



St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church and School

Twenty-Fourth 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
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.

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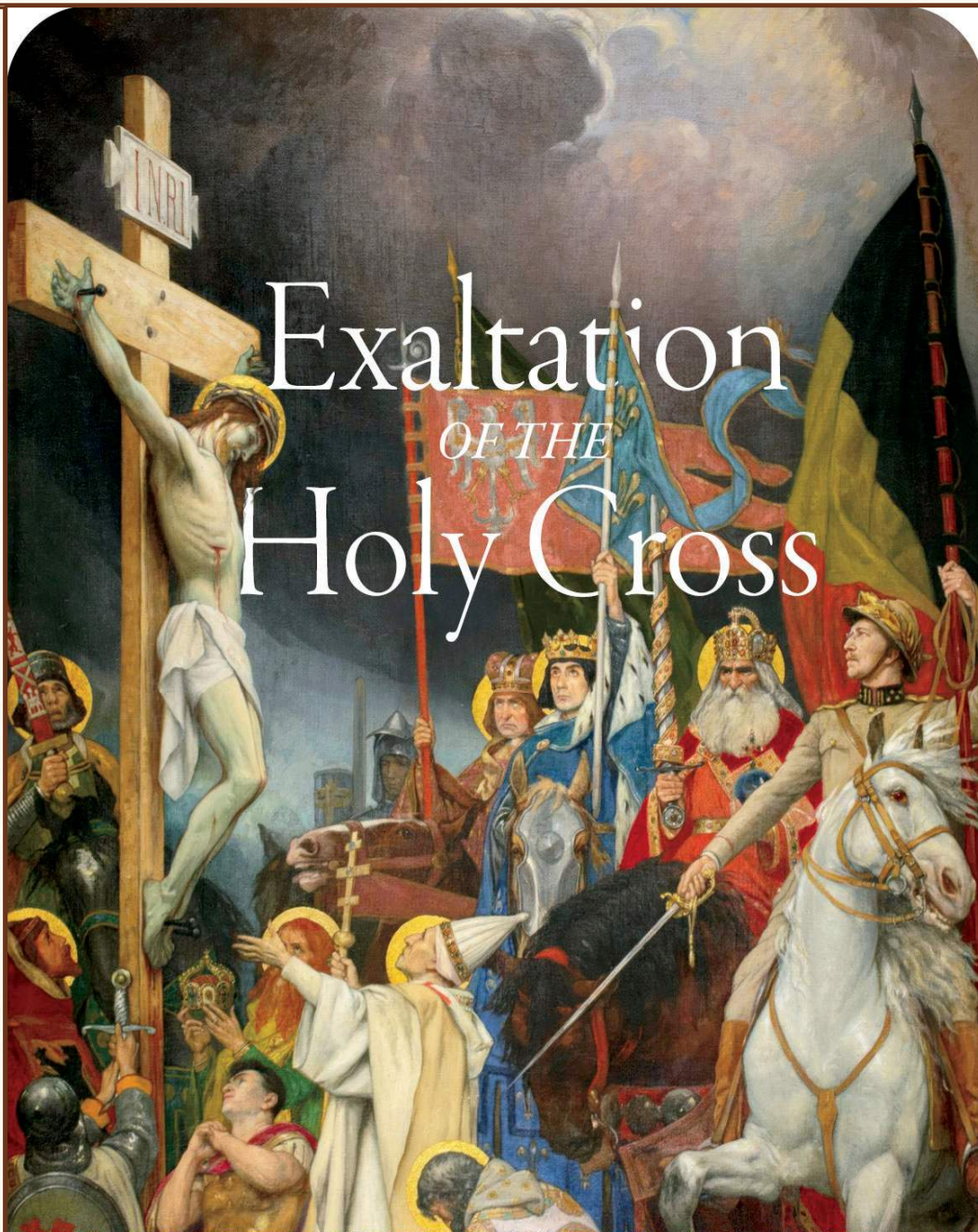
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Mass Intentions for the week of September 6th to September 13th

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 AM Gertrude LaBelle † by the Garand family	7:00 AM	7:00 AM For the People of the parish	7:00 AM For the sick of the parish
9:30 AM William & Joan Horner † by the Horner grandchildren	8:30 AM Jorge Vazquez-Escutia † by the family	8:30 AM Special Intentions of Bob & Bonnie (Happy 70th Anniversary) by Anne, Kathryn & Amy	8:30 AM Pat Morrell † by the family
11:30 AM Rosalie Ericson † by Phil, Claudette & children	We cannot nourish anger and expect our own sins to be forgiven.		

