

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

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“Lord give us grateful hearts and keep us mindful of the needs of others.”

“Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man.”

Jesus said to Simon,

“Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.”



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

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

February 8 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: Rita Derencius
Reader: Mark

February 9 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Int: + Albert & Frances Ciesla
Reader: Christina

February 10 Monday 8:00 am
St Scholastica, Virgin - Memorial

Intention: Lisa Moody

February 13 Thursday Adoration 7:00 am – 8:00 am
Fifth Week of Ordinary Time Mass 8:00 am

Int: + Maria Derencius

February 14 Friday Mass 8:00 am
St. Cyril, Monk St. Methodius, Bishop – Mem.

Intention: + Frank Biela

February 15 Saturday Mass 5:00 pm
Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Vigil Mass

Intention: + Brone Nakas
Reader: Christina

February 16 Sunday Mass 9:00 am
Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Margaret Ciesla
Reader: Sal

“It is a dangerous thing to be satisfied with ourselves.” – St. Teresa of Ávila

Catholic Charing Appeal (CSA) 2025: Our annual diocesan-wide appeal to support the programs which benefit the whole diocese has started. The CSA helps to ensure the education of future priests, the training of catechists for children and adults, programs to support healthy marriages and families, our Catholic schools, retired priests, and a variety of other activities which bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to every person within our diocesan boundaries.

These programs are too costly for any parish to support on their own, so we pool our resources for the good of all. A goal of our parish is to have every parishioner do their best to contribute to the CSA.

Each breath we take, our faith, our families, our parish, and our diocesan Church are gifts from God. I have seen firsthand many examples of the generosity of the parishioners of St. Theresa and I know we will do our best to help our brothers and sisters in the diocese who may not know us, but who need to know our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice!

Your kindness* should be known to all. The Lord is near.

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. (Phil. 4:4-7)

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 Janet Kaufman, 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 .

“And we, too, being called by His will to Christ Jesus, are not justified by ourselves, nor by our own wisdom, or understanding or godliness, or works which we have wrought in holiness of heart; but by that faith through which, from the beginning, Almighty God has justified all men; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.”

— St. Clement of Rome

In all of his life Jesus presents himself as our model. He is "the perfect man", who invites us to become his disciples and follow him. In humbling himself, he has given us an example to imitate, through his prayer he draws us to pray, and by his poverty he calls us to accept freely the privation and persecutions that may come our way. [CCC – 520]

The most common yet most hidden temptation is our lack of faith. It expresses itself less by declared incredulity than by our actual preferences. When we begin to pray, a thousand labors or cares thought to be urgent vie for priority; once again, it is the moment of truth for the heart: what is its real love? Sometimes we turn to the Lord as a last resort, but do we really believe he is? Sometimes we enlist the Lord as an ally, but our heart remains presumptuous. In each case, our lack of faith reveals that we do not yet share in the disposition of a humble heart: "Apart from me, you can do nothing." [CCC – 2732]

“Our Lord has created persons for all states in life, and in all of them we see people who achieved holiness by fulfilling their obligations well.”

--St. Anthony Mary Claret

We thank our parishioners and guests for their continued generosity.

St. Theresa Offertory	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2024	Total for This FY (July 2024 – Jan. 2025)	Total for Prior FY (July 2023 – Jan. 2024)
	\$ 8446	\$ 7025	\$ 52161	\$ 55549
CSA for 2025	Goal	Pledged	Received	
	\$ 9603	\$ 700		

Altar Flowers:

Our altar is decorated by the Vestiarki Sisters of Jesus with funds provided to Sr. Natalia. Donations can be made at any time throughout the year and for special occasions. You can contact Sr. Natalia at (850) 773 – 3302. We are grateful to everyone who contributes to keeping our altar lovely.

Tax Prep Time!

Year-end Personal Financial Contribution Report: If you need a report of your contributions to St. Theresa for the year 2024 for preparing your taxes, please let Fr. Paul know.

Just a Reminder: If you need to be anointed or visited by a priest, please call our Office And set up a time or please speak with Fr. Paul.

“The harm that comes to souls from the lack of reading holy books makes me shudder... What power spiritual reading has to lead to a change of course, and to make even worldly people enter into the way of perfection.”
– St. Padre Pio

