

St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church and School

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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DEACON: Donald Boland

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST:

Saturday Vigil:.....5:00 p.m.
Sunday:......7:30 a.m., 9:30AM
& 11:30 am
Weekdays (Monday through
Friday): 7:00 am. & 8:30 a.m.
Saturday:.....8:30 am

RECONCILIATION:

Daily (Mon.-Fri.):...... 7:45-8:15 a.m.
Saturdays:..... 3:45-4:45 p.m.
First Friday:.... 3:30-4:30 p.m.
And by Appointment

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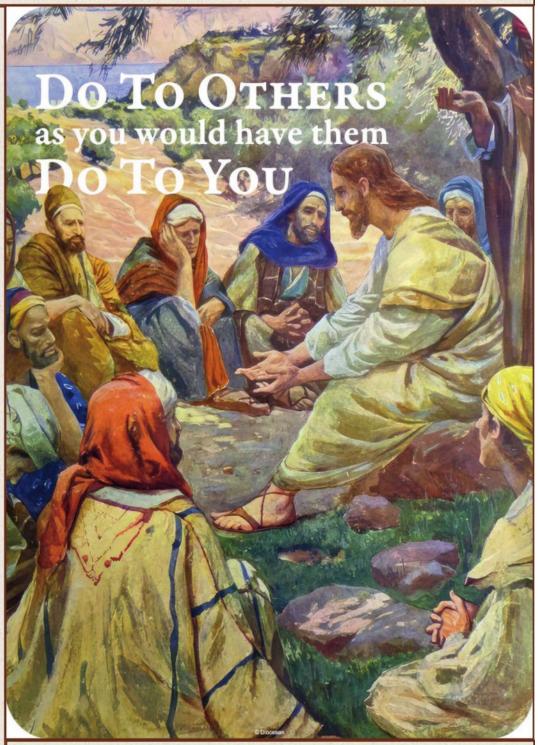
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Mass Intentions for the week of February 23rd to March 2nd

	Sunday		Monday	Name of the last	Tuesday		Wednesday
7:30 AM	Denny Ruesewald † by the Eriksen family	7:00 AM	For the people of the parish	7:00 AM	Andy Labelle † by the family	7:00 AM	Christine Brzuszewska † by Father Chris
9:30 AM	Bruce Sellers † by Rita & Ben Gruda	8:30 AM	Lillian A Lewandowski † by the Lewandowski family	8:30 AM	Special Intention for Donald Boland by the Boland family with love	8:30 AM	Bruce Sellers † by Greg & Dottie
11:30 AM	Sam Gould & Bertha Lindenthal † by their	The measure with which you measure will be measured out to you.					

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Thinking about the Readings

- 1. How careful am I about what I say and to whom I
- 2. What do I consider my major faults and shortcomings? How am I working on them?
- 3. What are some of the good fruits I see produced in my life?

Readings for the 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time March 2, 2025

First Reading: Sirach 27:4-7 Praise no one before he speaks.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 God gives us victory through our Lord Jesus Christ

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

daughter & wife

From the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks

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

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: Mon.—Sat. during June

Litanies-After the 8:30am Mass

For Reflection:

there.

You would like your neighbour to help you to reach heaven. "You go and do likewise" to your neighbor, and you will both get



Today's good news

The First Reading is taken from the First Book of Samuel (1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23). The prophet Samuel, on the instruction of God, anointed David to be the second king of Israel. Saul the first king, because he had displeased God, was to lose his kingship. His throne was to pass not to his son, but to David, an unknown stranger from the village of Bethlehem. This reading describes the event that occurred during Saul's search for David.

The Second Reading is taken from St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians (1 Cor 15:45-49). In this Chapter of Paul's first letter to Corinthians the Apostle is speaking of the resurrection of all men from the dead.

The Gospel is taken from St. Luke (Luke 6:27-38). It would at first sight appear that the demands that Christ makes on our charity here are anything but easy. Loving one's enemies is asking a lot. Blessing them and praying for them might be all right for St. Francis but expecting it of us seems to be going very far. Asking for a blow on the second cheek while the first is still twinging with pain seems fit only for a martyr. Not to try to take tack what was stolen from us looks very foolish. Yet it was Christ who made all these demands.

