## ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

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There is no higher dignity than to serve Christ." - St. Ambrose

"Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."



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

## Mass Times for The Third Sunday of Advent and the Third Week of Advent.

December 10 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm Int: + Margaret & Harry Beitler & Family

Third Sunday of Advent

December 11 Sunday Masses 9:00 am Int: + Agnes & Albert Warpecha

Third Sunday of Advent

December 12 Monday Mass 8:00 am Intention: + Vince Derencius

Our Lady of Guadalupe – Feast Advent Confessions 5:00 pm in Church

December 15 Thursday Mass 8:00 am Intention: Rita Derencius

Advent Weekday

December 16 Friday Adoration 7:00 am - 8:00 am

Advent Weekday Mass 8:00 am Int: David Shepherd & Parents

December 17 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm Intention: + Gayle Paridon

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18 Sunday Masses 9:00 am Intention: + Margaret Ciesla

Fourth Sunday of Advent

"In the life of the body a man is sometimes sick, and unless he takes medicine, he will die. Even so in the spiritual life a man is sick on account of sin. For that reason he needs medicine so that he may be restored to health; and this grace is bestowed in the Sacrament of Penance." - St. Thomas Aquinas

Advent Parish Confessions: On Monday December 12, the sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 5:00 pm until all have been heard. Please enter the Church and be seated on the side closest to the parking lot to ensure privacy for the confessional. Advent is a good time to examine our lives in detail, resolve to change, and to use the grace available through the sacrament to transform our lives.



THANK YOU to Veronica for proposing a Parish Breakfast and with Gerry, organizing, preparing food, and putting it on. We also owe our thanks to Cathy and her family and Jerry and Soozie for providing dishes for breakfast. Waylon worked tirelessly to prepare and clean up the



Parish Hall after breakfast. This breakfast was a welcome opportunity to socialize in a relaxed atmosphere while enjoying a wonderful breakfast! St. Theresa is small enough for us to know everyone and it is part of our faith to share in the lives of other parishioners as we worship God together.



A Very Happy 51st Wedding Anniversary to Patricia and Steve Bertrand. Their anniversary is on December 19th, and we wish them continued happiness together!



Christmas Mass Schedule: Saturday December 24 No 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

**Midnight Mass** 

Sunday December 25 9:00 am

11:00 am

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 and Brian Paridon as they risk their lives to keep us safe.

There are special prayer requests for Stanley Kuc, Ralph Rowbotham, Jennifer Nason, Mrs. Maria Doniec, Mrs. Sonia Burke, Joana Macijauskas, Mrs. Hella Tompkins, Mrs. Ann Ivers, Albina Vysniauskas, Brone and Vida Nakas, Dennis & Jean Sandfort, Maria Antoniewicz, Glen Zanetic, Mrs. Anna Jarzabek, Fr. Andrew

Sosnowski, Mrs. Jadwiga Kuc, Robert Espinosa, Winifred & Steve Flowers, and Bruce Paridon. Please remember to pray each day for the souls in purgatory and for our fellow parishioners at St. Theresa.



Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time and talent for the good of St. Theresa.
The Offertory Counting Team, the Finance Committee, the Readers, Ushers, those who decorate, clean, and improve our buildings and grounds are a great blessing to our parish.



The word "Christ" comes from the Greek translation of the Hebrew Messiah, which means "anointed". It became the name proper to Jesus only because he accomplished perfectly the divine mission that "Christ" signifies. In effect, in Israel those consecrated to God for a mission that he gave were anointed in his name. This was the case for kings, for priests and, in rare instances, for

inaugurate his kingdom definitively. It was necessary that the Messiah be anointed by the Spirit of the Lord at once as king and priest, and also as prophet. Jesus fulfilled the messianic hope of Israel in his threefold office of priest, prophet and king.

To the shepherds, the angel announced the birth of Jesus as the Messiah promised to Israel: "To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." From the beginning he was "the one whom the Father consecrated and sent into the world", conceived as "holy" in Mary's virginal womb. God called Joseph to "take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit", so that Jesus, "who is called Christ", should be born of Joseph's spouse into the messianic lineage of David.

Jesus' messianic consecration reveals his divine mission, "for the name 'Christ' implies 'he who anointed', 'he who was anointed' and 'the very anointing with which he was anointed'. The one who anointed is the Father, the one who was anointed is the Son, and he was anointed with the Spirit who is the anointing.'" His eternal messianic consecration was revealed during the time of his earthly life at the moment of his baptism by John, when "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power", "that he might be revealed to Israel" as its Messiah. His works and words will manifest him as "the Holy One of God". (CCC 436-438)

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

St. Theresa Parish	Oct. 2022	Oct. 2021	Total for This FY (July 2022 – Oct. 2022)	Total for Prior FY (July 2021 – Oct. 2021)
Offertory	\$ 9310	\$ 9850	\$ 32625	\$ 34922
<b>CSA for 2022</b>	Goal	Pledged	Received	
	\$ 8210	<mark>\$ 9135</mark>	\$ 9020	

"Do something beautiful for God. Do it with your life. Do it every day. Do it in your own way. But do it! " - St. Mother Teresa



"To live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often." - St John Henry Newman

