



ST. THERESA
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

PARISH BULLETIN



PALM SUNDAY
OF
THE LORD'S PASSION

MARCH 29, 2026



HOLY WEEK



Holy Tuesday | Tenebrae Service | March 31
7:00 PM | Church

Holy Thursday | April 2
7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
followed by Adoration at the Altar of Repose

Good Friday | April 3
12:00 PM Liturgy of the Word | Church
2:30 PM Outdoor Stations
3:00 PM Indoor Stations | Church

Holy Saturday | April 4
Great Vigil of Easter | 8:15 PM | Church

Easter | April 5
Normal Mass Schedule 7:30 AM, 9 AM & 11 AM
(additional seating in the gym 9 AM & 11 AM Masses)
Easter Egg Hunt | after 9 AM Easter Mass

PENANCE SERVICES - Please see the link for more opportunities in our Diocese for additional Lenten Penance Services.
<https://austindiocese.org/lenten-penance-services>



EASTER EGGS NEEDED! Please bring plastic Easter Eggs stuffed with candy, stickers or toys to the boxes in the Narthex. We will use these for the Easter Egg Hunt following 9:00 AM Mass on Easter Sunday.



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 - Experience 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.



PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING!
COME JOIN US TO SERVE THE LORD.
ST.THERESA.ORG/SERVE



♥ **EASTER EGG HUNT HELPERS NEEDED**
Volunteers are needed to assist with the annual Easter Egg Hunt next Sunday after 9:00 Mass! Want to help with crowd control or hide eggs? Sign up on the Serve page.

♥ **55+ PLANNING COMMITTEE** - We'd love your help contributing ideas for places to visit and things to do to engage our 55+ Ministry. Our committee meets monthly on the 4th Tuesday at 10:30 AM. Reach out to Larry Davis to come see what it's all about in April! larrysdavis@att.net

WEEK AT A GLANCE

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

5:00 PM - Rev. William Broussard †, Peggy Conn †

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

7:30 AM - Peggy Conn †, The Souls in Purgatory

9:00 AM - Linda Hairston †, Mark Santos

11:00 AM - Parishioners of STCC

MONDAY, MARCH 30

11:30 AM - Thomas E. Dooley †, Peggy Conn †

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

11:30 AM - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

11:30 AM - Bertha Martinez, Valentino Enrique LaQuey †

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

11:30 AM - NO MASS

7:00 PM

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

11:30 AM - NO MASS

DAILY MASS - MON - FRI 11:30 AM

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

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

10:25 AM Catechesis

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

NO DAILY MASS OR SERVICE (CLERGY ATTENDING CHRISM MASS)

7:00 PM | Tenebrae | Church

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

10:30 AM Sewing Ministry | 10:30 AM | Elmer RM 202

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

11:30 AM NO DAILY MASS

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

12:00 PM | Good Friday Liturgy

2:30 PM Outdoor Stations | meet at the gym / picnic table area

3:00 PM Indoor Stations | Church

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.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The life-giving season of Lent is about to come to a close. It is my hope that it has been a very fruitful time for you. Beginning with the celebration of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins. Palm Sunday invites us to acknowledge the day when the crowds were cheering on Jesus in the streets. As people were shouting “Hosanna” in the Holy City, most did not know that our eyes would be ultimately focused towards the cross.

On Tuesday of this beautiful week, I invite you to join me in celebrating our annual Mass of Chrism. It is here where I will gather with my brother priests, deacons, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful to bless the Sacred Oils that will be used in the celebration of the sacraments through the calendar year. Also, in this sacred liturgy our priests reaffirm their priestly commitment and promises before their bishop.

The Paschal Triduum begins with the celebration of the Mass of the Last Supper on the evening of Holy Thursday. For the next three days, culminating with the celebration of Easter, we will commemorate the Passion, Death and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. These liturgies have a way of speaking volumes to us through the use of symbol, word, ritual, gesture and action.

People fondly remember the ritual action on Holy Thursday of washing the feet of our fellow parishioners, the procession of the Blessed Sacrament, and time spent in adoration before midnight. On Good Friday we experience the solemn Veneration of the Cross, as men, women and children find themselves making their way to the Cross to express their love and thanksgiving to God for the sacrificial gift of his Son. On Holy Saturday, at the Easter Vigil, we recall through the proclamation of the Word of God salvation history and then we celebrate the Easter sacraments with members of our parish community who have been longing to be welcomed to the Table of the Lord.

All of these sacred liturgies unite us as one on Easter Sunday as we open our hearts to the Risen Christ who calls us to follow him and to be his disciples in our respective communities. My prayer is that this entire week may be one filled with blessing and grace for you and your loved ones. Be assured of my prayers for you and I ask you to pray for me. May the Risen Christ bring you hope, joy, mercy and love!

