



St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church and School

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday Vigil:.....5:00 p.m.

Sunday:.....7:30 a.m., 9:30AM
& 11:30 am

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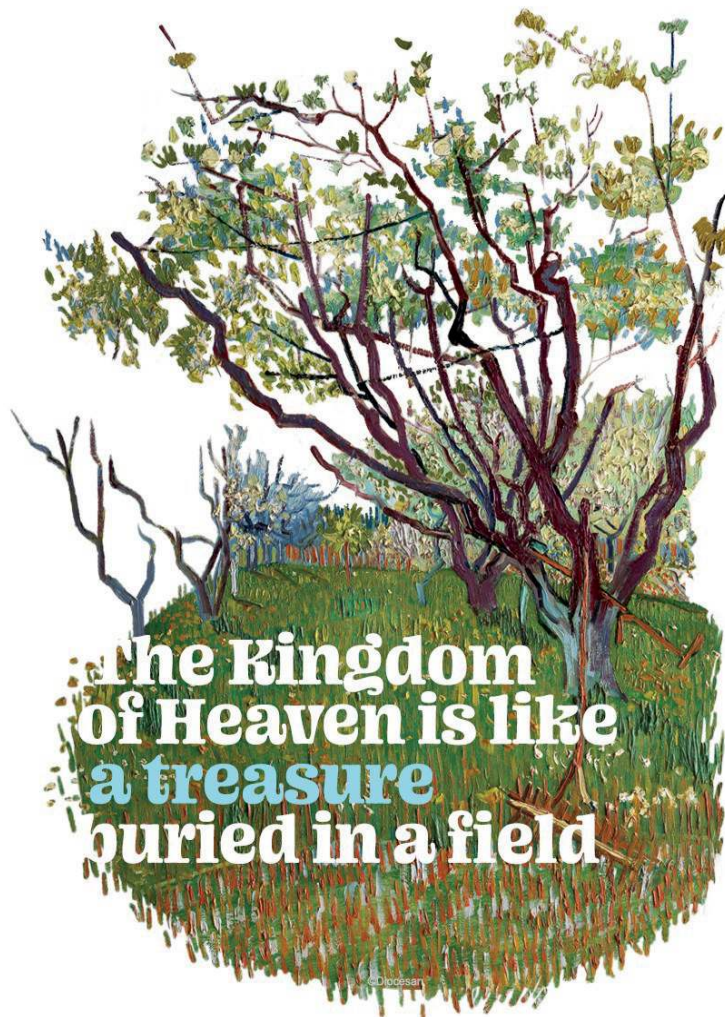
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Mass Intentions for the week of July 26th to August 2nd

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 AM Special Intentions for Kimberly Labrie by mom, dad & family	7:00 AM The deceased members of the Carlyle family by the family	7:00 AM For the victims of Venezuela earthquake	7:00 AM People of the parish
9:30 AM Pat Tobin † by Greg & Dottie	8:30 AM Gary Minor † by his wife & family	8:30 AM Jorge Vidal † by the family	8:30 AM Marvin Kenkel † by his wife, Gloria
11:30 AM Special Intentions for Anne Guam(Happy Birthday) by her family	<i>"Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him."</i>		

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Thinking about the Readings

1. When I think of the word "need", what comes to mind?
2. When have I asked god for something I needed and not received it? How did I react?
3. How would I describe the last time I helped a person in need?

Readings for 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 2, 2026

1. First Reading : Isaiah 55:1-3
Come to the Lord
2. Second Reading: Romans 8:35, 37-39
Nothing can separate us from God's love
3. Gospel : Matthew 14:13-21
The people ate and were satisfied

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
 Fatima Sundays—Every 3rd Sunday of the Month from May through October, 3-4:30pm.
 Litanies—After the 8:30am Mass

For Reflection:

We may take our faith for granted but today's Gospel reminds us what a gift we have been given by God .Let us thank God for these gifts we treasure



Today's good news

The **first** reading is taken from the first Book of Kings 3:5, 7-12. God gives Solomon a choice of gifts. Solomon asks God for "an understanding mind", so that that he could always do what was just and best for his subjects. God rewards him with the gift of wisdom making him the wisest man that ever lived .

The **second** reading is from the Letter of st Paul to the Romans 8:28-30. The theme of this reading concerns the graciousness and mercy of God at work in calling men to himself, justifying them, and glorifying them as well. The point of the reading is the eternal mystery of the ineffable love of God for man, even before man existed.

