

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

Mailing Address: 2071 Sunny Hills Blvd. Chipley, FL 32428

Church Office Ph. (850) 332– 3188 Emergency Ph. (850) 739 – 1934

Please remember to leave a message when you call our Office or Emergency lines.

Email: moodyp@clergy.ptdiocese.org

St. Theresa Parish Website: <http://sttheresa.ptdiocese.org>

“There is no greater honor than to serve Christ.” – St. Ambrose

**“... your light must shine before others,
that they may see your good deeds
and glorify your heavenly Father.”**



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

Mass Times for The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time and for the Fifth Week of Ordinary Time.

February 4 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Int: Frank & Mary Clark & Family

February 5 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Frank Biela

February 6 Monday 8:00 am
Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs – Memorial

Intention: + Peter Khang

February 9 Thursday Mass 8:00 am
Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Intention: + Peter Thien

February 10 Friday Adoration 7:00 am – 8:00 am
St. Scholastica, Virgin – Mem. Mass 8:00 am

Intention: Lisa M. Moody

February 11 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
The Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Mary Chap

February 12 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
The Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Julianna Chapukas

“God freely created us that we might know, love, and serve him in this life and be happy with him forever. God’s purpose in creating us is to draw forth from us a response of love and service here on earth, so that we may attain our goal of everlasting happiness with him in heaven.” - St. Ignatius Loyola



Catholic Charities Food Drive: Thank you very much to all who donated to those in need in our local community by providing food and other items for Catholic Charities to distribute! In challenging economic times it is tempting to only care about our own immediate needs. Your response to the food drive is evidence that our Lord is alive in your hearts.

Lay Formation Institute: The Lay Formation Institute’s vision is to offer quality spiritual, intellectual and human formation to lay people so that they are equipped to live out their vocation in the world. This program is geared to make you a more effective disciple of Jesus right where God has placed you in the world. The curriculum is focused on sanctifying the cultural spaces outside the usual reach of the institutional Church. Those who are passionate about bringing the presence of Christ to their families, neighborhoods, social circles, workplace and local community are ideal candidates for this program. A new cohort will begin in August of 2023. If you are interested go to <https://www.ptdiocese.org/layformationinstitute> for more information or contact 850-435-3523 or layformation@ptdiocese.org



Thank You! A big thank you to Laurie and Larry, Gerry Sott, Belva Stith, Verna John, Debbie and Steve, and Beverly Mason, for their dedication and hard work to help Catholic Charities distribute food to those in need! The Caring Coach is at St Theresa the second Wednesday of each month and without our volunteers this would not be possible. We also thank Catholic Charities for their outreach programs which benefit so many in our Diocese!

Thank You



You Made My Day

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 Cynthia Dedinas, Birute Labutis, 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

**“O Lord, all our troubles come to us because we do not have our eyes fixed on you. “
St. Teresa of Avila**

Characteristics of the People of God: The People of God is marked by characteristics that clearly distinguish it from all other religious, ethnic, political, or cultural groups found in history:

- It is the People of God: God is not the property of any one people. But he acquired a people for himself from those who previously were not a people: "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation."
- One becomes a member of this people not by a physical birth, but by being "born anew," a birth "of water and the Spirit," that is, by faith in Christ, and Baptism.
- This People has for its Head Jesus the Christ (the anointed, the Messiah). Because the same anointing, the Holy Spirit, flows from the head into the body, this is "the messianic people."
- "The status of this people is that of the dignity and freedom of the sons of God, in whose hearts the Holy Spirit dwells as in a temple."
- "Its law is the new commandment to love as Christ loved us." This is the "new" law of the Holy Spirit.
- Its mission is to be salt of the earth and light of the world. This people is "a most sure seed of unity, hope, and salvation for the whole human race."
- Its destiny, finally, "is the Kingdom of God which has been begun by God himself on earth and which must be further extended until it has been brought to perfection by him at the end of time."
(CCC – 782)

Tax Prep Time!

Year End Financial Statements: If you need a summary of your donations to St. Theresa for the year 2021 for tax preparation, please let Fr. Paul know and he will get it for you.

Catholic Charing Appeal (CSA) 2023: This weekend marks the beginning of our annual diocesan-wide appeal to support the programs which benefit the whole diocese. The CSA helps to ensure the education of future priests, the training of catechists for children and adults, programs to support healthy marriages and families, our Catholic schools, retired priests, and a variety of other activities which Bishop Wack has chosen to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to every person within our diocesan boundaries.

These programs are too costly for any parish to support on their own, so we pool our resources for the good of all. **A goal of our parish is to have every parishioner do their best to contribute to the CSA.** I believe that St. Theresa is an example of what responsible Christian stewardship looks like for the rest of our diocese.

Each breath we take, our faith, our families, our parish, and our diocesan Church are gifts from God. I have seen firsthand many examples of the generosity of the parishioners of St. Theresa, and I know we will do our best to help our brothers and sisters in the diocese who may not know us, but who need to know our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

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

St. Theresa	Dec. 2022	Dec. 2021	Total for This FY (July 2022 – Dec. 2022)	Total for Prior FY (July 2021 – Dec. 2021)
Offertory	\$ 7499	\$ 7100	\$ 45,238	\$ 48,319
CSA for 2023	Goal	Pledged	Received	
	\$ 3385			

Our Parish CSA goal this year is \$3385. It is important to remember that any money over that goal remains at St. Theresa to support our parish needs. Please do what you can to help support this charitable effort for our Diocese and Parish.

“The Holy Scriptures were not given to us that we should enclose them in books, but that we should engrave them upon our hearts.” St. John Chrysostom

Subjects for Daily Meditation

Remember Christian soul, that you have this day and every day of your life:

**God to glorify,
 Jesus to imitate,
 The Angels and Saints to invoke,
 A soul to save,
 A body to mortify,
 Sins to expiate,
 Virtues to acquire,
 Hell to avoid,
 Heaven to gain,
 Eternity to prepare for,
 Time to profit by,
 Neighbors to edify,
 The world to despise,
 Devils to combat,
 Passions to subdue,
 Death perhaps to suffer, and Judgement to undergo.**

