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The Ascension of the Lord*

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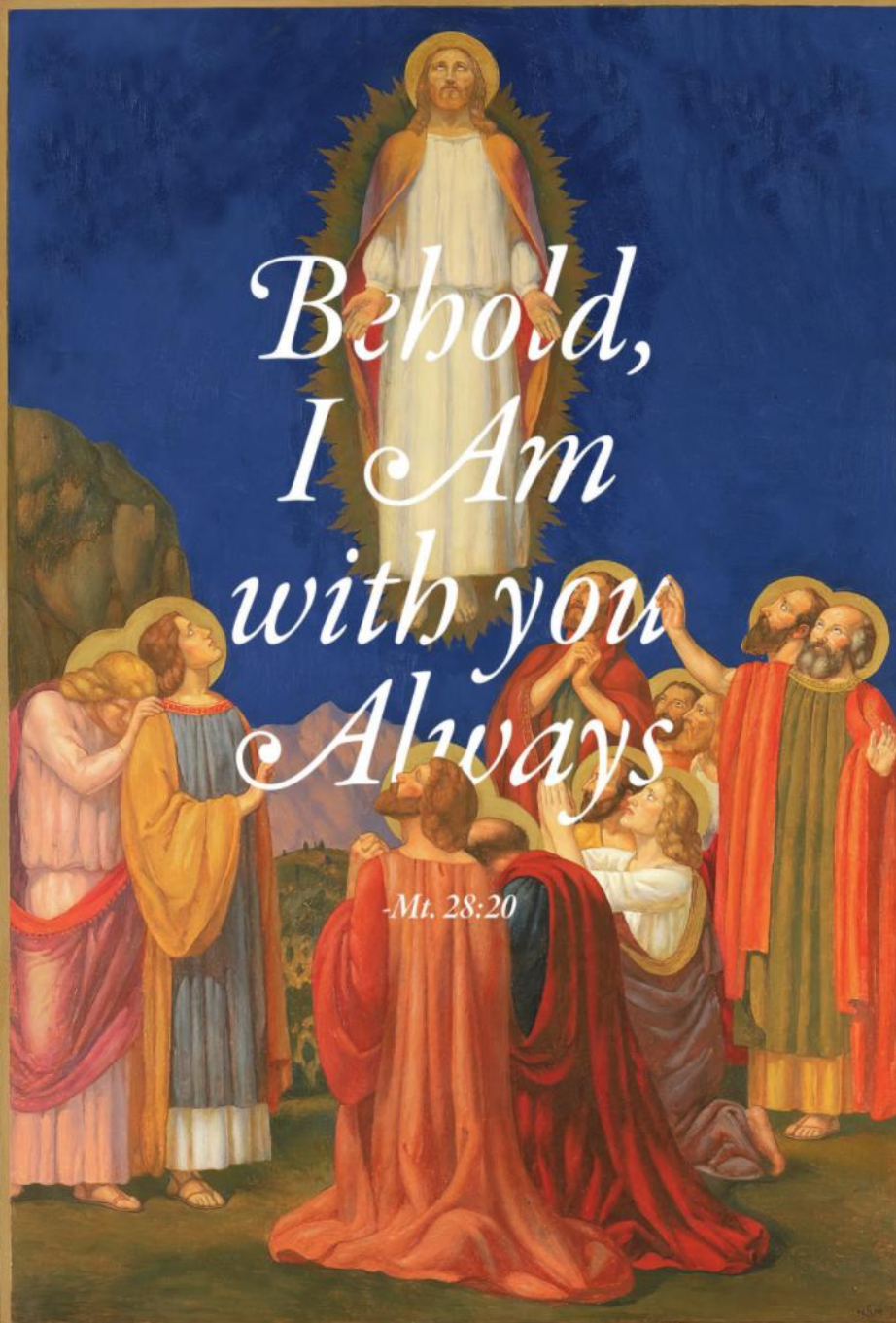
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with you
Always*

-Mt. 28:20

June 1, 2025

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Mass Intentions for the week of June 1st to June 8th

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 AM Betty Rice Camp † by her friends	7:00 AM Special Intentions for Sue by her friend	7:00 AM Anna Mae Smoller † by Ruiz-Alvarez family	7:00 AM Special Intentions David & Louis Alvarez by the family
9:30 AM Rose & Charles Gravina † by Marie & Domenic Taurasi	8:30 AM Special Intentions for Jon & Diane Houvardas by Ruiz-Alvarez family	8:30 AM Amelia Lewandowski † by the Lewandowski family	8:30 AM Rozalia Bugno † by her friends
11:30 AM Fernan Jomar Mantilla Suico † by the Contemporary Choir	The Lord prays for us: May we be one, united in love of Father and Son.		

