



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

ANOIDTING (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

(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

(352) 245-1359
MONDAY—FRIDAY
9 am—1 pm

THRIFT SHOP

(352) 245-0650
MONDAY—SATURDAY
9 am—2:30 pm

GIFT SHOP

Saturday &
Sunday (after weekend
Masses)

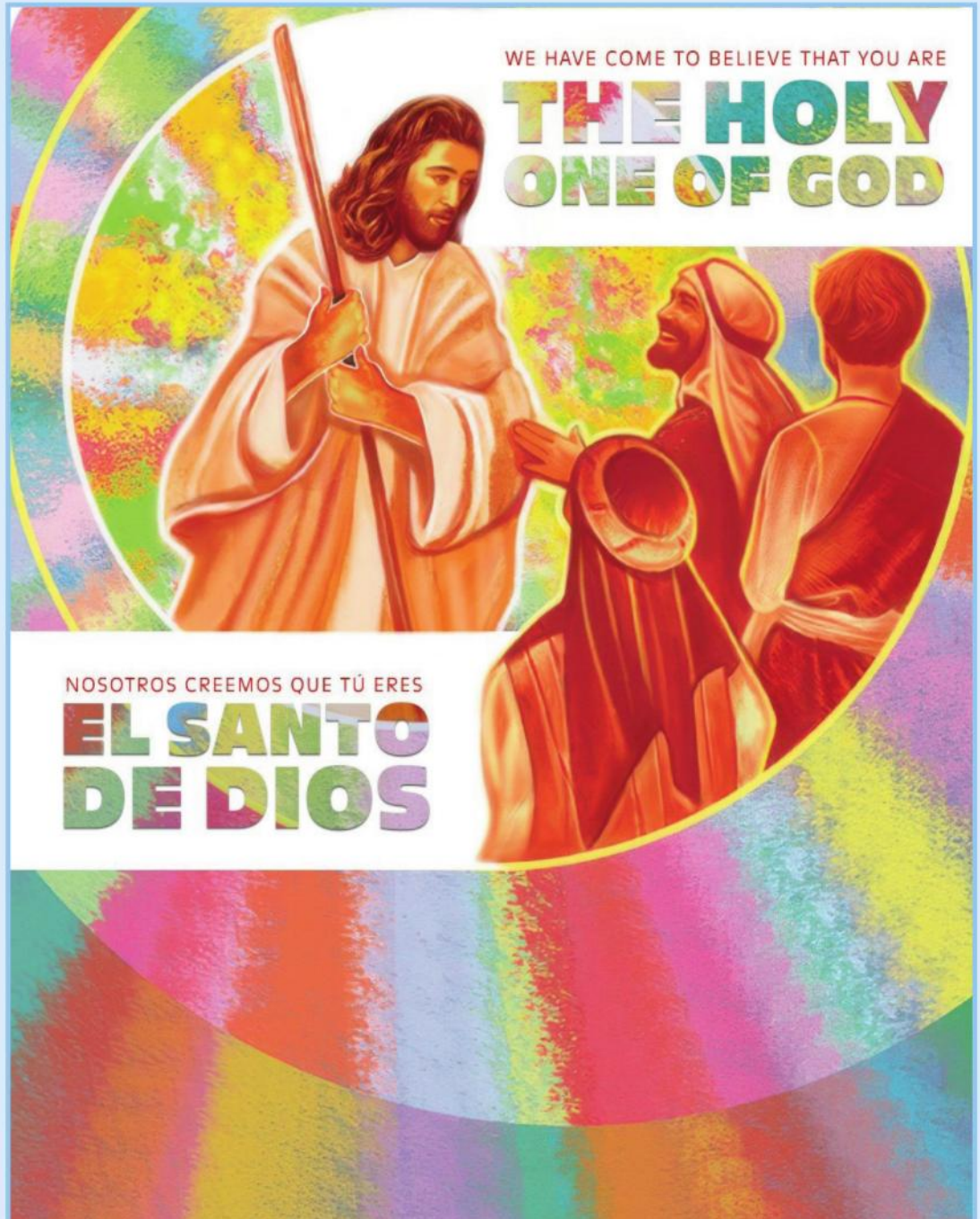
Welcome! Bienvenidos! St. Theresa Catholic Church

