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Fifth Sunday of Lent*

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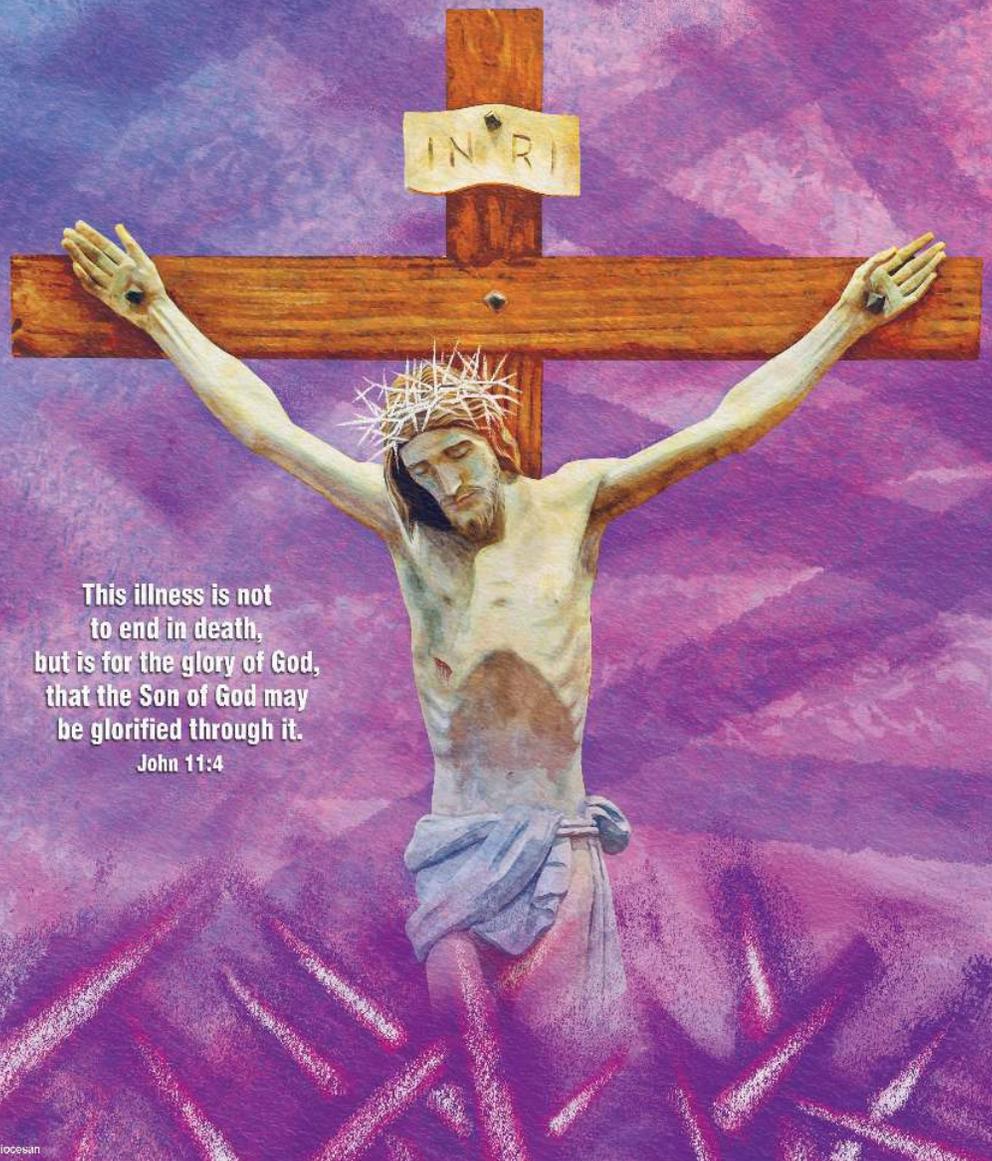
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**Fifth Sunday of
LENT**