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Pentecost Sunday Thinking about the Readings

1. What gift of the Spirit do I need the most at this time of my life?
2. Am I living in the peace of Christ? Why or why not?
3. What is my experience of forgiveness, both giving and receiving it?
4. When has God sent me to do something I was unsure I was ready to do? What was the experience?

Readings for Pentecost Sunday June 8, 2025

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

As on Sinai, the Lord descends in fire and wind.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7.2-13

The Spirit calls the baptized to ministry for the common good.

Gospel: John 14:15-16

On the first day of the week the risen Christ imparts the Holy Spirit.

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:

At this banquet feast of God's love, we rejoice in the presence of Christ, soon to become real food and drink at this holy table. Let us lift our heart and voices in thanksgiving and praise.



Today's good news

The death of a member of his family or of a loved friend, must be the saddest event imaginable in the life of an atheist. He is one who really is convinced that there is no God, no future life and therefore that the relative or friend is to turn into dust in the grave, never to be met with again. The thought that every day that passes is bringing him too nearer to that same sad fate, death, which will be the end of all his ambitions, all his enjoyments, the end of everything he thought he was or had, must be something hard to live with.

Thank God, we have the good fortune to know, and reason and faith convince us of this truth, that death is not the end of man. It is rather the real beginning. Today's feast—the Ascension of our Lord in his human nature—to his Father's and our Father's home, is the confirmation and the guarantee of this doctrine of our faith. We shall all rise from the grave with new, glorified bodies and ascend to heaven, as Christ did. There we'll begin our true life of eternal happiness.

While it is true that even for good Christians the death of a beloved one is a cause of sorrow and tears, this is natural as we still are of the earth earthly. Yet the certitude that our beloved one has gone to his true life and will be there to meet us when our turn comes, is always at the back of our minds to console and comfort us. What all human beings want is to live on forever with our dear ones. Death breaks that continuity but only for a little while. That break is necessary for the new life to begin. It is only in heaven that this natural desire of an unending life with all those we love can be realized and death on earth is the door to that eternal life.

Look up to heaven today. See Christ ascending to his Father and our Father. Say: Thank you, God, for creating me, and for giving me, through the Incarnation of your beloved Son, the possibility and the assurance that if I do my part here, when death comes it will not be an enemy but a friend, to speed me on my way to the true, supernatural life which you have, in your love, planned and prepared for me.

For every prayer I say for success in life, I should say three for a successful death, a death free from sin and at peace with God.

The Ascension of the Lord

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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:00 AM Martha Macdonald † by her daughter	7:00 AM For the Souls in Purgatory	8:30 AM Fred & Francis Hatina † by Margaret	7:30 AM Guillermo Palma † by the family
8:30 AM Russell Thomas † by the Lewandowski family	8:30 AM Fred & Francis Hatina † by Margaret	5:00 PM Stephen & Rose Saut- ner † by their daugh- ter, Gloria Vaknin	9:30 AM Irvin Rodolfo † (birthday in heaven) & Special birthday Intentions
Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in prayer for the safety of our Parish families as they travel this summer			11:30 AM Anthony Rogers † his sister, Chris Murtha

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Thought: The second reading today contains the somber warning that Jesus is coming soon and will bring to each person the reward that his or her conduct deserves. Has my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me been such that I could respond joyfully, "Amen ! Come Lord Jesus".

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.

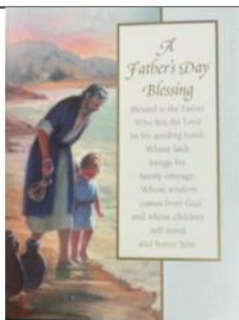
QUESTION OF THE WEEK?

When do parishioners experience the power and majesty of their faith?

Father's Day June 15th
Father's Day Cards

Father's day cards are now available in the foyer of the church.

Please return as soon as possible so they may be placed on the altar for the whole month of June.



