



St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church and School

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST:

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

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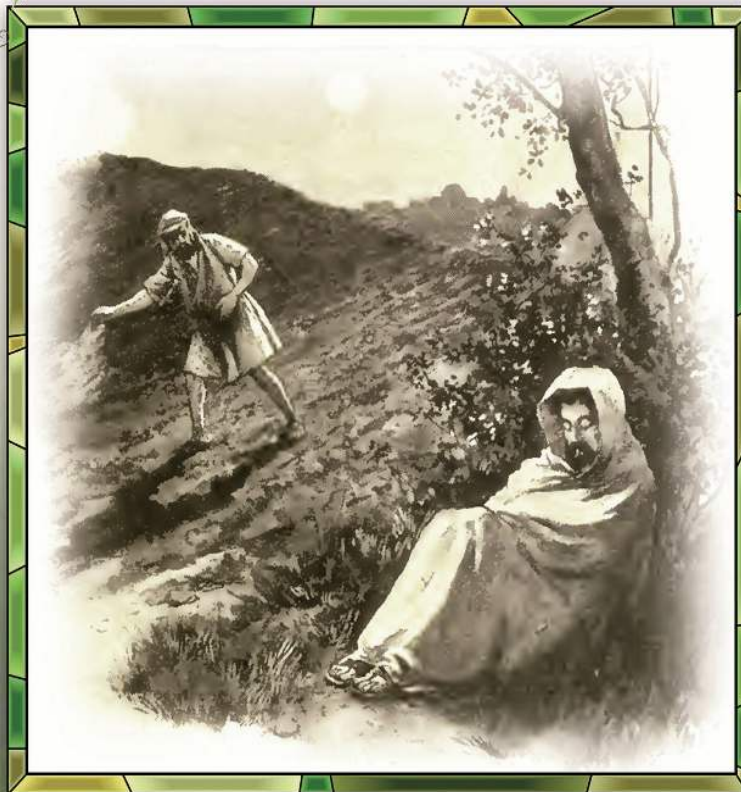
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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man
who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone
was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds.”**

Matthew 13:24-25



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Mass Intentions for the week of July 19th to July 26th

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 AM Moses Barajas † by his granddaughter & family	7:00 AM Pat Morrell † by the family	7:00 AM Special Intention for Anne Hass by Kathleen Perry & Chris Harple	7:00 AM Special Intentions for Amalia Taber by her family
9:30 AM Mary Lou Miller † by Greg & Dottie	8:30 AM Norman J. Moutran † by Phil & Claudette Ericson	8:30 AM Deacon Boland † by his sister	8:30 AM Moses Barajas † by his granddaughter & family
11:30 AM Salvatore Argusa † by the family	<i>"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field".</i>		

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Thinking about the Readings

1. Which of God's commands are worth more than gold or silver to me?
2. What is God's treasure in my life? For what am I willing to "sell all"?
3. What would happen if I received what I prayed for? How would it change me life?
4. What are the risks of getting what I treasure?

Readings for 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 19, 2026

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Solomon asks for an understanding heart.

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30

God predestined us to be conformed to the image of the Son.

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field".

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 can be certain that God will give us the necessary grace and strength to subdue our natural weakness and aversion, if we try to act with charity and true brotherly interest toward our erring fellowmen.



Today's good news

The **first** reading is taken from the Book of Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 where the author reminds us that the kind of judgment we receive depends not on the scales of godless justice, but instead on the mercy and love of God for those who strive to live life in response to His love.

The **second** reading is from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans 8:26-27. The theme is the activity of the Spirit in helping us in our weakness to pray as we ought, for it is the Spirit who makes intercession for us and intercedes for us before God.

The **Gospel** is from St. Matthew 13:24-43. Today's parable is Christ's answer to the question so frequently asked: "Why does God permit evil to triumph so often in this world, why are the wicked allowed to prosper?" The triumph of the wicked is short-lived, the reward of the Christian who suffers from their wickedness is everlasting. The very wickedness and injustices of evil-doers are one of the ways that God uses to perfect his elect. It is only on a battlefield that a true soldier can be proved.

