



ST. THERESA  
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

# PARISH BULLETIN

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY  
AUGUST 24, 2025

# EXPAND YOUR FAITH

## FAITH FORMATION FOR PRE K - 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE - REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR 2025-26

Comprehensive catechesis, or enrollment in a Catholic school, is required for any child or teen two years prior to receiving First Communion or Confirmation. Our newest program is called **A Family of Faith**. Family of Faith Catechesis creates communities of families who grow in faith and in relationship with one another. Parents are empowered to lead their children in becoming lifelong disciples. We also have a weekly classroom-style option on Sundays and a Montessori program called Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Level 1; PK3 to Kinder). All our catechetical programs begin in September. REGISTER: [st-theresa.org/children-youth-registration](https://st-theresa.org/children-youth-registration)  
Questions? Contact Christine Chow, Director of Catechesis at [christine-chow@st-theresa.org](mailto:christine-chow@st-theresa.org)

## HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Please see this link below and visit the church website for details in preparation for this beautiful Sacrament. <https://st-theresa.org/high-school-confirmation>



## HOSPITALITY MINISTERS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - EXPRESSING THE LOVE OF CHRIST TO ALL WHO ENTER

We are looking for hospitality ministers at both the welcome table and to assist in ushering at Masses. Would you like to welcome people to St. Theresa with a joyful heart? Reach out to Mary Beth at [hello@st-theresa.org](mailto:hello@st-theresa.org)

## ADORATION - COME RENEW YOUR MIND, BODY AND SPIRIT IN THE PRESENCE OF OUR LORD

Fridays after the 11:30 Mass (NOON - 1:00)

Adoration allows you to deepen your relationship with Christ in the Eucharist. Come spend this time in the quiet of the Sanctuary finding peace and a renewed heart with Christ.



## IS GOD CALLING YOU? ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you curious to learn more about the Catholic teachings and traditions? Do you need to receive the Sacrament(s) of Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation? If yes to any of these, we are eager to meet you! Visit [st-theresa.org/become-catholic](https://st-theresa.org/become-catholic) for more information or contact Amy Allert at [amy-allert@st-theresa.org](mailto:amy-allert@st-theresa.org)



### ◆ UPCOMING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible | Thursdays | September 11<sup>th</sup> | 8 wks | 9:15 - 11:00 AM | Elmer Rm 202  
Read more about each study here ([st-theresa.org/bible-study](https://st-theresa.org/bible-study)) and register with [claire-mccarthy@st-theresa.org](mailto:claire-mccarthy@st-theresa.org)

◆ **WORD ON FIRE** - provides free daily Scripture readings, inspirational videos, and Bishop Barron's weekly homily. The website is a wonderful resource to help you grow in your Catholic faith. [www.wordonfire.org](http://www.wordonfire.org)

◆ **FORMED** - helps you to dive into the treasures of the Church, from daily reflections to small group studies, all designed to nourish your faith journey. [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) St Theresa has a free online subscription

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, Aug 23

5:00 PM – Caitlin Conlan, Helen Rose Dawidczik †

#### Sunday, Aug 24

7:30 AM – Judy Kenny †

9:00 – George Gillar †

11:00 AM – Parishioners of STCC

#### Monday, Aug 25

11:30 AM – Isaura Munoz, George Gillar †

#### Tuesday, Aug 26

11:30 AM – Chuck Eckerman, George Gillar †

#### Wednesday, Aug 27

11:30 AM – Terry France, George Gillar †

#### Thursday, Aug 28

11:30 AM – Judy Kenny †, George Gillar †

#### Friday, Aug 29

11:30 AM – Kathy Ronk, George Gillar †

### MONDAY, AUG 25

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

### TUESDAY, AUG 26

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

### WEDNESDAY, AUG 27

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

7:00 PM | Bible Study- Galatians | Elmer 116

### THURSDAY, AUG 28

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

### FRIDAY, AUG 29

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

**MASS INTENTIONS - HONOR A LOVED ONE** To schedule a Mass intention please visit the parish office during business hours or call 512-451-5121. The suggested donation per Mass intention is \$5.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** - A wonderful way to remember a loved one who is celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or who has passed. Contact the parish office for information.