The **Gospel** is from St Matthew 13:44-52. The lesson of these two parables is as true for us today, as it was for the Palestinians to who Christ spoke. All Christians are called on to imitate the two wise men, and surrender all their earthly possessions if necessary in order to gain eternal life. Does this 'giving all' mean that we are all expected to abandon the world and take on the religious vows of poverty, chastity and obedience? There are many that do just this. But it is not the only way, nor the normal way, to purchase the eternal treasure. Heaven is within reach of all, who follow the ordinary vocations of life and partake of this world's joys and pleasures within the framework of God's commandments, but never lose sight of the goal toward which they are moving,

All of this is not easy for human nature. But we are not relying on weak human nature, we have within our reach in the Church all the spiritual and supernatural aids we need. Our twentieth century, it is true, is so engrossed in chasing after the earthly comforts and pleasures of the body, and so devoid of any spiritual or other-worldly outlook, that even those who know and believe that there is an eternity after death, find it hard to allow their faith and convictions to govern and direct their daily actions. Yet, the example of others will never justify our wrong-doing. The commandments of God are still binding, even though they are openly and flagrantly violated by individuals and whole nations today.

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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:00 AM Special Intentions for Stan & Mary Hebner by Lynn Kay	7:00 AM For those suffering from fires & rain storms	8:30 AM Pauline Blake † by the family	7:30 AM Tinh-Pham (Teresa) † by the family
8:30 AM Joanne Gleason † by her sister, Kathleen Weldon	8:30 AM Pauline Blake † by the family	5:00 PM Mary Lou Miller †	9:30 AM Christopher Horn † by the family
<i>The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week for those suffering the effects of natural disasters</i>			11:30 AM Special Intentions for Nick & Florence by Marg Hatina

Stewardship

Stewardship Thought: Jesus is describing God's immeasurable generosity when he says in today's Gospel: "Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks is admitted". But it should be in the description of us as Christian stewards—those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others.

Parish Sacrificial Giving (Regular Sunday Offering)
In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, the parishioners and visitors gave (will be noted next week) for the ministries of St. Teresa. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK?

What helps families pray together?

First Saturday

This Saturday, is the first Saturday of the month, **August 1st**.

Special prayers will be prayed after the 8:30 AM Mass. Please join us



Eucharistic Adoration

We will have an all day Eucharistic Adoration, **July 30th 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)

SCHOOL NEWS



Keeping up with Father Chris

Blueberry picking time



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FAITH FORMATION

"O"ur Catholic Nugget

A Quote from St. Francis of Assisi "Start by doing what is necessary; then do what is possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible."



OCIA

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

You feel you have lost contact with your faith or would just like to spend some time in discussion about your faith?

Our OCIA program offers an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Our focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. Our program is based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church and offers an opportunity to learn the basis of our faith. If you would like further information please contact the Faith Formation office at 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org

Adult Bible Study

Monday and Tuesday bible study. This fall/winter we will be doing the Gospel of Matthew. The program we will be using will be "Matthew: The King and His Kingdom" from Ascension Press by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmyer. The program will run for 24 weeks so we will be splitting it between the fall session (Sep-Dec) and the winter session (Jan-Mar).

Wednesday Bible Study will be The House of David. This will be based on Prime Series season one.

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

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.

Again, the kingdom of heaven
is like unto treasure hid in a field;
the which when a man hath found,
he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth
all that he hath, and buyeth that field.

Matthew 13:44



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**



Choir Rehearsal

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

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

"Beauty,
whether in art,
music, or
nature, lifts our
hearts to God."

Pope Benedict XVI

St Teresa Music Ministry



Food Pantry Cor Jesu

The Food Pantry is in need of coffee, juice and cookies.

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.

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.

July 29	7PM	Text Kasey for address	Mom's Night
Sept. 24	7PM	River Lanes	Mom's Night Social

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Memorial of Sts Joachim and Anne Parent's of Mary Grandparents of Jesus

It was in the home of Joachim and Ann where the Virgin Mary received her training to be the Mother of God. Thus, devotion to Ann and Joachim is an extension of the affection Christians have always professed toward our Blessed Mother. We, too, owe a debt of gratitude to our parents for their help in our Christian formation.

According to the 1962 Missal of St. John XXIII the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, today is the feast of St. Ann; St. Joachim's feast in this rite is celebrated on August 16.



Who does not know about the great shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre in Canada, where miracles abound, where cured cripples leave their crutches, and where people come from thousands of miles to pray to the grandmother of Jesus? At one time, July 26 was the feast of St. Anne only, but with the new calendar the two feasts of the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary have been joined and are celebrated today. Our information about Mary's parents comes from an apocryphal Christian writing, the *Protoevangelium Jacobi* (or *Gospel of James*), written about the year 170. According to this story, Joachim was a prominent and respected man who had no children, and he and his wife, Anne, looked upon this as a punishment from God. In answer to their prayers, Mary was born and was dedicated to God at a very early age.

From this early Christian writing have come several of the feast days of Mary, particularly the Immaculate Conception, the Nativity of Mary, and her Assumption into Heaven. Very early also came feast days in honor of SS. Joachim and Anne, and in the Middle Ages numerous churches, chapels, and confraternities were dedicated to St. Anne. The couple early became models of Christian marriage, and their meeting at the Golden Gate in Jerusalem has been a favorite subject of Christian artists.