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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.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 24, 2025



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

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH



| Sat AUG 23 | FOR | REQUESTED BY | Date / Time | Event | Location |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|-----------------------|
| 8:30 am | † Jarrett (Jerry) Green | Maria Hagan | Tues. Aug. 26 9:30 am | LAY CARMELITES | Quad |
| 4:00 pm | † William Eager | Lorraine Eager | Mon. Sept 1 | CUBAN MISSION—Deadline to bring in Donated Items | Church or Parish Hall |
| 6:00 pm (español) | St. Theresa Parishioners | | Sat. Sept 6 9 am—12 noon | ALL MINISTRIES MEETING—RSVP | Parish Hall |
| Sun AUG 24 | | | Sun. Sept 7 | NAME TAG / GROCERY SUNDAY | Church |
| 7:30 am | † Francis Baranek | Jane Reiter | Sun. Sept 7 | RCIA / OCIA PROGRAM | Parish Hall |
| 9:00 am | † Joseph Doneth | Mary Doneth | Thurs. Sept 11 12:00 Noon | ALPHA | Parish Hall |
| 11:00 am | † Giuseppe Mignosa | Mary Mignosa | Thurs. Sept 11 6:30 pm | CURSILLO / ULTREYA | Parish Hall |
| Mon AUG 25 | | | Sun. Sept 14 10:15-11:15 am | RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION—Pre-K to 5th Grade | Parish Hall |
| 8:30 am | † Monsignor David Page | Marie Bairstow | Sun. Sept 14 6:00 - 7:30 pm | EDGE & LIFE TEEN REGISTRATION—6th to 12th Grade | Parish Hall |
| Tues AUG 26 | | | MINISTRY MEETING Saturday, September 6, 2025 9:00 am – 12:00 noon Summer will soon be over. Let's get moving !! Calling all Ministry heads and those actively serving! We invite you to our KICKOFF gathering. We want to set our sight on what is coming in 2026 . Review our vision, our mission and goals! We need you there. Reserve your spot by calling the office (352) 245-2458. I can't wait to see you there. <i>Fr. Tom</i> | | |
| 8:30 am | † Jerry MacDonald | Marian Roche | | | |
| Wed AUG 27 | | | | | |
| 8:30 am | † Rosemary Juliano | Bernadette Juliano | | | |
| Thurs AUG 28 | | | Discover More To Life Many of us have asked ourselves the question, “is there more to life than this?”. We are busy with family and friends, work and recreation, and attend church. But there still seems something is missing. An empty space. A void. A hunger. Alpha is a place to join with other people who are asking similar questions, exploring the meaning of life and faith. Join us for dinner, a short video and group discussion, and together discover that There IS More To Life. Come and See ... at ALPHA Thursday, September 11, Noon Parish Hall For information, contact Blair Learn Cell: 609-513-4320; BlairW.Learn@verizon.net | | |
| 8:30 am | † Pauline Mendoza | Ruth Schreiner | | | |
| Fri AUG 29 | | | | | |
| 8:30 am | † Andrea Roche | Robert Roche | | | |
| Sat AUG 30 | | | Registration for RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES is now open. (Pre-K to 5th Grade). Starting on Sunday, <u>September 14</u> , 10:15 to 11:15 AM. Please contact Kristina Iltcheva at Kristina@mystcc.org or the Parish Office | | |
| 8:30 am | Special Intention Doreen DeSantis | Joan Phillips | | | |
| 4:00 pm | † Joe & Nancy Angelino | Francis & Barbara Angelino | | | |
| 6:00 pm | † Jose Rovira | Loretta & Vicki | | | |
| Sun AUG 31 | | | Registration for Edge & Life Teen is now open. (6 – 12 grade) Starting on September 14th 6pm till 7:30pm Please contact Kristina Iltcheva at Kristina@mystcc.org or the office. | | |
| 7:30 am | St. Theresa Parishioners | | | | |
| 9:00 am | † Yvonnee Yeoman | Ethel Snyder | | | |
| 11:00 am | † Joseph & Claire Larcerra | Ronald & Sandra LaFontaine | | | |



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FROM FATHER TOM

LAWS OF THE TODDLER



1. If I like it, it's mine.
2. If it's in my hand, it's mine.
3. If I can take it from you, it's mine.
4. If I had it a little while ago, it's mine.
5. If it's mine, it must never appear to be yours in any way.
6. If I'm doing or building something, all the pieces are mine.
7. If it looks just like mine, it's mine.
8. If I think it's mine, it's mine.

