



ST. THERESA
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

PARISH BULLETIN

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 12, 2025

EXPAND YOUR FAITH

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATECHIST FOR THE CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (CGS) PROGRAM?

This Montessori-based program nurtures the faith of children ages 3–12 through Scripture, Liturgy, and hands-on materials. Level 1 Catechist training begins November 7 at St. John Neumann Parish (Part 1 of 2, over 5 weekends through Feb. 2026). Scholarships may be available.

Contact Christine Chow at christine-chow@st-theresa.org or Debbie Crowley at dcrowley@st-theresa.org

OUR CHURCH IS GROWING – WE NEED YOU!

Several adults are on the journey to become Catholic through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), and we need parishioners to walk with them in faith. If you're excited to share your faith and help others encounter Christ, join our team! Contact: amy-allert@st-theresa.org for details.



FAMILY OF FAITH PROGRAM - Please join us and experience the difference our Family of Faith can make in your family's spiritual growth. We believe that faith is a journey best traveled together. Our Family of Faith initiative is designed to transform how we learn and live our Catholic faith, moving beyond the traditional Sunday classroom to embrace family-centered catechesis. Register here: <https://st-theresa.org/children-youth-registration>

PARENTS ROSARY - PRAYING THE ROSARY FOR ALL OUR CHILDREN - Join us daily at 7:55 AM or after dropping off your children at school, find us in the Chapel or Family Center if the Church is occupied.

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OCTOBER

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

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

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



✦ **WORD ON FIRE** - Check out the 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, OCT 11

5:00 PM – Francis Ruddy † Sean Dumesnil †

SUNDAY, OCT 12

7:30 AM – David Twigg †

9:00 AM – Mathieu Spindler, Cinzia Kehl †

11:00 AM – Parishioners of STCC

MONDAY, OCT 13

11:30 AM – Dcn. Peter Barger, Mary Sangervasi †

TUESDAY, OCT 14

11:30 AM – Nikki Thompson, Fr. John Henessey †

WEDNESDAY, OCT 15

11:30 AM – Patricia Conlan †

THURSDAY, OCT 16

11:30 AM – Robert Joseph Bruckner †

FRIDAY, OCT 17

11:30 AM – Kent McQueen, Jr.

DAILY MASS | 11:30 AM | MONDAY - FRIDAY

SUNDAY, OCT 12

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN (LWWC) | 9 AM MASS
HSYM | NOON | ELMER 202

MONDAY, OCT 13

CATHOLICISM 101 | 7 PM | ELMER 202

TUESDAY, OCT 14

CONNECTIONS | 6:45 PM | FAMILY CENTER (FC)

WEDNESDAY, OCT 15

CATALYST | 6:00 AM | FC

BRIDGE GAMES | 12:30 PM | FC

BIBLE STUDY | 7 PM | ELMER 205

THURSDAY, OCT 16

COFFEE & CHRIST WOMEN'S STUDY | 7:45 AM | ELMER 202

SENIORS 55+ | MAHJONG | 12:15 PM | FC

BIBLE STUDY | 9:30 AM | ELMER RM 202

OCIA | 7 PM | ELMER RM 202

FRIDAY, OCT 17

EARLY BIRD TACO MINISTRY | 5:45 - 7:15 AM | FC

ADORATION | NOON - 1:00

MOTHERS OF YOUNG CHILDREN (MOYC) | 2:00 PM | FC

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

OCTOBER 12, 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | LUKE 17:11-19 - Healing was a special ministry of Jesus. Through healing, the sick were not only restored to health, but they were restored to community life – the community was healed as well. What healing do we need to welcome the immigrant; the poor; the prisoner coming out of jail? How are we called by our faith to challenge and heal our society by upholding the dignity of every person, especially those who are hated, marginalized or vulnerable?

SUN HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY (HSYM) | NOON - 1:30 PM | ELMER HALL

Oct 12 All high school teens are invited to youth group every Sunday, for lunch, fellowship, faith and fun. Different topics, games and activities each week. Bring a friend!



MON FATHER LARRY'S FALL SERIES - FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH | THE PAPACY | 7 PM | FC

Oct 13

TUES CONNECTIONS | 6:45 – 8:30 PM | FC - Msgr. Bill Brooks is guest presenter of Catholics on Pilgrimage – Our former pastor shares the profound rewards of mixing faith and travel.

WED CATALYST | 6 AM | FC - Each week at Catalyst, men of all ages come together to grow in faith and brotherhood. Breakfast tacos and coffee served at all meetings!

