



ST. THERESA
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

PARISH BULLETIN

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 16, 2025

EXPAND YOUR FAITH

GOD HAS GIVEN YOU UNIQUE GIFTS — CHOOSE ONE WAY TO SERVE AND HELP OUR PARISH THRIVE!

Please prayerfully choose one Volunteer Opportunity where you can shine and serve.

We grow in faith, love, and mission as we all share our gifts.

Volunteer here → <https://st-theresa.org/serve> or use QR code →

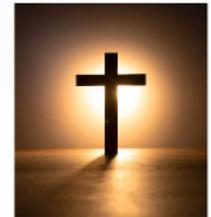


- ✦ **High School Youth Ministry (HSYM) Feed our Teens** - provide lunch for our teens as they meet right after Mass on Sundays to grow in faith. Every meal is a gift that reminds our youth they're cared for and welcomed.
- ✦ **Mobile Loaves & Fishes Truck Team** - Driver needed November 22.
- ✦ **Hospitality / Welcome Desk** - we need volunteers to welcome people into our church for the holidays in November & December.
- ✦ **Our Church is growing!** - 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: Chase Crouse at chase-crouse@st-theresa.org for details.

NEW - CATHOLICISM 101 | BEGINNING MONDAY, JANUARY 12TH | 7 PM | ELMER RM 202

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do you feel God calling you to learn more about the faith? Or are you a lifelong Catholic seeking to grow deeper in your understanding of the Church's teachings and traditions? Our next Catholicism 101 course begins Monday, January 12th. This weekly class is open to all adults — those preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, as well as parishioners desiring more formation in their faith. Together, we'll explore topics such as:

- How to read the Bible
- What it means to be holy (and how to live it)
- How to pray like the saints
- Understanding the Trinity
- What is justification, and how do we get to Heaven?
- Why the Liturgy is central to our life as Catholics



If you answered "yes" to any of the questions above, we're eager to welcome you!

Visit st-theresa.org/become-catholic for more information, or contact Chase Crouse at chase-crouse@st-theresa.org.

THANKSGIVING DAY THURSDAY NOV. 27TH - Mass will be celebrated on Thanksgiving Day at 9:30 AM to give our staff time to celebrate with their families. Please note there is no 11:30 AM Mass on this day. We are thankful for YOU. Please bring non-perishable food items for our neighbors in need. <https://st-theresa.org/events/thanksgiving-day-mass-1>



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, NOV 15

5:00 PM – Mary Catherine Mooney, Gloria Nan Lewis †

SUNDAY, NOV 16

7:30 AM – Hubert Miller †, Doris Miller †

9:00 – Karen Olman-Mayer †, Lois Bowen

11:00 AM – Parishioners of STCC

MONDAY, NOV 17

11:30 AM – Deacon Keith Carter, D'Souza Family †

TUESDAY, NOV 18

11:30 AM – Avis Rebello †, Sacrafamilia Family †

WEDNESDAY, NOV 19

11:30 AM – Martin Family

THURSDAY, NOV 20

11:30 AM – Buddy Hopkins †

FRIDAY, NOV 21

11:30 AM – Mary Tichavsky †, Frank Tichavsky †

DAILY MASS | MONDAY - FRIDAY 11:30 AM

SUNDAY, NOV 16

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN (LWWC) | 9 AM

HSYM | AFTER 11 AM MASS | ELMER HALL

MONDAY, NOV 17

CATHOLICISM 101 | 7 PM | ELMER 202

TUESDAY, NOV 18

PARENT ROSARIES | 7:55 AM | FC

WEDNESDAY, NOV 19

BRIDGE GAMES | 12:30 PM | FC

FAMILY OF FAITH | 4:45 PM | ELMER GREAT ROOM

THURSDAY, NOV 20

BIBLE STUDY | 9:15 AM | ELMER RM 202

FRIDAY, NOV 21

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

ADORATION | NOON - 1:00

MASS INTENTIONS - To honor someone with 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

SUN NOV. 16, 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | LUKE 21:5-19

Nov 16 The liturgical year draws to a close with reminders that being a disciple of Jesus is not easy. Faithfulness to Christ will bring opposition and ridicule. We may stand up against abortion, or torture or the death penalty. We may speak out for immigrants, refugees and the poor. These positions might cause others to reject us. We are privileged to be disciples – brothers and sisters of Jesus, but like his road, ours will involve the cross.

NUT SALES - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Pick up those delicious nuts today after Mass in the Family Center. Please support our Knights and their local charities. Available Nov.15-16 & Dec.13-14.

THANKSGIVING HEALTHY FOOD DRIVE | LAST DAY NOVEMBER 16 - In honor of Thanksgiving, St. Theresa Catholic Church & School are joining together to support St. Vincent de Paul's Diabetic-Friendly Food Box program at St. Louis Food Pantry. Drop off items in the Narthex or students drop off in the classrooms. For specific items needed see <https://st-theresa.org/news/fooddrive>

MASTERWORKS SINGERS CONCERT: LIGHT BEYOND SHADOW | 7:30 PM | SANCTUARY

Join us for our fall concert conducted by Dr. H. Morris Stevens, Jr. The performance will include beautiful choral works, accompanied by chamber orchestra in St. Theresa Catholic Church Sanctuary. This concert will feature a wide variety of music evoking emotions of hope, healing, and peace. The concert is free. There will be a free-will offering collected. You don't want to miss this beautiful event!