It may be cute when you are a toddler but it is not very attractive as an adult. Nothing is ours. It all belongs to God. God just lends us these gifts for the short time while we are here on earth. Pope Francis died with only a hundred dollars to his name. He gave away his monthly stipend to feed the hungry and help the poor. He died as he lived, simply, with no ostentation.

As disciples of Christ, we are to be a blessing to others. We are to live generous lives. We live a life of trust. ***"Do not live in fear, little flock, it is God's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."***(Luke 12.32).

Let us live boldly. Let us live generous lives. Watch and see how our Father will look after you.

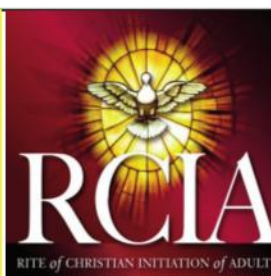
Love and Blessings!

Father Tom

COME & SEE...CURSILLO

Ever heard of Cursillo and have questions? Are you interested in becoming a better version of your Catholic self and diving further into your faith? Are you looking for the next step after CRHP? Cursillo may be THE answer for you! PLEASE...COME & SEE all are welcome 😊

- When: September 11th @ 6:30 PM
- Where: St. Theresa Catholic Church Hall
- Why: Because Jesus maybe calling you to this amazing movement!
- Potluck supper will be provided
- Questions contact Kathy or Rich LaCorte at 352-629-2207 or lacorte.family@cox.net



Do you have family or friends interested in becoming Catholic? The parish RCIA / OCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will begin Sunday, **September 7**.

To register, fill out the form in the church vestibule or contact the office at (352) 245-2458.



We are hiring **Thrift Store Workers (PT)**

If interested, please apply through the Diocese of Orlando job site 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 menu.



DEL PADRE TOM LEYES DEL NIÑO PEQUEÑO



1. Si me gusta, es mío.
2. Si lo tengo en la mano, es mío.
3. Si puedo quitártelo, es mío.
4. Si lo tenía hace un rato, es mío.
5. Si es mío, nunca debe parecer que es tuyo de ninguna manera.
6. Si estoy haciendo o construyendo algo, todas las piezas son mías.
7. Si se parece al mío, es mío.
8. Si creo que es mío, es mío.

Puede que sea bonito cuando eres un niño pequeño, pero no es muy atractivo cuando eres adulto. Nada es nuestro. Todo pertenece a Dios. Dios solo nos presta estos dones durante el poco tiempo que estamos aquí en la tierra.

El papa Francisco murió con solo cien dólares a su nombre. Regaló su estipendio mensual para alimentar a los hambrientos y ayudar a los pobres. Murió como vivió, con sencillez, sin ostentación.

Como discípulos de Cristo, debemos ser una bendición para los demás. Debemos vivir una vida generosa. Vivimos una vida de confianza. «**No temáis, manada pequeña, porque a Dios le complace daros el reino**» (Lucas 12,32).

Vivamos con valentía. Vivamos una vida generosa. Observad y ved cómo nuestro Padre cuidará de vosotros.

¡Amor y bendiciones! Padre Tom

FOOD PANTRY DRIVE



Please consider donating to our food pantry to restock our empty shelves. We are in need of canned food with pop tops that are easily opened. Some **ITEMS NEEDED: Canned Soups, Canned Meat (Tuna, Chicken, Vienna Sausage, Chef Boyardee products). Peanut Butter & Jelly (plastic jar). Snacks, Protein Bars and Nuts. Gift Cards. Anything will**

help !!! Times are only getting tougher for the needy and homeless in OUR neighborhood.

