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Vision Statement: The St. Therese Catholic Community is a well-tended rose planted in Canton, Texas, nurtured by the Way, the Truth, and the Life of Jesus Christ according to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, to bring the fruit of His grace and mercy to the lives of everyone, for the greater honor and glory of God.

Declaración de la Visión: La comunidad católica de Santa Teresa es una rosa bien cuidada plantada en Canton, Texas, nutrida por el Camino, la Verdad y la Vida de Jesucristo de acuerdo con las enseñanzas de la Iglesia Católica Romana, para traer el fruto de su gracia y misericordia a la vida de todos, para mayor honra y gloria de Dios.

April 19th, 3rd Sunday of Easter

DAILY MASS
 Monday — 8:00 a.m.
 Tuesday— 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday — 12 Noon
 Thursday — 8:00 a.m.
 Friday — 8:00 a.m.
CONFESSIONS
 Saturday at 4:30 — 5:30 p.m.
 Daily 30 minutes before Mass

Church Staff
Pastor: Rev. Jesudoss Thomas, S.T.L.
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 Jim Burkel: 903-567-6983 Alan Stehse: 903-477-3836
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Church Secretary: Anna Stephens **Bookkeeper:** Sharla Lewis

WEEKEND MASSES
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m. (Eng)
Sunday: 7:00 & 9:00 a.m. (Eng)
 11:30 a.m. (Spanish)
Holy Days of Obligation
 12 Noon / 6:00 p.m.

April 19, 2026, The Third Sunday of Easter
Reflection on the Lord's Prayer: "Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven" (2)
 We continue our reflection on the Lord's Prayer. A few weeks ago, we reflected on "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven" (Matt 6:10). In this petition, there are two questions to consider. We have already answered the first question in our last reflection: "What does Jesus teach about the will of the Father?" In summary, we can say that the Will of the Father has five purposes for the salvation of humanity. God wants human beings to be holy as He is holy; to believe in His Son and live by His teachings; to be saved through his death and resurrection; to live in unity and peace; and to have eternal life. If the will of God wants the well being of humanity, then the second question is: What must humanity do to accomplish the will of the Father? Doing the will of God is manifested in the following ways:

DEVOTIONS
ADORATION
First Fridays 8:30 am.- 5:00 pm.
 Kindly Signup in the Narthex.
2nd Thursday
 7 – 8:00 p.m. in Español
FIRST SATURDAY - 8:00 a.m.
ROSARY
 Tuesday - 5:30 p.m.
 Wednesday - 11:30 a.m.
 First Saturday after Mass

1. Belief in the one true God: In John 12:44, Jesus says, "Whoever believes in me believes not in me but in Him who sent me. And whoever sees me sees Him who sent me." Here, Jesus emphasizes the unity that exists between the Father and the Son. Hence, faith in Jesus Christ is the foundation for faith in the Father and the Holy Spirit, who is given to us as the first fruit of Jesus's resurrection.
2. Obedience in action: In the Parable of the Two Sons (Matthew 21:28–32), Jesus teaches that when the father asked his sons to work in his vineyard, one son refused but later repented and went, while the second son agreed to go but never did. Again, in Matthew 7:21, Jesus says, "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven." Here, Jesus warns against superficial obedience and calls for genuine obedience, which requires repentance of heart, change in behavior, and honesty in action.
3. Spiritual relationship: In Matthew 12:50, Jesus says, "For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother." Here, Jesus redefines family by stating that His mother, brothers, and sisters are not just His biological relatives, but rather "whoever does the will of my Father in heaven." Jesus emphasizes that by obeying God's will, we become God's friends and members of His family, the Church. In obeying God, we not only honor and glorify Him, but we are also able to live in peace and harmony with one another.
4. Endurance in suffering: Through His own suffering on the cross, Jesus teaches us how to submit to God's will even in the midst of trials and unjust condemnation. In the Garden of Gethsemane, He prayed earnestly, "Father, if you are willing, remove this chalice from me; nevertheless, not my will but yours be done" (Luke 22:42). We also have the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who not only "treasured all these things in her heart" (Luke 2:51) but also "stood near the cross of Jesus," enduring her suffering while her Son was dying on the cross (John 19:25). Jesus came to accomplish the will of the Father. We too are called to accomplish God's will in our lives. God's ultimate will desires eternal life to all who believe in Christ. Faith in him is not a blind, superficial, or inactive, but rather a faith that requires good works, charity, obedience to God's commandments, and endurance in suffering to the end. Let us remember one thing: the consequence of obedience is not humiliation, failure, or death; rather, it is victory—the glorious triumph over evil and death—and imperishable joy.

Office Hours
Horas de Oficina
 Monday-Friday /
 Lunes al Viernes
 9:00 am. — 3:00 pm.
Sunday / Domingo:
 10:00 am. — 11:30 am.

—Fr. Jesu.

