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AUGUST 10, 2025 | 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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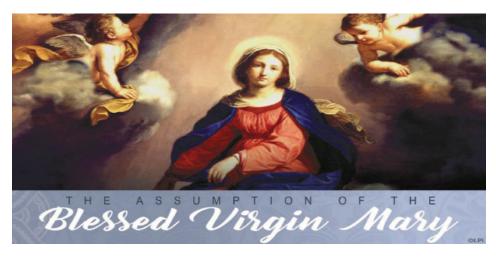
MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASSES SATURDAY 4:00PM SUNDAY 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM, 5:00PM

ALL THESE MASSES ARE IN ST. TERESA CHURCH ON VICTORY BLVD., EXCEPT THE 9AM MASS WHICH IS IN ST. NICHOLAS CHAPEL, ON NORTHERN BLVD. AT LA BAU AVE., ONE BLOCK IN FROM VICTORY BLVD

WEEKDAY MASSES
MONDAY TO SATURDAY 8:30AM
TUESDAY TO FRIDAY 12 Noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SATURDAYS, NOON TO 1:00PM



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

Designated Sundays at 1:30 Please call the rectory to check dates and to meet with a priest or deacon.

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday, Noon to 1pm, in confessionals in church

WEDDINGS

Please call and speak to a priest to begin planning your wedding

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Anytime

NOVENA SERVICES Mondays after 8:30 Mass

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
First Fridays after Noon Mass
until Benediction at 3PM

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St. Teresa Religious Education Program for public school students begins with first grade and leads to sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Students are taught on Tuesdays 4pm to 5:30. Call 718 981-2632 or email ccd@saintteresasi.org.

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THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 10	DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU!	NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 17
4:00PM Jerry Salzano 7:30AM Kenneth Amatrudo 9:00AM Mary and William O'Farrell 10:30AM Douglas Wells 12:30PM Lucy Varone 5:00PM For the People of Our Parish	Mass Intentions	4:00PM For the People of Our Parish 7:30AM Margaret Barstch (I), Harris Streeter, Heissenger, Warren and Gallant Families 9:00AM James Murphy 10:30AM Michael Guccione 12:30PM William Meyer 5:00PM Arielle Newman
MONDAY, AUGUST 11	TUESDAY, AUGUST 12	WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13
8:30AM Regina Whalen	8:30AM Eileen Reardon 12NOON Maureen Narducci	8:30AM Umberto and Vincenza Granello 12NOON Joseph Tracy
THURSDAY, AUGUST 14	FRIDAY, AUGUST 15	SATURDAY, AUGUST 16
8:30AM Carmine Giambrone (Living) 12NOON Agnes and Owen Travers	8:30AM Peter G. Granello 12NOON The Steiner Family	8:30AM Police Officer Didarul Islam
4PM For St. Teresa Parishioners	7:30PM Nicholas DeSiena	

IT IS A DEVOUT AND LOVING PRACTICE TO COME TO MASS AND PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE DIED.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Your prayers are requested for all who are sick in our parish and community, especially: Grace Agalo-os, Bernadette, Karen Bertuzzi, Michael Borik, Vincent Borzumato, Rosemary Callenberg, Eileen Carroll, Carina DeGiulio, Kevin Dunne, Patricia Dunne, Joanie Edwards, Augustine Ferrer, Mark & Arlene Fileccia, Michael G., Josephine Greco, Edward Gross, Elaine Guarlino, Ricky Gundacker, David Hall, Barbara Harris, Vincent Hicks, Barbara Hicks, Buddy Jarrel, Pat Jarrell, Jennifer Johnson, Fred Kabat, Donnalyn Lawton, Catherine Leone, Edward Lewis, Genevieve Lewis, Josephine Linton, Lomando, Linda Mahoney, Paul Mahoney, Janet Massa, Judy C. Mc., Marie McMillen, Christine Momole Susan Morris, Josephine Nastasi, Joseph Pastore, Ryan Pizzaro, Joanny Pizzuti, Sal Prestigiacomo, Gerry Pye, Edwin Rodriguez, Marty Rose, Ronald Rothmund, Jerry Scattaglia, Cheryl Spinelli, David Valle, Tita Valonzo, Michael Walsh, Jerry Yannaci Sr.,

Margaret White

Pray for Our Parishioners in the Military

Sergeant Michael R. Mazzuki, Jr. U.S. Army, Fort Stewart, GA
Staff Sergeant Connor M. O'Brien, U.S. Marine Corp., Camp Lejeune, NC

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR PRIESTS

Monsignor Belford 4pm, 9am, 10:30 Father Kallattil 7:30, 12:30, Clove Lakes Home Father Challman 5pm Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint Teresa Church,

Remember this Thursday afternoon or Friday to come to thank and praise the Mother of God for her trust in God and her love for Jesus and for us. Because August 15 every year is the important feast day for the celebration of the ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY INTO HEAVEN! We will Mass on Thursday at 4pm, and on Friday at 8:30am, 12 Noon, and 7:30pm. After her long, sometimes happy, sometimes tearful life on earth, our Mother Mary was taken up, body and soul, and became the Queen of Heaven! Where she has gone, let us pray to follow and learn from the Bible readings at the Masses:

Before Pope Francis got sick this spring, I read an interesting book with questions that children from around the world had sent to him. Perhaps you would also like to remember our Pope Francis and read his gentle responses to the questions of children.

A boy named Wing from Brazil asked him, "Do you like to watch soccer?"

I have never played serious matches because I never learned the art of the game that well. And I do not have a nimble foot. But I really like watching good soccer teams play, because I see teamwork and unity.