We were just notified today that FarmShare, one of our grocery suppliers will not be able to make a delivery for the next three weeks, which means we will be out of protein for lunch. Please donate some luncheon meat, if you are able. Thank you!

HYGIENE ITEMS FOR THE HOMELESS NEEDED

Soap| Shampoo | Conditioner | Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
| Deodorant | Hand Sanitizers | Wet Wipes | Feminine
Hygiene Products | Combs & Hair Brushes.



There will be no
Confessions heard on
Tuesday, August 26 due
to Fr. Tom's absence that
day.



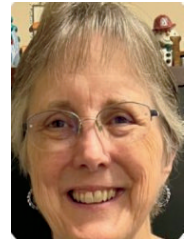
Praise God!
Baby Sophia
Gracia
baptized 8/16!

My Take

*To live in hearts we leave
behind is not to die*

Thomas Campbell

Sometimes when talking with my siblings, I like to bring up old memories. It gives me a chance to go back in time to relive those, often funny, moments and remember the loved ones no longer with us. For some reason, some of those fond memories I have or don't have, don't resonate with others the same.

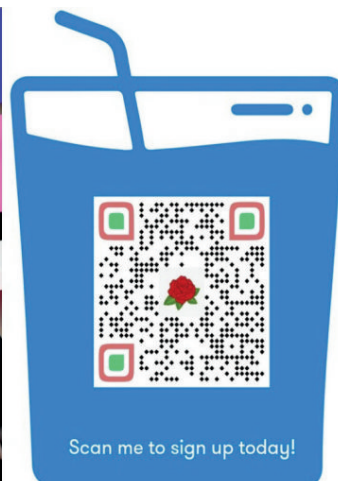


When I was seven years old, I distinctly remember getting up in the middle of the night to some commotion in the hallway. I remember seeing some firemen there and couldn't figure out why they were upstairs at that time. I was told to go back to bed. The next day, I learned my mom was in the hospital (I learned a week or so later that she had a stroke) and to make us feel better, my brother Tom made sugar cookies with our housekeeper. My brother, always swore he didn't do that. How funny.

When I was about eight or nine years old, a bully threw my flippers in the lake at the Yacht club. My brother, Jerry, claims he dove down and retrieved them, so I didn't get in trouble with my father. He was sure my father would make me tell the bully's parents and that would make matters worse. This is a case of the opposite memory since I'm the one who doesn't remember the incident. You would think I would since my brother was usually on the other side of being helpful.

These are just some funny memories but there are the sad ones as well. When I relive the memories, both good and sad, I know that God is laughing with me about a funny event or holding me as I relive the sad. I don't mind so much reliving the sad because they often include a family member no longer with us. Remembering allows me to recall the love they left behind. That's how I want to be remembered, by the love I leave behind.

Marcia Wheatley



Mission Circle Inc is planning trips to Cuba in September. We are again asking you, parishioners of St. Theresa, to support our mission. You have been wonderful partners. Conditions continue to worsen in Cuba. Below are the items that we are requesting.



Please bring your donations to church by **September 1st**. Label your donations "**Cuba Mission**" to ensure they get to the correct group.

St. Theresa Prayer Hotline (24/7)

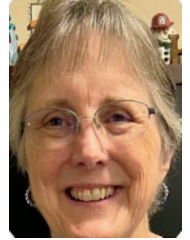
(352) 496-1569



We need volunteers to answer the calls and / or serve in the Praying Group. Please call the office to sign up

Powdered Milk | Oatmeal | Foil Packs-Tuna (not cans) | Dry Soup Packets | Packets of Hot Chocolate Mix | Nuts Powdered Eggs | Foil Packs -Chicken (not cans) | Foil Packs-Spam (not cans) | Powdered Peanut Butter | Dried Fruit: Cranberries, Raisins, Other | Cookies | Peanut Butter or Cheese Crackers | Rehydration Powder—like Propel in Small Packets | Hard Candy and Caramels

Mi opinión



A veces, cuando hablo con mis hermanos, me gusta recordar viejos recuerdos. Me da la oportunidad de retroceder en el tiempo para revivir esos momentos, a menudo divertidos, y recordar a los seres queridos que ya no están con nosotros. Por alguna razón, algunos de esos recuerdos entrañables, que tengo o no, no resuenan igual en otros.