**This illness is not
to end in death,
but is for the glory of God,
that the Son of God may
be glorified through it.**

John 11:4

March 22, 2026

Mass Intentions for the week of March 22nd to March 29th

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 AM Richard Durdak † by sister & niece Kandi & Kris Nyce	7:00 AM For the People of the Parish	7:00 AM Special Intention for the Yuskewich children by mom	7:00 AM For those in need of prayer
9:30 AM Fernan Jomar Suico † by the family	8:30 AM Special Intention for Virginia Smith by Bob & Bonnie	8:30 AM Kimberly Anders † by Marci Gullikson	8:30 AM Dean Wyers † (heavenly) birthday by Dottie & Greg
11:30 AM Sophie Robello † by Peggy	<i>The Lord says: Lazarus, come out.</i>		

LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Palm Sunday
Thinking about the Readings**

1. What is the most difficult thing I have ever faced?
2. Are there those I insult, tear down, or treat with disdain? Do I ever treat others in a demeaning manner?
3. What is my experience of friendship and betrayal?
4. Where am I on my journey to the cross?

**Readings for Palm Sunday
March 29, 2026**

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

The Suffering Servant speaks to the weary.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Jesus emptied himself, and accepted death on a cross.

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27

They come to a place called Golgotha and crucified Jesus there.

DEVOTIONS

Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer) at 8:10am (before the 8:30 mass), Mon.-Thu. (unless no school on Fri.)
 Recitation of the Rosary: Mon. – Sat., 9am in the Chapel.
 Novena – Our Lady of Perpetual Help Tuesday, after the 8:30am Mass.
 Spanish Adoration & Prayer Group, Thursdays 6:00pm
 Holy Hour 9-10 – Thurs. (except holidays) after the 8:30 Mass, Divine Mercy, Rosary, Silent Prayer, Benediction.
 Holy Days – Same as Sundays (7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am) Holy Day Vigil – 7:00pm
 Litanies—After the 8:30am Mass

For Reflection:

I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?

Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world.



Today's good news

The **first** reading from the Old Testament prophet Ezekiel 37:12-14 is taken from the chapter about pouring forth the Spirit upon the "dry bones" in the valley of his vision. The prophet speaks of restoration through an act of God through the Spirit and that it was through him that the people first were saved from their oppression in Egypt, and by his power they will be saved again and restored as the people of God. The symbolic meaning of the reading is the resurrection of the people to new life, a theme clearly reiterated in succeeding apocalyptic literature and finally present in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

The **second** reading from St Paul to the Romans 8:8-11 states that through Christ the whole person of the believer is saved, raised up, and redeemed. The realm of the flesh is the realm to be left behind, and the realm of the Spirit is where true life is to be found. The indwelling of the Spirit refers to the baptism of the person and his consequent moral life.

The **Gospel** reading, St. John 11:1-45, opens up in front of us a scene of unprecedented sorrow. The Lord Jesus receives the message from the sisters of Lazarus who, when confronted with the gravity of his condition, tried the only thing possible, they turned to the Lord of who it was said: 'Everything He does is good, he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak' (Mk 7:37). It is the cry of each one of us who would like their loved ones to live forever without ever leaving us.

The Lord Jesus, inexplicably, waited a further two days before heading for Lazarus' home. Upon Jesus' arrival in Bethany there was a new apparently inexplicable development in the story. First Mary, then her sister Marta and behind them all the Jews who were united with them, converge on Jesus with the certainty that if there was a response to their sorrow it would come from Him. They profoundly accepted Israel's faith in the final Resurrection and so even this event was not ultimately inexplicable. In fact Martha said to the Lord, 'I know that he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day'. (Jn 11:24) However, knowing that in relation to the Lord, nothing that was authentically human in them or their cry of sorrow would be lost. Prior to that, their only consolation came from the eschatological faith of the time.

It was Martha and Mary's faith, even when confronted with Lazarus' death that gave rise to the extraordinary miracle worked by Christ. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit who dwells in you.' (Rom 8:11).