In the parable, the weed does not destroy the wheat. It only makes it more difficult for the wheat to grow to maturity. So it is with the Christian. No one can take his faith from him, but living up to it is made more difficult by the evil influence and bad example of sinners. If some succumb to this evil influence and give up the practice of their faith, the fault is theirs. God can force no man to serve him.

The patience of the farmer in letting the weed grow on until harvest time, exemplifies the infinite mercy of God toward sinners. The weed could not change its nature, but the sinner can change his ways and God gives him every chance and every help to do this, up to his last moment of life. No sinner will be excluded from heaven because of the sins he committed but because he did not repent of these sins while he had the opportunity.

We must learn a double lesson of patience from this parable. First, to be patient with those who make our spiritual progress more difficult for us—they are actually helping us to be better Christians if we bear with patience the injuries they inflict on us. Second, we must try to imitate the patience God shows in his dealings with sinners. While we must not approve of their evil deeds, or their sins, we must still look on them as our brothers and do all in our power to put them back on the right road to heaven

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Mass Intentions for the week of July 19th to July 26th

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:00 AM Special Intentions for Colleen Yuskewich by her mom	7:00 AM Special Intentions for Delisa Fox by the family	8:30 AM Special Intentions for Alyssa Teitsma by Nevalga family	7:30 AM Special Intentions for Kimberly Labrie by mom, dad & family
8:30 AM Special Intentions for	8:30 AM Eugene Zippilli † by the family	5:00 PM Bernie Hengel † by his wife, Linda	9:30 AM Pat Tobin † by Greg & Dottie
Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week for those suffering the effects of relentless heat!			11:30 AM Special Intentions for Anne Guam(Happy Birthday) by her family

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Thought: : “Those who are just must be kind,” says today’s first reading. If our words and deeds are kind and selfless, we will be like the good seed in the Gospel parable and gathered as wheat in the Lord’s harvest.

Parish Sacrificial Giving (Regular Sunday Offering) In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, the parishioners and visitors gave .00 for the ministries of St. Teresa. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless.

**Collection for the Mission Cooperative amounted to \$4,661.00. Thank you for your kindness

QUESTION OF THE WEEK?

How forgiving is the parish?
Do parishioners tend to be judgmental of others



Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Eucharistic Adoration

We will have an all day Eucharistic Adoration **July 23rd, from 9am to 6:30pm** in the Chapel.

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

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Matthew Chapter 13

24He set another parable before them, saying, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field,

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FAITH FORMATION

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?
- ✂ Has been away from the Church and is not sure how to return?

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. 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

If you are interested in learning more about our faith and the possibility of becoming a Catholic you are invited to attend our OCIA program meeting on **September 7, 2025 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

Adult Bible Study

Winter Bible study has completed. Watch the bulletin for our next classes.

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.

"O"ur Catholic Nugget

A Quote from St. Catherine Laboure "Whenever I go to the chapel, I put myself in the presence of our good Lord, and I say to Him, 'Lord, here I am. Tell me what You would have me do.' If He gives me some task, I am content and I thank Him. If He gives me nothing, I still thank Him since I do not deserve to receive anything more than that. And then, I tell God everything that is in my heart... then I listen. If you listen, God will also speak to you

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.

God Says

**I am protecting you.
I will let no one harm you. You
are safe. I am comforting you
right now.**

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



"The purpose of sacred music is the glory of God and the sanctification of the faithful".
Pope Pius X

St Teresa Music Ministry



Food Pantry Cor Jesu

Food Pantry is in need of black beans, pork & beans, Ramen noodles 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.

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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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Feast Day of St Christopher July 25th

St. Christopher, one of the "Fourteen Sainted Helpers," has been highly venerated since ancient times in both the Eastern and Western Churches. The older martyrologies say that he suffered death for Christ; in more recent centuries piety has woven garlands of legend about his name. Christopher has become a giant who wished to enter the service of the most powerful of lords. He first thought that the emperor qualified; later he selected the devil, and finally he discovered Christ to be the most powerful Sovereign over all the world. From then on he served Him with greatest fidelity.



Because Christopher was of giant stature, he practiced charity by carrying pilgrims across a certain river. Once a child asked to be taken across. He complied as usual. While carrying the child on his shoulders through the river, it became heavier and heavier, and finally he could hardly support it. Then the revelation was made: "You are carrying the Lord of the world!" It was Christ (Christopher means "Christ-carrier").