However, before we give up in despair, and decide that this type of Christianity is not for us, let us look a little more closely at the demands that are made. To love our enemy does not mean we must throw our arms about him every time we meet him (he would not let us anyway!). It means we must do all in our power to rid our minds of any hatred of him, and try to see the good that is in him. Not judging and condemning comes under this heading. Another consoling point to bear in mind is that the vast majority of our fellowmen have no inclination to injure us in our person or our property and will never do so. If we feel we have a lot of enemies only waiting for the chance to pounce on us, we would do well to examine our own consciences very carefully and then look for the many good points there are in our neighbour's character.

"An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, life for life" was the practice amongst the Jews at the time of Christ and for centuries before (Ex. 21:23-25). Christ sets up the "golden rule" of fraternal charity in place of this Law of Talon. Every man should truly love his neighbor for he is his brother. What is more, Christ's mission on earth has made him a son of God and an heir to heaven. Our chief interest in our neighbor must therefore be a spiritual interest. If he offends us, he offends God which is much more serious. Our charity should help him to seek God's forgiveness. That he should seek ours is of very minor importance in comparison with that.

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	Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday
7:00 AM	Henry Tulley † by Jim & Kathleen	7:00 AM	Edward Hamilton † by Judy Metzger	8:30 AM	Special Intentions for Elon Musk	7:30 AM	Louis & Ilah Grefig † by their son, Daniel
8:30 AM	Terry Knudsen † by Bob & Bonnie	8:30 AM	Marvin Kenkel † by Daryl Gengler	5:00 PM	Anne & Albert Tinnirello † by their friend , Pat	9:30 AM	Catherine Klipfel † by the family
Sanctuary lamp is lit this week in prayer for the recovery of Pope Francis							Special Intention for Tom & Julie Guidera by Ina Smith

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Thought: The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us that "there is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism. . . that people place their gifts, their resources — their selves — at God's service in and through the Church."

Parish Sacrificial Giving (Regular Sunday Offering) In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, the parishioners and visitors gave \$12,356.00 for the ministries of St. Teresa. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK?

For whom does the parish pray on a regular basis?

love your enemies!

hate you.

BLESS those who CUPSE YOU.

hurt you.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to his disciples: To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.

To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and

from the person who takes your cloak, do not withhold even your tunic.

Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back. (Luke 6:27-31)

Eucharistic Adoration

We will have an all day Eucharistic Adoration February 27th **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



St. Teresa For tournament information and golfer/sponsorship registration: https://www.stteresa-titusville.org/golf-tournament



St. Teresa School 19th Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday, April 5th

La Cita Golf and Country Club



ponsorship and registration forms are available in the church lobby.



Gold Sponsor - \$1000.00: Name on Golf Tournament banner, Golf Tournament Hole Sign, Recognition on the St. Teresa School website, Recognition in 3 St. Teresa Church bulletins, Recognition in the Golf Tournament Program, Golf Tournament entry fees for 6

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First Saturday

This Saturday is the first Saturday of the month, **March 1st.** Special prayers will be prayed after the 8:30 AM Mass. Please join us.

Please plan to spend some time in prayer with our Lord.

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FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education (CCD) Religious Education Classes (CCD) this Wednesday, in the school at 6:00 pm.



Meeting this week, Saturday, February 22nd following dismissal from the 5:00 pm Mass. The meeting will be held in Avila Hall Faith Formation Room.

First Reconciliation Prep Classes

Prep Session for 2nd Grade Students (School and Religious Ed.) will be this Wednesday, February 26th from 6:00pm to 7:15pm in Avila Hall. If you have any questions, contact the Faith Formation office.

"R" Catholic Nugget

A Quote from St. John of the Cross, "Where there is no love, put love and you will find love."

Adult Bible Study

Monday morning bible study meets this Monday, 9:30 am -11:00 am in Avila Hall Faith Formation Room.

Tuesday evening bible study meets this Tuesday, 6:30 pm -8:00 pm in Avila Hall Faith Formation Room.

Wednesday morning bible study meets this Wednesday, 9:30 −11:00 am in Avila Hall Faith Formation Room.

For more information or to sign up contact the Faith Formation office at 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org.

Confirmation 2026 (7th Graders) Prep Session Our Third Confirmation Prep Session with Fr. Chris for our 2026 Confirmandi will be this Monday, Feb 24, 2025 @ 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM in the Church. This is a mandatory meeting for Confirmandi and their Sponsor/Parent. For more information or questions contact the Faith Formation office at 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresatitusville.org.

