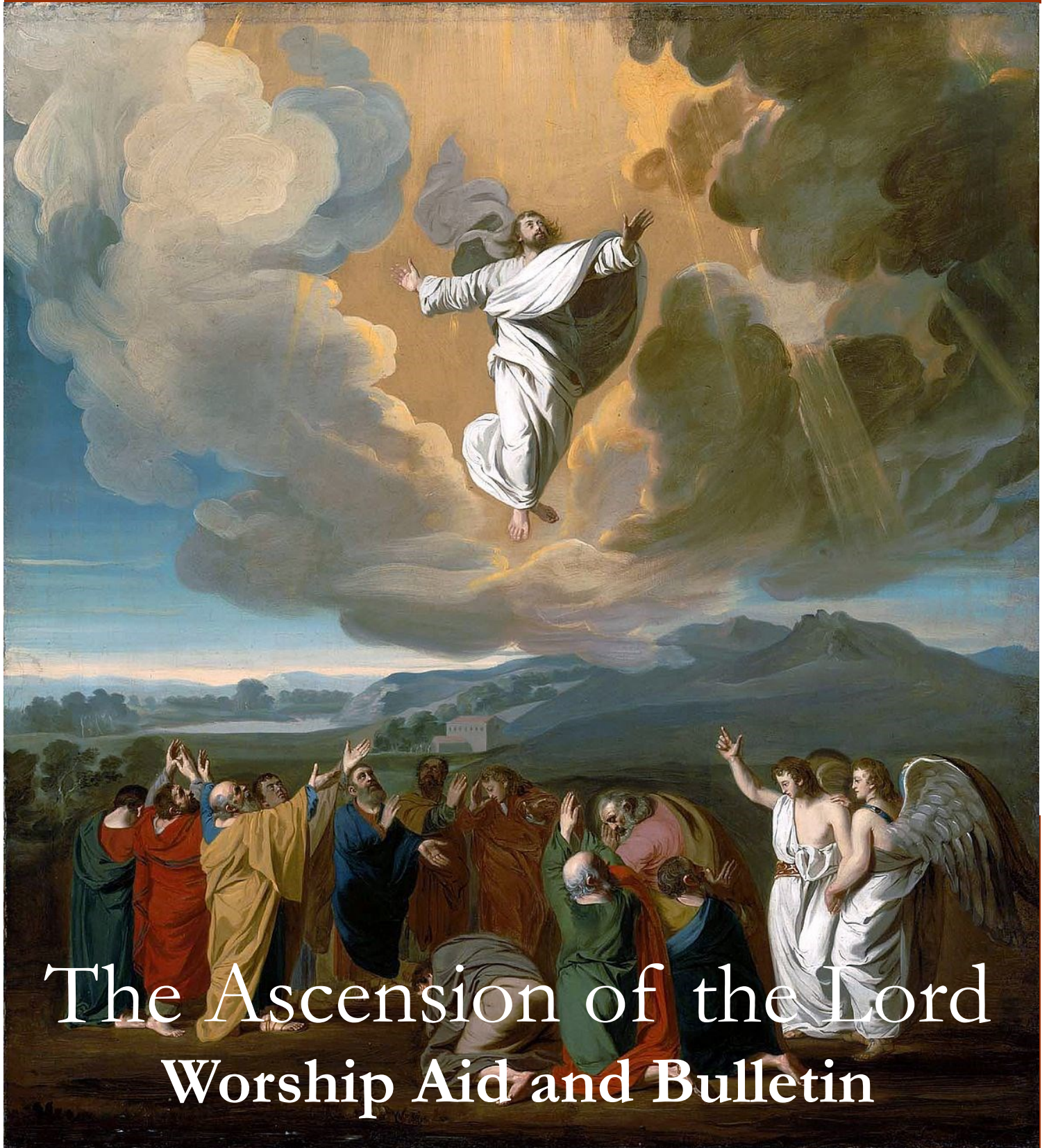




May 24, 2020

# St. Theresa Catholic Church

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## The Ascension of the Lord

