



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—12:00 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)

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.

Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025

1925—2025 - 100th Anniversary of the
Canonization of St. Thérèse

Él es
RESUCITADO
Celebre
PASCUA

He is
RISEN
Celebrate
EASTER

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

St. Theresa Catholic Church



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat APRIL 19	FOR	REQUESTED BY
8:30 am	Prayer Service	
7:00 pm Vigil Mass	† Rita Connery	Mike & Barbara Cipolla
Sun APRIL 20 EASTER SUNDAY		
6:15 am Sunrise Mass	+ Dominador Ellacer	Shirley Ellacer
7:30 am	† Eleanor Latterner	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hite
9:00 am	† Mary Mosko	Ron & Mary Jane Czyznik
11:00 am	† Hugh McCloskey	Cathy McCloskey
1:00 pm (español)	+ Leopoldo Javelona	Shirley Ellacer
5:00 pm	† Donald Schreiner	Ruth Schreiner
Mon APRIL 21		
8:30 am	† Giuseppe Mignosa	Mary Mignosa
Tues APRIL 22		
8:30 am	Mary Lea Rivet (Special Intention)	Mariellen Cornell
Wed APRIL 23		
8:30 am	† Donald Schreiner	Ruth Schreiner
Thurs APRIL 24		
8:30 am	† Cameron Fontenot	Renee Strezo
Fri APRIL 25		
8:30 am	† Dave Reiter	Jane Reiter
Sat APRIL 26		
8:30 am	† Helen Nowak	Nowak Family
4:00 pm	† Amy Miller	Jane & Howard Gault
6:00 pm (español)		
Sun APRIL 27		
7:30 am	† John & Cecelia Stankovitz	Tom & Diane Mizerek
9:00 am	† David Kosmider	Pat & Ron Brodsko
11:00 am	St. Theresa Parishioners	

Date / Time	Event	Location
Wednesdays, 2 pm	GRIEF SHARE	Library
Wed. April 23 6 pm	ALPHA	Parish Hall
Thurs. May 1 6 pm	SICK/HOMEBOUND MINISTRY (RSVP)	Parish Hall

The 5 pm Mass on Sundays will be on break, starting April 27th, until September 2025. Thank you to everyone who participated and made it a success.



**Join us Sunday, April 27th for
Divine Mercy Holy Hour 3-4pm.**

I am sure you need God's mercy for yourself, loved ones and our beloved nation. Join us for the Divine Mercy Chant, prayers and benediction. May God be Praised!



HOLY COMMUNION
Effective Saturday/Sunday May 3/4
All Weekend Masses

Effective the weekend of May 3 & 4, the distribution of Communion will only be given at the front of the church in front of the Altar. Parishioners may also receive the precious blood. When entering the church, please alert an usher if you are unable to walk to the front for communion and an Eucharistic Minister will bring it to you.



ADORATION CANDLE

Available for one month from the first to the end of the month. It can be for a deceased person or a Special Intention. Suggested donation: **\$30.**

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





FROM FATHER TOM

Lawrence W. Althouse, a retired United Methodist pastor in Dallas who writes a syndicated newspaper column, tells this story:



"Many years ago, when I was working in a suburban New York church, I was asked to take part in an ecumenical Easter dawn pageant held at the Bronx River Parkway. At 5:15 a.m. I was zipping down the parkway. But within moments, the flashing red lights of a police car pulled me over.

"I was in the costume of an angel – complete with wings and halo. When the officer walked toward me and looked in the window, I thought his eyes were going to pop out of his head." He regained his composure and asked, 'Do you have any idea how fast you were going?'

"I told him I didn't, but I really had to hurry because 'I've got to get to the resurrection on time.'

"The officer stared at me, his face clouded over, and he blurted out: 'Go! Just go!' And I did."

I, too, am in a hurry. I am done with Lent. Let's celebrate Easter! I want to wake up to a glorious Easter morning. Sunrise Mass could not come soon enough. I want to experience the joy of the Lord! I want to feel the sunshine, enjoy the majestic blue skies and most importantly, see your smiling faces. We come together because Jesus is alive. No greater news than that.

Go ahead, dance your shoes off, eat chocolate eggs, gobble down jelly beans. Raise your voice in song. Alleluia! Christ is risen! Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ died but rose. He is alive and because He is alive so shall we be!

Blessed, joyful Easter to all! Fr. Tom



We would love to have you join us!! New to our Parish or been coming awhile? Ready to join our Parish? Then stop by the Welcome Desk or Parish office and get a **New Parishioner Registration Packet**. We would love to have you in our parish family!



ADORATION CHAPEL: 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**.

Online Giving



DONATIONS, using your credit or debit card, may be made online on our web site at www.mystcc.org. If you are using online giving on a regular basis, you may call the Parish Office to stop the envelopes you receive in the mail.