Cuando tenía siete años, recuerdo claramente haberme levantado en mitad de la noche y encontrarme con un alboroto en el pasillo. Recuerdo haber visto a unos bomberos allí y no entendía por qué estaban arriba a esa hora. Me dijeron que volviera a la cama. Al día siguiente, me enteré de que mi madre estaba en el hospital (una semana después, aproximadamente, supe que había sufrido un derrame cerebral) y, para que nos sintiéramos mejor, mi hermano Tom hizo galletas de azúcar con la empleada doméstica. Mi hermano siempre juraba que no lo hacía. ¡Qué gracioso!

Cuando tenía unos ocho o nueve años, un abusador me tiró las aletas al lago del club náutico. Mi hermano Jerry afirma que se zambulló y los recuperó, así que no me metí en problemas con mi padre. Estaba seguro de que mi padre me obligaría a contárselo a los padres del abusador, lo que empeoraría las cosas. Este es un caso de la memoria contraria, ya que soy yo quien no recuerda el incidente. Uno pensaría que sí, ya que mi hermano solía ser más bien servicial.

Estos son solo algunos recuerdos divertidos, pero también hay algunos tristes. Cuando revivo los recuerdos, tanto buenos como tristes, sé que Dios se ríe conmigo de un suceso gracioso o me sostiene mientras revivo la tristeza. No me importa tanto revivir la tristeza porque a menudo incluye a un familiar que ya no está con nosotros. Recordar me permite evocar el amor que dejaron. Así es como quiero ser recordado, por el amor que dejo.

Marcia Wheatley

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Looking Good

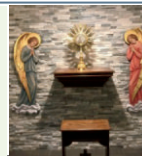
Don't you love it when the underdog wins? When the Cardinals beat the Yankees for the championship or the Blues beat the Redwings, or the Rams beat anyone? Even when I watch a game with no St. Louis teams playing, I still like to root for the underdog. That is what I like about today's Gospel: the last will be first and the first will be last.

Some say that Jesus was talking about the leaders of the Jews, the scribes and Pharisees. These refused to follow Jesus, while ordinary Jews who did not feel threatened by Jesus' teaching became disciples.

In a way, you can understand why the leaders rejected Jesus. They made a nice living out of the offerings made by ordinary Jews. And who could argue with them? They worked for God. How dare Jesus say that they would be cast out, while people from the rest of the world would enter the Kingdom of God!

And how about us? Remember that the Gospel was not written for non-believers. Are we threatened by Jesus' message? Just as the scribes and Pharisees considered themselves important in God's eyes because of their office, do we consider ourselves "saved" because we call ourselves Christians? Are we generous to the poor, or just to our friends? Do we follow our consciences or do we follow the crowd?

Entry into the Kingdom of God is not a fashion statement. We don't get there by looking good. We are invited by Jesus to be last on earth so we can be first in the Kingdom. Tom Schmidt—Copyright © Diocesan Publications



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VACANT TIMES—YELLOW HIGHLIGHTS

| | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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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.

Irene Adamcik
Lily Chimenti
Bob Delaney
Eric Dushane
Jim Evans
Patty Grant
Rosemary Gurick

Kathy Kelly
Dave Lindeman
Matthew Lyons
Jane Oelstrom
Tom Peeples
Mary Penndorf

Maria Romero
Isabel Smith
Francine Sothen
Fr. David Vivero
Sheri Wade



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!

"In England, it's called a 'lift', but in America it's called an 'elevator'. I guess people are just raised differently."

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Give unto the Lord

WEEK ENDING AUGUST 17, 2025

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| Offertory | \$12,791.88 |
| Maintenance | \$ 1,965.50 |
| Soup Kitchen | \$ 3,843.50 |
| Social Services | \$ 638.50 |
| Thrift Store | \$ 9,036.82 |



OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL—2025

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| OCA Goal for 2025 | \$160,379 |
| Collected to date | \$147,050 |
| Under Goal (Por debajo de la meta) | \$ 13,328 |
| ONLINE Pledges: https://www.cfocf.org/oca/ (Select ST. THERESA as your Parish). | |



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