### Worship Aid and Bulletin



# INTRODUCTORY RITES

## Entrance Hymn – *The Lord Ascendeth Up on High*

1 The Lord a - scend - eth up on high, the Lord hath tri - umphed  
2 The heavens with joy re - ceive their Lord, by saints, by an - gel  
3 Our great High Priest hath gone be - fore, up - on his Church his

glo - rious - ly, in power and might ex - cel - ling;  
hosts a - dored; O day of ex - ul - ta - tion!  
grace to pour; and still his love he giv - eth.

the grave and hell are cap - tive led. Lo! he re -  
O earth, a - dore thy glo - rious King! His ris - ing,  
O may our hearts to him a - scend; may all with -

turns, our glo - rious Head, to his e - ter - nal dwell - ing.  
his as - cen - sion sing with grate - ful a - dor - a - tion!  
in us up - ward tend to him who ev - er liv - eth!

Words: Arthur T. Russell (1806-1874), alt.  
Music: *Ach Herr, du allerhöchster Gott*, Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

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Penitential Rite – *Kyrie Eleison*, Palestrina, arr. Covington

Glory to God – *Mass of St Theresa*, Covington

Collect

*Please sit*

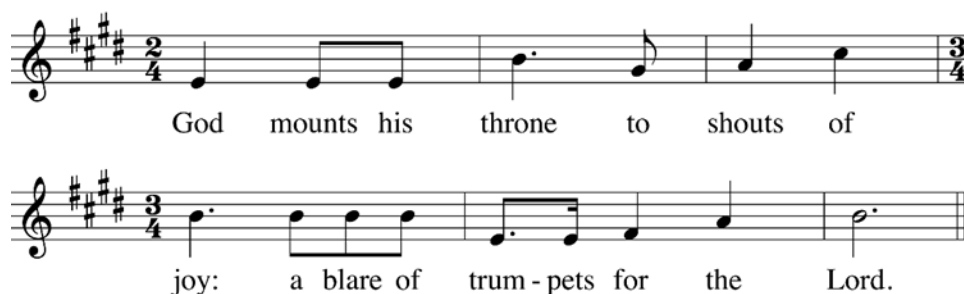
# THE LITURGY *of the* WORD

## First Reading – Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with the them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for “the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

When they had gathered together they asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” He answered them, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.”

## Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9



All peoples, clap your hands.  
Cry to God with shouts of joy!  
For the LORD, the Most High, is  
awesome,  
the great king over all the earth. R.

God goes up with shouts of joy.  
The LORD goes up with trumpet blast.

Sing praise for God; sing praise!  
Sing praise to our king; sing  
praise! R.

God is king of all the earth.  
Sing praise with all your skill.  
God reigns over the nations.  
God sits upon his holy throne. R.

Text: *The Revised Grail Psalms*, © 2010, Conception Abbey and The Grail, admin. by GIA Publications, Inc.;  
refrain tr. © 1969, ICEL  
Music: Michel Guimont, © 1994, GIA Publications, Inc.

## Second Reading – Ephesians 1:17-23

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

**Gospel Alleluia – Matthew 28:19a, 20b***Please stand*

Go and teach all nations, says the Lord;  
I am with you always, until the end of the world.

**Gospel – Matthew 28:16-20**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, “All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.”

**Homily***Please sit***Apostles Creed***Please stand*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the  
right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.

**General Intercessions****Announcements***Please sit*

## THE LITURGY *of the* EUCHARIST

**Preparation of the Gifts****Offertory Anthem***Ascendit Deus, Samuel Webbe*

**Text:** God has gone up with joyful shout,  
the Lord with the voice of a trumpet,  
sing praises to our God;  
Sing praises to our King.  
Because God is king over all the earth, sing wisely.

**Invitation to Prayer***Please stand***Prayer over the Offerings**

## Holy, Holy, Holy

**Text:** Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*Please kneel or be seated*

## Mystery of Faith

**Priest:** The mystery of faith.  
**All:** When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord,  
until you come again.

## Great Amen

*Please stand*

# THE COMMUNION RITE

## Lord's Prayer

## Sign of Peace

## Lamb of God – *Angus Dei*, Palestrina from *Missa Aeterna Christi Munera*

**Text:** Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

*Please kneel as you are able*

## Communion Antiphon – *St. Meinrad Communion Antiphon* by Columba Kelly, OSB



# THE CONCLUDING RITES

Song of Thanksgiving—O Praise Ye the Lord!

