

St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church and School

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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& 11:30 am
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Saturday:......8:30 am

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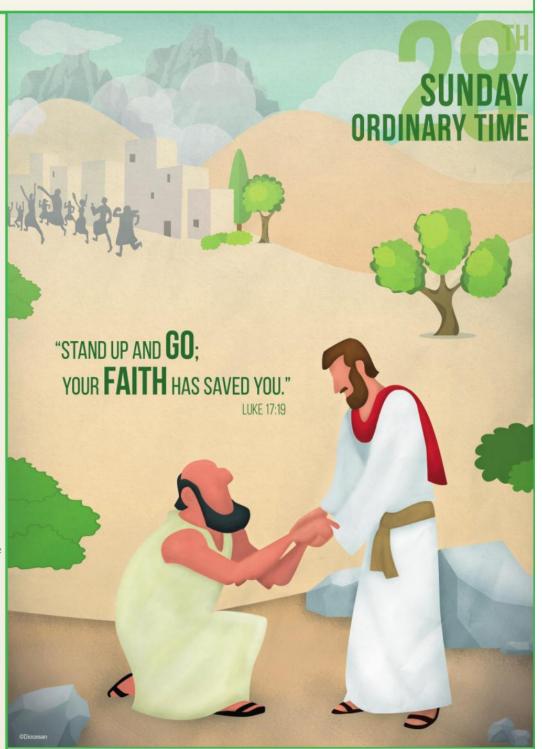
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Mass Intentions for the week of October 12th to October 19th

| Sunday | | Monday | | Tuesday | | Wednesday | |
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| 7:30 AM | Maria Barriga † by the family | 7:00 AM | Dawn Mohr † by Jennifer Jones | 7:00 AM | For the sick of the parish | 7:00 AM | In honor of the Feast day of our Patron –St Teresa of Avila |
| 9:30 AM | Mr & Mrs R. Miranda † by the family | 8:30 AM | Special Intention for David & family by David Alvarez & family | 8:30 AM | Rita Collura † by Kathryn Antonelli | 8:30 AM | Manny Aldana † by his wife |
| 11:30 AM | Mr & Mrs R. Miranda † by the family | Ten lepers show faith in obeying the Lord, but in thankfulness one goes a step farther—straight into the kingdom of God. | | | | | |

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Thinking about the Readings

- 1. When have I been afraid or overwhelmed? How is God present to me in those moments?
- 2. When has it been difficult to be faithful? What threatens my faith?
- 3. When does god seem distant, unhearing or unconcerned about my plight? Have I ever felt abandoned Ignored or forgotten?

Readings for 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 19, 2025

First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had

the better of the fight.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

The scriptures train you to stay with the task.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Be persistent in prayer, especially in the pursuit of justice.

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:

How many times in the week do we say, "thank you, God, you are very good to me." When trouble strikes it is a different matter. We implore God to have pity on us. This is not wrong. What is wrong, however, is that we forgot to thank God all the



time that He was giving us spiritual and temporal favors.

Today's good news

The first reading is taken from the second book of Kings 5:14-17. Elisha from Thisbe in Galaad is the first of the great prophets in Israel after the separation of Israel from Judah. He lived during the reign of King Achab (869-850), who married a daughter of the pagan king of Tyre. She introduced idolatry into Israel which Elisha fought fearlessly. He is credited with many miracles, one of which is related in today's reading.

The second reading is from the second letter of Paul to Timothy 2:8-13. In last Sunday's extract from this same reading, St. Paul exhorts his convert and disciple to be proud of the Gospel. He must guard the rich treasure of the faith he has received from Paul and hand it on to the next generation. Today, he reminds Timothy of the resurrection of Jesus, the crowning act of divine drama of our

The Gospel is from St. Luke 17:11-19. The incident of the ten lepers happened as our Lord was on His way to Jerusalem, where He was to die on the cross so that we could live eternally. The Church brings it before our minds today, not so much to remind us of the mercy and kindness of Jesus to all classes, even the outcasts, as lepers were, as to make us see and be amazed at the depths of ingratitude to which men can sink.