Eucharistic Adoration

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

There will be the **Spanish Holy Hour and Exposition June 7th 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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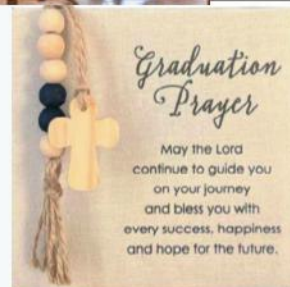
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Congratulations to our Graduates



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Jordan Michael Royal,
Giuseppe Masimo
Michele Olivo,
Gabriel Nguyen,
Mauricio Nicolas
Sanchez, Alex Neal,
Natalia Baker



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FAITH FORMATION

"R" Catholic Nugget

A Quote from St. Augustine "Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven; let our hearts ascend with him"



Adult Bible Study

Wednesday morning bible study this week at **9:30am** in the Faith Formation room in Avila Hall. This session topic is "Beginning Apologetics 1". For more information contact the Faith Formation office at 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org.

Youth Group Camp Sponsors

Sponsor a student for our Youth Group Summer Camps including Camp Veritas (Cost \$500) and Ave Maria Youth Conference (Cost \$150). You may choose to sponsor one student or make a partial donation toward all students. All donations will be greatly appreciated. To donate send or drop off a check made out to "St. Teresa Church", note in the memo field "Youth Group Camps" for the amount you would like to contribute or go ONLINE and select "Sponsor Youth Group Summer Camps". If you have any question please contact the Faith Formation Office. Cell: (321) 349-5445 (voice or text) Email: faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org.

St. Teresa will be hosting Vacation Bible School this summer. Our program will run from **June 23 - June 27**. The time will be 9:00 am to 12:00pm, location, the Parish Center. Our program is open to children from Kindergarten thru Fifth grade. You can pick up a registration form in the church Narthex or email teresa-titusville.org



Clear Plastic 9 oz. Solo Cups (50 count)	Paper Plates (8.5 inch)
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Copy/Printer Paper (Letter, 8.5 x 11 and Tabloid 11 x 17)	Colored construction paper, black, brown, red, purple.

Baptism

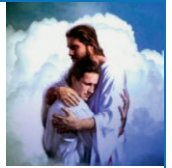
To schedule a Baptism and Preparation Class contact the Faith Formation Office 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org. The Preparation class will be held on the date and time you schedule in the Faith Formation Room in Avila Hall.

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 after the rosary in Avila Hall



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

All food donations are always appreciated. They are in need of cereal, juice, pasta & Ramen noodles.

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.

Date	Time	Location	Event
Jun. 10	10AM	St. Teresa School Gym	Gym Playdate
July 15	10AM	St. Teresa School Gym	Gym Playdate
July 30	7PM	Text Kasey for address	Just-for-Moms Night

Pope's Intentions for June

That the world might grow in compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world

The Ascension of the Lord

The Ascension of Our Lord

The Ascension of Our Lord can be honored on May 30th or can be celebrated on a Sunday. The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is considered a holy day of obligation in the Dioceses of the United States. However, with the permission of the Holy See, each ecclesiastical Province was given permission to move the observance of this feast to the Seventh Sunday of Easter.

This is the practice in the Province of Florida (the seven dioceses in the State of Florida). Only the ecclesiastical provinces of Boston, Hartford, New York, Newark, Philadelphia, and Omaha (the state of Nebraska) continue to celebrate the Ascension of Our Lord on Thursday.

Although the place of the Ascension is not distinctly stated, it would appear from the Acts that it was Mount Olivet. Since after the Ascension the disciples are described as returning to Jerusalem from the mount that is called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, within a Sabbath day's journey. Tradition has consecrated this site as the Mount of Ascension and Christian piety has memorialized the event by erecting over the site a basilica. St. Helena built the first memorial, which was destroyed by the Persians in 614, rebuilt in the eighth century, to be destroyed again, but rebuilt a second time by the crusaders. This the Moslems also destroyed, leaving only the octagonal structure which encloses the stone said to bear the imprint of the feet of Christ, that is now used as an oratory.

Not only is the fact of the Ascension related in the passages of Scripture cited above, but it is also elsewhere predicted and spoken of as an established fact. Thus, in John 6:63, Christ asks the Jews: "If then you shall see the son of Man ascend up where He was before?" and 20:17, He says to Mary Magdalen: "Do not touch Me, for I am not yet ascended to My Father, but go to My brethren, and say to them: I ascend to My Father and to your Father, to My God and to your God." Again, in Ephesians 4:8-10, and in Timothy 3:16, the Ascension of Christ is spoken of as an accepted fact.

The language used by the Evangelists to describe the Ascension must be interpreted according to usage. To say that He was taken up or that He ascended, does not necessarily imply that they locate heaven directly above the earth; no more than the words "sitteth on the right hand of God" mean that this is His actual posture. In disappearing from their view "He was raised up and a cloud received Him out of their sight" (Acts 1:9), and entering into glory He dwells with the Father in the honour and power denoted by the scripture phrase.