1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth,  
\* 3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;  
4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song

re - joice in his word, ye an - gels of light;  
in tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth;  
each ju - bi - lant chord re - ech - o a - round;  
to him be out - poured all a - ges a - long!

ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were made,  
praise him who hath brought you his grace from a - bove,  
loud or - gans, his glo - ry forth tell in deep tone,  
For love in cre - a - tion, for hea - ven re - stored,

and wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.  
praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.  
and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.  
for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), alt.; based on Psalms 148 and 150  
Music: *Laudate Dominum*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

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## Blessing and Dismissal



# The Ascension of the Lord

## MASS AND THE SACRAMENTS

**WELCOME** to St. Theresa Parish!  
We are glad you are here and want to walk with you no matter where you are on your journey of faith.

**Rev. Larry Covington**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Hai Nguyen**  
*Associate Pastor*

## MASS TIMES

These masses can now be attended in person with limitations for safety.

**Monday – Friday** | 11:30 AM

**Saturday** | 5:00 PM\*

**Sunday** | 7:30 AM, 10:00 AM

*\*this mass will be livestreamed*

## RECONCILIATION

by appointment only

## OFFICE HOURS

**Mon – Friday** | 9 AM – 5 PM | **The office is now open to the public.** Staff can be reached via email or through the main office number:  
**512-451-5121**

## For more information about:

**BAPTISM**—Contact Donna Henderson, parish secretary.

**MARRIAGE**—Contact Kari Cruz (x1006) at least six months in advance of the wedding.

**FUNERALS**—Contact Kari Cruz (x1006) for arrangements.

**BECOMING CATHOLIC**—  
Contact Amy Allert (x1008).

Please see our website for additional information.  
[www.sttaustin.org](http://www.sttaustin.org)



**ST. THERESA**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

## MASS INTENTIONS & DAILY READINGS

**Saturday, May 23**

**Easter Weekday**

*Acts 18:23-28 Ps 47:2-3, 8-10 Jn 16:23b-28*

5:00 p.m.....Dennis Messey

**Sunday, May 24**

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

*Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 Eph 1:17-23*

*Mt 28:16-20*

7:30 a.m.....Sidney M. Henke †

10:00 a.m.....Parishioners of St. Theresa Catholic Church

**Monday, May 25**

**Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church;**

**Saint Gregory VII, Pope;**

**Saint Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin**

*Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-5acd, 6-7b Jn 16:29-33*

11:30 a.m.....Diana Gembinski

**Tuesday, May 26**

**Saint Philip Neri, Priest**

*Phil 4:4-9 Ps 34:2-11 Jn 17:20-26*

11:30 a.m.....Beatriz Wilson

**Wednesday, May 27**

**Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop**

*Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36b Jn 17:11b-19*

11:30 a.m.....Will Swartwout

**Thursday, May 28**

**Easter Weekday**

*Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 Jn 17:20-26*

11:30.....John Dohanich †

**Friday, May 29**

**Saint Paul VI, Pope**

*Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20b Jn 21:15-19*

11:30 a.m.....Reese Termulo †

**Saturday, May 30**

**Easter Weekday**

*Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11:4-5, 7 Jn 21:20-25*

5:00 p.m.....Theresa Inniss

**Sunday, May 31**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

*Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13*

*Jn 20:19-23*

7:30 a.m.....Cecilia H. Henke †

10:00 a.m.....Parishioners of St. Theresa Catholic Church

## PUBLIC MASS ATTENDANCE IS GROWING

We have seen attendance numbers increase slightly this past week, but there was room for all, as we have not yet reached the current 25 percent capacity. Public Mass (with limitations) is offered at the following times:

**Sunday Vigil—5 p.m. Saturday**

**Sunday Mass— 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m.**

**Weekday Mass—11:30 a.m., Monday—Friday**

**The Mass at 5 p.m. Saturday is the only one that continues to be livestreamed** and is available on both our YouTube Channel and on our parish Facebook page. It will remain available for later viewing throughout Sunday. The weekday masses will no longer be available on our parish Facebook page. Details are available on the parish website at [sttaustin.org](http://sttaustin.org).