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Thinking about the Readings

1. How do I feel about the gospel parable deep down? Have I ever received something I did not earn, or do I "keep careful books"?
2. How different are my thoughts from God's?
3. When in the past week was I or someone I know, surprised by something good?

Readings for 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20, 2026

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

The ways and thought of God are above our own.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:20c-24,27a

Saint Paul rejoices that to live is Christ and to die is to gain.

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a

"The last will be first, and the first will be last"

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 still can forgive all our enemies from our heart. If we do not, we are cutting ourselves off from the possibility of having our own sins and offenses forgiven by God. "So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."



Today's good news

The **first reading** is taken from the Book of Sirach 27:30, 28:7. In the verses read today, Sirach tells us that we must forgive our neighbor if we want God to forgive us our own sins. We must be merciful if we hope to obtain mercy from God. We must not seek revenge on a neighbor lest God should take vengeance on us. If we remember our end in life we will keep God's commandments and we will not be angry with a neighbor who offends us.

The **second reading** is from the St. Paul to the Romans 14:7-9. In these three verses St. Paul emphasizes the fact that through our baptism we have been made members of Christ's mystical body, we have become brothers of Christ, intimately united with him in his death and resurrection. Whether living or dead we belong to Christ. It was for this purpose, to unite all men closely to himself not only in this life but especially in the next, that Christ became man and "dwelt among us."

The **Gospel** is from St. Matthew 18:21-35. On reading or hearing this story of the merciless servant, each one of us would rightly judge him a mean, low type of man, a heartless man, who puts himself outside the pale of mercy. He throttled his fellow-servant for a paltry debt of ten dollars, and would not listen to the poor man's plea for mercy. When we hear what the king did to this heartless servant we heartily approve and say: "It served him right, he got what he richly deserved."

We had better stop and think for a moment today and reflect that we ourselves may be that merciless servant described in the parable. Every time we have sinned mortally we have incurred an unpayable debt to God. How then can it happen that we could be so heartless, mean, and foolish as to refuse to forgive a neighbor for some offense he has committed against us? Yet it happens, and it may be that there are some among us here today who continue to have enmity in their hearts against neighbors who offended them. In their hard-heartedness they cannot get themselves to forgive and forget.

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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:00 AM Special Intentions of Maria Antonia Ruiz del Valle by the family	7:00 AM Mary Rodulfo † by Sandra	8:30 AM Moose Garand † by the family	7:30 AM Laura Silva, Sr † by her daughter, Laura Silva & Grandson, Steven Torres
8:30 AM Felicia Bradley † by the family	8:30 AM Wendy Marie Lussier † by her parents	5:00 PM John Kenda, faithfully departed, by his wife Mary Lou Miller † by Kristen Eriksen Beighley	9:30 AM Special Intentions for Bob Durdak (happy 90th birthday) by his Sister
Sanctuary Lamp is lit for Mickey & Edwina's 32nd Anniversary by Edwina Tutolo			11:30 AM Michael Caito III † by Jeanne Caito

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Thought: Stewardship is not optional! "None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master," says St. Paul. "While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as His servants."

Parish Sacrificial Giving (Regular Sunday Offering)
In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, the parishioners and visitors gave \$15,958.00 for the ministries of St. Teresa. School collection amounted to \$5,965.00. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK?

How does the parish show compassion to those in need?



Happy Birthday
Ina Smith
Choir Director

September 15th

Happy Birthday
to Ina,
our Music Director.

Thank you for making beautiful music.



SCHOOL NEWS



St. Teresa Catholic School Spirit Night at Chipotle Mexican Grill in Titus Landing. **Tuesday, September 22** from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. Mention the Fundraiser to the cashier prior to paying. Thank you for your support!