Breakfast Buffet

Save the date for our Next Breakfast Buffet! March 16th, In the Parish Center following each Sunday Mass, 8:30 - 12:45. Suggested donation: Adults: \$12, Children 5-12 \$6

Youth Group Summer Camps

Camp Veritas. June 10th – 15th Lake Placid, Florida Ava Maria Youth Conference 2025 "PROCLAIM" July 11th -13th Ave Maria University

BOTH of these events SOLD OUT last year.

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@stteresatitusville.org



This a self-study course vou can do at home starting on Ash Wednesday thru the Lenten season Please call the **Faith Formation** to obtain materials and access info.

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.

participate.

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

Meetings will be held on Thursdays from 4:30-6:3PM. 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

There will be a Pot Luck dinner after the rosary in Avila Hall

Food Pantry Cor Jesu

Our Food Pantry, Cor Jesu, is in need of pork & beans, pasta, and saltine 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.

Thank you for your weekly generosity.

Choir Rehearsal

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



Traditional choir rehearses every Wednesday at 7pm in the church

St. Teresa Youth Group Calendar of events (6th to 12th Grade

Advance Sign up required with the Faith Formation Office Phone: 321-349-5445; email: faithformation@stteresatitusville.org

Date	Time	Location	Event
Mar 1 st	12:30- 3:00p m	Space Coast Ice- Plex	ICE Skating Party
Mar 16th ru th	8:30- 12:45p m	Parish Center	Youth Group Breakfast Buffet

Baptism

To schedule a Baptism and 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.

Dear Friends in Ministry:

I pray with heart-felt thanksgiving for each one of you; for your labor professes the greatness of the Lord! My heart is full of love for you as you journey to His heavenly Kingdom. Jesus came on earth to live among the people. Jesus the Eucharist! Jesus did not become the Eucharist. He is born to us as the Eucharist.

When you hear the Gospel proclaimed, you and I learn how great is our Lord as Jesus the Eucharist shows us how to serve God. He takes on the presence of one another and in His divinity creates heaven on earth. He teaches us, then, how to continue the Covenant as we receive Him in the Eucharist. How great is our Lord that He helps us to understand the perfection of His Gift. Jesus the Eucharist grasps our brokenness, our sinfulness and raises us up to serve one another.

Our Catholic Appeal Weekend is earlier this year, February 3rd & 4th and all the parishes in the Diocese of Orlando will participate. Our Catholic Appeal is one opportunity to proclaim, Great is our Lord! You receive the Eucharist and become the gift of Jesus to serve one another. Last year more than \$18 million was raised, and because of your extraordinary effort, we offer Jesus' profound touch to people throughout the nine counties of Central Florida.

Great is our Lord! Jesus never tires of His love of you. Come to His table and receive Him. Let us wait on each other at His earthly table that we might know, love, and serve Him through all ages.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Most Reverend John Noonan, Bishop of Orlando

Donation information for Our Catholic Appeal:

To Parishioners:

You should have received a letter in the mail with a pledge card and an envelope. If not, they are available in the pews in church. For ease, you can donate online by using the QR code on the pledge card or by going online to OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL and you will see the access.

It is very important that you use the pledge card as it has the St Teresa name on the card. This is important as it identifies Parish participation. No matter the amount you chose to donate, it is <u>VERY IMPORTANT</u> that you use the envelope. If you decide to place any money in the basket, it counts for the total but not participation. (for example—a \$10 bill could actually be 10 people donating one dollar each and not identify the number of people donating).

As to the suggested gift levels, please know that these are only suggestions, and we want to stress again that no gift is too small. We just ask that if you are able, that you offer a gift at a comfortable level for you.

Our parish contribution goal for Our Catholic Appeal 2025 is \$123.098. A certain percentage of the money received over this amount will stay at St Teresa church for the needs of the parish.



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



For more updates & community, please join our Facebook group!

Date	Time	Location	Event
Feb. 27	7PM	Text Kasey for address	Just-for-Moms Night
Mar. 8	10A M	Tom Statham Park (location change)	Family Potluck Pic- nic

Spaghetti Dinners

Spaghetti dinner takes place on **Saturday**, **March 1st at 6:00 PM** and each month on the first Saturday of the month. Take out boxes are available.



OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL

Dinners include spaghetti & meatballs, salad, bread, dessert coffee, or lemonade and water. Homemade meatballs are **huge** and delicious.