*Graciously hear our supplications, O Lord, so that we,
who believe that the Savior of the human race is with you in your glory,
may experience, as he promised, until the end of the world,
his abiding presence among us.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*



First Friday

The first Friday of the month will be this **Friday, June 7th**. We will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel all day. Please plan to spend some time in prayer with our Lord.



First Saturday

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

Fatima Sunday June 15th

Please join us at **3Pm** for an Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Anointing of the sick, recitation of the rosary, Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, followed by a special blessing and Benediction.

Thanks to Margaret Gould and Jean Eriksen for always honoring Mary with beautiful flowers.




The season will officially begin on **June 1, 2025** and end on **November 30, 2025**

*God, our Father,
Eternal and Omnipotent,
Creator and Lord of the Universe,
you have set the earth on its foundation
and all elements of nature obey your command.
You give food to all flesh,
cover the heavens with clouds,
and provide rain to the earth –
We humbly beseech you, Lord, Most High,
to keep us safe from all dangers
and to calm all the storms of life that threaten us:
especially the attack of whirlwinds and tornadoes,
the calamity and destruction of hurricanes,
the din and damage of hail storms,
the striking of thunderbolts and lightning,
and the devastation of floods and tidal waves.
May we be secure in your loving protection,
seek your Will in all our experiences,
and serve you always with grateful hearts.
We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever. Amen*



We ask Jesus to watch over us through the summer, to keep us safe from harm, shelter us from storms and make all travel safe no matter whether it be around home or on a trip for vacation.

Thanks to Peggy Hannon for this special prayer.



Behold, I Am with you Always

-Mt. 28:20

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Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23

Beyond the Veil

Most stage productions begin with the curtain drawn. You take your seat and stare at a common curtain. Behind it could be anything—a fantastic set that invites you to a faraway place, or a familiar one that makes you think of your neighborhood. The curtain entices you to wonder what lies behind. When it parts, you are transported.

Veils were once a common style for women to wear, especially at weddings. A man could see enough of the woman through the veil to heighten his anticipation of her appearance. When the veil was lifted, it revealed a beautiful face.

The Letter to the Hebrews uses the image of a veil to help us understand the ascension of Jesus. The temple in Jerusalem had a veil that set off the Holy of Holies. Only the high priest could go beyond the veil to experience the mysterious presence of God.

Hebrews says Jesus is “a great high priest” who has entered the true sanctuary, heaven itself. And he opened a way for us to follow him through the veil. What was the “veil” to the “sanctuary” of heaven? The flesh of Jesus Christ. The divine Word of God became veiled in human form, and because of this veil, “we have confidence of entrance into the sanctuary.”

The Ascension of the Lord celebrates the fulfillment of God’s promise to open a way for us to heaven.

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As Easter Season comes to a Close

Easter week is the week of the baptized. They have passed from death to life, from the darkness of sin to the life of grace in the light of Christ. Wherever there are neophytes, the Easter season, and particularly the first week, is the period of postbaptismal catechesis or mystagogy. The community shares with them a deepening understanding of the paschal mystery and an ever greater assimilation of it in daily life through meditation, participation in the Eucharist, and the practice of charity.

The moral requirements of the new life are recalled throughout Eastertide. They are governed by the principle enunciated by St. Paul that, risen with Christ, the Christian must raise his desires to heaven, detach himself from earthly pleasures in order to love those of heaven. It is the work of the Holy Spirit to complete the formation in the baptized of the "new man" who, by the holiness of his life, bears witness to Christ crucified.

The Fifty days from **Easter Sunday to Pentecost** are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one "great Sunday." These above all others are the days for the singing of the Alleluia.

The Sundays of this season rank as the paschal Sundays and, after Easter Sunday itself, are called the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Sundays of Easter. The period of fifty sacred days ends on Pentecost Sunday. The first eight days of the Easter Season make up the octave of Easter and are celebrated as solemnities of the Lord.

On the **fortieth day after Easter the Ascension** is celebrated, except in places where, not being a holy day of obligation, it has been transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter. This solemnity directs our attention to Christ, who ascended into heaven before the eyes of his disciples, who is now seated at the right hand of the Father, invested with royal power, who is there to prepare a place for us in the kingdom of heaven; and who is destined to come again at the end of time.

The weekdays after the Ascension until the Saturday before Pentecost inclusive are a preparation for the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

This sacred season of fifty days comes to an end on **Pentecost Sunday**, which commemorates the giving of the Holy Spirit to the apostles, the beginnings of the Church and its mission to every tongue and people and nation.



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