



### A LOVE STRONGER THAN DEATH

Father Phil explains how the Easter celebration commemorates the love of Christ, who suffered and died for humanity's sins, and his resurrection, which signifies that nothing can separate us from God's love.

Missing out on this opportunity to be inspired and spiritually uplifted? Watch the messages from Father Phil, our community spiritual leader. Subscribe to our **YouTube channel** today and be the first to know when a new message from Father Phil is available.

### **Parish Schedule**



### ANSWER TO GOD'S CALL

Come and join us in our search for the Lord, and you will find Him if you search after Him with the right mind, strong will, honest heart, and the witness of others. You are welcome to St. Theresa's services at 7:00 a.m. Monday - Friday, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, 5:00 p.m. Saturday (Vigil Mass), 10:00 a.m., and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Spanish Mass on the last Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m.

#### MASS LIVE STREAM AND ON-DEMAND

Are you sick or homebound? Watch our Live Streamed Weekend Masses at <a href="https://www.sttheresa.cc/online-mass">https://www.sttheresa.cc/online-mass</a> or on our YouTube channel. In addition to the live stream of our services, watch the Homilies Playlist.

### RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Restore yourself to grace on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., and by appointment, please call **Fr. Phil** at **346-335-1803**.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WITH EXPOSITION

Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the main Sanctuary.

### LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN HELP YOU

The church office hours are Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please call **713-869-3783** or email us at *info@sttheresa.cc* 

### **Confirmation Mass**

Confirmation Mass on Saturday, April 15th will start promptly at 4:30 p.m. We look forward to celebrating this special occasion with you. For more information about Confirmation, please get in touch with **Tommy Cordova** at *t.cordova@sttheresa.cc* 



### **HAPPY EASTER!**

"Jesus is alive!"

We can become so familiar with the story of Christianity that we lose the shock and awe of this day. Jesus, bodily present, is raised from the dead. Not merely resuscitated, but transformed with a beautifully transfigured body! He has defeated death!

This is the "Good News" that compelled the earliest disciples to get over their fear and go to the ends of the earth, proclaiming, "Jesus Christ is Lord!" This is the meaning of today's glorious celebration, Easter Sunday's feast, and why the world has never been the same since the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

### **Happy Easter!**

Watch this video from Bishop Robert Barron from the award-winning series Catholicism on how we know Jesus triumphantly rose from the dead!







The countdown is on. Only 10 days left!

Omni Hotel Houston

4 Riverway, Houston, TX 77056

Friday, April 21, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Our highly anticipated gala and auction, "Let Your Light Shine," will take place, and we want you to be a part of this incredible event.

Join us for an unforgettable evening of entertainment, gourmet cuisine, and exciting auction items, all for a great cause.

For more information, please email our **Gala and Auction Committee** at **auction@sttheresa.cc**.

This is your last chance to secure your spot at this exclusive event. So what are you waiting for? Let your light shine, and purchase your tickets today!

# Click Here to Purchase Tickets



RENEW YOUR FAITH AND RECHARGE YOUR SOUL WITH FR. DAVID MICHAEL MOSES AND FR. PHIL LLOYD

St. Theresa in Memorial Park is excited to announce that Heart of Worship (HOW) is coming soon to our parish. This is your chance to be part of something truly special, so mark your calendars and get ready to join us for an unforgettable experience of spiritual fulfillment.

Saturday, June 3, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Registration will be opening soon, so keep an eye on upcoming information. Secure your spot and be part of this breathtaking event.



### DO YOU WANT TO VOLUNTEER AT HOW?

This is a massive event that will require several groups of volunteers. We need your help and would like you to be part of our team. Your assistance will be instrumental in making the event a big success.

Please contact **Claudia Blanco** at **c.blanco@sttheresa.cc** if you want to join one of our volunteer teams at St. Theresa's Heart of Worship. Thank you in advance for your participation and support of our Parish.



Sister Dunn made a difference in the lives of the students and parents she came to know and loved. They hold memories of an educator and friend who lived out the values of Sacred Heart education.

Sister Dunn is survived by her sister Jenny Blanc (Mike) of Houston, Texas; a niece Paige and nephew Evan; six grandnieces and nephews; and her sisters in the Society of the Sacred Heart.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in our parish. The Funeral Mass will occur after the visitation at 6:00 p.m., followed by a reception. The Mass will be live-streamed at <a href="https://sttheresa.cc/funeralstream">https://sttheresa.cc/funeralstream</a>.

