

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

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... Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened
and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.
And a voice came from heaven,
“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”



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

Mass Times for The Baptism of the Lord and the First Week of Ordinary Time.

January 11 Saturday Mass 5:00 pm
The Baptism of the Lord - Vigil Mass

Intention: + Ramona Derencius
Reader: Kate

January 12 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
The Baptism of the Lord

Intention: + Wendy Wilson
Reader: Christina

January 13 Monday Mass 8:00 am
First Week of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Anna Warpecha

January 16 Thursday Mass 8:00 am
First Week of Ordinary Time

Intention: Vida Nakas

January 17 Friday Adoration 7:00 am – 8:00 am
St. Anthony, Abbot – Memorial Mass 8:00 am

Intention: + Stanley Ciesla

January 18 Saturday Mass 5:00 pm
The Second Sunday of Ordinary Time - Vigil Mass

Intention: + Brone Nakas
Reader: Mark

January 19 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
The Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: Chris Ciesla & Family
Reader: Sal



Parish Breakfast: After the 9 am Mass today, January 12, everyone is invited to the Parish Hall to strengthen our parish community through conversation and food. I would encourage everyone to be there regardless of which Mass you attend. To say "Hello" to your established friends and to make new ones. St. Theresa is a parish filled with interesting people and it is a blessing to be able to meet each other in a relaxed setting



THANK YOU to a family who paid to have two windows in the narthex replaced! Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated!

"Baptize first the children; and if they can speak for themselves, let them do so. Otherwise, let their parents or other relatives speak for them." - St. Hippolytus of Rome (215 A.D.)

The baptism of Jesus is on his part the acceptance and inauguration of his mission as God's suffering Servant. He allows himself to be numbered among sinners; he is already "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world". Already he is anticipating the "baptism" of his bloody death. Already he is coming to "fulfill all righteousness", that is, he is submitting himself entirely to his Father's will: out of love he consents to this baptism of death for the remission of our sins. The Father's voice responds to the Son's acceptance, proclaiming his entire delight in his Son. The Spirit whom Jesus possessed in fullness from his conception comes to "rest on him". Jesus will be the source of the Spirit for all mankind. At his baptism "the heavens were opened" - the heavens that Adam's sin had closed - and the waters were sanctified by the descent of Jesus and the Spirit, a prelude to the new creation. Through Baptism the Christian is sacramentally assimilated to Jesus, who in his own baptism anticipates his death and resurrection. The Christian must enter into this mystery of humble self-abasement and repentance, go down into the water with Jesus in order to rise with him, be reborn of water and the Spirit so as to become the Father's beloved son in the Son and "walk in newness of life. (CCC 536 - 537)

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 and Brian Paridon as they risk their lives to keep us safe.



There are special prayer requests for Sr. Anna Szostek, Ed Lang, Paul Day, Alvera Seluga, 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. 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

"Dearly Beloved, each word and deed of Our Savior Jesus Christ is for us a lesson in virtue and piety. For this end also did He assumed our nature, so that every man and every woman, contemplating as in a picture the practice of all virtue and piety, might strive with all their hearts to imitate His example. For this He bore our body, so that as far as we could, we might repeat within us, the manner of His life. And so, therefore, when you hear mention of some word or deed of His, take care not to receive it simply as something that incidentally happened but raise your mind upwards towards the sublimity of what He is teaching and strive to see what has been mystically handed down to us"
- St Basil the Great

Thank You: I would like to thank all of the Parishioners of St Theresa and our guests for their prayers, best wishes, and generous financial support throughout this past year. I hope the year to come brings you peace, stronger faith, and a greater appreciation for how much God has blessed all of us.

We thank our parishioners and guests for their continued generosity.

St. Theresa Offertory	Dec. 2024	Dec. 2023	Total for This FY (July 2024 – Dec. 2024)	Total for Prior FY (July 2023 – Dec. 2023)
	\$ 8091	\$ 9288	\$ 43715	\$ 48524
CSA for 2024	Goal	Pledged	Received	
	\$ 7000	\$ 8355	\$ 8355	