

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

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“Live for the Lord and die in the Lord.”

**“This is the time of fulfillment.
The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and believe in the gospel.”**



The parishioners of St. Theresa and Fr. Paul Moody welcome everyone as we gather to worship.

Mass Times for The First Sunday of Lent and First Week of Lent.

February 20 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm First Sunday of Lent	Intention: + Fr. Izidorius Gedvila
February 21 Sunday Masses 9:00 am First Sunday of Lent 11:00 am	Intention: + Margaret Ciesla Intention: + Henry Juknaitis
February 22 Monday 5:15 am Lenten Weekday	Intention: Needs of the Parishioners of St Theresa
February 25 Thursday Mass 5:15 am Lenten Weekday	Intention: William Mathew Chrisco
February 26 Friday Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm Lenten Weekday Mass 6:00pm	Intention: Open
February 27 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm Second Sunday of Lent	Int: Thanksgiving for God's Blessings
February 28 Sunday Masses 9:00 am Second Sunday of Lent 11:00 am	Intention: + Frank Biela Intention: The Mathena Family

Friday Mass Schedule and Stations of the Cross: Each Friday during Lent beginning on February 26th we will have Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm followed by Mass at 6:00 pm.

Lenten Regulations for Fast and Abstinence: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards..

“God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy.” - Pope Francis

Season of Lent: Ash Wednesday began the liturgical season of Lent. Lent is a forty-day time in which Catholics prepare through intense self-examination, penance, and prayer for the Easter Triduum. The Easter Triduum is the summit of the Liturgical Year and is from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery. The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season, and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil.

Prayer Requests: We continue to pray for all of our parishioners who are sick and for the people who care for them. Please pray for all of the members of our Armed Forces and for all of our Law Enforcement Officers, especially Deputy Dakota Jarvis, as they risk their lives to keep us safe.



There are special prayer requests for: Sedella Post, Mrs. Hella Tompkins, Mrs. Maria Derencius, Ann Ivers, Mrs. Freda Soltysiak, Richard Walter, Elena Zebertavicious, Albina Vysniauskas, Brone Nakas, Dennis & Jean Sandfort, Maria Antoniewicz, Kathy & Emil Infusiano, Glen Zanetic, Meredith Wolf, Anna Jarzabek, Fr. Andrew Sosnowski, Bob Paridon, Jadwiga Kuc, Robert Espinosa, and Winifred & Steve Flowers. Please remember to pray each day for the souls in purgatory and for our fellow parishioners at St. Theresa.

"Lenten practices of giving up pleasures are a good reminder that the purpose of life is not pleasure. The purpose of life is to attain a perfect life, all truth and undying ecstatic love—which is the definition of God. In pursuing that happiness, we find happiness." – Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

Operation Rice Bowl – Catholic Relief Services (CRS): In the early Church, people who had little, fasted and gave the food or money they would have spent to buy it to those with even less than themselves. We are blessed to live in a country with abundant food and economic opportunities. Along with our daily prayers for the suffering people of the world, Operation Rice Bowl provides us with an opportunity to thank God for His blessings to us by helping His children who are in need. Please pick up a Rice Bowl box in the narthex and add what you can to it during Lent.

Catholic Charing Appeal (CSA) 2021: Our CSA campaign needs your help. It has gotten off to a good start, but we need everyone to support it. Thank you to those who have pledged and for those who have not, please consider doing so.

Offertory: We thank our parishioners and guests for their continued generosity.

St. Theresa Parish Offertory	Jan. 2021	Jan. 2020	Total for This FY (July - Jan. 2021)	Total for Prior FY (July- Jan. 2020)
Offertory	\$ 6527	\$ 9205	\$ 57370	\$ 59435
Parish Charitable Gifts	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 650
CSA for 2021	Goal	Pledged	Received	
	\$ 8280			

“Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could.” - St. Gregory Nazianzen