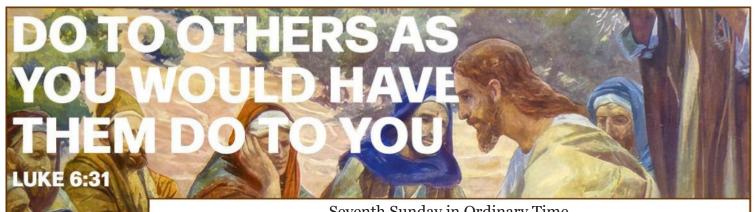
Dinners are 12 each. Kids 12 and under eat free.

Pope Francis opened the Holy Door of St. Peter's basilica, formally beginning the Jubilee Year that will last through the feast of the Epiphany in 2026.

"This is the season of hope," the Pontiff said, "in which we are invited to rediscover the joy of meeting the Lord." He called for "the transformation of the world, so that this year may truly become a time of jubilation."

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In his homily at the Mass, the Pope said: "If God can visit us, even when our hearts seem like a lowly manger, we can truly say: Hope is not dead; hope is alive and it embraces our lives forever."



1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Adam and Adam

Adam and Jesus would seem to have nothing in common. Adam was created by God. Jesus was the eternal, uncreated Word of God. Adam was given paradise to live in, but he disobeyed God. Jesus was given a sinful world to live in, but he obeyed the Father. Adam is remembered as the firstborn of sinful humanity. Jesus is remembered as the firstborn from the dead. They seem to have nothing in common.

But Paul sees parallels in a short passage from his first letter to the Corinthians. He even refers to Jesus as "the last Adam" and "the second man." Paul writes, "The first man, Adam, became a living being, the last Adam a life-giving spirit. ... The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven."

Paul says that we Christians have inherited a little of each. Born human, we bear the image of the earthly Adam, the first one. But as Christians, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Adam, the last one.

We are not simple creatures. We are inheriting a bit of divinity. It matters how we treat one another. We should not treat human beings as if they were disposable. There is something heavenly about us—even if on some days we behave rather earthly.

Adam and Jesus have something in common. They gives us hope for eternal life, and they influence our daily lives.

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Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025.

We all need a fresh start from time to time. And Lent is the perfect time to embark on that journey. Maybe you need a fresh start in your personal finances, or perhaps you need a fresh start in your marriage. Maybe you need a fresh start in a relationship with a child or a parent, or possibly you need a fresh start in your health and well-being. It could even be that you need a fresh start in your



For generations, Catholics have developed different traditions that help them make a new beginning during Lent. Here are just a few examples:

- 1. Give Something Up: Many Catholics "give up" something for the entire Lenten season. A classic example is giving up chocolate, but you don't have to stop there! You could give up negative thinking, speaking poorly about others, or procrasti-
- 2. Join a Spiritual Challenge: One of the simplest ways to transform your Lent is to join other Catholics for a spiritual challenge. You could create a small challenge with your friends and sign up for a local Bible study. Deepen Your Prayer: Catholics often will say special Lenten prayers. One of the most popular spiritual practices during Lent is the Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross is one of the most simple, yet powerful, ways to prayerfully walk alongside Jesus during his Passion...and encounter him like never before.
- 3. Attend a Fish Fry or Soup Supper: One delicious Catholic tradition is hosting a fish fry. Since Catholics don't eat meat on Fridays during Lent, many parishes have a pescatarian meal together on Fridays—often inviting the larger community to participate too.

What is the Meaning of Fat Tuesday? March 4, 2025.

Feasts and fasts. These two words play a powerful role in the life of a Catholic. We feast as a reminder of God's abundant generosity and the goodness of life. We fast to train our bodies and souls to rely more fully upon God.

Fat Tuesday is the great feast before Lenten fasts begin. Traditionally, Catholics have embraced Fat Tuesday as a way to get rid of all the fats and desserts in the house in preparation for Lent. With these tempting goodies already consumed, it's easier to more fully engage in Lent and experience spiritual growth.

The deeper meaning for Fat Tuesday actually comes from its traditional name, Shrove Tuesday. The word "shrove" means to give absolution-to be forgiven! Shrove Tuesday is an invitation to reflect on your life, seek forgiveness and peace, and get ready for 40 days of spiritual renewal during Lent.

Our God loves fresh starts. How is he inviting you to a fresh start this Lent?





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