough. It wasn't.

It does not help that I lack patience. I called. Put on hold. Finally they answer. I give my information. I tell her my problem. All appears to be going well. I was wrong. Just when I think we corrected the situation, she informs me that I have to call another number. I am not happy.

With nothing to lose I call my tax agent Bill Fox. "Help me" I plead. "Let me call but don't hang up." He calls. He has the magic touch. The operator answers rather quickly. Bill is polished and a gentleman on the phone. Unlike me, he displays no sign of irritation or annoyance. Quite professional. He knows what to ask for and most importantly how to go about it. I whisper a short prayer. Bill, in short time, resolves the problem. I am back in business. He saved the day.

I am most grateful that Bill went out of his way for me. He didn't have to. It was New Year's Eve for him as well. There are other things he could have been doing. He rescued me and my holiday. I am quite fortunate to have him as my tax man.

Some time in 2025, if not already, someone is going to need your help. It may come at the wrong time. It may be inconvenient. It may be when you least expect it. When the request comes, I hope that you will respond positively. Extend that helping hand. Be a lifesaver. Be a blessing!

*Love and Blessings,
Fr. Tom*



YOUNG AT HEART MINISTRY

Please join us on Friday, **February 7th** for the first meeting of the **Young at Heart Ministry**. This is for all parishioners age 55 and over.

We will begin by worshipping together at the 8:30 Mass. Mass will be followed by a **breakfast potluck in the Parish Hall**. **Bring your favorite dish to share**, and enjoy fellowship with other "young at heart" parishioners.



SUPER BOWL PARTY SUNDAY! — FEBRUARY 9, 2025

You are cordially invited to join our Sunday guests for our all-out Super Bowl party on **Sunday, February 9th**. We will have a splendid array of food but we need you to

call and reserve your spot so we have enough. No need to sit alone at home.

Sunday, February 9th—**Doors open at Parish Hall at 6:15 pm. RSVP: PLEASE CALL AND RESERVE BY WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH.**

Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ!

ULTREYA!



Join us on **Thursday, February 13 at 6:45 PM** in the Parish Hall.

Our witness speaker will be **Mariano Guas** talking about his mission trips to Cuba.

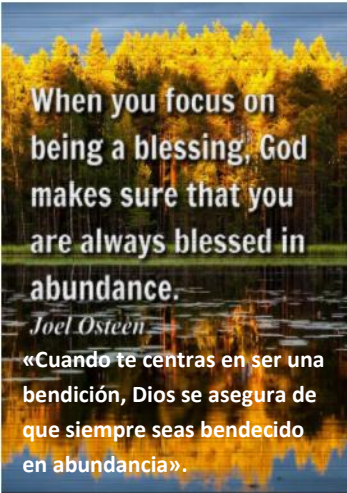


SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 2025

Be part of this movement that is sharing God's love with those in need.

Look for our youth, they will be at each door after every Mass on **February 8 and 9** collecting nonperishable goods, or cash donation. Thank you and God Bless.

DEL PADRE TOM



Fue un salvavidas. 2025 no empezaba bien. Estoy al teléfono con Hacienda en Nochevieja. Probablemente no es el mejor día para llamar. Mi cuenta corriente estaba en peligro. Tuve que hacer cambios en mi retiro automático. Suena bastante simple. No lo era.

No ayuda que carezca de paciencia. Llamé. Me pusieron en espera. Por fin contestan. Doy mis datos. Le cuento mi problema. Todo parece ir bien. Me he equivocado. Justo cuando creo que hemos corregido la situación, me informa de que tengo que llamar a otro número. No estoy contenta.

Sin nada que perder, llamo a mi agente fiscal Bill Fox. «Ayúdame», le suplico. «Déjame llamar pero no cuelgues». Él llama. Tiene el toque mágico. La operadora contesta rápidamente. Bill es un caballero al teléfono. A diferencia de mí, no muestra ningún signo de irritación o enfado. Es muy profesional. Sabe qué

pedir y, lo que es más importante, cómo hacerlo. Susurro una breve oración. Bill, en poco tiempo, resuelve el problema. Vuelvo al trabajo. Me ha salvado el día.

Estoy muy agradecida a Bill por haberse desvivido por mí. No tuvo que hacerlo. Para él también era Nochevieja. Podría haber estado haciendo otras cosas. Me salvó a mí y a mis vacaciones. Soy muy afortunado de tenerlo como mi recaudador de impuestos.

En algún momento de 2025, si no lo es ya, alguien va a necesitar tu ayuda. Puede que llegue en mal momento. Puede ser inoportuno. Puede que sea cuando menos te lo esperes. Cuando llegue la petición, espero que respondas positivamente. Extiende esa mano amiga. Sé un salvavidas. Sé una bendición.