# JOIN US AND GET INVOLVED

## AUG. 23-24 | 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | LUKE 13:22-30

In today's Gospel Jesus reminds the people of his time that their status as "the chosen people" did not guarantee admission to God's Kingdom. That is true of us as well. God's kingdom is given as a gift, but to accept the gift we must faithfully follow Jesus through the narrow door, which means living in him and for him in everything we do. That narrow door includes our love and care for the poor and vulnerable. Are we strong enough to be servants to the least as Jesus was?

## SUN 55+ MINISTRY - VESPERS | 6 PM - 6:30 PM | ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Aug 24 All St. Theresa senior adults are invited to join the group at Vespers at St. Louis King of France Catholic Church (7601 Burnet Rd), with a social at Bartlett's to follow.  
RSVP to Larry Davis at 512-343-6942 or larrysdavis@att.net

## CROSSROADS - YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY | PICK-UP SAND VOLLEYBALL | 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Join the group at the St. Theresa sand volleyball court for some casual volleyball on the St. Theresa beach. Any questions, please join the GroupMe: <https://st-theresa.org/young-adults>

## TUES WOMEN'S SUMMER SOCIAL - All Women of the Parish Invited | 5:00 - 8:00 PM

Aug 26 (come and go as you like) Drinks | Refreshments | Socializing | Swim if you like.  
North Hills Club Townhomes Association Clubhouse. 6527 Valleyside Rd.  
Please RSVP to: [marcikhopkins@gmail.com](mailto:marcikhopkins@gmail.com)



## WED EVERYONE IN MUSIC MINISTRY AND INTERESTED NEW MEMBERS | 7:00 PM

Aug 27 Regular Choir rehearsals resume on Wednesday evening August 27. We rehearse every Wednesday evening, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary. We are open to anyone interested in joining us! Let us Sing To The Lord!



## FRI EARLY BIRD TACO MINISTRY | 5:45 AM - 7:15 AM | FAMILY CENTER

Aug 29 Since the 1990s, the Early Bird Breakfast Taco Ministry furnishes about 200 tacos every Friday morning to folks at two homeless shelters in Austin. Three different groups of volunteers make this happen. Come join us! Contact: [Tacos@st-theresa.org](mailto:Tacos@st-theresa.org)



## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 | BINGO | 6-8 PM | FAMILY CENTER

Game nights at St. Theresa are back on the first Friday of the month, starting September 5, and alternating with bingo and trivia. We'll serve lemonade and pizza. Please consider bringing a \$10 prize for kids or adults for the prize table. Just show up!



## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 | ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MINISTRY - INFORMATION SESSION | 10:15 AM | FAMILY CENTER

Are you looking for a ministry where you can: • Grow in holiness • Build friendships • Serve the poor right here in Northwest Austin? If you feel called to join the ministry, or you'd like to learn more about St. Theresa St. Vincent de Paul, please come to this information session.

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY KICK-OFF! | SEPTEMBER 7 | NOON - 2PM | ELMER HALL RM 202

Hey high schoolers! Come hang out at our Youth Ministry Kickoff with an epic Italian-themed party. We're celebrating the canonization of two young Italian saints—Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassatti—with lasagna lunch, a Carlo Acutis movie, games, and all the movie snacks you can handle. Bring your friends—it's going to be a blast! 🍌 [st-theresa.org/youth](https://st-theresa.org/youth) **Bring a friend!**

**CORE TEAM HELP NEEDED!** We are growing our Youth Ministry Team! Do you have 2 hours a few times a month to spend with super cool, fun, inspiring teens? Contact Amy Allert [amy-allert@st-theresa.org](mailto:amy-allert@st-theresa.org) to find out more.

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS - SPREADING GOD'S LOVE TOGETHER!