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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Palm Sunday
7:00 AM Leona Eriksen † by the Erikson family	7:00 AM Albert & Helen Voss † by the family	8:30 AM Stanley F Lewandowski by the Lewandowski family	7:30 AM Amparo Nubia Perez † by Joan Ortega
8:30 AM Special Intentions for Frank Braun by Bob & Bonnie	8:30 AM Special Intentions for Jim Voor by Bob & Bonnie	5:00 PM Norbert Lindenthal by sister, Maragret & Richard Miller, by by wife, MaryLou	9:30 AM Marvin Kenkel † by the family
The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in prayer for our OCIA candidates as they continue their journey			11:30 AM Richard Miller † by his wife & family

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Thought: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" shout the crowds in today's Gospel. May *we* be always ready to share our blessings when *we* are sent in His name!

Parish Sacrificial Giving (Regular Sunday Offering) In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, the parishioners and visitors gave \$13,353.00 for the ministries of St. Teresa. The collection for Catholic Relief Services amounted to \$2,578.00. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless.

SCHOOL NEWS



Brevard County 4H Speech Contest



This school year, our fourth, fifth, and sixth graders are once again participating in the Brevard County 4H Speech Contest. After a classroom contest, our finalists will participate in a semi-final round where students will be selected to represent St. Teresa in the county contest.

We are looking for volunteers to serve as judges for the semi-final round being held on **Tuesday, April 21st at 1pm.**

If you are interested in helping out, please reach out to Mary McCrory at 321-267-1643 or email at info@stteresa-titusville.org. Thank you for your interest.

Living Stations of the Cross

St Teresa School children will present on The Living Stations will be performed on **Friday, March 27th at 2pm and 7pm** by the Class of 2026.



The teachers and children make the Passion come alive. They put hours of work into the presentation of the death of Christ. Don't miss this opportunity.

St Teresa Fun Run & Color Run kicks off soon!

We're attempting to raise \$20,000 for schoolwide improvements and we need your help. Save the date and stay tuned for more details on how you can support our cause.

Donate TODAY: <https://give.mybooster.com/st-teresa-catholic-school-2>

Fundraiser Kickoff in school – 03/23/2026

Event Day – 04/01/2026



QUESTION OF THE WEEK?

What parishioners have lost a loved one this year?
How does the parish community grieve anew each year



Palm Sunday

March 29th

Eucharistic Adoration

We will have an all day Eucharistic Adoration on **March 26th from 9am to 6:30pm** in the Chapel.

There will be the **Spanish Holy Hour and Exposition from 5:30-6:30pm.**

If anyone would like to sign up for an hour, please call Cheryl Kassack at: 321-383-1312 (H) 321-795-1456 (c)

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FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education (CCD)



NO Religious Education Classes (CCD) this week. Classes will resume next **Wednesday April 1st**.

OCIA

Our OCIA meeting is this Sunday, **March 22nd at 1:30pm** in the Avila Hall.

"O"ur Catholic Nugget

A Quote from Saint Rose of Lima "Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder by which we may go to heaven."

Adult Bible Study

Winter Bible study:

Monday, March 23rd 9:15am in Avila Hall

Tuesday, March 24th 6:30pm in Avila Hall

Wednesday, March 25th 9:30am in Avila Hall

If you have any questions contact the Faith Formation office at 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org.

Breakfast Buffet

Save the date, **Sunday April 26th** for our Final Breakfast Buffet for this year.

Buffet will be after each Mass in the Parish Center. Omelets made to order, pancakes, as well as Sausage, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Biscuits and Gravy! Suggested donation: Adults: \$12, Children 5-12 \$6.

Proceeds will be used to reduce the cost of the Youth Travelers on our Italy Youth Pilgrimage 2026.



Youth Group Summer Camps

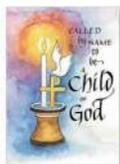
Camp Veritas. **June 9th – 14th** Lake Placid, Florida

Ava Maria Youth Conference 2026 **July 10th – 12th**; Ave Maria University

If you are interested in attending either or both of these summer events, please contact the Faith Formation Office. Cell: (321) 349-5445 (voice or text) Email: faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org

Baptism

To schedule a Baptism or a Preparation Class contact the Faith Formation Office 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org.