If a player wants to play all by himself, he loses. And his teammates will not like him. To play soccer well, you have to play together. You must play as a team and look for the good of everyone without showing off. It ought to be this way in the Church too.

A boy named William from the US asked him: "If you could do 1 miracle, what would it be?"

I would heal children. I have never been able to understand why children suffer. It is a mystery to me. I do not have an explanation. Why do children suffer? My heart asks the same question. We know that Jesus wept, and by weeping, he understood our tragedies. I try to understand too. So if I could perform a miracle, I would heal every child. And I'm not afraid to cry. You shouldn't be either.

Emil from the Dominican Republic asked about his deceased relatives: can they see us from heaven?

Yes, you can be sure of this. Imagine that you are thinking about your relatives who are in heaven. You do not see them, but if and when God allows it, they can see you, at least at certain moments in your life. They are not far from us. They pray for us, and lovingly take care of us. This is an important thing.

You can imagine your deceased relatives this way: they are smiling down on you from heaven. The way you have drawn them in your picture of us, they are flying around me. But they are "flying" around you! They are accompanying you with their love.

Karla, a 10 year old girl from Nicaragua, offered this: I have always asked myself: do bad people have a guardian angel too?

Dear Karla, we all have a guardian angel! One way to help people who are doing bad things is to pray to their guardian angel so that their angels can help them to do good instead. Children should realize that every person - bad or good- has a guardian angel to help us improve, change, and become people who do what pleases God.

Our angels try to help us realize our mistakes when we are not on the right path. Our angels help us to think good thoughts. Of course, some people do not listen to their guardian angel enough. And some people never listen. Still - their guardian angel accompanies them - always.

A 9 year old girl from India asked: How can I find God in me and in my family?

Love in not just the result of *your* actions. Love is also a grace you receive from God. And love is a grace you can help grow. You have to water it like you would water a plant. That is how you will find God in your home.

Nastya, a 10 year old girl from Russia, asked: How can I increase the number of Christians in my age group?

You have a wonderful wish. This is beautiful. I support you. Pray to Jesus that the number of his followers will increase in your group, in your place, in your country. Pray for parents and pastors and teachers. But most of all, give your own witness as a Christian where you live. With your family, and among your friends. Be a witness of the faith and hope and love that you have in your heart.

Pralja, a 6 year old girl from Albania, asked the Pope about something she likes doing: When you were a child, did you like dancing?

Really a lot! I played Ring around the Rosie, and our traditional dances from Argentina. I really had so much fun. Then as a young man I really liked to dance the tango.

Even the great King David danced! He made Jerusalem the Holy City and brought the Ark of the Covenant there in a solemn procession. King David himself began to dance all around the Ark! He forgot to behave as a king, and danced liked a young child!

Then when his wife saw him jumping and dancing, she criticized him! She was sick with too much seriousness. So, children, dance now as children so that when you grow up, you won't be too serious to dance!

Learning from children and from our Holy Fathers, Msgr. William Belford



This week we have the celebration of THE ASSUMP-TION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY INTO HEAVEN.

This is a holyday of obligation for all who can come.

Plan to join us at one of our four Masses. We have a vigil Mass at 4pm on Thursday August 14, and then Masses on Friday the 15th at 8:30am (followed by the Rosary), 12 Noon, and 7:30pm.

Next weekend we will have a special guest priest—Father Anand Talluri —coming to talk at all our Masses about his own missionary work and the SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH. Please bring something extra on August 17 to put in the second collection so that we who cannot go to be missionaries can help missionaries and people they serve.

Then on the next Sunday August 24, join us for an interesting visit to one, two, or three local houses of worship:

2:30 Temple Israel at 315 Forest Avenue 3:30 St. Nicholas Chapel on Northern Blvd. 4:30 Hindu Temple of SI—1318 Victory Blvd

<u>SAVE THIS DATE</u> SAINT TERESA FEASTDAY LUNCHEON

Sunday October 5, from noon to 4pm, at LiGreci's Staaten Restaurant on Forest Avenue. This year our three very worthy Parish Honorees are: Patricia Ward, Joseph Granello, and Greg Percoco. Join us for a happy afternoon with

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WeShare online amount was \$2,860.

Parishioners brought envelopes to Mass with contributions of \$6,540.

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

That Jesus, who helped his disciples to believe in him when they saw the miracles that He performed for the sick, will restore good health to our parishioners and family members who are ill, let us pray to the Lord...

Expressing Faith and Trust In God's Plans

Vince Scully was a great Catholic gentleman and baseball announcer for the Brooklyn and Los Angeles Dodgers. He was a model teacher in many ways – including when to gracefully exit the stage and let others have their turn. When he retired several years ago, he included a beautiful prayer for his listeners at the end of his final broadcast. Those words, and prayer, are good for all of us to live by.

You know friends, so many people have wished me congratulations on a 67-year career in baseball, and they've wished me a wonderful retirement with my family. And so now, all I can do is tell you what I wish for you.

May God give you for every storm, a rainbow,
For every tear, a smile,
For every care, a promise,
And a blessing in each trial.
For every problem life sends,
A faithful friend to share,
For every sigh, a sweet song,
And an answer for each prayer.

You and I have been friends for a long time, but I know that I've always needed you more than you've needed me, and I'll miss our time together more I can say.

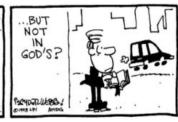
But you know that there will be a new day, and eventually a new year. And when the upcoming winter gives way to spring, rest assured it will be time for Dodger baseball.



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