Anne is often shown in paintings with Jesus and Mary and is considered a subject that attracts attention, since Anne is the grandmother of Jesus. Her two great shrines — that of Ste. Anne d'Auray in Brittany, France, and that of Ste. Anne de Beaupre near Quebec in Canada — are very popular. We know little else about the lives of Mary's parents, but considering the person of Mary, they must have been two very remarkable people to have been given such a daughter and to have played so important a part in the work of the Redemption.

There is a church of St. Anne in Jerusalem and it is believed to be built on the site of the home of SS. Joachim and Anne, when they lived in Jerusalem.

Patron:

Anne: against poverty; childless couples; grandmothers; grandparents; homemakers; housewives; mothers; pregnancy; pregnant women;

Joachim: fathers, grandfathers, **grandparents**

Prayer for Grandparents

Heavenly Father,

We thank You for the gift of our grandparents, for their gentle hands, wise words, and loving hearts. Bless them with health, peace, and joy in every season of life.

May their faith be a guiding light for our family, their stories a bridge between generations, and their love a reflection of Yours.

Grant them strength in times of trial, comfort in moments of loneliness, and the grace to continue sharing their wisdom and kindness.

May they always feel cherished, and know that their prayers and presence are treasures beyond measure.

Through Christ our Lord,
Amen



Grandparents Day

"I will not forget you" (Isaiah 49:15) is the theme chosen by Pope Leo XIV for the sixth *World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly*, which this year will take place on Sunday, July 26.

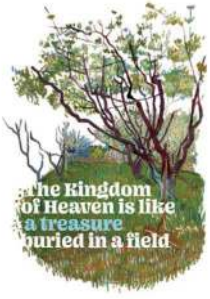


World Grandparents' Day was instituted by Pope Francis in 2021 and is celebrated every fourth Sunday of July. It is an opportunity to show the elderly the closeness of the Church and to value their contribution to families and communities.

This year, the date coincides with the feast of **Sts. Joachim and Anne**, the maternal grandparents of Jesus Christ, on Sunday, July 26, and the Holy Father invited everyone to celebrate the day with a Eucharistic liturgy in the cathedral church of their diocese.

The Vatican dicastery emphasized that it is also an invitation to families and ecclesial communities not to forget the elderly and to recognize in them "a precious presence and a blessing."





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Romans 8:28-30

Good at Faith

If you are good at what you do for a living, you know the joy of being the right person for the right job. Sometimes we grow into the task we have been given. Other times it seems as though we have been predestined for it all along. Somehow the skills we possess for and the experiences we have had all led up to the person we are and the job we do. Losses have refined our image of God and the church

Throughout our lives we get better at being a Christian. We develop skills for prayer, love, service and understanding. We use them to please God and build up the community. We also experience the joys and depths of the spiritual life. Life's successes and losses have refined our image of God and the church, making us more mature in faith.

St Paul tells the Romans that God knew them long ago and predestined them to be conformed to the Son's image, "so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters".

In God, we are predestined, called, justified and glorified. God knew us from the beginning, called us into service, justified us for salvation and glorified us in the eternal life. As we journey through life, we realize that God knew some things about us long before we did. God Knew what tools we would need for the place and time we live. We have hope that God is still working with us and will help us with whatever challenges lie ahead. The reward of glory awaits those who are good at the task of faith.

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The Month of August is Dedicated to The
Immaculate Heart of Mary

Why is August Dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary?

When we look at the liturgical calendar we see that the major Marian feast in August is the Assumption on August 15. Eight days later we celebrate the Queenship of Mary. Yet, August is the month of Our Lady's Immaculate Heart. This is due to historical events and a change in the Liturgical calendar after Vatican II.

The association of August with the Immaculate Heart is a fairly recent development, stemming from the World War II era. The pope at the time, Venerable Pope Pius XII held a deep devotion to Our Lady of Fatima who in 1917 told the shepherd children "[Jesus] wants to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart." Although Catholics throughout the ages venerated Our Lady's heart, Pope Pius had long desired to make this devotion more universal and considered establishing a feast day to promote it throughout the Church.

At the beginning of his pontificate, the world was engaged in a war in which many atrocities were occurring and the Church was suffering under the attack of Modernism. Amid the widespread turmoil of the 1940s, the pope chose to consecrate the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary in hopes of bringing "peace among nations, freedom for the Church, the conversion of sinners, the love of purity and the practice of virtue" This same pope also defined the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin as a dogma of the Faith.

He also made his long-held hope a reality by designating August 22 as the Feast of the Immaculate Heart. **The initial establishment of the feast in August is likely the reason for the month's dedication to Our Lady's Heart.** However, after the Liturgical changes of Vatican II, the feast was moved to the Saturday following the Feast of the Sacred Heart. It was replaced in August by the Feast of the Queenship of Mary, also promoted by Pope Pius XII. Despite the feast day changes, the month of August remained dedicated to the Immaculate Heart.



*My heart hath
rejoiced in
God my
Savior,
because He
that is mighty
hath done
great things
for me*

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