The legend has the nature of a symbol. Bishop Vida gives the following exposition: "Because you, O Christopher, always carried Christ in your heart, the artists place Christ on your shoulders. Because you suffered much, they paint you standing deep in the waters.

And because you could not accomplish this without being large of stature, they have made you a giant, bigger than great temples; therefore do you live under the open heavens during the greatest cold. And since you conquered all that is difficult, they have given you a blossoming palm as traveling staff."

Patron: Archers; automobile drivers; bachelors; boatmen; bus drivers; cab drivers; transportation; transportation workers; travelers; truck drivers; truckers.

Feast of St Christopher July 25th

The Feast of St. Christopher is July 25th. St. Christopher is the patron saint of travelers and drivers. After each Mass on the weekend of July 22-23.



Fr. Mark will be happy to sprinkle your cars or trucks with holy water.

Remember, also, that little holy things can be put in your cars. There are dashboard pewter and other small statues for sale in the Gift Shop, as well as various visor clips. Check them out.

St. Christopher is Still a Saint

The confusion over whether St. Christopher is still a saint arose when Pope Paul VI revised the Liturgical Calendar, which includes the feast days of saints that are commemorated at Mass. Due to the proliferation of the number of feast days over the centuries, the Second Vatican Council in its "Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy" proposed, "Lest the feasts of the saints should take precedence over the feasts which commemorate the very mysteries of salvation, many of them should be left to be celebrated by a particular Church, or nation, or family of religious.



Only those should be extended to the universal Church which commemorate saints who are truly of universal importance" (No. 111). With this in mind, a special commission — *Consilium* — examined the calendar and removed those saints whose historical base was more grounded on tradition than provable fact, changed the feast days to coincide with the anniversary of a saint's death or martyrdom whenever possible, and added saints that were recently canonized and had universal Church appeal.

Moreover, local conferences of bishops could add to the universal calendar those saints important to the faithful in their own country. In no way did the Church "decanonize" St. Christopher or anyone else, despite the lack of historical evidence surrounding their lives. St. Christopher is still worthy of our devotion and prayers, and each of us should be mindful that he too is called to be a "bearer of Christ."

According to legend, one day one of Christopher's passengers to cross the river was a small child. As they proceeded, the child kept growing heavier; and Christopher feared that they would drown. The child then revealed Himself as Jesus, and the heaviness was due to the weight of the world that He carried on His shoulders.

Parking Lot Announcement

Now that the parking lot sealing job is complete, we kindly ask that you please park in the designated parking spots only.



Please DO NOT park in the grass, fire lanes, or on the ends of the parking lot islands. This is for safety reasons so that emergency vehicles can easily access our property in case of an emergency. Thank you.

Matt Horner
Director of Facilities/Maintenance

The Parable of the Wheat and the Weeds (13:24-30, 36-43)

Jesus tells of a man sowing good seed in his field, only for an enemy to sow weeds among the wheat while everyone sleeps. The servants ask if they should remove the weeds, but the master instructs them to let both grow until the harvest to avoid uprooting the wheat. This illustrates **God's patience**, allowing the righteous and the wicked to coexist until the final judgment, when angels will separate the righteous from evildoers





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Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

The Gift of Lenience

Changing ourselves is hard. Sometimes we do not even see what should be changed. But we can usually see what others should change. Their foibles are all too evident.

Given the power, what would you change about the world around you? The way people act, the policies of institutions, the evil thoughts that darken the minds of criminals—these and more may annoy us and add misery to our lives. If we had the power, surely we would change other people.

So, why doesn't God do this? God has the power to change other people. Doesn't God see injustice? Doesn't it annoy the divine presence?

The Book of Wisdom wrestled with these questions long before we did. It says that God could establish justice merely by the use of unparalleled might. Instead, God is lenient. The God who has power over all things is lenient with evildoers.

When we think of the sins of others, such leniency seems foolish. But when we think of our own sins, such leniency is gift. According to the Book of Wisdom, God's tolerance of the wicked does not show indifference. Rather, it gives hope to those who would repent.

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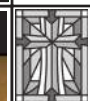


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