The Preparation class will be held on the date and time you schedule in the Faith Formation Room in Avila Hall.

Bereavement /Grief Support Group

A Grief, Prayer, Support Group has been organized for anyone that has lost a loved one or is interested in participating.

You do not need to be a member of the Parish to participate.

Meetings will be held on **Thursdays from 4:30-6:30PM**.

All are welcome. For additional information, please contact the Parish Office @321-268-3441



Blue Army Rosary

Blue Army Rosary and Chaplets

The St. Teresa Chapter of the Blue Army is hosting, in the Chapel, a **weekly:**

Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy on **Monday** nights at **6pm**

There will be a Pot Luck dinner



Choir Rehearsal

Contemporary choir rehearses every **Tuesday at 7pm** in the church.

Traditional choir rehearses every **Wednesday at 7pm** in the church



Food Pantry Cor Jesu

The Food Pantry is in need of brownies, juice and crackers.

If you chose to send a check please make out to Cor Jesu.

Grocery store gift cards are always welcome for perishables. They can be placed in the box outside the gift shop.

All food donations are always appreciated.

Thank you for your weekly generosity.



Moms of Tiny Saints

A Catholic ministry where moms can find community in the messiness and joy of raising tiny saints. Join us at one of our upcoming events.



Contact Kasey at (321) 289-6399 for any questions.

Apr. 18	10AM	Tom Statham Park	Family Picnic Potluck
May 7	10AM	Cross Bridge Church	Playground Meet Up
May 20	7pm	Text Kasey for address	Just-for-Moms Night

Fifth Sunday of Lent



The 12
A Living
Dramatization of
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What better way to begin Holy Week. Join us **on Palm Sunday, March 29th** as thirteen of your fellow Parishioners reverently perform a dramatic recreation of Leonardo da Vinci's world-famous painting, "The Last Supper".

Watch as the 12 Apostles react to the moment when Jesus announces, "One of you will betray me".

Be there as each Apostle shares their personal story of their relationship with Jesus, and each ask the question we all must face:

"Is it I Lord, Is it I?"

Date: **March 29, 2026**
Time 5:00pm
Location: St. Teresa Catholic Church

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Trust Him. Trust that He deeply loves you. Trust that He has a plan for you. Trust that He is always with you. Trust that His mercy is far greater than any sin. Accept His love. Accept His love that led Him to the Cross. Accept His love that went through immense suffering so that He wouldn't have to live without you.

Accept His love from His Sacred Heart that beats for you. Turn away from sin. Make a commitment today to continue to hold fast to your Lenten resolutions.

Make a commitment to continue to seek Him even when it's hard and when life is busy.

Go on a mission to the Dominican Republic in 2026

Do you have a heart to help others? Share your God-given gifts with people from our Sister Diocese of San Juan de la Maguana in the Dominican Republic in 2026. No training necessary. Mission dates are **Mar. 21-28, Apr. 11-18, Apr. 21-28, Jun. 20-27, Jul. 4-11, and Jul. 25-Aug. 1**. If you are interested in serving, contact the Mission Office, 407-246-4893 or email Zwamy Parra at zparra@orlandodiocese.org.

2026 MISSION TRIPS

Diocese of Orlando
MISSION OFFICE

- ☑ March 14 - 21 Embry Riddle
- ☑ March 21 - 28 Melbourne Central H.S
- ☑ April 11 - 18 Bishop Moore H.S
- ☑ April 21 - 28 Dental
- ☑ June 20-27 Construction
- ☑ July 4 - 11 Trinity High School
- ☑ July 25 - Aug 1 Intensive English

We invite you to join us and make a meaningful difference in the lives of those most in need.

