



# 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)

**Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Canonization of St Therese.**

**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**February 23, 2025**



*Congratulations and God bless to those recently confirmed by Bishop Noonan on Saturday, February 16th.*

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

St. Theresa Catholic Church



Sat FEB 22	FOR	REQUESTED BY
8:30 am	† Patrick Roche	Marian Roche
4:00 pm	† Lester Phillips	Joan Phillips
6:00 pm (español)	St. Theresa Parishioners	
Sun FEB 23		
7:30 am	† Bill Thompson	Florence Thompson
9:00 am	† Charlie LaPlant	Allen & Marianne Geddings
11:00 am	† Ralph Della-Donna	Joan Choiniere
5:00 pm		
Mon FEB 24		
8:30 am	† Mary Kiernan	Michele & John Kushla
Tues FEB 25		
8:30 am	† Brent Mueller	Maryann DeRoche
Wed FEB 26		
8:30 am	Maureen Wilkinson – Special Intention	Susan Adamcik
Thurs FEB 27		
8:30 am	† Allen Angsten	Annie McWilliams
Fri FEB 28		
8:30 am	† Sioban Quinn Papantonis	Lenore Casey
Sat MAR 1		
8:30 am	† Salvatore LaScala	Sal & Corinne Costanzo
4:00 pm	† Deceased Members of K of C Council 8012 & Assembly 2068	Knights of Columbus
6:00 pm (español)		
Sun MAR 2		
7:30 am	St. Theresa Parishioners	
9:00 am	† Vicky Champness	Rob Mundy
11:00 am	† Joseph Juliano, Sr.	Bernadette Juliano
5:00 pm		

Mark Your Calendars  
**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
 Próximos Eventos

Date / Time	Event	Location
Mon. Feb 24 6:00 pm	MOST (Men Of St. Theresa)	Parish Hall
Tues. Feb 25 9:30 am	LAY CARMELITES	Quad
Tues. Feb 25 1:00 pm	“ASK YOUR PRIEST....” - Fr. Jim	Library
Wed. Feb 26 2:00 pm	GRIEF SHARE	Parish Hall
Sun. March 2 All Masses	NAME TAG / GROCERY SUNDAY	Church
Wed. March 5	ASH WEDNESDAY	Church
Fri. March 7 8:30 Mass	YOUNG AT HEART— MASS / BREAKFAST	Church / Parish Hall
Fri. March 7 6:15 pm	SACRED HEART NOVENA & MASS	Church
Sun. March 9 After all Masses	K of C BREAKFAST	Parish Hall
Sun. March 9—All Masses	DEADLINE FOR CUBAN MISSION DONATIONS	Church
Mon. March 10 6:00 pm	LADIES GUILD & MOST will be attending the Parish Mission	Parish Hall
Mon.-Wed. March 10 to 12	PARISH MISSION	Church
Thurs. March 13 4:30—8:00 pm	DINING & DONATING	Pasta Faire
Sat. March 15 7:15—8:00 pm	SILVER ROSE PROGRAM	Church



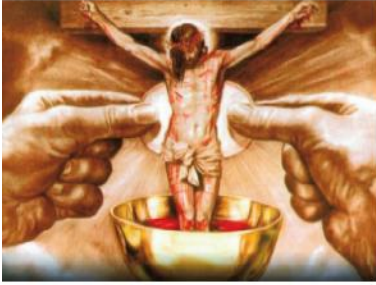
8:30 am	Mass (English)
10:30 am	Service (Scripture Reading, Gospel, Distribution of Ashes)
12:00 pm	Mass (English)
3:00 pm	Service (Scripture Reading, Gospel, Distribution of Ashes)
5:00 pm	Service—Lake Lillian
6:00 pm	Mass (Bi-Lingual)



**“ASK YOUR PRIEST...”**

Join Fr. Jim on **Tuesday, February 25** at 1:00 pm in the Library for a session on: **“Ask your priest...” Any topic of interest!**





## FROM FATHER TOM



Chip Leighton, host of the TikTok series **The Leighton Show**, asked parents to share head-scratching questions their college freshmen asked them after leaving home. These kids may need more than four years.