## YOU ARE NOT OBLIGATED TO ATTEND PUBLIC MASS

In keeping with the decree by our Bishop, we are taking many precautions at public mass, including social distancing of at least six feet in all directions and encouraging the wearing of face masks.

**Please note:** All parishioners 65 or older are encouraged to remain home. Those with pre-existing conditions or who are immuno-compromised should remain home. Any person who is ill should remain at home. The Bishop continues to waive the obligation to attend weekend Mass. For more information visit the parish website [sttaustin.org](http://sttaustin.org), and the Diocese of Austin website, [austindiocese.org](http://austindiocese.org).

## CROWNING OF MARY THROUGHOUT MAY

Members of St. Theresa staff and a few visitors gathered at the grotto for a small May Crowning on May 13. Families continue to send us photos of how they have decorated their own prayer tables featuring statues and flowers to honor the Blessed Mother.



## VISIT OUR NEW MEDIA AND YOUTUBE PAGES

St. Theresa staff have been working to bring you relevant video and podcast programs to help you deepen your faith life in the home. Visit our new Media page at [sttaustin.org/media](http://sttaustin.org/media). There is a new weekly video series hosted by our music director, Dr. Dan Girardot, called **Music Moment**. This week Dan explains how music is chosen for our liturgies at St. Theresa. Youth director Chase Crouse hosts two podcasts, one for Catholic bible study and one for meditating on the daily Gospel. You'll also find **The Ark** series, recent videos by St. Theresa Catholic school and messages from our pastor, Fr. Larry Covington.



## CONFESSION IN THE PARKING LOT

Our regular schedule for the sacrament of Reconciliation has been suspended due to the pandemic. However, Fr. Hai is scheduling and hearing confessions in the church parking lot while the penitent and confessor both stay inside their vehicles. Schedule at [www.calendly.com/meetfrhai](http://www.calendly.com/meetfrhai) or contact the parish office, 512-917-1278.

## STEWARDSHIP

### Contribution Box

Weekly Contribution Goal.....\$43,893

Contributions May 16-17.....\$36,664

*There are many different ways to give. To learn more about online giving, automatic bank withdrawals, texting-to-give and more see our website [sttaustin.org/ways-to-give](http://sttaustin.org/ways-to-give) or contact Geneva in the parish office. Thank you!*

## YOUR GIVING IS CRITICAL

Even though you may not be able to physically come to Mass during this pandemic, the weekly offertory remains critically important as the parish must continue to pay its bills. Please give online (preferred) or by mailed check. Thank you for your continued support.



**William Lies  
Elizabeth Mugler**

**Matthew Michaletz**

**Emma Reagan Alley**

Please pray for the repose  
of the soul of:  
**Oleg Stavrowsky**

### Did you Know?

St. Theresa now has an Instagram page. Follow us on Instagram at



<https://www.instagram.com/>



## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### INFO SESSION FOR KINDERGARTEN PARENTS AND CHILDREN-

Join us on Friday, May 29 at 11:30 AM. Thinking about private school for your kindergarten student this Fall? Smaller class sizes, dedicated teachers, foundation of faith. Meet our teachers, learn about our curriculum, plus kids will hear a story! Register at [st-theresa.org](http://st-theresa.org)



### JUNE 1ST GRADUATION PLANNED

A special graduation Mass and ceremony is being planned for June 1st on the new athletic field! We will follow social distancing guidelines as we honor all 46 of our parting students and their families! This will be the first official school event on the new St. Theresa athletic field.

### PARISH STUDENTS MAKE DOMINIC SAVIO HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to students from the parish who were named to the honor roll at St. Dominic High School for the 3rd marking period:

#### Earning High Honors (GPA of 94 or above)

Mitch Archer\*, Thomas Belomestonov, Mariette Buzad\*, Maddie Case, Seth Christman\*, Kieran Crowley, Lucas Li, Donovan Lublin, Brendan Mazzurana, Thomas Mazzurana, James Mooney, Avery Scheisser, Daniel Sutton, Robert Teal\*, Frances Untalan, Luke Wagner, Isabel Weir, Odessa Weir, Anne Zimmermann, Eva Zimmermann, Luke Zimmermann.