The burial will take place on Saturday, April 15, 2023, in the Society of the Sacred Heart cemetery on the grounds of the Academy of the Sacred Heart in Grand Coteau, Louisiana. A reception will follow at the Philippine Community Residence, 376 Martin Luther King Drive, Grand Coteau.

Birth: October 20, 1946 Profession: May 31, 1979 Death: March 27, 2023

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



### **HOW TO GET CONFIRMED AS A CATHOLIC ADULT?**

Catholic adults who are active in the practice of their faith but who, for whatever reason, have never received the Sacrament of Confirmation are encouraged to do so. The Adult Confirmation process will consist of welcoming potential candidates and conducting a discernment interview to assess readiness to enter sacramental preparation. Sacramental Preparation will begin after Easter. This preparation will consist of weekly sessions, a day of reflection, and a final interview. Should you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact **Tommy Cordova** at *t.cordova@sttheresa.cc* or **346-335-1816**.



### NOW REGISTERING July 10th - 14th

Launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining the light of Jesus to the world. Stellar rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun. This program is for students in grades Pre-K4 through 5th this fall.

Middle and High School students needing service hours are encouraged to volunteer. For more information about this program, please email **Tommy Cordova** at *t.cordova@sttheresa.cc* or call **346-335-1816** or sign up at *https://sttheresa.cc/volunteer-for-vbs* 

# **Register Today**



#### SUPPORT OUR PARISH MISSION

In the Gospel of Luke, he says, "Who is my neighbor?" As a faith community, we continue to walk in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in need. From the foundation of our parish, a priority has been placed on answering Jesus' call to "love our neighbor." Thank you for responding faithfully and generously to our neighbors in need. St. Theresa Parish is a special place because of the people who care, the people who give, and the people who share in life and worship.

Support our church today using your debit or credit card or checking or savings account. Click the button to get started.

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# ARE YOU A SENIOR LOOKING FOR SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES?

St. Theresa Senior Luncheon offers interaction with others, meaningful time, involvement in the community, and mental health. Connect with others and meet new friends at this monthly senior luncheon, which has been rescheduled for **Tuesday, April 18th, 2023, at noon in the Fellowship Hall.** It will be a Bunco party. All seniors are invited. Please bring finger food to eat while you enjoy playing. For more information, please send an email to **Claudia Blanco** at *c.blanco@sttheresa.cc* 



### THE YOUNG CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU

Are you a young adult looking for a deeper and fuller reality in life? Join St. Theresa Young Adults Group. This ministry provides a broader perspective on reality.

### **April 2023 Events**

- Easter Brunch on Sunday, April 9th, at 11:00 a.m. at FM Kitchen. RSVP in GroupMe.
- Canyon Creek on Sunday, April 16th, at 7:00 p.m.
- St. Vincent de Paul Food Fair Service Event on Saturday, April 22th, at 7:00 a.m. See GroupMe for more details.
- Archdiocesan Young Adult Charis Retreat from April 28th to April 30th.
   Register by April 16th. See GroupMe for more details.

### Recurring Events

- **Bringing Scripture to Life** every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. after the 6:30 p.m. Mass. in the Red Room.
- After Mass Fellowship, drinks and snacks are provided after the 5:30 p.m. Sunday Mass in the Red Room.

Join GroupMe at *bit.ly/STYAGroupMe* for more event details, or email **Dena Yanowski** or **Allison Conlan** at **Young-adults@sttheresa.cc** 



### THANK YOU FOR HELPING US GROW

St. Theresa Catholic School PTO is excited to announce its first annual Little Flower Pre-Order Only Spring Plant Sale, which directly supports the St. Theresa campus. You can purchase plants for your home and/or the St. Theresa campus. **The online** 

store opens March 10th and closes April 14th at noon. Plant pick up is on Saturday, April 22nd. Questions can be emailed to ptoplantsale@sttheresa.cc.

## **Shop Here**

### Hospitality Ministry Bake Sale



#### **GRAB A SWEET TREAT**

Support the Hospitality Ministry by purchasing home-baked goods on their Bake Sale on **Saturday**, **May 6th**, **after the 5:00 p.m. Mass**, **and Sunday**, **May 7th**, **after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the narthex**. All proceeds will benefit The Ceci Cares Foundation and their 2023 Toy Drive. Please visit **cecicares.org** for additional information.