- \* *What's Grandma's actual name?*
- \* *Can I use the bathroom on a plane?*
- \* *How often is annual?*
- \* *Do we live above or below sea level?*
- \* *How do I know when water is boiling?*
- \* *Pork chops are part of a chicken, right?*
- \* *Which one makes noise, lightning or thunder?*
- \* *Do we have a billing address?*
- \* *Do I have Medicare?*
- \* *What time is noon?*

Kind of scary, no? Then again, maybe there are basic things that we should know, but don't.

Can you name the *four gospels*? Do you know how to *recite the rosary*? The *Divine Mercy Chaplet*? Can you list the *Corporal Works of Mercy*? *The gifts of the Holy Spirit*?

Most importantly, do you know and believe that **when we receive Holy Communion that we are receiving the actual body and blood of Christ**? Nothing more basic and important than that! Everything else is trivia.

*Love and Blessings, Fr. Tom*

### AN OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT OUR CUBAN MISSION



A solar generator is needed because frequent blackouts in Cuba are impacting our mission's work. We are seeking donations to purchase a solar powered generator to provide reliable power for lights, fans, refrigerator, all the basics.

Your generosity will help *Fr. Alex* and *Fr. José Luis* to do their work helping their parishioners. The cost of one generator is **\$1,500.00** including shipping.

To contribute, please make check payable to: **St. Theresa Catholic Church**. Write "**Cuba Mission—Generator**" in memo section. You may drop off at the Parish Office or in the weekend Mass collections.



We are hiring a **Full Time "Children Faith Formation / Youth Minister Coordinator"** or a **Part Time Children Faith Formation Coordinator and a**

**Part Time Youth Ministry Coordinator**. The job descriptions can be found at <https://recruiting.paylocity.com/recruiting/jobs/All/fd92ee03-6077-4276-b2b0-552511ae0b8b/Parishes-and-Other-Non-School-Entities>. Put **St Theresa** in the **location drop down**. You may call the Parish Office for a copy of the job description.

mark  your **Calendar**

**PARISH MISSION**



Kick off LENT by attending our Parish Mission with **Fr. Bill Garrot**.

He blends his unique style of music and scripture. He will be here the weekend of

**March 8 - 9** and will offer his **3-night** mission talk **March 10-12** at 6:30 pm. (He will lead a Rosary recitation at 6:00 pm)

**March 10-12:** Light dinner at 5:30 pm. Please call the Parish Office to confirm for dinner. Thank you.

## DEL PADRE TOM



Chip Leighton, presentador de la serie de **TikTok** The Leighton Show, pidió a los padres que compartieran preguntas espeluznantes que sus hijos universitarios de primer año les hacían al salir de casa. Puede que estos chicos necesiten más de cuatro años.



- \* ¿Cómo se llama realmente la abuela?
- \* ¿Puedo usar el baño en un avión?
- \* ¿Con qué frecuencia es anual?
- \* ¿Vivimos por encima o por debajo del nivel del mar?
- \* ¿Cómo sé cuándo hierve el agua?
- \* Las chuletas de cerdo son parte de un pollo, ¿verdad?
- \* ¿Cuál hace ruido, el rayo o el trueno?
- \* ¿Tenemos dirección de facturación?
- \* ¿Tengo Medicare?
- \* ¿Qué hora es el mediodía?

Da un poco de miedo, ¿no? Por otra parte, quizá haya cosas básicas que deberíamos saber, pero no sabemos.

¿Sabes nombrar los cuatro evangelios? ¿Sabes rezar el rosario? ¿La Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia? ¿Puedes enumerar las Obras Corporales de Misericordia? ¿Los dones del Espíritu Santo?

Y lo más importante, ¿sabes y crees que cuando recibimos la Sagrada Comunión estamos recibiendo el cuerpo y la sangre de Cristo? No hay nada más básico e importante que eso. Todo lo demás son trivialidades.

