



ST. THERESA
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

PARISH BULLETIN

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 18, 2026

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH



A central graphic for the 2026 Ministry Fair. It features a magnifying glass with the text "2026 MINISTRY FAIR" and "FIND YOUR FIT!" inside the lens. Surrounding the lens are various ministry categories in blue and red banners: BE RETREAT, MOthers of YOUNG CHILDREN, LITURGY, OUTREACH, BINGO, MEN'S MINISTRY, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, CONNECTIONS WOMENS', CHOIR, WELCOME, SCHOOL, YOUTH MINISTRY, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, and BIBLE STUDY. At the bottom left, a yellow banner says "SUNDAY, JAN. 25 AFTER 9:00 | 11:00". A QR code is located at the bottom right of the graphic.

"HERE I AM LORD, SEND ME" - PARISH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES LINK - ST.THERESA.ORG/SERVE



- ♥ **SOUP AND THE SPIRIT** – This special Lenten parish tradition feeds both body and soul—and it only happens because parishioners step forward to serve. Your help is needed. Learn more and register to volunteer to make this a beautiful event.
- ♥ **MOYC** - Do you have little ones? Seeking a co-lead for our Mothers of Young Children group to plan playdates and events for MOYC. Want to help? Reach out to Alice alicebolander@gmail.com
- ♥ **ST. THERESA FOOD SORTING** - Saturday, January 24 from 9 - Noon. Bring the whole family for a special St. Theresa Serve Day sorting food donations at Central Texas Food Bank.
- ♥ **55+ CHILI LUNCHEON** - Youth and adult volunteers are needed to help serve at the 55+ Annual Chili Luncheon on Saturday, Jan. 24.
- ♥ **FUNERAL MINISTRY** - Set-up, serve and clean-up team members are needed for the Helping Hands Funeral Ministry, which provide meals following funeral Masses. Want to join the team? Our group would love new members. Contact Nita Charrin: nitacharrin@gmail.com.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JAN 17

5:00 PM – Martha Holub †, Siena Hannabery

SUNDAY, JAN 18

7:30 AM – Thelma Collins †

9:00 AM – Thelma Collins †, Cindy Schaffer †

11:00 AM – Parishioners of STCC

MONDAY, JAN 19

11:30 AM – Cindy Schaffer †

TUESDAY, JAN 20

11:30 AM – Kari Cruz, Cindy Schaffer †

WEDNESDAY, JAN 21

11:30 AM – Jack Holy, Kara Donahue

THURSDAY, JAN 22

11:30 AM – Marlene Weitzel

FRIDAY, JAN 23

11:30 AM – Ken & Lisa Ellis, Gilbert & Cynthia Cardenas

DAILY MASS - Mon - Fri 11:30 AM

SUNDAY, JAN 18

Liturgy of the Word with Children (LWWC) | 9:00 AM

Catechesis Classes | 10:25 AM | Elmer

HSYM | Noon | Elmer

MONDAY, JAN 19 - Parish office closed for MLK

Catholicism 101 | 7 PM | Elmer Rm 202

TUESDAY, JAN 20

Connections | 6:45 PM | FC

WEDNESDAY, JAN 21

Catalyst | 6 AM | FC

55+ Seniors Games | Bridge | 12:30 PM | FC

Family of Faith | 4:45 PM | Church Narthex

THURSDAY, JAN 22

Coffee & Christ | 7:45 AM | Elmer Rm 202

Bible Study | 9:15 AM | Elmer Rm 202

55+ Seniors Games | Mahjong | 12:15 PM | FC

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 **JAN. 17-18, 2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** - In today's Psalm, we respond "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will." How is the Lord calling us to respond to him this week? May the Holy Spirit guide our thoughts and actions as we listen for the Lord.

Jan 18
HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY (HSYM) | NOON - 1:30 PM | ELMER HALL
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 **CATHOLICISM 101 | 7 PM | ELMER RM 202** - Are you interested in becoming Catholic or feeling called to learn more about the faith? All adults are welcome—those preparing for Confirmation as well as parishioners seeking deeper formation. Each week, we'll explore essential topics such as how to read the Bible, what it means to live a life of holiness, how to pray like the saints, and what the Church teaches about justification and the path to Heaven. Contact Chase Crouse at chase-crouse@st-theresa.org.

TUE **55+ LUNCH & LEARN | TUES., JAN. 20 | 12:15 PM | FAMILY CENTER** - Join us for a Lunch & Learn with a representative from Cook-Walden, who will share information on the financial and emotional benefits of preplanning final burial or cremation arrangements. Lunch will be provided by Cook-Walden. This is not a sales presentation—just an opportunity to learn, ask questions, and enjoy a free lunch. To attend, please RSVP at the QR code.



Jan 20
CONNECTIONS | 6:45 – 8:30 PM | FAMILY CENTER - Pornography, Part 2 - Fr. Jonathan Meyer's Homily for all Catholics

WED **CATALYST | 6:00 AM | FC | LONELINESS | FULTON SHEEN** - Each week at Catalyst, men of all ages come together to grow in faith and brotherhood. Breakfast tacos and coffee served at all meetings!

Jan 21
NEW BIBLE STUDY BEGINS JAN. 21 | REVELATIONS: KINGDOM YET TO COME | 7:00 PM | ELMER RM 205
In this 11 week study discover what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation mean and see how Revelation is more than an apocalyptic vision of the "end times." Explore the Church's teaching on the second coming of Christ and the Last Judgment. Understand how God, the Divine Bridegroom, and the Church, his spotless bride, enter into a heavenly, holy, and mystical marriage every time we celebrate Mass. Cost is \$30. Register with claire-mccarthy@st-theresa.org.

