



ST. THERESA
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

PARISH BULLETIN

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY
AUGUST 31, 2025

EXPAND YOUR FAITH

FAITH FORMATION FOR PRE K - 8th GRADE - REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR 2025-26

All our catechetical programs begin in September. REGISTER: st-theresa.org/children-youth-registration. Questions? Contact Christine Chow, Director of Catechesis at 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>

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 for more information.

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

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 for more information or contact Amy Allert at amy-allert@st-theresa.org



◆ UPCOMING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible | Thursdays | September 11th | 8 wks | 9:15 - 11:00 AM | Elmer Rm 202
Read more about each study here st-theresa.org/bible-study and register with 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

◆ **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 St Theresa has a free online subscription

WEEK AT A GLANCE

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Aug 30

5:00 PM - Catherine Fitzgerald †, George Gillar †

Sunday, Aug 31

7:30 AM - Chuck Rossa †, George Gillar †

9:00 AM - Mary Barrett Stevens †

11:00 AM - Parishioners of STCC

Monday, Sept 1

11:30 AM - James Reaves †, George Gillar †

Tuesday, Sept 2

11:30 AM - Helene Baeszler †, Genoveva Cuervo †

Wednesday, Sept 3

11:30 AM - George Gillar †, Ann Hunt

Thursday, Sept 4

11:30 AM - Dee Dufour †, Crook Family

Friday, Sept 5

11:30 AM - John Coleman †, Jim Wray †

MONDAY, SEPT 1

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

TUESDAY, SEPT 2

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 3

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

7:00 PM | BIBLE STUDY- GALATIANS | ELMER 116

THURSDAY, SEPT 4

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

FRIDAY, SEPT 5

DAILY MASS 11:30 AM

BINGO | 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM | FAMILY CENTER

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. 31, 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | LUKE 14:1, 7-14

Today's readings invite us to meditate on the virtue of humility. Humility is recognizing the truth of who we are before God. It is the virtue that helps us to acknowledge ourselves as creatures that are limited and our willingness to surrender to God. This virtue also helps us to accompany the poor as Jesus did. What can you do this week to interact with someone living in poverty to learn about humility from them?

THUR COFFEE & CHRIST WOMEN'S STUDY | THURS 7:45 AM - 8:45 AM | ELMER HALL

Sept 4 Join the women of Coffee & Christ as we learn how to "Walk with Purpose" in early fall. We meet weekly to watch a short video, discuss "Walking with Purpose: Seven Priorities That Make Life Work" together and grow in faith and friendship.



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

Sept 5 Providing about 200 tacos every Friday morning to folks at two homeless shelters in Austin. Come join us! Contact: Tacos@st-theresa.org



BINGO | 6:00 - 8 PM | FAMILY CENTER

Game nights at St. Theresa are back on the first Friday of the month, starting Sept 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!



SUN ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MINISTRY - INFORMATION SESSION | 10:15 AM | FC

Sept 7 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 in the Family Center (FC).



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY KICK-OFF! | 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 **Bring a friend!**

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 to find out more.

CROSSROADS YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY | BRUNCH 12:15 PM - 2:00 PM

Waterloo Ice House 2222 & 360. Join us for brunch after 11:00 Mass. Meet at the Welcome Desk in the Narthex. For more information, check out our [GroupMe](#).



FATHER LARRY'S FALL SERIES - THE PAPACY

STARTS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND AT 7 PM | FAMILY CENTER

There's a renewed interest in the papacy. With the passing of Pope Francis, the first South American pontiff, and the election of Pope Leo, the first North American to occupy the Chair of Peter, many are eager to learn more about the history and development of this influential institution.



The Bishop of Rome—the Pope—is widely recognized as one of the most influential moral and religious leaders in the world. Hardly a week goes by without his presence in the media, a testament to the global importance of the papacy, a role that has carried tremendous influence since Emperor Constantine legalized Christianity in the 4th century.

Join us Monday evenings September 22 through October 20 at 7:00 PM in the Family Center as Fr. Larry leads us through a fascinating series titled "The Papacy."

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:

- Game Night Helpers, starting Sept. 5
- Welcome Desk Volunteers - Sat & Sun before/after Masses
- Workday at Catholic Charities Oct. 11
- Senior Banquet Oct. 25
- Workday at MLF Community First Village Nov. 8



Want to help? See the sign-up page of the website. st-theresa.org/serve

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!



SEPTEMBER 11, THURSDAY | CATALYST MEN'S MEETUP | 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM | Location: 5280 Burger

Come join the men of Catalyst for a social that will kickstart our year. Stop by for a drink or stay for a while. All are welcome! Contact Catalyst@st-theresa.org with any questions.

SEPTEMBER 16, TUESDAY | 55+ LUNCH & LEARN | 12:15 PM | FAMILY CENTER

Stay after Mass and bring your lunch for a Lunch and Learn as Deacon Keith Carter shares his journey to the diaconate, what it takes to become a deacon, and how this vocation enriches parish life. Bring your lunch, your curiosity, and your questions for the Q&A.



NEW PODCAST WITH FR BARRY & JD - THE GRAMMAR OF FAITH

Fr. Barry and J.D. explore the profound impact of language on our perception, relationships, and understanding of the world. From the influence of grammar and word choice on communication to the cultural nuances that shape meaning, they examine how language acts as a bridge to shared reality and how the language we use can transform our spiritual lives and our connection to God.

<https://st-theresa.org/podcast>

ST VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION NEXT WEEK SEPT. 6-7 - STORY OF HOPE

Elijah and his partner are currently both living in separate residences for sobriety programs. They have two small children and are also struggling through the court system to regain custody. He lost his job recently and could not pay the rent and feared eviction from the sober house that provides crucial stability, so he reached out to SVdP. SVdP assisted with rent, and we offered Elijah something invaluable: hope that transcends suffering, through God's promise of healing and renewal. We encouraged him to persevere and renew his commitment to sobriety, and he would be rewarded. Please pray for Elijah and his family. Thank you for your generous monthly donations that help our neighbors every single day!

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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 18-24: \$28,228
August MTD: \$144,477
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



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JOIN



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 or contact Susie Thompson, Admissions Director at stthompson@sttheresa.org.