

## ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

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**“The greatest kindness one can render to any man consists in leading him from error to truth.” - St. Thomas Aquinas**

**“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.”**



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

### Mass Times for The Twenty-fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time and the Twenty- fifth Week of Ordinary Time.

September 21 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm  
Twenty- fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Andrzej Zloza Jarzabek  
Reader: Kate

September 22 Sunday Mass 9:00 am  
Twenty- fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Stanislaw Bartulica & Parents  
Reader: Veronica

September 23 Monday 8:00 am  
St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest – Mem.

Intention: + Janet Rzonca

September 26 Thursday 8:00 am  
Weekday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Frank Jankowski

September 27 Friday Adoration 7:00 am – 8:00 am  
St. Vincent de Paul, Priest – Mem. Mass 8:00 am

Intention: + Wanda Jurek-Jankowski

September 28 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm  
Twenty- sixth Sunday of OT

Intention: Stanislaw & Anna Jarzabek  
Reader: Christina

September 29 Sunday Mass 9:00 am  
Twenty- sixth Sunday of OT



Intention: Lynn Zanetic  
Reader: Sal



**Brone Nakas died on September 12, 2024. Brone was a long-term and faithful parishioner of St. Theresa. She was a wonderful woman who will be greatly missed. Her funeral Mass will be at 11:00 am on Saturday, September 28 with viewing at 10:30 am. The committal will be at Calvary Cemetery after Mass. Brone's family would like to invite everyone to a meal in the Parish Hall after the committal. May Brone rest in the peace of Christ.**

**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 Lidia Kraj, David Hilty, John Oakley, 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, 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.

**"The whole of Christ's life was a continual teaching: his silences, his miracles, his gestures, his prayer, his love for people, his special affection for the little and the poor, his acceptance of the total sacrifice on the Cross for the redemption of the world, and his Resurrection are the actualization of his word and the fulfillment of Revelation."**  
- St. John Paul II

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

St. Theresa Parish Offertory	Aug. 2024	Aug. 2023	Total for This FY (July 2024 – Aug. 2024)	Total for Prior FY (July 2023 – Aug. 2023)
	\$ 6529	\$ 8190	\$ 13724	\$ 16161
<b>CSA for 2024</b>	<b>Goal</b>	<b>Pledged</b>	<b>Received</b>	
	<b>\$ 7000</b>	<b>\$ 8480</b>	<b>\$ 8055</b>	

**Mass Intention Calendar:** Our Mass Intention calendar is completely filled until January 2025. This is a good thing. It demonstrates that our parishioners are very mindful about having a Mass, the most powerful prayer we can offer, for their loved ones.

Priests are asked not to schedule Mass Intentions too far into the future, so I will start accepting Mass Intentions for 2025 in the middle of October. Thank you for your desire to schedule Mass Intentions and your understanding.

**"Jealousy has no limit; it is an evil that continually endures and a sin, without end. The lies of jealousy burn hotter in proportion to the increasing success of the person who is envied."**  
- St Cyprian

Anger is a desire for revenge. "To desire vengeance in order to do evil to someone who should be punished is illicit," but it is praiseworthy to impose restitution "to correct vices and maintain justice." If anger reaches the point of a deliberate desire to kill or seriously wound a neighbor, it is gravely against charity; it is a mortal sin. The Lord says, "Everyone who is angry with his brother shall be liable to judgment."

Deliberate hatred is contrary to charity. Hatred of the neighbor is a sin when one deliberately wishes him evil. Hatred of the neighbor is a grave sin when one deliberately desires him grave harm.



"But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven."

Respect for and development of human life require peace. Peace is not merely the absence of war, and it is not limited to maintaining a balance of powers between adversaries. Peace cannot be attained on earth without safeguarding the goods of persons, free communication among men, respect for the dignity of persons and peoples, and the assiduous practice of fraternity. Peace is "the tranquility of order." Peace is the work of justice and the effect of charity.

Earthly peace is the image and fruit of the peace of Christ, the messianic "Prince of Peace." By the blood of his Cross, "in his own person he killed the hostility," he reconciled men with God and made his Church the sacrament of the unity of the human race and of its union with God. "He is our peace." He has declared: "Blessed are the peacemakers." [CCC 2302-2305]

**"To harbor no envy, no anger, no resentment against an offender is still not to have love for him. It is possible, without any love, to avoid rendering evil for evil. But to render, spontaneously, good for evil – such belongs to a perfect spiritual love."  
- St Maximus the Confessor**

The tenth commandment requires that envy be banished from the human heart. When the prophet Nathan wanted to spur King David to repentance, he told him the story about the poor man who had only one ewe lamb that he treated like his own daughter and the rich man who, despite the great number of his flocks, envied the poor man and ended by stealing his lamb. Envy can lead to the worst crimes. "Through the devil's envy death entered the world":

We fight one another, and envy arms us against one another. . . . If everyone strives to unsettle the Body of Christ, where shall we end up? We are engaged in making Christ's Body a corpse. . . . We declare ourselves members of one and the same organism, yet we devour one another like beasts.

Envy is a capital sin. It refers to the sadness at the sight of another's goods and the immoderate desire to acquire them for oneself, even unjustly. When it wishes grave harm to a neighbor it is a mortal sin: St. Augustine saw envy as "the diabolical sin." "From envy are born hatred, detraction, calumny, joy caused by the misfortune of a neighbor, and displeasure caused by his prosperity."

Envy represents a form of sadness and therefore a refusal of charity; the baptized person should struggle against it by exercising good will. Envy often comes from pride; the baptized person should train himself to live in humility: Would you like to see God glorified by you? Then rejoice in your brother's progress and you will immediately give glory to God. Because his servant could conquer envy by rejoicing in the merits of others, God will be praised. [CCC 2538-2540]

**"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**