Amor y bendiciones, Padre Tom

United Way of
Marion County



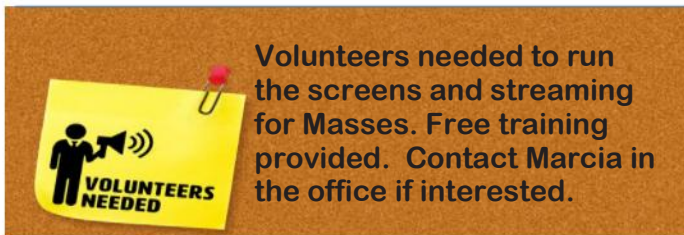
Take Advantage of Vita's Free Income Tax Service

Tax season can be stressful, but Vita is here to help! Our free tax service is designed to assist individuals and families in our community with their tax preparation needs. Whether you need help filing your taxes or have questions about your return, our experienced team is ready to provide the support you need.

Our offices at **St. Theresa's** are open from **8:30 AM-12:00 PM** and from **1:00 PM to 2:30 PM every Tuesday**

Appointments are necessary. Please make your own appointment on-line at UWMC.ORG/VITA. Just bring your ID and tax documents, and we'll take care of the rest.

Don't miss this opportunity to get your taxes done right and on time, all at no cost to you.



St. Theresa's Annual Anniversary Mass and Luncheon

Sunday, February 16, 2025
Hosted by the Ladies Guild

Married couples, who will be celebrating their **25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th** anniversary or beyond, during 2025, are invited to attend the **11:00 Mass on February 16th** to be recognized and blessed. A luncheon will be served following the Mass in the Parish Hall.

Please **sign-up by Friday, February 7th** in the Parish Office. If you would like your wedding photo to be displayed, please write your name and phone number on the back, and bring to the Parish Office by **Friday, February 14th**.



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. The Grief Share Group meets on **Wednesdays at 2:00 pm** at St. Theresa's. 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 to get more information and register. Come and join us.

My Take



Recently, after the death of my brother Tom, I was left wondering about death and how it can come about so unexpectedly for some. If you could be told the date and time of your death, would you want to know? I think most people would say no, but I'm a little hesitate on saying yes.




Why would I want to know that date? The Disadvantage? If you spend your time being stressed about being closer one day or spending the time wishing for more time, I wouldn't want that. Would other aspects of you die before that time? Would you lose your sense of hope, happiness, curiosity with life?

The advantage would be to take care of all those matters that need to be handled so they are not a burden on my family. Another advantage, is I would make sure I live my life to the fullest. Now I take things for granted. If I knew my death date, I would live more in the moment and most certainly would make sure I am right with God before then. Although, reading this, I should make sure I'm right with God now and not wait until I am close to that date.

Being older, I now see my life as finite and not infinite as a lot of young people do. I am comfortable knowing there is an end in sight so I can work on any regrets that I have. I don't expect people to remember me after I die, so I would live out the remainder of my days pleasing no one else but God.

What do you think? If you could know, would you want to?

Marcia Wheatley, Operations Manager



Mission Circle Inc is planning trips to Cuba in **March** and **April**. We are again asking you, parishioners of St Theresa, to help us gather supplies to take. You have been wonderful partners in this project. Conditions continue to worsen in Cuba. Food is very expensive when it can be found. These are the items that we are requesting. Please bring your donations to church by **Sunday, March 9th**:

Powdered milk	Oatmeal	Foil packs of tuna (not cans—too heavy)	Dry soup packets	Packets of hot chocolate mix
Powdered eggs	Foils packs chicken (not cans)	Foil packs SPAM (not cans)	Dried fruit: cranberries, raisins, other	Nuts
Cookies	Peanut butter or cheese crackers	Rehydration powder like Propel in small packets	Hard candy and caramels	

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We are hiring a Full Time Children Faith Formation/Youth Minister. This position is responsible for the direction of the Pre-K through youth faith formation. See the full job description at <https://recruiting.paylocity.com/Recruiting/ Jobs/Details/2975733> or call the Parish office.

Mi opinión



Recientemente, después de la muerte de mi hermano Tom, me quedé preguntándome acerca de la muerte y cómo puede ocurrir de manera tan inesperada para algunos. Si le pudieran decir la fecha y hora de su muerte, ¿le gustaría saberla? Creo que la mayoría de la gente diría que no, pero yo dudo un poco en decir que sí.