Sincerely in the Risen Christ,
Bishop Daniel E. Garcia

MON 55+ MINISTRY | HOLY WEEK ROSARY | 1:00 PM - Join the group to pray at the beautiful outdoor Rosary Trail at the Schoenstatt Shrine. Meet us there or here at the church at 12:30 PM to carpool together. The trail is mostly flat and smooth, but does have some uneven surfaces. The group did this last year and found it moving during Holy Week! If you need a ride, reach out to: marybeth-hubik@st-theresa.org

TUE TENEBRAE SERVICE | 7:00 PM | CHURCH

Mar 31

The Tenebrae service at St. Theresa is a truly beautiful and moving experience. Held in near darkness, the service features sung readings and Psalms as candles are gradually extinguished—symbolizing the darkness and chaos of Christ’s death. The light of Christ on one candle is then restored. At the conclusion of Tenebrae, the faithful leave the church “in silence” and reflect on what Our Lord has endured for us.



WED CATALYST | 6:00 AM | FC | HOLY WEEK - Holy Stakes & Change the World with Fr. Larry Richards
APR 1 Each week at Catalyst, men of all ages come together to grow in faith and brotherhood. Breakfast tacos and coffee served at all meetings!

THU COFFEE & CHRIST - WOMEN’S LENTEN STUDY - CRUX | 7:45 AM | ELMER RM 205

APR 2

HOLY THURSDAY - MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER | 7:00 PM | CHURCH

Followed by Adoration at the Altar of Repose until midnight in the gym.

FRI GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY | NOON | CHURCH

APR 3

STATIONS OF THE CROSS | 2:30 PM Outdoor Stations (meet at the gym / picnic table area)
3:00 PM Indoor Stations

AT-HOME GOOD FRIDAY RETREAT FOR FAMILIES

Looking to enter more deeply into Good Friday this year? Our Pastoral Associate for Evangelization & Catechesis, Chase Crouse, has created a simple and meaningful at-home retreat. This guided experience weaves together time at home with attending the Good Friday Liturgy and praying the Stations of the Cross, helping your family walk more intentionally through Christ’s Passion.



WELCOME TO ST. THERESA

NEW PODCAST EPISODE! GREATER THINGS | EPISODE 31- FORMING DISCIPLES WITH CHASE CROUSE

What does it take to form faith in a world overflowing with content? In this episode, we explore the challenge of discerning what truly shapes our hearts and minds. A great teacher doesn't just deliver information—they spark curiosity and awaken a desire to learn. Join us as St. Theresa's new Pastoral Associate for Evangelization and Catechesis shares his vision for inspiring faith, forming disciples, and helping people encounter the Church more deeply. Listen at st-theresa.org/podcast

SUMMER CAMPS AT ST. THERESA! REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN - St. Theresa is getting ready for summer with camps for all interests! Join us for music, sports, and drama! Register at <https://st-theresa.org/summer-camps>



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) | JUNE 8-12 | 9:00 AM -12:00 PM DAILY - VBS 2026 is speeding toward us like a jungle cat! We need your help building a strong team of volunteers - especially adults - to make this a high-quality faith-filled week for the children of our parish! So, let's "swing" into action like a howler monkey to put on the best VBS ever! See a full list of volunteer needs at st-theresa.org/VBS. Participant registration will be open soon.



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@sttheresa.org

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2026!

Please save the date for the St. Theresa Graduation Mass honoring graduating high school and college seniors, Sunday, May 31, at 11:00 AM. This Mass will be celebrated with a procession, followed by cake and punch in the Family Center. We will be praying for all our seniors! Please submit your senior photo and college plans for the graduation bulletin here: st-theresa.org/events/graduation



THE ANNUAL ST. THERESA TIGER CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT IS BACK!

Monday, April 20th | 8:00 AM | River Place Country Club



Come one, come all, tee it up and have a ball! Swag, lunch, & drinks included. No Team, No Problem! Sign up solo and we will pair you with an awesome crew of new friends. Registration is now open for Tiger Cup presented by DLA Piper.

Register by April 10 at st-theresa.org/golf
Want to be a Sponsor? Contact Chris Treadaway at chris-treadaway@st-theresa.org

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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!

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

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

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

Your Offertory

March 16-22: \$40,997
March MTD: \$173,317
March Budgeted Offertory: \$202,936

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Have questions? We'd love to help. Stop by our Welcome Desk in the narthex to learn more about our ministries, sacraments, faith formation, and the many ways you can grow and get involved at St. Theresa. Our friendly volunteers are there to greet you, answer your questions, and help you find opportunities in our parish community.