THU **COFFEE & CHRIST | JAN. 22, 29 and Feb. 5 AT 7:45 AM | THURSDAYS | ELMER RM 202** - If you or a mom you know is drowning in dishes, diapers, or carpool duty, Coffee and Christ may have the book for you. We will start the new year with a 21-Day personal retreat, *Sacred Chaos*, to kickstart our prayer lives and connect with Jesus in a new way. Want to join us? All moms or mother-figures are welcome! Childcare available. Sign up at: st-theresa.org/news/ccstudy

FRI **BIBLE STUDY | 9:15 AM | ELMER RM 202** - Continuing with *The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy*
Jan 23
PRAY FOR VOCATIONS | Jan. 23 & Jan. 30 | 12 - 1:00 PM | Adoration in the Church or at home - Please spend time praying for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, that more men and women will have the courage to follow a call from God to serve in the Church. From January 24 - 30 we will celebrate our annual Diocesan Vocations Awareness week to help strengthen a culture of vocations in our diocese.

SAT **55+ CHILI LUNCH | NOON | FAMILY CENTER** - Each year, our 55+ Ministry hosts a casual social to bring members in from the cold and to share chili and conversation. The Knights of Columbus will donate some of their famous chili, and the church will provide sides. Attendees should bring the following to share - dessert (last names A-G), cornbread (H-N), or chips (O-Z). See you there! No tickets necessary. Free-will offering collected.

SUN **MINI-MINISTRY FAIR | AFTER 9 & 11 MASSES | GYM** - Looking for a way to feel more connected at St. Theresa? Our Mid-Year Mini Ministry Fair is a simple, no-pressure way to meet people, discover what's happening in parish life, and find where you belong — with free fancy coffee truck and donuts as a bonus. Visit 4 booths and you'll be entered to win prizes like reserved parking and dinner out!

CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES AT ST. THERESA Sunday, January 25 at 3 PM, with acclaimed classical guitarist Darin Layne. A gifted guitarist and composer, Darin is known for his exceptional artistry in performance, composition, recording, and production. A top-call session guitarist in Austin, he has performed jazz, country, Latin, rock, classical, and Brazilian choro music on stages around the world. Join us for an afternoon of beautiful music in the serene setting of our church sanctuary.



55+ SENIORS | VESPERS AT ST. LOUIS CHURCH | 6 PM - RSVP to Larry Davis at 512-343-6942 or larrysdavis@att.net

WELCOME TO ST. THERESA

CELEBRATING A MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY IN 2026? - If you and your spouse are celebrating 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more years of marriage in 2026, we'd love to celebrate with you! Join us for recognition at the 5:00 PM Mass on January 31. Please RSVP to Kari Cruz at kari-cruz@st-theresa.org by January 23 with your name, anniversary year, email, and mailing address. Congratulations!



WOMEN'S "BE" RETREAT | FRI & SAT FEB. 6 & 7 | ST. THERESA ELMER HALL - Don't miss this chance to grow in faith and friendship at St. Theresa. Discover Being, Belonging, and Becoming. The Be Retreat will begin the evening of Friday, Feb. 6th and conclude the evening of Saturday, Feb. 7th (no overnight stay). Join us in this life-changing experience. Use this link to register: <https://st-theresa.org/be>

CONVERGING ROADS - WHERE HEALTH CARE ETHICS AND MEDICINE CONVERGE

ST. JOHN NEUMANN CHURCH | FEB. 28 | 9:45 AM - 6:15 PM - Converging Roads is a regional conference series offering continuing education for health care professionals that equips them to practice the highest ethical and medical standards of their profession. To Register : <https://forlifeandfamily.org/events/cr26-atx/>

HELP US BRING OUR SOUND SYSTEM INTO THE 21ST CENTURY! - Parishioners of all ages have commented that they have trouble hearing at St. Theresa. We're completely rebuilding our sound system so everyone can hear clearly at every Mass and event. Please help us improve sound in the Sanctuary and other campus areas through our Sound System Fundraiser. Give online at: www.st-theresa.org/give

SAVE THE DATE | VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026 - JUNE 8-12, 9 AM-12 PM DAILY

Registration opens in late Feb. Step through the mist into Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to be rooted in a relationship with God, their creator, a safe place in life's storms. We're already looking for **adult volunteers** to head up the different stations. Contact Christine Chow to learn more. christine-chow@st-theresa.org



ST. THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL - 2026-2027 Applications are now open! Apply today at st-theresa.org/school - We invite you to live the "Little Way" at St. Theresa Catholic School. Serving 3 year olds to 8th grade. National Blue Ribbon School scoring in the top 15% of nationwide assessments. Contact Susie Thompson, Admissions Director at sthompson@st-theresa.org

ST. THERESA SCHOOL ANNUAL GALA FEBRUARY 21, 2026 - Tickets On Sale - stcs.hellofund.io - Tickets for Gala 2026 are disappearing faster than cassette tapes—get yours before they're gone! Don't wait to join the fun, dress up in your best 80s prom attire, and enjoy a totally rad night.

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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!

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS FURTHER THE CATHOLIC FAITH AND OUR VIBRANT ST. THERESA COMMUNITY!

Your Offertory

January 5 - 11: \$68,521
January MTD: \$111,941
January Budgeted Offertory: \$206,857

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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THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP!

If you have not yet had a chance to make your 2026 Offertory Commitment, we kindly encourage you to do so this week. Your support strengthens our ministries and helps us build a vibrant future for St. Theresa. Cards are available in the Narthex, and online giving is always available at st-theresa.org/stewardship. We give together, we grow together!