EUCCHARIST MINISTERS MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND (MTS) MEETING

DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025

TIME: 6:00 PM

LASAGNA DINNER & A MOVIE FEARLESS (MAURA SMITH)

FEATURING FATHER MATHIAS THELEN, PASTOR OF ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC PARISH IN BRIGHTON, MI

RECEIVE YOUR CONTINUING EDUCATION POINTS FOR MOVIE AND MEETING

PLEASE **RSVP** TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY **APRIL 26** FOR FOOD COUNT.



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**

DEL PADRE TOM



Lawrence W. Althouse, pastor metodista unido jubilado de Dallas que escribe una columna periodística sindicada, cuenta esta historia:



“Hace muchos años, cuando trabajaba en una iglesia de los suburbios de Nueva York, me pidieron que participara en un desfile ecuménico del amanecer de Pascua celebrado en el Bronx River Parkway. A las 5:15 a.m., yo iba a toda velocidad por el parque. Pero en unos instantes, las luces rojas intermitentes de un coche de policía me hicieron parar.

“Iba disfrazada de ángel, con alas y aureola. Cuando el agente se acercó a mí y miró por la ventanilla, pensé que se le iban a salir los ojos de las órbitas». Recuperó la compostura y me preguntó: «¿Tienes idea de a qué velocidad ibas?».

“Le dije que no, pero que tenía que darme prisa porque 'tengo que llegar a tiempo a la resurrección'.

“El agente me miró fijamente, con el rostro nublado, y soltó: '¡Vete! ¡Vete! Y así lo hice'.

Yo también tengo prisa. He terminado con la Cuaresma. Celebremos la Pascua. Quiero despertarme con una gloriosa mañana de Pascua. La Misa del amanecer no podría llegar lo suficientemente pronto. Quiero experimentar la alegría del Señor. Quiero sentir el sol, disfrutar del majestuoso cielo azul y, lo más importante, ver vuestras caras sonrientes. Nos reunimos porque Jesús está vivo. No hay mejor noticia que esa.

Adelante, baila hasta quedarte sin zapatos, come huevos de chocolate, engulle gominolas. Alza la voz cantando. ¡Aleluya! ¡Cristo ha resucitado! Nuestro Señor y Salvador Jesucristo murió, pero resucitó. Él está vivo y porque Él está vivo nosotros también lo estaremos.

¡Felices Pascuas a todos!

Padre Tom

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Collected to date **\$117,592**

Under Goal (Por debajo de la meta) **\$42,786**

ONLINE Pledges: <https://www.cfocf.org/oca/> (Select **ST. THERESA** as your Parish). Thank you.



Social services has an ongoing need of toiletry items for our homeless and less fortunate guests. Items needed are Shampoo, Antiperspirants/Deodorants, Toothpaste and Toothbrushes. Items may be dropped off in the parish office or at mass.

My Take



Father Tom speaks about making disciples for God and the Catholic Faith. Most of us Catholics shy away when we hear the word disciple because we think it means we must go out and preach the Word of God to our neighbors and others we encounter. A disciple of Jesus is a dedicated follower who works to imitate Jesus and his teachings and live a life centered around

the Word of God.

Some characteristics of being a disciple for God requires a deep love of Jesus and his message. This means even when the teachings seem to be a little challenging. Another characteristic is lifelong learning by reading the bible, asking questions about scripture you don't understand and perhaps being involved in a small group when you can learn with others.

Committed disciples will actively share their faith with others and invite them to join them at church. Does that mean you have to preach?

If you are comfortable preaching, then you should because you have been given a gift. For others, you can preach by the life you lead. You can show grace, love, and faith. You can show forgiveness even if you're still learning how to give it. You can speak about peace and share hope with those who are searching for it. You can show your commitment as a disciple by serving others. Turn your days into an open book and show your faith in action.

Marcia Wheatley, Operations Manager

St. Theresa Ladies Guild



Opposite "The Tree of Life", we invite you to join us as we continue our support of our blossoming and beautiful campus.

"The Home of Saint Theresa" contains 422 plaques (1-inch by 3 inches), which may be used to memorialize your deceased loved ones, honor your family

and friends or to display your favorite Bible quote or verse.

Each plaque has three lines with a maximum of 18 characters per line. **Silver Plaque \$250 each;**
Bronze Plaque \$200 each

For more information please call the Parish Office (352) 245-2458

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE



Receptionist Mon-Thur 8 am—2pm,
Fri 8 am-12 pm

Administrative Assistant to Director of Social Services, Mon-Fri 9 am—1pm

The positions will be posted soon on Diocese website at <https://www.orlandodiocese.org/office/career-opportunities/>.



SANCTUARY LAMP

Available for 1 week beginning on Saturday through Friday. It can be for a deceased person or a special Intention. Suggested donation: **\$20**. Call the Parish Office (352) 245-2458.