#### Earning Honors (GPA of 90 or higher)

Sophia Barger, Justin Brown, Mia Buzad\*, Adam Case, Madi Chauvin\*, Clare Dewan\*, Ben Scheisser\*.



\*alter servers at STCC

## SUMMER CAMP UPDATE

## HYPURO FIT Agility Camp

### AGILITY TRAINING OFFERED FOR YOUNG ATHLETES

We have exciting news for student athletes interested in improving their agility, speed, and endurance this summer, while maintaining social distancing. We are offering speed and agility training on the new soccer field on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday during the months of June and July. Proceeds go to Youth Ministry. Go to [sttaustin.org/youth-camps](http://sttaustin.org/youth-camps) to learn more and sign up. Contact [chase-crouse@sttaustin.org](mailto:chase-crouse@sttaustin.org) with questions.



### ST. THERESA SUMMER CAMPS CANCELLED OR CHANGING

For the safety and health of our children and volunteers, we are cancelling most of the camps scheduled to be held on the St. Theresa campus. A few of the camps are looking at offering activities in a different format. Visit [sttaustin.org/camps](http://sttaustin.org/camps) for the latest information.

## LIVING THE GOSPEL



### Ascension of the Lord

On this Sunday, we hear the call given to all of us to “proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” We are called and empowered by the grace of the sacraments to speak Good News and be Good News to others. If we do so we can drive out the demons of division, apathy, racism, despair and violence with our new language of love, commitment, community, hope and peace. Armed with God’s justice and mercy we will give witness to human life and dignity, care for the poor and for creation, in solidarity with all across the globe so that the sickness of our fractured world can be healed. What Good News will you speak this week?



## DID YOU KNOW?

Our PreK 3 & 4 programs now offer THREE NEW PART-TIME schedules to fit your family?

M-Fri - 7:55AM - 1PM

M-Thurs 7:55AM-1PM or

ALL DAY M-Thurs

Assessments are happening now so apply today!  
[st-theresa.org](http://st-theresa.org)

Have you added St. Theresa Catholic Church to your social media yet?

“Like” us on Facebook  
and “Follow” us on  
Instagram.



## PARISH AND DIOCESAN NEWS

### JOIN FR. HAI FOR 7:30 P.M. ROSARY

Father Hai is leading a Rosary live most nights at 7:30 p.m. on a new Facebook page he created called "Daily Marian Vitamins." Those joining the live Rosary prayer can send in prayer requests, and he does his best to include them before the rosary decade begins.



### CHECK OUT THESE CATHOLIC FILMS AND VIDEOS

Want to put a little Catholic content into your film and video entertainment mix? St. Theresa parish provides free access to the two best sources: Formed.org and Word on Fire. Go to our website, [sttaustin.org/formedorg](http://sttaustin.org/formedorg) for step by step instructions on how to access this great content of beautiful, thought provoking and inspiring videos on everything from saints to a tour of the beautiful shrines of Europe, books, audio and more.



### CONGRATULATIONS PSIA SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!



STCS 8th graders Bridget Baile and Emily Fletcher were awarded 2020 Honorarium Scholar Awards by the PSIA academic program. They were chosen as scholarship finalists from a competitive group of statewide 8th graders and were bestowed a monetary gift. After eight years of PSIA competitions, Baile and Fletcher were recognized for numerous first place winnings at the district and state levels, as well as their leadership, teacher recommendations, and community service.

### SUMMER RETREATS AT CEDARBRAKE

Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton has opened the gates, and staff and presenters are ready to welcome retreatants according to the guidelines that Bishop Vasquez has recommended to all of the churches based on Governor Abbott's most recent statement. Nine retreats, both in person and online, are being offered this summer. A schedule is available in the Narthex or at their website [cedarbrake.org](http://cedarbrake.org).



**ST. THERESA**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

**E-GIVING**

### PLEASE SWITCH TO ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is the preferred way to receive offertory contributions. You can mail a check to the parish, but please do not send cash. If you have not yet switched to offertory giving through our online portal, we now have a form that allows us to set up the account for you if you prefer. The

authorization form is available on our website or contact Geneva in the business office with questions at [Geneva@sttaustin.org](mailto:Geneva@sttaustin.org).

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