For more information about the bake sale, please contact **Claudia Blanco** at **c.blanco@sttheresa.cc.** 

# Social Justice in Action Book Discussion



#### LIVING JUSTICE: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING IN ACTION

We learned about Catholic Social Teaching in our lecture series; now let's know how to live it. Join the Social Justice in Action Ministry Team for a book discussion on "Living Justice: Catholic Social Teaching in Action" (third edition) by Thomas Massaro, SJ. Let's learn together how to take the next step in our lives as Catholic Christians.

Our last meeting will be on Monday, May 15th, in the Red Room, at 7:00 p.m. There will not be a meeting in April.

Please read the chapters before the discussion. The discussion will cover chapters 5-7. The books are available on Amazon and Barnes and Noble. Check out the options, including eBooks.

Please reach **Charlene Avocato** with questions about this event at **socialjusticeministry@sttheresa.cc**. We look forward to speaking with you.

### **Confirm Your Attendance**

### **Our History Matters Series**



### PUBLIC EDUCATION IN THE U.S. PAST AND PRESENT

Roy Hughes, our parishioner and historian, will talk about how pedagogy and content have changed through the years from the McGuffey Reader to the TEA/HISD confrontation on **Tuesday, May 16th, at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** 

There will be time for questions and answers; lunch will be served. For more information, please send an email to **Claudia Blanco** at **c.blanco@sttheresa.cc** 

### **RSVP** Here

### **Little Flowers Mom's Group**



### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

In an effort to create a community for Little Flower Mom's group, we would love to hear your ideas and/or suggestions. Help us by taking this 2-minute survey. Contact **Kendall Solé** *K.sole@sttheresa.cc* for more information.

# **Take Survey**

### **Little Flowers Sunday Nursery**



### SUNDAY LITTLE FLOWERS CARE

We are now registering for the Little Flowers Nursery Care for the 10:00 a.m. Mass. This ministry seeks to create connection and community for our littlest flowers (newborn-4 years old) in a safe and fun environment. Pre-registration is necessary, but once registered, feel free to "drop in" any Sunday you attend 10:00 a.m. Mass on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Contact **Kendall Solé K.sole@sttheresa.cc** for more information.

# Sign Up Here



### READING THE WORD OF GOD

Lectors proclaim the Word of God at Mass. This ministry is essential because it brings alive the scriptures in the hearts of the faithful. St. Theresa Catholic Church is actively recruiting lectors. If you feel called to proclaim the word through the lector ministry, please email *liturgicalministries@sttheresa.cc* 

This week the following parishioners will be reading at mass:

Sunday, April 9, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Scott Alexander (1)

Maria Briseno (2)

Sunday, April 9, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

Marie Valenta (1)

Zach Wrobel (2)

### **Mass Intentions**



Saturday, April 8th 5:00 p.m.

† Ike and Louise Gorski

Sunday, April 9th 10:00 a.m.

Pro-Populo (Parishioners)

5:30 p.m.

† Janet C. Lodge

† Stevenson and Mulvelhil Family

† Deceased Members of the Minter

and Coles Families

† Alvin and Dorothy Kainer

† Vincent A. Mandola

Monday, April 10th

7:00 a.m.

Peace for Anne

Tuesday, April 11th

7:00 a.m.

† Patti Price

Wednesday, April 12th

7:00 a.m.

† John Jay Fertitta

8:05 a.m.

† Maria Perez

† Lee, Tony & Steve Ponzica

Thursday, April 13th 7:00 a.m. Communion Service 6:30 p.m. † Xavier Fernandez † Joseph Fowler

Friday, April 14th 7:00 a.m. † Pat Novosel

If you like to request a mass intention please go to <a href="https://secure.qgiv.com/for/">https://secure.qgiv.com/for/</a> sthe/event/781517

# **Hospitality Sunday**



We regret to inform you that Hospitality Sunday on Easter has been canceled. This is due to the fact that the donut store will be closed for the holiday, and we will not be able to provide the usual delicious donuts.

We hope that you will join us for the next Hospitality Sunday on **May 7th**. We appreciate your understanding and your continuous support. If you like to take part in this ministry, please contact Claudia Blanco at c.blanco@sttheresa.cc.