*Amor y bendiciones,  
Padre Tom*



**At Alpha we share thoughts and challenges, exploring life's meaning in view of faith, and find strength and support from the perspectives of others and our personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Join us for dinner, a video and**

**discussion to see we all are in this together.**

***Come and See ... at ALPHA***

**Wednesday, April 23, 6:00 p.m.**

**St. Theresa Catholic Church Parish Hall  
11528 S. U.S. Highway 301, Belleview, FL 34420**

**Questions? Contact Blair Learn**

**Cell: 609-513-4320**

**[BlairW.Learn@verizon.net](mailto:BlairW.Learn@verizon.net)**

**Register by calling St. Theresa  
at 352-245-2458**



**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. Below are the items that we are requesting. Please bring your donations to church or the Parish Office by **Sunday, March 9.**

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

### IS JESUS CALLING YOU?



St. Theresa is looking for adorers, in our chapel. Our goal is to stay open **24/7**. Presently, there are **49 hours** each week that do not have scheduled adorers. We need your commitment to Jesus, even as a **second adorer** in many hours that only have one adorer and there is also a need for **substitutes**. If you feel called to adore, please call **Nancy High (941) 518-2194**.

# My Take



Regret? That's a strong word. Regret defined by Webster's Dictionary is "sorrow aroused by circumstances beyond one's control or power to repair." In other words, I cannot go back and fix that mistake.

I've had regrets in my life. Thirty-six years ago, I regretted I didn't make it home before my mother died. I regret taking a job where my boss didn't want to bother with Human Resources, she only wanted to deal with the accounting staff. I regret not listening to my aunt, when she told me two weeks earlier, she wanted to go home to God. I selfishly talked her into going to the ER instead of setting up with hospice.

What if I didn't have those regrets? What if I had made it home before my mother died? I think she was glad I wasn't there to see her in the hospital. I will always remember her laughing with me in the living room of the house. What if I hadn't taken that job? If I hadn't accepted that job, the next one may not have come along. That job did leave me with new skills that were prized at the next job. What if I had set my aunt up for hospice two weeks earlier? I may have lost her earlier, but her family would not have the time to travel to spend those last days with her.

God does not regret the mistakes I've made. He looks at what I've done in the past and how I can redeem my future. My mistakes have changed me, and hopefully, for the better.

I try to fix those regrets I can and those I can't, I no longer let them control me. I let God control them. I'm giving up the phrase "I wish I could go back and change it" and believe that God will go forward and redeem it.

*Marcia Wheatley, Operations Manager*

## YOUNG AT HEART MINISTRY



The Young at Heart will meet on Friday, **March 7** for **First Friday Mass**, followed by a **potluck breakfast** in the Parish Hall.

This is for all parishioners age 55 and over. Please join us!



Join us on **Saturday, March 15, 2025**, at St. Theresa's Church from 7:15 to 8:00 pm in sharing the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life by participating in this meaningful pilgrimage. The **Silver Rose program**



demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States and Mexico, through rosary prayer promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady.

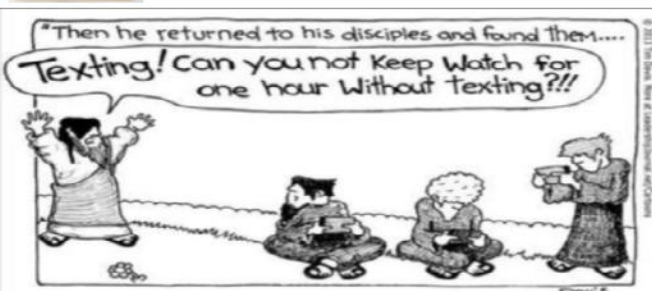
## NAME TAG / GROCERY SUNDAY - **MARCH 2, 2025**



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 bring donations for our **Food Pantry** to the church before or after



Have you seen the new coffee machine in the Parish Hall? You can choose over 20 different ways to have your coffee, from café latte to French vanilla to regular or decaf. If there is no meeting in the hall, you are welcome to stop for a cup after weekly mass.



## Mi opinión



¿Arrepentimiento? Esa es una palabra fuerte. El arrepentimiento, definido por el Diccionario Webster, es “pena provocada por circunstancias que están más allá de nuestro control o poder de reparación”. En otras palabras, no puedo volver atrás y arreglar ese error.

