

**St. Therese of the Little Flower** | 315 Pugh St. • Woodsboro, TX  
Welcome! Glad you are here!

“Arise, shine, for your light has come and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.” Isaiah 60



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**+Mass Intentions+**

**Sunday • January 4, 2026**

+The Deceased Deases Family Members by  
Carlos Deases

**Wednesday • January 7, 2025**

+Alfredo Villegas by Cisneros Family

**Thursdady January 8, 2026**

+Severo Porras (b.d) by Mattie Ontiveros

**Sunday • January 11, 2026**

+Antonio Hernandez by Dora Hernandez

**Liturgical Ministries**

**January 11**•Anita Vega

Angela, Maria, Volunteer

**January 18**•Karla Arriaga

Karla, Jamie, Volunteer

**Mass Times**

**St. Therese of the Little Flower**

Sunday • 9:00am

\*Confession Sunday • 8:30-8:50

Holy Rosary Monday • 6:00pm & Sunday 8:30am

Wednesday • 7:30a.m. followed by Adoration

Thursday • 7:30a.m.

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**

St. Therese • Thursday 3:00pm

**Our Lady of Refuge**

Saturday Vigil • 4:00pm

\*Confession • Saturday 3:30-3:50

Sunday • 10:30am

Thursday • 12:05 pm in the Chapel

**St. James the Apostle**

Sunday • 12:00 Noon

Holy Rosary Sunday 11:30am

\*Confession • Sunday 11:30 - 11:50am

Monday • 7:30am

Friday • 7:30am followed by Adoration

\*or by appointment.

**Prayers for Strength and Healing**

Byrd Silguero, Helen Jane Spaarks, Kim Freeze, Oscar Cantu, Ray Cantu, Felix Luna, M.Maya, Tilly Yanez, Laura Balderamas, Martin Arriaga, Billy Gilstrap, Chris Castellano, Toni Tower, Jimmy Lewis, Arnulfo Arzola, Karla Arriaga, Cecelia Gonzales, Karen Linebarger, Rita Parker, Ashley Cisneros, Norm Alicia Newton, Vivian A. Zapata, Monica Rodriguez, Mike Gibbs, Jesse Flores, Sylvia Silguero, Yolanda Rodriguez, Melanie Thomas, Rene Garza, Janie Martinez, Robert Trevino, Rebecca Tanguma, Collins Tuttle, Ty Schultz.

**Repose soul-** Gloria Hernandez, Grady Gillespie, Geneva Langridge, Thomas Braman, Jesse Lozano, Dan Haven, Kim Haygood, Benny Castellano.

**“He sent out his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave.” Psalm 107:20**

**Parish Giving**

December 24 & 25 \$1611.10

Sunday, December 28 \$1467.00

*In loving memory of Margaret  
and Charles Freeze, a donation  
has been made to St. Therese, by  
Aaron Freeze.*

## Diocese of Corpus Christi

### Words of the Popes

Brothers and sisters, let us open our hearts to restlessness, let us ask for the courage to continue our journey, and let us finish in worship! Let us not be afraid, for this is the path of the Magi, the path of all the saints throughout history: to welcome our restlessness, to set out and to worship. Brothers and sisters, may we never stop our restless questioning; may we never interrupt our journey by yielding to apathy or convenience; and in our encounter with the Lord, may we abandon ourselves to the wonder of worship. Then we will discover that a light shines even in the darkest nights: the light of Jesus, the radiant morning star, the sun of justice, the merciful splendor of God, who loves every man and woman, and all the peoples of the earth. (Pope Francis, Homily, Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, 6 January 2023)



We three kings of Orient are  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar.  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
Following yonder star.  
Glorious now behold Him arise,  
King, and God, and Sacrifice;  
Heav'n sings "Hallelujah,"  
"Hallelujah," the earth replies.  
O star of wonder, star of night,  
Star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding,  
Guide us to thy perfect Light.



### The Wise Men's Offerings

The gifts of the Magi illuminate the different aspects of Christ's identity. He is king, he is God, and, in his marvelous grace, he died, so that we might live.

The magi's gifts were not simply a demonstration of wealth – they conveyed deeper meaning. The **gold** represents Jesus' kingship. As written in *Daniel 7:13-14*. The **frankincense** represents Jesus' deity. In the Old Testament, frankincense was traditionally burned in the temple as an offering to God (*Leviticus 2:2*). By bringing this gift, the Magi affirmed Jesus was no ordinary man; he is both fully man and fully God. Commonly used to embalm bodies, the gift of **myrrh** foreshadows Jesus' death. We see in *John 19:38-40* that Nicodemus brought myrrh at the time of Jesus' burial. As [Pope Francis stated](#): *It is not enough to know where Jesus was born, as the scribes did, if we do not go there. It is not enough to know that Jesus was born, like Herod, if we do not encounter him. When his place becomes our place, when his time becomes our time, when his person becomes our life, then the prophecies come to fulfillment in us. Then Jesus is born within us. He becomes the living God for me. Today we are asked to imitate the Magi. They do not debate; they set out. They do not stop to look, but enter the house of Jesus. They do not put themselves at the center, but bow down before the One who is the center.*

### St. Therese Community News

**\*CCD Resumes Today January 4th**

Jr. High 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Confirmation I 5:00-7:00 p.m.

January 7th 1st-5th grade 4:30-5:30 p.m.

January 11th Confirmation II 5-7 p.m.

***Have a joyful Sunday!***

**The Epiphany of the Lord**