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St. Teresa Lenten Soup Suppers
Time: 4:30 pm to 6:30pm
Location: Avila Hall
(Thru March 27th)
Suggested donation: Adults: \$10, Children 5-12 \$5

March 27th

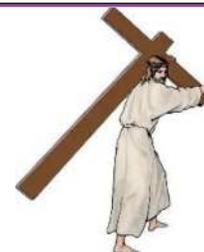
Soups: Broccoli Cheddar & Minestrone
Side: Garlic Bread Dessert: As donated
Drinks: Iced Tea (Sweet / Unsweet), Lemonade, Water, Coffee

This will be the last of the Lenten suppers. Please come and enjoy the soups and company of others.
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Our Catholic Appeal 2026 Weekly Update

The goal for St Teresa Parish is: \$127,516

With 232 gifts received, latest amount received is : \$106,529.00. That is 84% of the goal.

Thank you to those that have already sent their pledge.

You may make your pledge at church by turning in your pledge card or by going online at : WWW.cfocf.org/OCA

Your gifts to **Our Catholic Appeal** help to protect and defend the sacredness and dignity of human life.

Any amount is appreciated—so please use the envelope that assists with participation.

These ministries infuse us with the fire of the Holy Spirit to be God's light where His light is unknown or hidden from view.
Bishop Noonan

Blessed are they who seek Him with all their heart.

Our Catholic Appeal



Pope Leo on Thoughts During Lent



Lent : Pope Leo XIV urges us not to remain in the ashes.

A call to rise again, assume our responsibilities, and rebuild, personally and collectively..... Pope Leo XIV

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Romans 5:12-19

What One Can Do

One person can do a lot of damage. As we begin Lent we remember the story of Adam and the origins of human sin. But we all know how much damage any one person can do, because we have experienced it in our own sinful lives. One person can say and do things that hurt. Such things hurt another person, but they also hurt the very person who commits the offense. In addition, one person's offense may tarnish others—the family, the profession, or the church. One person can do a lot of damage.

At the beginning of Lent it is tempting to wallow in sin. This season will indeed turn our attention to our offenses. This is a perfect time of year to make a good examination of conscience and to bring our sin to the sacrament of reconciliation.

But there is more to Lent than sin. There is grace.

St. Paul told the Romans that death came into the world through one person's transgression, but "how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through the one Jesus Christ."

One person can do a lot of good. The kindness we perform for another person can bring unexpected joy. And by the death and rising of Christ, sinners are made righteous.

Yes, reflect on sin this Lent, but remember also the grace. Jesus brings life to the world, and to you.

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Holy Week runs from Palm Sunday **March 29, to Easter Sunday, April 5th,**
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Lenten Activities Plan Ahead

Holy Week

Palm Sunday—March 29th

Holy Thursday—**No** regular Adoration of the Cross
7PM Washing of the feet/Liturgy of The Last Supper

Good Friday— **no** regular First Friday Services
8:30am—Morning prayer only
12 noon Stations of the cross
3PM & 7PM—Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday—**no** regular First Saturday Services
8:30am—Morning prayer only
11AM—Blessing of Easter Food
8PM Vigil Mass OCIA

Easter Sunday is **April 5th**
Masses will be celebrated at the regular times of **7:30– 9:30 and 11:30 AM**

Holy Week is the most sacred seven days each year in the Catholic Church.

It encompasses the crescendo of Lent, the sorrow of Good Friday, and the joy of the Easter Vigil which commences the celebration of Easter Sunday. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday, a day on which Jesus enters Jerusalem triumphantly astride a colt (Luke 19:28–40; Zech. 9:9), yet also anticipates his Passion and death because people can't reconcile his being both the Messiah King *and* the Suffering Servant (Luke 18:31–34; 22:37; see Isa. 52:13–Isa. 53:12).

There are many other rich traditions and key events during the week, from Jesus's institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper on Holy Thursday to the solemn events of Good Friday, including the Stations of the Cross.

While Catholics are encouraged to attend Mass throughout Holy Week, the only holy day of obligation is Easter Sunday. The Sunday obligation may be fulfilled by attending the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening.

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