This is but one of many such examples of ingratitude that occurred during Christ's public ministry, most of those He miraculously cured forget to thank Him. In today's incident there was one, and he was the one least expected to do so, who had the decency to return and thank his benefactor. This pleased our Lord and led Him to remark on the ingratitude of the others. "Were not all ten made whole, where are the other nine?'

Think for a moment. If those nine ungrateful lepers were struck again with disease some months later and returned to implore Christ for a cure, would you blame Him if He refused? Most of us would refuse. Yet we expect Him to listen to our urgent pleas the minute we make them, while we have not given Him a thought and never said one "thank you, Lord; while things were going well with us. We all need to be more grateful to God every day of our lives—more grateful than we have been. He has not only given us life on this earth with its joys and its sorrows, but He has prepared for us a future life where there will be no admixture of sorrows. It is for that life that we are working. It is because there is a heaven after death that we are Christians. God has already done His part in preparing this heaven for us. He is assisting us daily to get there. We need a lot of that assistance and one of the surest ways of getting further benefits from God (as well as from men) is to show true gratitude for the benefits already received.

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| Thursday | | Friday | | Saturday | | Sunday | |
|---|---|---------|--|----------|---|----------|--|
| 7:00 AM | Martha Macdonald † by Jim & Kathleen | 7:00 AM | For the People of the Parish | 8:30 AM | Wendy Marie Lussier † by her parents | 7:30 AM | Special Intentions for Marion Womack by Ina Smith |
| 8:30 AM | Victoria Weinberg by the Ya Yas | 8:30 AM | Betty & William Allen † by Dianne Sweeney | 5:00 PM | Diana Strittmatter by Laura Silva & Steven Torres | 9:30 AM | Terroll Osborn † by his wife |
| The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in honor of Mary and the Holy Rosay | | | | | | 11:30 AM | Special Intentions & Happy Anniversary for Patrick & Greta |

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Thought: Jesus healed ten lepers in today's gospel. Only one (ten percent) came back to say thank you. I too have received many blessings from the Lord—in deed, all I am and all I have is a gift! How and how often have I remembered to thank Him

Parish Sacrificial Giving (Regular Sunday Offering) In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, the parishioners and visitors gave \$14,056.00 for the ministries of St. Teresa. School collection amounted to \$6,491.00. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK?

What ministries to the sick are sponsored by the parish?



A Special Christmas Gift 'The True Meaning of Christmas' The Birth of Jesus & the Origins of the Season

This book is a wonderful resource of information not usually found in regular books. It is sectioned off into easily scanned or read sections using Christmas hymns we

know and love such as: 'Away in a Manger', 'Round Yon Virgin', or 'What Child is This'? Then in that section the book discusses aspects related to the title.

The number of books are limited and it is available for only \$3.00 in the Gift Shop Get your copies now!

Eucharistic Adoration

We will have an all day Eucharistic Adoration, October 16th 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 Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Blessing of the Pets! Father Chris blessed all of our families' furry friends, and it was a beautiful reminder of God's love for all creation. We are grateful to keep this special

tradition alive and to share such a joyful afternoon together as a school community.



September Virtue: Faithfulness. Here are the students who were recognized by their teachers for **practicing** the virtue of Faithful**ness** during the month of September. Congratulations to each of you for

being a shining example to our school community!

Ministers of the Sick meeting on Thursday October 16 at **6:00PM** in Faith Formation office in Avila hall. Current ministers and anyone interested in joining this ministry are welcome.



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FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education (CCD) Religious Education Classes (CCD) this **Wednesday**, classes will be held in in the school at **6:15 pm**.



First Holy Communion Prep Classes

Prep Session for 3rd Grade Students (School and Religious Ed.) will be **Wednesday**, **October 15th** from **6:15pm to 7:30pm** in Avila Hall. If you have any questions contact the Faith Formation office.

