

## ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

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**“There is no higher dignity than to serve Christ.” - St. Ambrose**

**“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church,  
and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.”**



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

### The Twenty- first Sunday of Ordinary Time (A) and the Twenty-first Week of OT

August 26 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm  
Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: Russel Baker  
Reader: Rose

August 27 Sunday Mass 9:00 am  
Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: Anna Warpecha  
Reader: Veronica

August 28 Monday Mass 8:00 am  
St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church – Mem.

Intention: + Catherine Chrisco

August 31 Thursday Mass 8:00 am  
Weekday of Ordinary Time

Intention: Deborah Baker

September 1 Friday Adoration 7:00 am – 8:00 am  
Weekday of Ordinary Time Mass 8:00 am

Intention: Milczarski & Szostek Families

September 2 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm  
Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Int: Jade & PeeWee Amweg & Family  
Reader: Christina

September 3 Sunday Mass 9:00 am  
Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Margaret Ciesla  
Reader: Veronica

**Confessions:** Confessions are heard up until 15 min. before any Mass and by appointment.

**“Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy.” - St. Peter**

**Just a Reminder:** If you need to be anointed or need the sacrament of Reconciliation, please call our Office and set up a time or let Fr. Paul know in person.



**Thank you to Stanley Jarzabek for replacing a large board which fell off the Church under the eaves. Stanley worked a long time and in very hot weather to do this for St. Theresa’s parishioners. Please thank him in person.**



**“There are those who seek knowledge for the sake of knowledge; that is curiosity. There are those who seek knowledge to be known by others; that is vanity. There are those who seek knowledge in order to serve; that is Love.” - St Bernard of Clairvaux**

**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 Cathy Andrews, Mrs. Deborah Baker, Stanley and Jadwiga Kuc, Ralph Rowbotham, Jennifer Nason, Mrs. Maria Doniec, Bob and Sonia Burke, Joana Macijauskas, Mrs. Hella Tompkins, Mrs. Ann Ivers, Albina Vysniauskas, Brone and Vida Nakas, Dennis and Jean Sandfort, Maria Antoniewicz, Glen Zanetic, Mrs. Anna Jarzabek, Fr. Andrew Sosnowski, 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.

**“Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.” – St. Peter**

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

St. Theresa Parish Offertory	July 2023	July 2022	Total for This FY (July 2022 – June 2023)	Total for Prior FY (July 2021 – June 2022)
	\$ 7971	\$ 8770	\$ 90709	\$ 100092
<b>CSA for 2023</b>	<b>Goal</b>	<b>Pledged</b>	<b>Received</b>	
	<b>\$ 3385</b>	<b>\$ 6896</b>	<b>\$ 6196</b>	

**"The keys of the kingdom":** From the beginning of his public life Jesus chose certain men, twelve in number, to be with him and to participate in his mission. He gives the Twelve a share in his authority and 'sent them out to preach the kingdom of God and to heal.' They remain associated for ever with Christ's kingdom, for through them he directs the Church: "As my Father appointed a kingdom for me, so do I appoint for you that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

Simon Peter holds the first place in the college of the Twelve; Jesus entrusted a unique mission to him. Through a revelation from the Father, Peter had confessed: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Our Lord then declared to him: "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it." Christ, the "living Stone", thus assures his Church, built on Peter, of victory over the powers of death. Because of the faith he confessed Peter will remain the unshakable rock of the Church. His mission will be to keep this faith from every lapse and to strengthen his brothers in it.

Jesus entrusted a specific authority to Peter: "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." The "power of the keys" designates authority to govern the house of God, which is the Church. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, confirmed this mandate after his Resurrection: "Feed my sheep." The power to "bind and loose" connotes the authority to absolve sins, to pronounce doctrinal judgments, and to make disciplinary decisions in the Church. Jesus entrusted this authority to the Church through the ministry of the apostles and in particular through the ministry of Peter, the only one to whom he specifically entrusted the keys of the kingdom. (CCC 551-553)

**“Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing.”  
– St. Peter (1 Peter 3:9)**