USHERS NEEDED !!

Please call the Parish Office to sign up (352) 245-2458

Mi opinión



El Padre Tom habla sobre hacer discípulos para Dios y la fe católica. La mayoría de los católicos nos negamos a escuchar la palabra "discípulo" porque pensamos que significa salir a predicar la Palabra de Dios a nuestros vecinos y a quienes nos encontramos. Un discípulo de Jesús es un seguidor dedicado que se esfuerza por imitar a Jesús y sus enseñanzas, y vive una vida centrada en la Palabra de Dios.

Algunas características de ser un discípulo de Dios requieren un profundo amor por Jesús y su mensaje. Esto significa incluso cuando las enseñanzas parecen un poco desafiantes. Otra característica es el aprendizaje permanente mediante la lectura de la Biblia, la formulación de preguntas sobre las Escrituras que no se entienden y quizás la participación en un grupo pequeño cuando se puede aprender con otros.

Los discípulos comprometidos compartirán activamente su fe con los demás y los invitarán a unirse a ellos en la iglesia. ¿Significa eso que tienes que predicar?

Si te sientes cómodo predicando, entonces deberías hacerlo, porque has recibido un don. Para otros, puedes predicar con tu vida. Puedes mostrar gracia, amor y fe. Puedes mostrar perdón incluso si aún estás aprendiendo a darlo. Puedes hablar de paz y compartir esperanza con quienes la buscan. Puedes demostrar tu compromiso como discípulo sirviendo a los demás. Convierte tus días en un libro abierto y demuestra tu fe en acción.

Marcia Wheatley, Gerente de Operaciones

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

St. Theresa Parish Hall

For information, contact **Blair Learn**

Cell: **609-513-4320**; **BlairW.Learn@verizon.net**

Register by calling the office at **352-245-2458**

Ocala Young Adult Catholics Upcoming Events

APRIL-MAY

WED APR 16	SEDER PRAYER SERVICE ☞ BT Community Center, 6pm
SUN APR 20	EASTER SUNDAY! ☞ Every church in the world
MON MAY 5	ADORATION AND DINNER ☞ St. Theresa Catholic Church, 6pm
WED MAY 21	THEOLOGY ON TAP ☞ OCALA MOJO'S, 6PM, RSVP NEEDED 361-449-6896
TBD	SUNDAY MASS AND PICNIC
FIRST FRIDAYS	FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK ☞ OCALA DOWNTOWN SQUARE, 6PM FREE

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Prayer Requests

"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 call the Parish Office to make changes to the Prayer List.

Ron Ciampi	Rosemary Gurick	Isabel Smith
Bob Delaney	Diane McCue	Francine Sothen
Eric Dushane	Annie McWilliams	Fr. David Vivero
Jim Evans	Rosa Morales	

THE SANCTUARY LAMP IS LIT FOR

ALICE REITER

(Special Intention)

APRIL 26 —MAY 2, 2025

From: Jane Reiter



Our prayers for the repose of
the souls of

Jane Oelstrom
Omar Vargas

REST IN PEACE

TITHES & OFFERINGS

GIVE UNTO THE LORD

WEEK ENDING APRIL 13, 2025

Offertory	\$ 17,907.92
Maintenance	\$ 2,838.50
Soup Kitchen	\$ 22,851.50
Social Services	\$ 2,175.50
Thrift Store	\$ 8,134.00



Here is a list of items the **soup kitchen** can use: Pasta sauce or spaghetti sauce, in plastic please, Pasta, Mac N cheese, Canned chicken, tuna or salmon, Peanut butter

PLEASE— NO GLASS. POP TOP LIDS ARE BEST.

The Food Pantry accepts food donations via the back double doors **Mon-Fri, 6 am-12 pm.** Thank you for your continued generosity.



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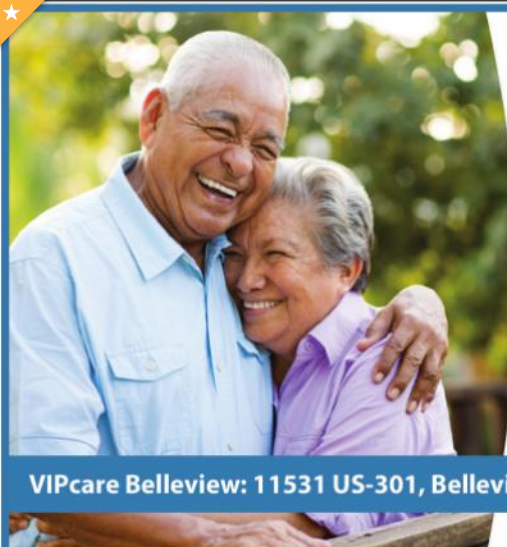
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