He tenido remordimientos en mi vida. Hace treinta y seis años, lamenté no haber llegado a casa antes de que muriera mi madre. Lamento haber aceptado un trabajo en el que mi jefa no quería molestarse con Recursos Humanos, solo quería tratar con el personal de contabilidad. Lamento no haber escuchado a mi tía, cuando me dijo dos semanas antes que quería volver a casa con Dios. Egoístamente la convencí de ir a urgencias en lugar de ir a un centro de cuidados paliativos.

¿Qué hubiera pasado si no hubiera tenido esos remordimientos? ¿Qué hubiera pasado si hubiera llegado a casa antes de que muriera mi madre? Creo que se alegró de que no estuviera allí para verla en el hospital. Siempre la recordaré riéndose conmigo en la sala de estar de la casa. ¿Qué hubiera pasado si no hubiera aceptado ese trabajo? Si no hubiera aceptado ese trabajo, el siguiente no habría llegado. Ese trabajo me dejó con nuevas habilidades que fueron muy valoradas en el siguiente. ¿Qué hubiera pasado si hubiera enviado a mi tía a cuidados paliativos dos semanas antes? Puede que la hubiera perdido antes, pero su familia no habría tenido tiempo de viajar para pasar esos últimos días con ella.

Dios no se arrepiente de los errores que he cometido. Él ve lo que he hecho en el pasado y cómo puedo redimir mi futuro. Mis errores me han cambiado, y espero que para mejor.

Intento arreglar los remordimientos que puedo y los que no puedo, ya no dejo que me controlen. Dejo que Dios los controle. Estoy abandonando la frase “Ojalá pudiera volver atrás y cambiarlo” y creo que Dios irá hacia adelante y lo redimirá.

*Marcia Wheatley, Gerente de Operaciones*

## PRO LIFE CORNER



*A mother who determines that making an adoption plan is best for her child isn't deserting her child. Rather, she is following the example of Christ's sacrificial love on the Cross in choosing a life-giving option that she has determined is ultimately in the best interest of her child, even at great cost to herself.*

*The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that, in the face of fears and trials, we can “hold fast to the hope that lies before us. This we have as an anchor of the soul, sure and firm” (Heb 6:18-19). We pray that each expectant mother will be filled with “the peace of God that surpasses all understanding” (Phil 4:7) as she decides which life-giving option is best for her child. Let us all*

*cling fast to the anchor of hope, for we have received “a spirit of adoption, through which we cry, ‘Abba, Father!’” (Rom 8:15).* Excerpted from : 9 days for Life Day 5 - USCCB Respect Life

If you have any questions or would like to join our committee, please call me - **Pat Pratt (386) 566- 8654**

## DINING & DONATING

**Thursday, March 13th—4:30—8:00 pm**

10401 US Hwy 441, Belleview, FL 34420. Phone: (352) 347-3100

Fill up with great food & Pasta Fair will donate 20% of your bill to St. Theresa's Social Services.

Donation percentage excludes tax and tip. Valid at this restaurant during specified hours. To receive credit for your meal, you must present the flyer which can be picked up in the Parish Office. **Please do not distribute the flyer in the restaurant or within the perimeter of the parking lot.**





*Prayer Requests*

John 15:7 "If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you."

*"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!"*

**Please contact the Parish Office to add, remove, make changes to the PRAYER LIST. Thank you.**



**PRAYERS AFTER CHURCH**

Parish family, we are excited about our new prayer ministry. There are signs outside the church. They are on either side of our statue in front. We have a **prayer team** waiting to pray for you or your loved ones. We look forward to knowing you better. You can just stop and say Hi! Our team is chosen because of their compassion and spiritual gifts. If you know of a good candidate for this ministry, whether it's a friend or yourself, please contact the number below. We look forward to praying with you soon. All is possible through Jesus Christ.

Contact **Joanne (303) 887-3650**.

**St. Theresa Prayer Hotline (24/7)**  
**(352) 496-1569**



**TITHES & OFFERINGS**  
GIVE UNTO THE LORD  
WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 16, 2025

Offertory	\$ 21,524.72
Maintenance	\$ 2,558.50
Soup Kitchen	\$ 2,251.00
Social Services	\$ 838.00
Thrift Store	\$ 7,955.25

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