

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH – Sunny Hills

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“Whatever you do, do not think of yourself, but of God.” - St. Vincent Ferrer

**"O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish."
And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.**



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

The Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A) and the Twentieth Week of OT

August 15 Saturday Assumption of BVM – Solemnity Mass 8:00 am

Vigil Mass 5:00 pm

Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Int: + Jeffrey & Emelyn Loreto & Family

Reader: Regina

August 16 Sunday Mass 9:00 am

Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Victoria & John Konefal

Reader: Veronica

August 17 Monday Mass 8:00 am

Twentieth Week of Ordinary Time

Int: David & Nicole Shepherd & Family

August 20 Thursday Mass 8:00 am

St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church – Mem.

Intention: + Robyn & Ron Plowe

August 21 Friday Adoration 7:00 am – 8:00 am

St. Pius X, Pope – Mem. Mass 8:00 am

Intention: + Eve Ciesla

August 22 Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm

Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Agnes & Albert Warpecha

Reader: Mark

August 23 Sunday Mass 9:00 am

Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time

Intention: + Frank Biela

Reader: Sal



Thank you to our hosts and cooks for the Parish breakfast last Sunday!

These friendly and hard-working parishioners wanted all of us to have a chance to get to know each other and develop stronger bonds as a community.



The breakfast was wonderful and the company even better!

Just a Reminder: If you need to be anointed or need the sacrament of Reconciliation, please call our Office and set up a time or let Fr. Paul know in person.

Confessions: Confessions are heard up until 15 min. before any Mass and by appointment
The Church is open 1 hour before each Mass.

Dear Lord, please watch over your precious child Naomi. Wrap her in your loving arms, ease her pain, and bring healing to her body. Please also grant her family strength, wisdom, and peace during this difficult time. Amen.

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, for all of our Law Enforcement Officers, especially Deputy David Zurawska, and firefighters, especially David Shepherd, as they risk their lives to keep us safe.



There are special prayer requests for Emelyn Loreto, Chavet Paridon, Naomi Parrish, Hien Nguyen, Zofia Svedman, Matas Baltus, Steve Bertrand, David Hilty, Brian Paridon, Caroline, Jess, Chris Andrews, Jessica Stephens, Janet Kaufman, Sr. Anna Szostek, Ed Lang, Paul Day, Alvera Seluga, Larry Arnold, Susan & David Estes, Gerry Sott, Cathy Andrews, Stanley & Jadwiga Kuc, Gail & Ralph Rowbotham, Jennifer Nason, Mrs. Maria Doniec, Joana Macijauskas, Mrs. Ann Ivers, Vida Nakas, Maria Antoniewicz, Glen Zanetic, Anna Jarzabek, 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.

**“May we never risk the life of our souls by being resentful or by bearing grudges.”
-- St. Gregory of Nyssa**

We thank our parishioners and guests for their continued generosity.

St. Theresa Offertory	July 2026	July 2025	Total for This FY (July 2026 – July 2026)	Total for Prior FY (July 2025 – July 2025)
	\$ 8198	\$ 6658	\$ 8198	\$ 6658
CSA for 2026	Goal	Pledged	Received	
	\$ 7500	\$ 8288	\$ 8288	

Jesus teaches us how to pray: When Jesus prays he is already teaching us how to pray. His prayer to his Father is the theological path (the path of faith, hope, and charity) of our prayer to God. But the Gospel also gives us Jesus' explicit teaching on prayer. Like a wise teacher he takes hold of us where we are and leads us progressively toward the Father. Addressing the crowds following him, Jesus builds on what they already know of prayer from the Old Covenant and opens to them the newness of the coming Kingdom. Then he reveals this newness to them in parables. Finally, he will speak openly of the Father and the Holy Spirit to his disciples who will be the teachers of prayer in his Church.

From the Sermon on the Mount onwards, Jesus insists on conversion of heart: reconciliation with one's brother before presenting an offering on the altar, love of enemies, and prayer for persecutors, prayer to the Father in secret, not heaping up empty phrases, prayerful forgiveness from the depths of the heart, purity of heart, and seeking the Kingdom before all else. This filial conversion is entirely directed to the Father.

Once committed to conversion, the heart learns to pray in faith. Faith is a filial adherence to God beyond what we feel and understand. It is possible because the beloved Son gives us access to

the Father. He can ask us to "seek" and to "knock," since he himself is the door and the way. Just as Jesus prays to the Father and gives thanks before receiving his gifts, so he teaches us filial boldness: "Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you receive it, and you will." Such is the power of prayer and of faith that does not doubt: "all things are possible to him who believes." Jesus is as saddened by the "lack of faith" of his own neighbors and the "little faith" of his own disciples as he is struck with admiration at the great faith of the Roman centurion and the Canaanite woman. [CCC 2607 – 2610]

**“There is no one who is without faults, and who is not in some way a burden to others, whether he is a superior or a subject, an old man or a young one, a scholar or a dunce.”
- St. Robert Bellarmine**



Christ and the Canaanite Woman

Prayer for the Healing of a Loved One

Lord, You walked on the earth, understood the broken world, yet also rose from death into resurrected life.

I pray for my loved one that they would be held at this time in your loving arms.

Bless the work of the doctors, surgeons and hospital staff, and bring the power of your resurrection life into their body.

Come fill my loved one with your restorative Spirit.

May your resurrection life bring healing and wellness into their being.

May your grace carry them through this hard time into a new season filled with hope and joy.

Amen.



“Thus united to them in the fellowship of life, we will understand the things revealed to them by God and, then escaping the peril that threatens sinners in the judgment, will receive that which is laid up for the saints in the kingdom of heaven.”

- St. Athanasius