### **Rosary for Peace**



### PRAYING IN THE MOMENT OF NEED

The Rosary is a special prayer. Our Blessed Mother requested to pray for peace in the world and for the conversion of all people to Her Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. The Rosary for Peace is held in the **Church at 6:40 a.m. on Fridays prior to the 7:00 a.m. Mass.** Volunteer to lead the Rosary for Peace by contacting **Stuart** Greene at SGreene@wm.com or 713-836-0050.

### **Altar Flowers**



St. Theresa's Altar flowers depend upon donors who sponsor the flowers. Please consider sponsoring an arrangement with a donation of \$75 in memory of a loved one, a celebration of an anniversary, a First Holy Communion or Confirmation, a birthday, or any special event.

Please get in touch with **Mary-Ann Virgilio** at **352-212-2961** or <u>maryann.virgilio@sttheresa.cc</u> to place your request two weeks in advance.



### **SERVING OTHERS IS SERVING GOD**

St. Theresa volunteer at the Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen on the third Friday of each month. The next date is **Friday, April 21st, from 8:30 a.m. to noon**, at 2009 Congress Street, Houston, Texas 77002. Volunteers will help prepare and package a hot meal and then distribute about 300 to-go boxes to the homeless. Volunteers must be 15 years or older. To find more information, contact **Claudia Blanco** at **c.blanco@sttheresa.cc** 

# Holy Communion from the Chalice

#### HYGIENE FOR THE LITURGICAL ASSEMBLY

At all times, if you are sick or not feeling well, please avoid receiving the Precious Blood from the cup. Receiving the consecrated host alone is sufficient grace.

If you are sick, please receive the Body of Christ in the hand to help avoid the risk of spreading your illness to others. This is one more sign of being the best of neighbors and disciples. Thank You!

For more information, please go to http://bit.ly/3GgWnA1.

**GIVING BEYOND ST. THERESA** 

### GIVING AS A CATHOLIC BEYOND ST. THERESA

The following link contains some agencies worthy of support should you be looking beyond the parish itself to share some of your financial blessings.

<a href="https://sttheresa.cc/giving-beyond">https://sttheresa.cc/giving-beyond</a>

"HYSO" led by Houston Symphony violinist and fellow parishioner of St. Theresa Catholic Church, Kurt Johnson, will present their spring season concert in the **St. Theresa Catholic Church sanctuary on Saturday, April 22, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.**The concert will be approximately 1 hour long and consist of works by Rachmaninoff, Tchaikovsky, and Dvorak, among others. The concert is free and open to the public.

The Houston Youth String Orchestra began its Ffifth season in 2022 as "the string orchestra for the youth of Texas." HYSO consists of an advanced beginner/intermediate orchestra led by Quan Jiang (Concert Orchestra) and an advanced orchestra led by Kurt Johnson (Philharmonic Orchestra). More information about the orchestra can be found at <a href="https://www.hyso.info">www.hyso.info</a>. We hope to see you there!

#### CHARIS RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

All young adults (ages 18-39) are invited to join us for the upcoming Seekers' Charis Retreat. This event is designed for young adults seeking a deeper integration of spirituality in their lives. It offers an intentional time of sharing and reflection about some of the deepest, innermost longings. The three-day and two-night retreat will be based on Ignatian Spirituality and held at Circle Lake Retreat Center (19000 Circle Lake Dr., Pinehurst, TX) from April 28th to April 30th. Register online by Sunday, April 16th. For more information and to register, visit www.archgh.org/charis

TAKE ACTION TO OPPOSE THE PROHIBITION OF FUNDING FOR PARENTAL CHOICE IN EDUCATION

Please contact your Texas House representative and ask them to OPPOSE Rep. Herrero's amendment to the House budget, HB 1, that would prohibit funding for parental choice in education. Call your house representative:

https://wrm.capitol.texas.gov/home

#### **HELPFUL WEBSITES**

- Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): www.aa.org
- American Red Cross: redcross.org
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: www.cdc.gov
- Christian Community Service Center: www.ccschouston.org
- Counseling (Grief, Family, etc.): www.catholiccharities.org
- Domestic Violence: tbotw.org
- Families of Addicts: al-anon.org

- Houston Police: If you have a life-threatening emergency, call 911. Non Emergencies: www.houstontx.gov/police
- Narcotics Anonymous (NA): na.org
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline Center: 988lifeline.org
- Overeaters Anonymous (OA): oahouston.org
- Sex Addicts Anonymous (SAA): saa-recovery.org
- Texas Department of Family and Protective Services www.txabusehotline.org
- United Way of Greater Houston: www.unitedwayhouston.org

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