



# St. Theresa

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Offer unceasing prayer.*

### DAILY MASS

Mon-Sat 8:30 am

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

4:00 pm

6:00 pm (Spanish)

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

Mon-Thurs 8 am-4 pm

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### SOUP KITCHEN

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Mon-Sat 9 am-2:30 pm

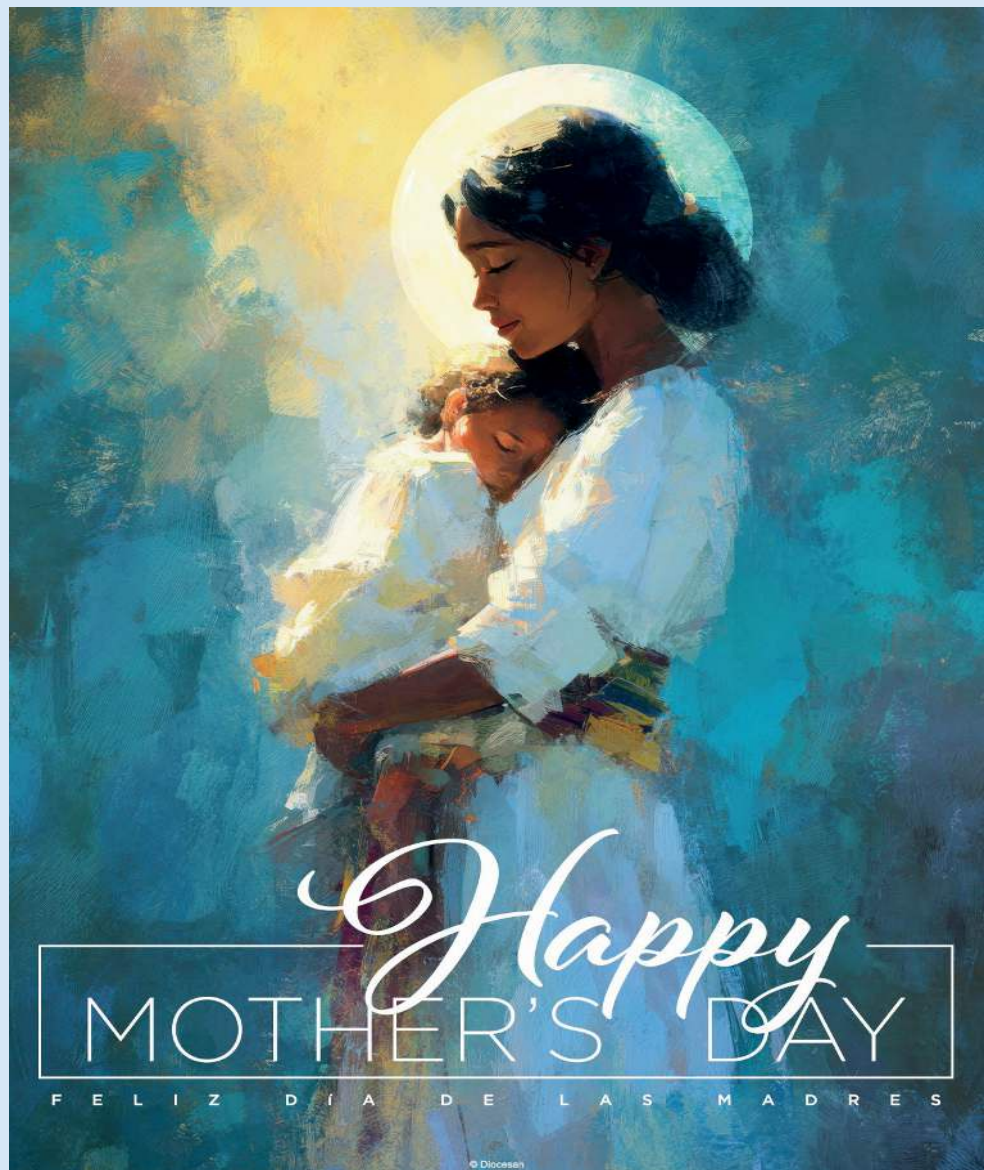
### GIFT SHOP

Sat & Sun

after weekend masses

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 10, 2026



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

## ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH

### Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2026**

8:30 am	<b>Society of St. Theresa</b>
4:00 pm	† <b>Florence Taft</b> by Cheryl Tette
6:00 pm	† <b>Yalila Nunez Diaz</b> by Elizabeth Nunez

**SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2026**

7:30 am	<b>St. Theresa Parishioners</b>
9:00 am	† <b>Raymond Galvan</b> by Ruth Schreiner
11:00 am	† <b>Patricia Deldon</b> by Joanie Choniere

**MONDAY, MAY 11, 2026**

8:30 am	<b>Jane Reiter</b> (Special Intention) by Jane Reiter
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**TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026**

8:30 am	† <b>James McQuillan</b> by Carole McQuillan
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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026**

8:30 am	† <b>Mary Penndorf</b> by The Ciampi Family
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**THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026**

8:30 am	† <b>Margaret Seaber</b> by Ron & Karen Tumbry
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**FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2026**

8:30 am	† <b>David M. Scheve</b> by Grace & Bud Kiever and Family
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**SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2026**

8:30 am	† <b>Gonzalo Lebron</b> by Francheska Vazquez
4:00 pm	† <b>Don Stipanich</b> by PJ Stipanich
6:00 pm	† <b>Gonzalo Lebron</b> by Francheska Vazquez

**SUNDAY, MAY 17**

7:30 am	† <b>Steve Bairstow</b> by Marie Bairstow
9:00 am	<b>St. Theresa Parishioners</b>
11:00 am	† <b>Donald Pellegrino</b> by Your friend, Teresa

### Candle Intentions



ADORATION CANDLE May 1 thru 31	† <b>Bruce MacKenzie</b> by Irene MacKenzie
SANCTUARY CANDLE May 9 thru 15	† <b>Patricia Stockford</b> by Lesa Hanson

**Please know...**

**Beginning Sunday, June 7**  
the 7:30am Sunday Mass will move to **7:00am.**

**Please mark your calendars!**

### Upcoming Events

Date / Time	Event	Location
Sat, May 9 6pm	Spanish Ministry Dinner	Parish Hall
Mon, May 11 10:30am	<i>Gifts of the Spirit</i> mini-bible study	Parish Hall
Mon, May 11 6pm	Ladies Guild Meeting	Parish Hall
Mon, May 11 6pm	MOST Meeting	Quads/Church
Thurs, May 14 5:30-8:30pm	 Alpha	Parish Hall
Sat, May 16 6pm	Spanish First Holy Communion	Church
Sun, May 17 12 noon	Welcome Home Luncheon	Parish Hall
Thurs, May 21 5:30-8:30pm	 Alpha	Parish Hall

### Funeral Mass

Mon, May 18 10am	<b>Tom Peeples</b>
Sat, May 23 10am	<b>Greg Bassett</b>
Sat, June 20 10am	<b>Frances Ellen Rubenstein (Haggan)</b>



Padre Pio used to tell a story:

“One day our Lord making rounds of Paradise saw some strange faces. He asked Peter: ‘Who let these people in?’

Peter: ‘Nothing to do with me.’

The Lord: ‘But you have the key.’

Peter: ‘There is nothing I can do, and you can’t do either.’

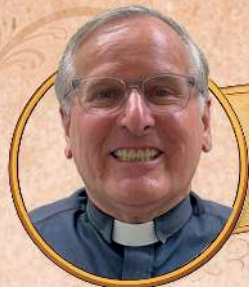
The Lord: ‘What do you mean?’

Peter: ‘It’s your mother. Every time she finds my back turned, she opens the gate and lets somebody in.’”



**The Pope’s Prayer Intention for May:**  
**That everyone might have food**

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food .



