## ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH - Sunny Hills

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"The world is your ship and not your home."

"Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the Kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven."

"Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love."

— St. Thérèse of Lisieux







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

## Mass Times for the Memorial of St. Thérèse of Lisieux and the Twenty-sixth Week of Ordinary Time.

September 30 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm Intention: Fran Schroeder

Memorial of St. Thérèse of Lisieux Reader: Kate

October 1 Sunday Mass 9:00 am Intention: + Andrzej Ciesla

Memorial of St. Thérèse of Lisieux Reader: Mark

October 2 Monday Mass 8:00 am Intention: + Frank Biela The Hoy Guardian Angels - Memorial

October 5 Thursday Mass 8:00 am Intention: Anna Warpecha

St. Faustina Kowalska - Virgin

October 6 Friday Adoration 7:00 am – 8:00 am

St. Bruno – Priest Mass 8:00 am Int: Milczarski & Szostek Families

October 7 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm Intention: + Julianna Chapukas

Twenty-seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time Reader: Kate

October 8 Sunday Mass 9:00 am Intention: + Margaret Ciesla

Twenty-seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time Reader: Christina

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

"Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing." - St. Therese of Lisieux

**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.



There will be a Parish Breakfast next weekend after the 9:00 am Sunday Mass on October 8. Everyone is invited to attend. All you need to bring is a smile and a desire to get to know your fellow parishioners better. We look forward to seeing you there!



"For me, prayer is an aspiration of the heart, it is a simple glance directed to heaven, it is a cry of gratitude and love in the midst of trial as well as joy; finally it is something great, supernatural, which expands my soul and unites me to Jesus." — St. Thérèse

The Devil Is in the Details: This saying is meant to warn people that overlooking a seemingly small detail can lead to large problems. It is based on an older saying: "God is in the detail." which reminds us to pay attention to what we are doing. St. Thérèse's "Little Way", is a way of serving God by paying attention to all of the ordinary details of our lives. Thérèse thought that those, like her, who were not well-known or given the opportunity to perform great works to benefit many people could serve God through their littleness, simplicity, and love. A childlike obedience and love for our Father allows us to offer Him the smallest acts of ours. What are seen by many as insignificant and tiresome duties in our lives can be transformed into constant worship and awareness of God's place in our lives. So our day-to-day tasks, our unseen labor, and the indignities we face can become a symphony of praise pleasing to God. Truly "God is in the detail." if we have the strength, humility, and love to follow our own unique "little way" to Him.

"A society will be judged on the basis of how it treats its weakest members; and among the most vulnerable are surely the unborn and the dying."

— St. John Paul II



**October Is Respect Life Month:** Each October the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between.

**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.

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

St. Theresa Parish Offertory	Sept. 2023	Sept. 2022	Total for This FY (July 2023 – Sept. 2023)	Total for Prior FY (July 2022 – Sept. 2022)
	\$ 7379	\$ 6756	\$ 22568	\$ 24315
CSA for 2023	Goal	Pledged	Received	
	\$ 3385	<mark>\$ 6896</mark>	\$ 6311	

"You must practice the little virtues. This is sometimes difficult, but God never refuses the first grace—courage for self-conquest; and if the soul correspond to that grace, she at once finds herself in God's sunlight." – St. Thérèse

"The Church . . . is held, as a matter of faith, to be unfailingly holy. This is because Christ, the Son of God, who with the Father and the Spirit is hailed as 'alone holy,' loved the Church as his Bride, giving himself up for her so as to sanctify her; he joined her to himself as his body and endowed her with the gift of the Holy Spirit for the glory of God." The Church, then, is "the holy People of God," and her members are called "saints." United with Christ, the Church is sanctified by him; through him and with him she becomes sanctifying. "All the activities of the Church are directed, as toward their end, to the sanctification of men in Christ and the glorification of God." It is in the Church that "the fullness of the means of salvation" has been deposited. It is in her that "by the grace of God we acquire holiness." "The Church on earth is endowed already with a sanctity that is real though imperfect." In her members perfect holiness is something yet to be acquired: "Strengthened by so many and such great means of salvation, all the faithful, whatever their condition or state - though each in his own way - are called by the Lord to that perfection of sanctity by which the Father himself is perfect." (CCC 823 - 825)

"And it is the Lord, it is Jesus, Who is my judge. Therefore I will try always to think leniently of others, that He may judge me leniently, or rather not at all, since He says:

"Judge not, and ye shall not be judged." - St. Thérèse

How to Request a Mass Intention at St. Theresa: Please put your mass intention, a specific date, if desired, and the \$10 per mass offering into a plain envelope marked Mass Intention. Please include your name and a phone number in case there are any questions. Then, either put it into the offertory basket or hand it to Fr. Paul. If the date(s) you requested have already been scheduled, the mass intention will be scheduled at the next available mass closest to the requested date(s).

"Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received - only what you have given: a full heart, enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage." – St. Francis of Assisi



"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love,
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
And where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved, as to love."

(St. Francis of Assisi)

"Help one another with the generosity of the Lord, and despise no one. When you have the opportunity to do good, do not let it go by." – St. Polycarp