¿Por qué querría saber esa fecha? ¿La desventaja? Si pasas tu tiempo estresado por estar más cerca algún día o deseando tener más tiempo, no me gustaría eso. ¿Morirían otros aspectos tuyos antes de ese momento? ¿Perderías tu sentido de esperanza, felicidad, curiosidad por la vida?

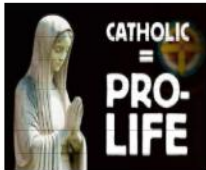
La ventaja sería encargarme de todos esos asuntos que necesitan ser manejados para que no sean una carga para mi familia. Otra ventaja es que me aseguraría de vivir mi vida al máximo. Ahora doy las cosas por sentado. Si supiera la fecha de mi muerte, viviría más el momento y ciertamente me aseguraría de estar bien con Dios antes de esa fecha. Aunque, al leer esto, debo asegurarme de estar bien con Dios ahora y no esperar hasta estar cerca de esa fecha.

Al ser mayor, ahora veo mi vida como finita y no infinita como muchos jóvenes. Me siento cómodo sabiendo que hay un final a la vista para poder trabajar en cualquier arrepentimiento que tenga. No espero que la gente me recuerde después de mi muerte, así que viviría el resto de mis días agradando a nadie más que a Dios.

¿Qué opinas? Si pudieras saberlo, ¿te gustaría saberlo?

Marcia Wheatley, Gerente de Operaciones

PRO LIFE CORNER



Prayer : "Every Life is Worth Living," reflecting on the gift of human life. **Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering. Give us love**

for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living. Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all. Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen. *Excerpted from : 9 days for Life Day 1 - USCCB Respect Life* If you have any questions or would like to join our committee, please call me - **Pat Pratt (386) 566- 8654**

ROSES FROM HEAVEN GIFT SHOP



Come in and browse your gift shop. Statues, Rosaries, Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation. Bibles. Etc. Hours: Saturday 3:30 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.

AN EVENING WITH THE IRRERA BROTHERS



Nationally-known violin and piano duo, The Irrera Brothers will present a free concert on **Friday, February 28th** at 7:30PM at the **Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe** in Orlando, in the heart of the attractions area.

Drs. John and Joseph Irrera are virtuoso musicians and recording artists that have captivated audiences throughout the US and abroad. Cited by the New York Concert Review as providing a "riveting and dynamic performance" at their most recent concert in Carnegie Hall, the critically acclaimed Irrera Brothers enjoy an active performing schedule each season having also performed at Lincoln Center, the Kennedy Center, Spivey Hall, the Eastman Theatre, and internationally throughout Europe and Central America.

All are welcome, no tickets required. More information can be found by calling **407-239-6600 x317**. The Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe is located at 8300 Vineland Avenue in Orlando, near the Lake Buena Vista off I-4 (exit 68). Plentiful complimentary parking is available.



The Presentation Of The Lord

February 2, 2025

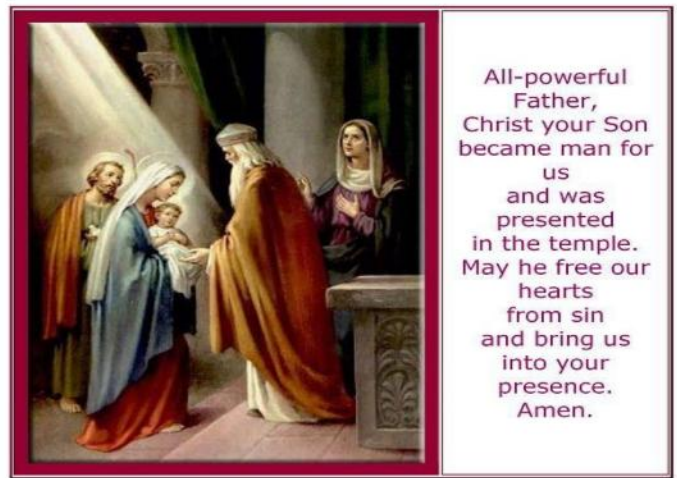


"Father God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today, we ask that you would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. In Jesus' name, Amen!" Call the Office to make changes.

Roger Anderson	Rosemary Gurick	Timothy Ross
Nancy Bauer	Sammy Harris	Francine Sothen
Jesse Benoit	Catherine Howden	Lori Spurlock
Denise Billeter	Shirley Laurie	Frances Stonewell Family
Peggy Bulson	Joanne Metzger	Eleanor Sullivan
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TITHES & OFFERINGS
GIVE UP TO THE LORD
WEEK ENDING JANUARY 26, 2025

Offertory	\$12,658.50
Project Growth	\$ 2,491.02
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