7th graders learning and working hard in the classroom!



Eucharistic Adoration

We will have an all day Eucharistic Adoration, **September 17th 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)

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FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education (CCD)

NO Religious Education Classes (CCD) this Wednesday, Sept. 16th. Classes will resume **September 23rd**.



Altar Servers

Our second Training Session will be held Sunday **September 20, 2026, in the Church at 1:00PM.**

Confirmation 2026

Our upcoming schedule of events:

Retreat and Rehearsal - Retreat, Reconciliation, and Rehearsal will be Saturday, **September 26, 2026, 8:30 am – 1:00 pm.** This is a mandatory session.

Sacrament of Confirmation **Saturday, October 3, 2026, @ 5:00 p.m. Mass**

“O”ur Catholic Nugget

A Quote from Our Lady of Fatima to Lúcia “*My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God.*”

OCIA

Our OCIA weekly meeting will begin this **Wednesday, September 16th at 6:00pm** in the Parish Center. 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

Matthew: The King and His Kingdom:

Monday Class: September 14th, 9:15AM Avila Hall Faith Formation Room

Tuesday Class: September 15th, 6:30PM Parish Center
The Chosen seasons 1-5 recap:

Wednesday Class **September 23rd, 9:30AM** Avila Hall Faith Formation Room ONE Class ONLY
The House of David (Season 1)

Wednesday Class: **September 30th, 9:30AM** Avila Hall Faith Formation Room

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 **FIRST** Breakfast Buffet will be **NEXT Sunday, September 20th** after each Mass in the Parish Center. Omelets made to order, pancakes, as well as Sausage, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Biscuits and Gravy! Suggested donation: Adults: \$12, Children 5-12 \$6.



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.



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



Food Pantry Cor Jesu

All food donations are always appreciated.

Food Pantry is in need of coffee, juice and 1 pound bags of rice

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.

Sept. 24	7PM	River Lanes	Mom's Night Social
Oct. 22	7PM	Text Kasey for location	Mom's Night
Nov. 3	10A M	Tom Statham Park	Playground Meet Up
Nov. 17	7PM	Text Kasey for location	Mom's Night

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September 13th Grandparent's Day

Grandparents are cherished members of our family. They bring gifts of wisdom, experience, and love and share with us their life of faith. We thank God for their example and ask that he bless them with happiness and good health.



*Lord God almighty,
bless our grandparents with long life,
happiness, and health.
May they remain constant in your love
and be living signs of your presence
to their children and grandchildren.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*

St. Joachim and St. Anne were the Grandparents of Jesus. Pray to them for the guidance needed to assist grandchildren as a good, Christian role model.

Father Chris offers prayers and thanks to all of our Grandparents! Thank you for your love and care to your grandchildren!

September 15th Dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

The month of September is dedicated to **Our Lady of Sorrows**, whose memorial the Church celebrates on **September 15**.

Devotion to the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady has its roots in Sacred Scripture and in Christian piety, which always associates the Blessed Mother with her suffering Son. Today's feast was introduced by the Servites in order to intensify devotion to Our Lady's Sorrows. In 1817 Pius VII — suffering grievously in exile but finally liberated by Mary's intercession — extended the feast to the universal Church.



This feast is dedicated to the spiritual martyrdom of Mary, Mother of God, and her compassion with the sufferings of her Divine Son, Jesus. In her suffering as co-redeemer, she reminds us of the tremendous evil of sin and shows us the way of true repentance. May the numerous tears of the Mother of God be conducive to our salvation; with which tears Thou, O God, art able to wash away the sins of the whole world.