THUR COFFEE AND CHRIST WOMEN'S STUDY | 7:45 AM - 8:45 AM | ELMER RM 202 - Discover the inspiring story of millennial Saint Carlo Acutis and join a fun "technology challenge." Two meetings, meaningful conversation, and new connections—don't miss it. Want to join us? Reach out to hello@st-theresa.org.



THANK YOU ALL! THE 2025 PARISH PICNIC WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who helped make this year's Parish Picnic such a joyful community celebration! Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for grilling up delicious food (600 burgers & 400 hot dogs!), Linda Gockel for organizing the kitchen, Olivia Connett for running Bingo, and Ally and Cole from Young Adults for leading the Cake Walk. We're also grateful to all our booth volunteers and the ladies of Connections for their help with cleanup. And a very special thanks to parishioner Carol David-Rosen for her outstanding leadership in organizing this fantastic event. We appreciate you all—see you next year!

RESPECT LIFE MONTH | BABY ITEM DRIVE - WEEKENDS OF OCT 18TH & 25TH

In honor of October being Respect Life Month, please help support the 8 babies being born soon at Annunciation Maternity Home! Please bring to the boxes in the Narthex:

- Diapers - size N, 1, 3, 5, 6, 7
- Baby wash, shampoo & lotion
- Aquaphor, Desitin and other diaper creams
- Baby wipes of all sizes



Annunciation Maternity Home, Inc.

YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS (YCP) | NETWORKING HAPPY HOUR | OCT 22, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Lazarus Brewing Company, 1902 E 6th St - Austin unites Catholics in their 20s and 30s to grow in faith, leadership, and community. Through events, mentorship, and spiritual formation, members learn to live out their faith in work and daily life. Visit youngcatholicprofessionals.org to join this community and see upcoming events.

55+ BANQUET | SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25 | NOON - 2 PM - Each year, we have a luncheon celebrating our 55+ Ministry members. Many hands are needed to set-up, serve and clean up during the banquet! Teens welcome! Volunteer at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go>

NOVEMBER 2ND - ALL SOULS DAY AT ST. THERESA | VESPERS | SANCTUARY | 6 PM

Join us for a special Commemorative Service of Solemn Vespers as we remember loved ones awaiting the resurrection of the dead. The Easter Candles from years past will be lit as the names of the deceased from the parish this past year are read, accompanied by the tolling of the bell. You are invited to bring photos of loved ones to place among the candles. The choirs of St. Theresa will sing Solemn Vespers for the Deceased.

To have additional names included, please submit them online at st-theresa.org/vespers2025



OUR PARISH VOLUNTEER 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: sign up at st-theresa.org/serve

- Welcome Desk Volunteers - Sat & Sun before/after Masses
- Mobile Loaves & Fishes Truck Team - Oct 18 - see details back page
- Service Day at MLF Community First Village Nov. 8 - see details back page



WELCOME TO ST. THERESA

YOUR CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL (CSA) GIFT IN ACTION!

Your gift is a powerful testament to what can be accomplished when we work together to make a difference. Last year, we surpassed our goal because more families like you generously participated in the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA). It is important we continue this momentum to meet the needs of the poor, hungry, and homeless we serve, form future priests, educate our young, provide religious education programs, minister to the sick and elderly, and much more! See the link below for several ways to donate your gift. Thank you for your generosity!

Use the link to donate today or for more information.

[HTTP://AUSTINDIOCESE.ORG/GIVE](http://AUSTINDIOCESE.ORG/GIVE)



PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR PREK-8TH GRADE OPEN HOUSE: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 8:30 - 10 AM

Discover the difference that a St. Theresa School education makes. Our teachers have an average of 16 years teaching experience while our students score in the top 15% of nationwide assessments.



SERVICE DAYS AT MLF COMMUNITY FIRST VILLAGE | SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 9:00 - NOON

Service days at MLF Community First Village may include working in the gardens, dry landscaping yards for micro-homes, laying pathways, tending chicken coops, or other beautification projects. *All minors must have a parent present throughout the service event.* Sign up here: <https://st-theresa.org/serve>



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



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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!

GROWING FOR CHRIST!

Your Offertory

September 29-October 5: \$86,045
September MTD: \$175,009
September Budgeted Offertory: \$202,156
October MTD: \$68,170
October Budgeted Offertory: \$202,154

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 - Saturday, 4:00 PM or by appt.

Adoration - Fridays, Noon - 1:00 PM



GIVE



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.