## A Message from Fr. Tom

### Un Mensaje de Padre Tom

#### Moms Ways...

*A couple of hours into a visit with my mother, she noticed I hadn't lit up a cigarette once. "Are you trying to kick the habit?" "No," I replied, "I've got a cold and I can't smoke when I'm not feeling well." "You know," she observed, "you'd probably live longer if you were sick more often." ~Ian A. Hammel*

*My mother, a master of guilt trips, showed me a photo of herself waiting by a phone that never rings. "Mom, I call all the time," I said. "If you had an answering machine, you'd know." Soon after, my brother installed one for her. When I called the next time, I got her machine: "If you are a salesperson, press one. If you're a friend, press two. If you're my daughter who never calls, press 911 because the shock will probably give me a heart attack."*

*Even though the toddler was having a furious tantrum, his mom was unfazed. "You may as well give up on the crying," I heard her say as she led him to the store exit. "You're stuck with me for 18 years." ~Sheila Custer*

*My mother had just finished taking a CPR class at a local college when she and I were in the mall and saw a big crowd gathered around a still body. Mom took off running at a speed I didn't know she could muster, yelling, "Everyone back! I know CPR!" Just as she threw herself next to the body and was about to begin, a pair of strong hands pulled her to her feet. "Ma'am," said a police officer beside her, "we are trying to arrest this man."*

**Blessed Mother's Day. God be gracious to all our mothers, living and deceased.**

*Love and Blessings,  
Father Tom*

#### Cosas de mamás...

*Un par de horas después de haber llegado de visita a casa de mi madre, ella notó que no había encendido un cigarrillo ni una sola vez. "¿Estás intentando dejar el vicio?" le pregunté. "No," respondí, "tengo un resfriado y no puedo fumar cuando no me siento bien." "Sabes," observó ella, "probablemente vivirías más tiempo si te enfermaras con más frecuencia." ~Ian A. Hammel*

*Mi madre, una experta en hacerme sentir culpable, me mostró una foto suya esperando junto a un teléfono que nunca sonaba. "Mamá, te llamo todo el tiempo" le dije. "Si tuvieras un contestador automático, lo sabrías." Poco después, mi hermano le instaló uno. La siguiente vez que llamé, me contestó la máquina: "Si es un vendedor, pulse uno. Si es un amigo, pulse dos. Si es mi hija, la que nunca llama, pulse 911, porque la impresión probablemente me provocará un infarto."*

*Aunque el niño pequeño estaba haciendo una rabieta furiosa, su madre se mantuvo imperturbable. "Más vale que dejes de llorar," la oí decir mientras lo llevaba hacia la salida de la tienda. "Vas a tener que aguantarme durante dieciocho años." ~Sheila Custer*

*Mi madre acababa de terminar un curso de reanimación cardiopulmonar (RCP) en una universidad local cuando, estando ella y yo en un centro comercial, vimos a una gran multitud reunida alrededor de un cuerpo inmóvil. Mamá salió corriendo a una velocidad que yo desconocía que pudiera alcanzar, gritando: "¡Atrás, todos! ¡Yo sé hacer la RCP!". Justo cuando se arrojaba al suelo junto al cuerpo y estaba a punto de empezar, un par de manos fuertes la pusieron de pie de un tirón. "Señora," dijo un oficial de policía que estaba a su lado, "estamos intentando arrestar a este hombre."*

**¡Feliz Día de la Madre! Que Dios sea bondadoso con todas nuestras madres, tanto con las que viven como con las que ya han partido.**

*Con amor y bendiciones,  
Padre Tom*

## What's Happening



Support the  
Catholic  
Communication  
Campaign

Next weekend, May 16/17, we will be having a special collection for the **Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)**.

The CCC presents a unique opportunity to support media efforts to share the Gospel with our neighbors as well as people across the country. When you contribute to this collection, half supports the national communications programs of the bishops of the United States and the other half stays within our diocese to support local communication efforts.

Help continue to spread the Good News!

**A Message of Hope,  
a Mission of Love**



## GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT



Father Jim will share:

- Scripture
- The Fruit of the Spirit
- Practical ways to live each gift

Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>  
10:30am to Noon  
Parish Hall

Bring your Catholic Bible and notebook

Please register by calling the Parish Office

*All Are Welcome*



## JOIN A CONVERSATION ABOUT LIFE AND FAITH!

Alpha is a series of group conversations that explore the basics of life and faith in a friendly, welcoming way. It's a place that opens your mind and heart, where everyone's opinion matters. You're invited, no matter your background or beliefs. Join us for a free dinner. Meet new people. Watch a short video on a question of life and faith, share your thoughts, and help us make the world a better place.

