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 saint without a past, no sinner without a future." St Augustine "The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will live forever."





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

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

June 15 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

June 16 Sunday Masses 9:00 am Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

June 17 Monday 8:00 am Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time

June 20 Thursday 8:00 am Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time Intention: + Robert Paridon Reader: Veronica

Int: All Fathers at St. Theresa Reader: Mark

Intention: + Lindsy Sue Arnold

Intention: + Msgr. David O'Shea

June 21 Friday Adoration 7:00 am - 8:00 am Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious – Mem. Mass 8:00 am Intention: + Frank Biela

June 22 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

June 23 Sunday Masses 9:00 am Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: Hella & + Pat Tompkins Reader: Kate

Int: + Stanislaw & Aleksandra Obrochta Reader: Veronica

**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

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.

of our Law Enforcement Officers, especially Deputy David Zurawska, Deputy Dakota

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## Happy Father's Day!

Dear God,

Thank you for loving us with your perfect heart of a father. We ask you this Father's Day and always to guide and protect the hearts of all men in fatherly roles who are striving to love with your heart and do your work.

Give them pure, chaste, courageous, and creative hearts like Saint Joseph. Give them hearts that never tire of serving those they are called to love. Give them hearts that seek out their loved ones and gently turn their gaze to see You, who is Love. And we ask you, Father, to bless them abundantly today. We thank you for blessing us with those in fatherly roles in our lives.

We entrust them to you.

Amen.

"But pray unceasingly also for the rest of men, for they offer ground for hoping that they may be converted and win their way to God. Give them an opportunity therefore, of becoming your disciples. Meet their angry outbursts with your own gentleness, their boastfulness with your humility, their reviling with your prayers, their error with your constancy in the faith, their harshness with your meekness; and beware of trying to match their example." - St. Ignatius of Antioch

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First Mass Celebrated at St. Theresa: We will celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first Mass celebrated in St. Theresa on Sunday June 23 at the 9:00 am Mass. Mass will be followed by Breakfast in the Parish hall. Join us for this joyous occasion.

Offertory: we thank our parishioners and guests for their continued generosity.				
St. Theresa Parish Offertory	May 2024	May 2023	Total for This FY (July 2023 – May 2024)	Total for Prior FY (July 2022 – May 2023)
	\$ 7010	\$ 7595	\$ 83000	\$ 84267
CSA for 2024	Goal	Pledged	Received	
	\$ 7000	<mark>\$ 8330</mark>	\$ 6930	

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## "Do not have Jesus Christ on your lips, and the world in your hearts." — St. Ignatius of Antioch



The Holy Spirit is the living water "welling up to eternal life" in the heart that prays. It is he who teaches us to accept it at its source: Christ. Indeed in the Christian life there are several wellsprings where Christ awaits us to enable us to drink of the Holy Spirit.

**The Word of God:** The Church "forcefully and specially exhorts all the Christian faithful . . . to learn 'the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ'

(Phil 3:8) by frequent reading of the divine Scriptures. . . . Let them remember, however, that prayer should accompany the reading of Sacred Scripture, so that a dialogue takes place between God and man. For 'we speak to him when we pray; we listen to him when we read the divine oracles." The spiritual writers, paraphrasing Matthew 7:7, summarize in this way the dispositions of the heart nourished by the word of God in prayer "Seek in reading and you will find in meditating; knock in mental prayer and it will be opened to you by contemplation.

The Liturgy of the Church: In the sacramental liturgy of the Church, the mission of Christ and of

the Holy Spirit proclaims, makes present, and communicates the mystery of salvation, which is continued in the heart that prays. The spiritual writers sometimes compare the heart to an altar. Prayer internalizes and assimilates the liturgy during and after its celebration. Even when it is lived out "in secret," prayer is always prayer of the Church; it is a communion with the Holy Trinity.

The theological virtues: One enters into prayer as one enters into liturgy: by the narrow gate of faith. Through the signs of his presence, it is the Face of the Lord that we seek and desire; it is his Word that we want to hear and keep. The Holy Spirit, who instructs us to celebrate the liturgy in expectation of Christ's return, teaches us to pray in hope. Conversely, the prayer of the Church and personal prayer nourish hope in us. The psalms especially, with their concrete and varied language, teach us to fix our hope in God: "I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry." As St. Paul prayed: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." "Hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us." Prayer, formed by the liturgical life, draws everything into the love by which we are loved in Christ and which enables us to respond to him by loving as he has loved us. Love is the source of prayer; whoever draws from it reaches the summit of prayer. In the words of the Cure of Ars: "I love you, O my God, and my only desire is to love you until the last breath of my life. I love you, O my infinitely lovable God, and I would rather die loving you, than live without loving you. I love you, Lord, and the only grace I ask is to love you eternally. . . . My God, if my tongue cannot say in every moment that I love you, I want my heart to repeat it to you as often as I draw breath.

**"Today":** We learn to pray at certain moments by hearing the Word of the Lord and sharing in his Paschal mystery, but his Spirit is offered us at all times, in the events of each day, to make prayer spring up from us. Jesus' teaching about praying to our Father is in the same vein as his teaching about providence: time is in the Father's hands; it is in the present that we encounter him, not yesterday nor tomorrow, but today: "O that today you would hearken to his voice! Harden not your hearts." Prayer in the events of each day and each moment is one of the secrets of the kingdom revealed to "little children," to the servants of Christ, to the poor of the Beatitudes. It is right and good to pray so that the coming of the kingdom of justice and peace may influence the march of history, but it is just as important to bring the help of prayer into humble, everyday situations; all forms of prayer can be the leaven to which the Lord compares the kingdom. (CCC 2652-2660)



"Our task is not one of producing persuasive propaganda; Christianity shows its greatness when it is hated by the world." - St. Ignatius of Antioch