TUE 55+ LUNCH AND LEARN | 12:15 - 1:30 PM | FC

Nov 18 Advent is a season of preparation. Stay after Mass as Fr. Barry shares "Preparing: For Advent and for End of Life." He'll reflect on how we can prepare our hearts for Advent and for the fullness of life – both now and in the life to come. Bring your lunch; we'll provide cookies and tea!

CONNECTIONS | 6:45 – 8:30 PM | FAMILY CENTER (FC) - Women of The Word: Sarah

God makes us fruitful in His own time. Sarah's life gives us hope and shows the triumph of God's power over human limitation and doubt. Faith is trust in God even when the situation looks impossible. Come join us!

WED CATALYST | 6 AM | (FC) - How To Lead A Group Prayer - with Fr Larry. Each week at Catalyst, men of all ages come together to grow in faith and brotherhood. Breakfast tacos & coffee served at all meetings!

Nov 19 **NEW - ST. MONICA'S WOMEN'S GROUP | NOV. 19th | 7 PM | ELMER RM 201**

Are you a mom wondering where you fit in now that your kids are grown or flown? Do you have children or loved ones who've left the church or are questioning their faith? St. Theresa has a welcome spot for you twice a month, join us this Wednesday Nov. 19th. St. Monica is our patron saint and we pray a special devotion and rosary for her powerful intercession for our loved ones.

Please bring your rosary and your prayer intentions and we hope to see you there. If you have any questions, reach out to Erika: enorton.en@gmail.com

THUR COFFEE AND CHRIST WOMEN'S STUDY | 7:45 AM - 8:45 AM | ELMER RM 202 - Readyng Our Hearts

Nov 20 for Advent - Before the world rushes us into the noise and busyness of December, take time to prepare your heart as Mary did for the coming of Jesus. The women of Coffee and Christ will spend this session reflecting on how we can quiet our spirits and make room for Christ this Advent season. Questions? Reach out to Mary Beth. 512-991-2662

RETREAT AT CEDARBRAKE | 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM | PATHWAYS TO FORGIVENESS

Presented by Cindy Isaacson, parishioner of St Theresa. Forgiveness will set your heart free. To register visit cedarbrake.org or call 254-780-2436



BLESSED PRAYER BLANKETS | NOVEMBER 22-23

- Hand-sewn by our Prayer Blanket Ministry and blessed, these blankets make meaningful holiday gifts. \$20 each payable by cash, check, or Venmo. Questions? Contact Marisa Krug: marisakrug0917@yahoo.com.



NEW PODCAST - AI and the Church.

Fr. Barry and J.D. talk with St. Theresa Chief Operating Officer Chris Treadaway about his recent travels to a Vatican AI Conference in Rome. Learn how the church is exploring AI developments and how St. Theresa fits in to the conversation. <https://st-theresa.org/podcast>

HEART OF JESUS RETREAT | CEDARBRAKE | WED, DEC 17th - FRI, DEC 19th

This retreat is designed for young men, ages 18-49, to help you discern a vocation to the priesthood. It is an opportunity to meet many priests from our Diocese, hear their discernment stories, and learn about the priesthood. We'll also celebrate Mass and spend time in prayer and adoration. The cost is \$35. Register below and pay the retreat fee online here. <https://austinvocations.com/upcoming-events/heart-of-jesus-winter/>

WELCOME TO ST. THERESA



DECEMBER AT ST. THERESA

Christmas Eve

DECEMBER 24

4:00 PM (Church and Gym Overflow)
6:30 PM

Christmas Day

DECEMBER 25

Midnight Mass at 12:00 AM
10:00 AM

Save the Date

- 11/22 PRAYER BLANKET WEEKEND
- 11/30 **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
- 12/5 ADVENT BLOOD DRIVE - 7:30-11:00 AM
- 12/6 BREAKFAST WITH SANTA - 9:00 AM
- 12/6 PARISH TREE LIGHTING, CAROLS & COCOA - 6:15 PM
- 12/8 **SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION* - 6PM**
- 12/9 **ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE - 7:00 PM**
- 12/14 KC'S NUT SALE FUNDRAISER
- 12/16 STAFF ADVENT TRIP- OFFICE CLOSED
- 12/16 CONNECTIONS CHRISTMAS PARTY - 6:45 PM
- 12/20 ADVENT ANGEL TREE DELIVERIES TO FAMILIES - 10 AM
- 12/21 CHURCH DECORATING PARTY - 5:00 - 8:00 PM
- 12/31 **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD* - 5 PM VIGIL**
- 1/1 **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD* - 10:00 AM**

*Holy Day of Obligation

Make a Difference

This Advent, in addition to the Blood Drive we have two outreach opportunities:

- 1) Adopt a family through the Angel Trees starting on Nov 29th and 30th.
- 2) Donate \$20 HEB and Wal-Mart gift cards for St. Vincent de Paul.

For more details see : st-theresa.org/advent



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.

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES

November is dedicated to remembering the faithful departed. Envelopes are available in the Narthex to include the names of your deceased loved ones. Please place your donation and completed envelope in the collection plate or bring it to the church office. All names will be remembered at every Mass in November.

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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

November 3 - 9: \$74,972
November MTD: \$107,039
November Budgeted Offertory: \$184,760

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



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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:** St-theresa.org/school or contact Susie Thompson, Admissions Director at sthompson@sttheresa.org.