OCIA

Our OCIA program meeting will be this **Sunday at 1:30pm** in the Faith Formation room of Avila Hall. 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

"O"ur Catholic Nugget

A Quote from St. Carlo Acutis "Continuously ask your guardian angel for help. Your guardian angel has to become your best friend."

Adult Bible Study

Fall Bible study, "Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled": **Monday October 13th at 9:30am** in the Faith Formation Room in Avila Hall.

Tuesday October 14th at 6:30pm in the Faith Formation Room in Avila Hall.

Wednesday October 15th **at 9:30am** in the Faith Formation Room 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

Our Next Breakfast Buffet is NEXT

Sunday, October 19th after each Mass in the Parish Center. Omelets made to order, pancakes, as well as Sausage, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Bis-



cuits 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.

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.

Italy Pilgrimage 2026, Fund Raisers

| Fund Raiser | Dates | | |
|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 50/50 Raffles | | | |
| Breakfast Buffet | Monthly, see announcements and Bulletin for dates. | | |
| Car Wash | October 18th, Presale tickets after Masses. | | |
| Restaurant Spirit Nights | Watch Bulletin and announcements for dates and locations | | |
| Plant Sales | Nov. 8 th 13 Verities; 2 Orchids; Several Bromeliads | | |
| Fall Festival | November 8th, visit our Booth | | |

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 4:30-6:3PM.

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 **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

The food Pantry is in need of cookies, pasta, crackers and rice.



Start thinking ahead— will soon be in need of Gift cards to use for turkeys for Thanksgiving and the Christmas holiday. They can be placed in the box outside the gift shop. So good for meat or perishable items.

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 | |
|---------|------|------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Oct. 22 | 7PM | Text Kasey for address | Just-for-Moms Night | |
| Nov. 4 | 10AM | Marina Park | Playground Meet Up | |

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October **15th** Feast Day of St Teresa of Avila

St. Teresa of Ávila (born March 28, 1515, Ávila, Spain—died October 4, 1582, Alba de Tormes; canonized 1622; **feast day October 15)** was a Spanish nun, one of the great mystics and religious women of the Roman Catholic Church, and an author of spiritual classics.



St. Teresa of Ávila was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived in the 1500s. She was a mystic and author of spiritual writings and poems.

She founded numerous convents throughout Spain and was the originator of the Carmelite Reform that restored a contemplative and austere life to the order.

She was the originator of the Carmelite Reform, which restored and emphasized the austerity and contemplative character of Carmelite life.

St. Teresa was elevated to doctor of the church in 1970 by Pope Paul VI, the first woman to be so honored.

Her mother died in 1529, and, despite her father's opposition, Teresa entered, probably in 1535, the Carmelite Convent of the Incarnation at Ávila, Spain. Within two years her health collapsed, and she was disabled for three years, during which time she developed a love for mental prayer.

After her recovery, however, she stopped praying. She continued for 15 years in a state divided between a worldly and a divine spirit, until, in 1555, she experienced a religious awakening.

Why is St. Teresa of Ávila famous?

St. Teresa of Ávila was the first of only four women to have been named doctor of the church. Her ascetic doctrine and Carmelite reforms shaped Roman Catholic contemplative life, and her writings on the Christian soul's journey to God are considered masterpieces.

St. Teresa of Ávila suffered ill health for many years of her life. Despite her frailty, she made numerous exhausting journeys to establish and reform convents across Spain.

She was fatally stricken en route to Ávila from Burgos at the age of 67.

<u>Patron:</u> of Headache sufferers, Spanish Catholic Writers



St Luke Feast Day October 18th

St. Luke, the inspired author of the third Gospel and of the Acts of the Apostles, was a native of Antioch in Syria and a physician, and one of the early converts from paganism. He accompanied St. Paul on a considerable part of his missionary journey. He was also his companion while in prison at Rome on two different occasions. His account of these events, contained in the Acts, is firsthand history.