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

**Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.  
St. Theresa Parish Hall**

For information, contact Blair Learn  
609-513-4320 / BlairW.Learn@verizon.net

***To register, call the Parish Office  
at 352-245-2458***

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEEDS YOU



We are forming a planning committee to help plan this year's VBS and we need enthusiastic volunteers to make it happen!

If you have a heart for children

and a passion for ministry, we'd love to have you on the team. To sign up, please stop by the parish office.

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**"The Home of Saint Theresa"** is comprised of 422 plaques (1"x3") used to memorialize deceased loved ones, honor family and friends, or to display a favorite Bible verse. Located opposite "The Tree of Life" in the church, **The Ladies Guild**

invites you to purchase a plaque. All proceeds go towards beautifying our campus.

Each plaque has three lines with a maximum of 18 characters per line: **Silver \$250 / Bronze \$200**

For more information or to purchase a plaque, stop by the Parish Office.

## Our Parish Life

### Perpetual Adoration

#### Find REST at the Adoration Chapel!

Retreat; Enter in the presence of Christ; Sanctify this time with Him and for Him; Trust in His guidance.

We encourage individuals and families to commit one hour each week. The following hours need to be filled:

Mondays: 8am, 7pm-3am

Tuesdays: 8pm, 10pm-2am

Wednesdays: 6am, 12-3am

Thursdays: 6am, 6pm, 10pm-3am

Fridays: 4pm, 9pm-2am

Saturdays: 10am, 7pm-3am

Sundays: 7am, 6pm, 7pm, 10pm-5am

We also need substitutes for hours already filled.

Please consider spending an hour with the Lord.

Call Nancy at (941) 518-2194



### A unique opportunity

**What an honor** it is to be asked to pray for someone!

We are blessed at our church to have a dedicated phone line just for prayer requests. We need additional parishioners to take a turn carrying the phone for 1 or 2 weeks answering or returning calls and sharing prayer. (With more support, volunteers would only carry the phone for a week or less!)

Printed prayer sheets for many situations help guide prayers, so it is simply reading the prayer(s) with love and compassion.

Please consider answering this special call!

Jesus will be certain He qualifies you!

Call Pam at (352) 207-3559

### 3rd Saturday Club / Club del Tercer Sábado



The **3rd Saturday Club** is back and meets on the 3rd Saturday each month at **9am**. The Club meets to beautify our parish grounds. The next gathering will be **Saturday, May 16th**. If you can volunteer to help,

please call the parish office.

El Club del Tercer Sábado está de regreso y se reúne el tercer sábado de cada mes a las **9:00 a. m.** El club se reúne para embellecer los terrenos de nuestra parroquia. La próxima reunión será **el sábado 16 de mayo**. Si puede ofrecerse como voluntario para ayudar, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial.

Our **Parish Finance Council** will be starting its new two-year membership cycle. We have three seats available. **If you have a finance background and would be interested in joining the council,** please email [faye@mystcc.org](mailto:faye@mystcc.org).

Thank you!

A **Grief Share** Group began on **Wednesday, May 6** at 2:00 pm. You can join at any time.

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, contact **Deacon Dan Pallo** at **630-453-7521** or [deacondan2007@gmail.com](mailto:deacondan2007@gmail.com). Also visit the Grief Share website at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org) to get more information and register. We hope you'll come and join us.

## Our Social Services



### Fellowship for a Good Cause!

Thank you to all our parishioners who enjoyed a meal at Pasta Faire to benefit our Social Services. We raised \$700 from one evening out!



Thank you to all our parishioners who donated shoes at our Easter Sunday Dance Off and to Cheryl Tette for coordinating with Belleview Elementary, whose parents and children were so grateful for our generosity!

### Our Food Pantry is in need of the following:

- Sweet tea (gallon jugs)
  - Protein Shakes
  - Canned meat all types
  - Canned Soup
  - Nutritional bars
  - Electrolyte Drinks
- pop-top lids

Please bring food items to the Food Van parked outside during all weekend masses. Donations can also be placed in the Food Cart in the church narthex or dropped off at the Food Pantry Mon-Fri 9am to 12noon.