As Mary stood at the foot of the Cross on which Jesus hung, the sword of sorrow Simeon had foretold pierced her soul. Below are the seven sorrows of Mary:

1. The prophecy of Simeon (*Luke 2:25-35*)
2. The flight into Egypt (*Matthew 2:13-15*)
3. Loss of the Child Jesus for three days (*Luke 2:41-50*)
4. Mary meets Jesus on his way to Calvary (*Luke 23:27-31; John 19:17*)
5. Crucifixion and Death of Jesus (*John 19:25-30*)
6. The body of Jesus being taken from the Cross (*Psalms 130; Luke 23:50-54; John 19:31-37*)
7. The burial of Jesus (*Isaiah 53:8; Luke 23:50-56; John 19:38-42; Mark 15:40-47*)



In 1913, Pope Pius X fixed the date on **September 15**. The title "Our Lady of Sorrows" focuses on Mary's intense suffering during the passion and death of Christ. "The Seven Dolors," the title by which it was celebrated in the 17th century, referred to the seven swords that pierced the Heart of Mary.

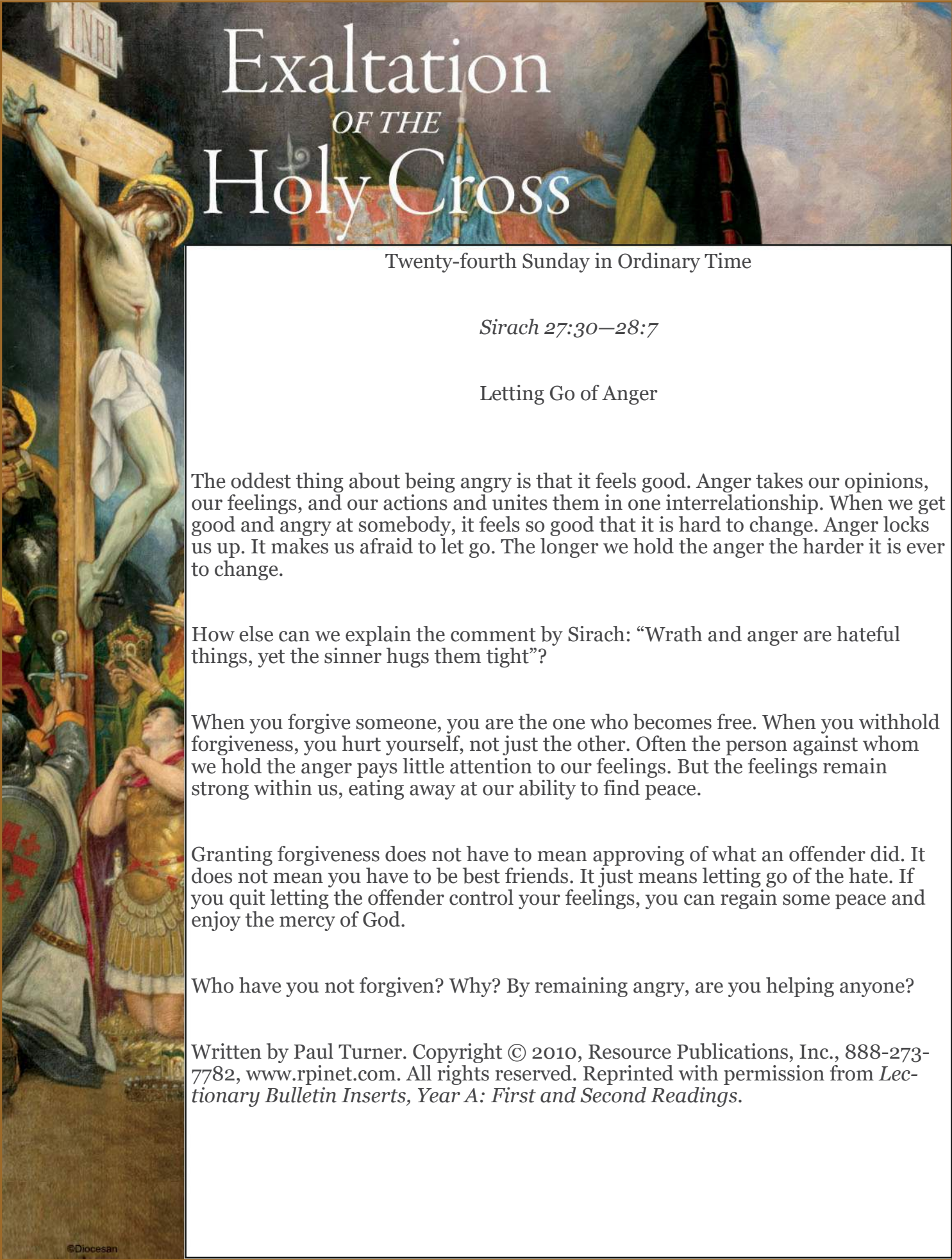
From Father Chris:

St. Teresa Church humbly asks for your prayers and support as we work to cover the unexpected and exceeding costs of paving our parking lot and refencing the ditch on the South side of the parking lot. 2 incidences have occurred lately that require the installation of a new fence. Any donation, no matter the amount, would be deeply appreciated and will help us complete this important project for our church community. The new Parish Center roof, re-sealing of the parking lot and a few other projects totaled close to **\$200,000** in a short period of time. Thank you for your generosity, kindness, and continued support of St. Teresa Church. If you would like to donate, please use an envelope and write Church projects on it or you may also give online under church projects.



Thank you to those that have already donated to **Church Projects** - \$18,694

Please make all checks payable to St. Teresa Church. God Bless!



Exaltation *OF THE* Holy Cross

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Sirach 27:30—28:7

Letting Go of Anger

The oddest thing about being angry is that it feels good. Anger takes our opinions, our feelings, and our actions and unites them in one interrelationship. When we get good and angry at somebody, it feels so good that it is hard to change. Anger locks us up. It makes us afraid to let go. The longer we hold the anger the harder it is ever to change.

How else can we explain the comment by Sirach: “Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight”?

When you forgive someone, you are the one who becomes free. When you withhold forgiveness, you hurt yourself, not just the other. Often the person against whom we hold the anger pays little attention to our feelings. But the feelings remain strong within us, eating away at our ability to find peace.

Granting forgiveness does not have to mean approving of what an offender did. It does not mean you have to be best friends. It just means letting go of the hate. If you quit letting the offender control your feelings, you can regain some peace and enjoy the mercy of God.

Who have you not forgiven? Why? By remaining angry, are you helping anyone?

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Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 14th

This Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross was observed in Rome before the end of the seventh century. It commemorates the recovery of the Holy Cross, which had been placed on Mount Calvary by St. Helena and preserved in Jerusalem, but then had fallen into the hands of Chosroas, King of the Persians. The precious relic was recovered and returned to Jerusalem by Emperor Heraclius in 629. The Golden Legend describes Emperor Heraclius carrying the Cross back to Jerusalem on his shoulders.



He was clothed with costly garments and with ornaments of precious stones. But at the entrance to Mt. Calvary a strange incident occurred. Try as hard as he would, he could not go forward. Zacharias, the Bishop of Jerusalem, then said to the astonished monarch: "Consider, O Emperor, that with these triumphal ornaments you are far from resembling Jesus carrying His Cross." The Emperor then put on a penitential garb and continued the journey. This day is also called the Triumph of the Cross, Elevation of the Cross, Holy Cross Day, Holy Rood Day, or Roodmas.

The liturgy of the Cross is a triumphant liturgy. When Moses lifted up the bronze serpent over the people, it was a foreshadowing of the salvation through Jesus when He was lifted up on the Cross. Our Mother Church sings of the triumph of the Cross, the instrument of our redemption. To follow Christ we must take up His cross, follow Him and become obedient until death, even if it means death on the cross. We identify with Christ on the Cross and become co-redeemers, sharing in His cross.

We made the Sign of the Cross before prayer which helps to fix our minds and hearts to God. After prayer we make the Sign of the Cross to keep close to God. During trials and temptations our strength and protection is the Sign of the Cross. At Baptism we are sealed with the Sign of the Cross, signifying the fullness of redemption and that we belong to Christ.

Let us look to the cross frequently, and realize that when we make the Sign of the Cross we give our entire self to God — mind, soul, heart, body, will, thoughts.

O cross, you are the glorious sign of victory. Through your power may we share in the triumph of Christ Jesus. We celebrate today so that all our parishioners may receive the blessings on their own cross.

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