

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

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“Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.”

**“... He looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him,
“Ephphatha!”— that is, “Be opened!” —
And immediately the man’s ears were opened,
his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly.”**



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

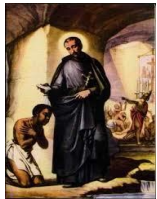
**Mass Times for The Twenty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time
and the Twenty-third Week of Ordinary Time.**

September 7 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
Twenty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Brone Parestis
Reader: Mark

September 8 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
Twenty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: The Biela family
Reader: Sal



September 9 Monday 8:00 am
St. Peter Claver, Priest - Memorial

Intention: + Frank Biela

September 12 Thursday 8:00 am
Weekday of Ordinary Time

Int: Msgr. Francis Szczykutowicz

September 13 Friday Adoration 7:00 am – 8:00 am
St. John Chrysostom Mass 8:00 am
Bishop & Doctor of Church – Memorial

Int.: + Albert & Frances Ciesla

September 14 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
Twenty-fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: Kamil Caluzinski
Reader: Veronica

September 15 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
Twenty-fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Chris Ciesla & Family
Reader: Mark

“Let them know that the Lord did not come to make a display, but to heal and teach those who were suffering. The way for one aiming at display would be just to appear, and to dazzle the beholders; but for one seeking to heal and teach, the way is not simply to visit here, but to give himself to aid those in need...” St. Athanasius



**HAPPY 91st BIRTHDAY
Msgr. Francis!**

**Wszystkiego
najlepszego z okazji 91.
Urodzin
ks. Franciszek**



**Meet
for
Breakfast**

**Parish Breakfast: We will have a Parish Breakfast today
after our 9:00 am Mass.**

**Everyone is invited for good company, good food,
and for the chance to make new friends.**

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, 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.

**“Heal me, Lord, that I might be healed; save me, that I might be saved,
for it is you whom I praise.” (Jer. 17:14)**



Christ's compassion toward the sick and his many healings of every kind of infirmity are a resplendent sign that "God has visited his people" and that the Kingdom of God is close at hand. Jesus has the power not only to heal, but also to forgive sins; he has come to heal the whole man, soul and body; he is the physician the sick have need of. His compassion toward all who suffer goes so far that he identifies himself with them: "I was sick and you visited me." His preferential love for the sick has not ceased through the centuries to draw the very special attention of Christians toward all those who suffer in body and soul. It is the source of tireless efforts to comfort them.

Moved by so much suffering Christ not only allows himself to be touched by the sick, but he makes their miseries his own: "He took our infirmities and bore our diseases." But he did not heal all the sick. His healings were signs of the coming of the Kingdom of God. They announced a more radical healing: the victory over sin and death through his Passover. On the cross Christ took upon himself the whole weight of evil and took away the "sin of the world," of which illness is only a consequence. By his passion and death on the cross Christ has given a new meaning to suffering: it can henceforth configure us to him and unite us with his redemptive Passion. [CCC 1503 & 1505]

"Heal the sick!" The Church has received this charge from the Lord and strives to carry it out by taking care of the sick as well as by accompanying them with her prayer of intercession. She believes in the life-giving presence of Christ, the physician of souls and bodies. This presence is particularly active through the sacraments, and in an altogether special way through the Eucharist, the bread that gives eternal life and that St. Paul suggests is connected with bodily health.

However, the apostolic Church has its own rite for the sick, attested to by St. James: "Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders [presbyters] of the Church and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven." Tradition has recognized in this rite one of the seven sacraments. [CCC 1509 & 1510]

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
CSA for 2024	Goal	Pledged	Received	
	\$ 7000	\$ 8480	\$ 8055	

“Be ashamed when you sin, don't be ashamed when you repent. Sin is the wound, repentance is the medicine. Sin is followed by shame; repentance is followed by boldness. Satan has overturned this order and given boldness to sin and shame to repentance.”
- St. John Chrysostom

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.



"Do not look forward to what may happen tomorrow; the same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. Either He will shield you from suffering, or He will give you strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations, and say continually:

'The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart has trusted in Him and I am helped. He is not only with me but in me and I in Him.'"

- St Francis de Sales