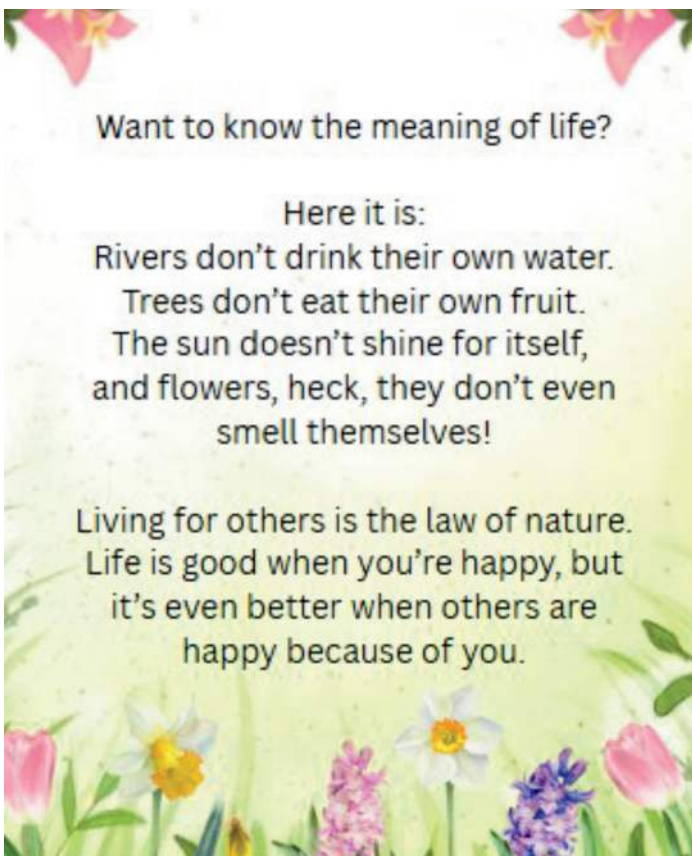
**Thank you for your continued support!**

## TITHES & OFFERINGS

GIVE UNTO THE LORD

As of May 4, 2026

Offertory	\$ 16,659.70
Project Growth (Maintenance)	\$ 2,508.50
Soup Kitchen	\$ 7,431.76
Social Services	\$ 1,169.50
Thrift Store	\$ 8,542.50



## 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!"

Chuck Andrews  
Christine Bogus  
Mary Jane Coss  
Weston Cunningham  
Marc Czynik  
Colleen Furnia  
Alex Gratz  
Ken & Diana Grimes  
Rosemarie Gurick  
Margaret Hennessy  
Tom Jones  
Marge Kenney

Matthew Lyons  
Kim Markey  
MaryAnn Miller  
Tom Mizerek  
Peggie Munson  
Beth Pearce  
Al & Patsy Richson  
Loretta Rogers  
Rose Ross  
Sandra Sutter  
Mike Trotta  
Father David Vivero  
Stephen Zammett

*Reach out to others!*

*Ongoing prayer life!*

*Sunday worship!*

*Engage in a Small Group!*

*Serve and Share!*



## Our Catholic Appeal

### Your Gift Makes a Difference

Our Catholic Appeal is hope for the future. The gifts of the faithful across the nine counties of Central Florida ensure the Diocese of Orlando cares for our properties and plan for future endeavors to serve God's people. Every time we say the Creed, we reaffirm we are members of one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church. Each of us is responsible not only for our own parish, but also for the well-being of the Church throughout our diocese and the world.

#### 2024-2025 Statistics



Not everyone can give the same size gift, but everyone can make the same size sacrifice.

Pray and Donate at [ourcatholicappeal.org](http://ourcatholicappeal.org)



Our Catholic Appeal



Our 2026 Catholic Appeal Goal is **\$175,239**.

We have collected **\$108,129** of \$138,552 pledged!  
Still Need: **\$67,110**  
Participation Percentage: 19.8%

Thank you to 273 families who have responded to our appeal. We still have a ways to go!

Please continue to pray on how you can help; there is no donation too small. Help us and our diocese continue to spread our Catholic faith to God's family throughout the world.

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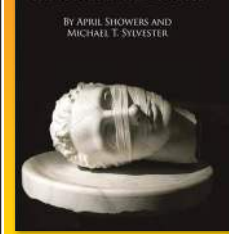


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