Luke's Gospel is, above all, the Gospel of the Merciful Heart of Jesus. It emphasizes the fact that Christ is the salvation of all men, especially of the repentant sinner and of the lowly. Legend says that Luke painted the Blessed Virgin's portrait. It is certainly true that he painted the most beautiful word-picture of Mary ever written.

St. Luke did not personally know our Lord, and like St. Mark, the author of the second Gospel, he is not included among the apostles. St. Luke died in Achaia (Greece) at the age of 84.



Columbus Day October 13th

Columbus was a man of deep faith. Catholic historians see a significance in the departure date Columbus chose for his first westward voyage: August 3, 1492, the day after the fiesta of Our Lady of Angels, the patroness of the Franciscan monastery that had lent moral support to his bold plan and Palos, the area from which he would set sail.

He was convinced that God had chosen him to reach that land, hidden from the Western world for ages, which the Roman philosopher Seneca had once prophesied would be revealed. His discovery would bring the Catholic Faith, to which he was devoted, to the people who lived in that land.

Columbus was known to sometimes wear the Franciscan habit, and would open all his correspondence with the Sign of the Cross, referring to himself as "Christbearer."

Columbus was buried in the Spanish city of Valladolid after dying there in 1506 at the age of 54.

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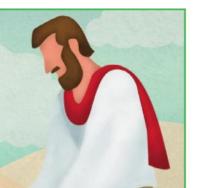
Our annual baby bottle campaign has begun and will run till November 1st-2nd.

Please consider taking a bottle from the narthex and fill with your extra change or even a check to BETA.

If you take a bottle but are unable to contribute at this time, Please return the bottle as they are re-used each year.

Checks may be made to B.E.T.A.

"STAND UP AND GO; YOUR FAITH HAS SAVED YOU."



LUKE 17:19

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2 Timothy 2:8-13

Gliding into a Hole

At the end of a hard day's work, at the beginning of a tough month, in the middle of a difficult season—some people feel like quitting. But they cannot. They have to keep on working, even in the face of failure. Like rowers slipping downstream when they strive to paddle up, they see no progress. But if they stop, it only gets worse. Often it is debt that saps our energy. We get deeper into trouble, and there seems no way out.

Rule number one for getting out of a hole is simple: Quit digging.

Even in the Christian life we all go through times of despair. Our prayer does not seem what it used to be. We are not as faithful at attending church as we would like. The feasts and seasons drift by without acknowledgment. Kindness to a neighbor seems unappealing.

Some people let their faith glide into a hole that seems unfathomable. They do not know what to do.

The Second Letter of Timothy knows what to do: "Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David." Jesus was the Son of God, but he was also human, a descendant of David. He was human like us. And he was raised from the dead.

Remember that. "If we have died with him we shall also live with him; if we persevere we shall also reign with him." He remains faithful to us if we open our hearts to him and remember.

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"Many holy men and women of monumental virtue considered Mary's humility to be a sure path to intimacy with God. They have surrendered themselves completely to Mary's protection and guidance, begging her to lead them ever closer to her Son."

Rediscover the Rosary

Pope Leo urges Catholics to pray daily Rosary for Peace in October

Pope Leo XIV invites the faithful to join in praying the Rosary every day during October to invoke God's gift of peace, and announces a Rosary in St. Peter's Square on **October 11** as part of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality







"Loving devotion to Mary is a part of Christianity that can be traced back to the very first Christians. Who is Mary to you? What role does she play in your spiritual life?"

Rediscover the Rosary

The original statue Our Lady of Fatima is to travel from the Portuguese Marian shrine to Rome in October, on the occasion of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality, scheduled for **October 11-12**.



The famous image of the Virgin, known worldwide and a symbol of "Hope that does not disappoint", will be present among the faithful during the Holy Mass in St. Peter's Square on Sunday, October 12, 2025, further enriching this moment of prayer and reflection.



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