Let's all help out with a joyful heart! We would love volunteer helpers at our fall events:

- Parish Picnic, Sunday, Oct. 5
- Catholic Charities Workday Oct. 11
- MLF Community First Village Workday on Nov. 8
- Parish Thanksgiving food drive in November

Want to help? See the "serve" page of the website. [st-theresa.org/serve](https://st-theresa.org/serve)



## OUR CATHOLIC CHURCH IS GROWING! WE NEED YOUR HELP TO WALK WITH OUR NEW BROTHERS & SISTERS!

We currently have several men and women discovering the joy of becoming Catholic through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). We need the help of our parishioners who are ready to share their faith and encourage others along the way. If you're excited about helping others encounter Christ, we'd love for you to join the team! Contact [amy-allert@st-theresa.org](mailto:amy-allert@st-theresa.org) for more information.



# WELCOME TO ST. THERESA

## SEPTEMBER 9, TUESDAY | NEW SEASON! CONNECTIONS | 6:45 PM | FAMILY CENTER

All women of the parish are invited! Join us for a kickoff meeting with icebreakers and a preview of the fall season.



## SEPTEMBER 10, WEDNESDAY | NEW SEASON! CATALYST | 6:00 AM | FAMILY CENTER

What draws men of all ages to Catalyst, the largest men's group in the Diocese? Come find out! Join us for the first meeting of the fall—no sign-up needed. Just show up, bring a friend, and help us hit our goal of 100 men at the kickoff!



## FOOD FOR OUR NEIGHBORS MINISTRY

Grab an extra non-perishable item from your pantry on your way to Mass to share with those in our community who need a little extra help. Drop off your items in the baskets in the Narthex. Thank you for your kindness!



## EXPECTING A BABY? BUNDLE OF BLESSINGS MINISTRY

The St. Theresa Bundle of Blessings ministry stops by the homes of families who have welcomed a new child, bringing food, support, and a small gift. Add your due date to our calendar and our community will pray for you! [www.st-theresa.org/baby](http://www.st-theresa.org/baby)



## AUGUST 30 | CATHOLIC NIGHT AT THE ROUND ROCK EXPRESS - The countdown is on!

Saturday, August 30 at 7:15 PM. Tickets available online at <https://doal.ink/3IQmiDi> – use code "CATHOLIC" for a discount on lawn or infield seats (Sections 112 & 113). Bring your friends, your parish group, your youth ministry — let's pack the stands! Don't miss this awesome community night!



## CATHOLIC SCHOOL - COME JOIN ST THERESA EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM - 3 & 4 YEAR-OLDS

Spaces open in both Pre-K3 & Pre-K4 this Fall. We have full and part-time options. Enrollment secures their spot in kindergarten. Through purposeful instruction woven into play and discovery, we empower children with opportunities to make choices, engage in hands-on experiences, and develop a lifelong love of learning. Most importantly, our program nurtures each child's spiritual relationship with God while fostering a compassionate and caring attitude toward others. Learn more and book a tour at [st-theresa.org/earlychildhood](http://st-theresa.org/earlychildhood)



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**ST-THERESA.ORG**

**Fr. Larry Covington - Pastor**  
**Fr. Barry Cuba - Parochial Vicar**  
**Deacon Tony Pynes**  
**Deacon Keith Carter**  
**Deacon Peter Barger**

We are a vibrant and welcoming Catholic community in Northwest Austin. Following the example of our patroness, St. Theresa is grounded in scripture, growing in the Spirit, and reaching out in love. We are making disciples for the Lord Jesus Christ and, together in ministry for Him, advancing the Kingdom of God. All are welcome here!

### Offertory Giving

#### GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

August 11-17: \$38,023  
August MTD: \$116,249  
August Budgeted Offertory: \$186,535

TEXT STCC  
to 84576  
email/text  
updates

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM  
Sunday Mass 7:30 AM 9:00 AM\* 11:00 AM  
\*Livestream on YouTube

Daily Mass 11:30 AM (M - F)

Reconciliation - Sat., 4:00 PM or by appt.

Adoration - Fridays, Noon -1:00 PM



**GIVE**



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## ST. THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

We invite you to live the "Little Way" at St. Theresa Catholic School. Serving 3 years old to 8th grade. National Blue Ribbon School scoring in the top 15% of nationwide assessments. BOOK A TOUR TODAY: [Sttheresa.org/school](http://Sttheresa.org/school) or contact Susie Thompson, Admissions Director at [sthompson@sttheresa.org](mailto:sthompson@sttheresa.org).