

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

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“When we pray, the voice of the heart must be heard more than that proceeding from the mouth.” - St. Bonaventure

“This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.”



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

Mass Times for the Sixth Sunday of Easter and the Sixth Week of Easter.

May 4 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
Sixth Sunday of Easter



Intention: Emily Neuman
Reader: Kate

May 5 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Intention: + Albert & Frances Ciesla
Reader: Sal

May 6 Monday 8:00 am
Sixth Week of Easter

Int: + Ty Nguyen

May 9 Thursday 8:00 am
Sixth Week of Easter

Intention: + Thien Nguyen

May 10 Friday Adoration 7:00 am - 8:00 am
Sixth Week of Easter Mass 8:00 am

Intention: + Frank Biela

May 11 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
The Ascension of the Lord



Int: Michael & Mary Kathryn Peadar
Reader: Mark

May 12 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
The Ascension of the Lord

Intention: + Sofia & Tadeusz Rokosz
Reader: Christina

“When did God’s love for you begin? When He began to be God. When did He begin to be God? Never, for He has always been without beginning and without end, and so He has always loved you from eternity.” St. Francis de Sales

Parish Breakfast: We will have a Parish Breakfast next Sunday, May 12, after the 9:00 am Mass. Everyone is invited.

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 David Zurawska, Deputy Dakota Jarvis and Brian Paridon as they risk their lives to keep us safe.



There are special prayer requests for Larry Arnold, Susan & David Estes, Gerry Sott, Cathy Andrews, Stanley & Jadwiga Kuc, Ralph Rowbotham, Jennifer Nason, Mrs. Maria Doniec, Bob & Sonia Burke, Joana Macijauskas, Mrs. Hella Tompkins, Mrs. Ann Ivers, Albina Vysniauskas, Brone & Vida Nakas, Maria Antoniewicz, Glen Zanetic, Mrs. Anna Jarzabek, 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.

Catholic Charing Appeal (CSA) 2024: Our CSA is 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 | Mar 2024 | Mar. 2023 | Total for This FY (July 2023 – Mar. 2024) | Total for Prior FY (July 2022 – Mar. 2023) |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| | \$ 8995 | \$ 7306 | \$ 69700 | \$ 67057 |
| CSA for 2024 | Goal | Pledged | Received | |
| | \$ 7000 | \$ 8330 | \$ 6880 | |

The revelation of the ineffable name "I AM WHO AM" contains then the truth that God alone IS. The Greek Septuagint translation of the Hebrew Scriptures, and following it the Church's Tradition, understood the divine name in this sense: God is the fullness of Being and of every perfection, without origin and without end. All creatures receive all that they are and have from him; but he alone is his very being, and he is of himself everything that he is. God, "HE WHO IS", revealed himself to Israel as the one "abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness". These two terms express summarily the riches of the divine name. In all his works God displays, not only his kindness, goodness, grace and steadfast love, but also his trustworthiness, constancy, faithfulness and truth. "I give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness." He is the Truth, for "God is light and in him there is no darkness"; "God is love", as the apostle John teaches.(CCC 213-214)

God is Love: In the course of its history, Israel was able to discover that God had only one reason to reveal himself to them, a single motive for choosing them from among all peoples as his special possession: his sheer gratuitous love. And thanks to the prophets Israel understood that it was again out of love that God never stopped saving them and pardoning their unfaithfulness and sins. God's love for Israel is compared to a father's love for his son. His love for his people is stronger than a mother's for her children. God loves his people more than a bridegroom his beloved; his love will be victorious over even the worst infidelities and will extend to his most precious gift: "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." God's love is "everlasting": "For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you." Through Jeremiah, God declares to his people, "I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you." But St. John goes even further when he affirms that "God is love": God's very being is love. By sending his only Son and the Spirit of Love in the fullness of time, God has revealed his innermost secret: God himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and he has destined us to share in that exchange (CCC 218-221).

The Holy Spirit - God's gift: "God is Love" and love is his first gift, containing all others. "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us." (CCC - 733)

“Love is never something that is ready-made, something merely ‘given’ to man and woman; it is always at the same time a ‘task’ which they are set. Love should be seen as something which in a sense never ‘is’ but is always only ‘becoming,’ and what it becomes depends upon the contribution of both persons and the depth of their commitment.”

– St. John Paul II