Mass Intentions and Liturgical Observations		Mass Readings
Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:30 am	April 19 Mass Mass Mass	Third Sunday of Easter † Dolores Romatowski by the Herrera Stephens Family Frank & Lee Markins 35th Wedding Anniversary † Jackie Flanagan by Cathy Touhy † Froylan, Juvenal & Alfredo Ruiz by Familia Miranda
Monday 8:00 am	April 20 Mass	CYO Team Leaders by Manuel & Lydia Chabarría † Dolores Romatowski by Rosemarie & Jon Hicks
Tuesday 6:00 pm	April 21 Mass	Saint Anselm Mary Dobecka BirthDay by Mike & Susan Trojacek † Helen Matus by Lee & Helen Howell
Wednesday 11:00 am 11:30 am	April 22 Rosary M. Mass	Memorial Mass for John Drane
Thursday 8:00 am	April 23 Mass	Saint George Eleanor Reinhardt Ron & Suzie Oreb 30th Wedding Anniversary
Friday 8:00 am	April 24 Mass	Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen Mary & Neal Slaten Sam Vogt by the Herrera Stephens Family
Saturday 5:30 pm	April 25 Mass	Saint Mark † Walter Stanley & † Tim Sullivan by Stanley & Stearns Family

Anuncios

⇒ Hoy habrá una **segunda colecta** para el **Cuidado de los Sacerdotes**.
 ⇒ El mes de mayo está dedicado a la Santísima Madre. Por favor marque su calendario para los próximos eventos.
 ⇒ Habrá una **segunda colecta el próximo domingo** para las **Misiones Católicas en Casa**.

Nos gustaría agradecer a todos los que ayudaron a hacer del Festival Parroquial Anual un gran éxito.

Desde el comité del festival, los voluntarios, quienes donaron o patrocinaron algún artículo, hasta todos los que asistieron y disfrutaron el día – ¡Gracias de todo corazón!



Gracias



Por favor, sepan que todas las ganancias del festival serán destinadas a la campaña Rejoice in Hope Capital Campaign.

The Forty Days of Easter is the most fitting time for the blessing of your house. If you are interested in blessing your house. Please call the office and make an appointment with Fr. Jesudoss. Thank you.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for April
For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Por los sacerdotes en crisis

Oremos por los sacerdotes que atraviesan momentos de crisis en su vocación, para que puedan encontrar el acompañamiento que necesitan y para que las comunidades los apoyen con comprensión y oración.

Praying for the Sick

Jessica Bass, Sharon Slayden, Jeanette Abood, Nicholas & Samantha Lee, Jasmine & Jaden Brennan, Pablo Duran, Gerri Olson, Stephanie Rodgers, Rigo Franco, Marilyn Goodin, Lee Markins, Sue Ansley, Alicia Brown, Garrett Dietmeyer, Lala Paschall, Zak Elder, Jeff Hall, Sister Kimberly Prohaska, Ma Enedina Vazquez, Nicholas Medley, Alaric Boles, Carolyn Daughtry, Ann Johnson, Debbi Roberts, Donna Bradshaw, Rose Nino, David Nino, Stacy Crossley, Jerry & Uethel Burrows, Vanessa Oliver, Duane & Margaret Musgrave, Tammie Norman, Jerry Schroeder, Sarah Nelms, Mandy Newhouse, Sean Carter, Emma Welty, Luis Hernandez, Benito Sr., Benito Jr., Shayna Horne, Chris Lyle, Bill & Diane Crouch, Kathleen & Charlie Bulfer, John Boyd, Jackson Palumbo, Michele Louise, Margaret Hoefler, Susan Rand, Rose Montgomery, Honey Roy, Mary and Neal Slaten and those who suffer from various illnesses.

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP INVITES YOU TO GROW IN YOUR PRAYER LIFE.

Please note that it is **NOT** a Charismatic Prayer Group. This group is dedicated to reading, meditating, and praying the Scriptures. It helps to foster a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit. **Come and Pray every other Friday: 9:00 to 10:00 am.** For more info contact Dan Macy 903-385-0177 or Charlene Silva 903-288-4555

Visiting the Sick

If you are sick, going for surgery, or in the hospital please contact the priest as soon as possible for your sacramental needs: 903-331-9813

¿ESTÁS LISTO PARA UN DESAFÍO?!

¡Prueba nuestro nuevo Reto Bíblico!
 ¿PUEDES encontrar las respuestas?

- 1) ¿Cuántos años tenía Jesús cuando comenzó su ministerio público?
- 2) ¿Cuál fue el primer milagro público de Jesús?
- 3) ¿A dónde llevó el Espíritu Santo a Jesús inmediatamente después de su bautismo?
- 4) ¿Quién intercedió por la pareja que se quedó sin vino en su boda?
- 5) Cuando Satanás tentó a Jesús en el desierto, ¿de qué libro de la Biblia provinieron las respuestas de Jesús?

(¡Respuestas la próxima semana! ¡No uses Google!
 Anota la escritura donde se encuentra.)
Gracias a Denise Lane por iniciar esta Trivia Bíblica



Announcements

- ⇒ There is a second collection today for **Caring for Priests**.
- ⇒ The month of May is designated to the **Blessed Mother**. Kindly mark your calendar for upcoming events.
- ⇒ There is a second collection next Sunday for **Catholic Home Missions**.

We would like to thank everyone who helped to make the Annual Parish Festival a huge success!

From the festival committee to volunteers to those who donated or sponsored an item

to all those who came out and enjoyed the day –

Thank You from the bottom of our heart!



Please know that all proceeds from the festival will go to the Rejoice in Hope Capital Campaign!

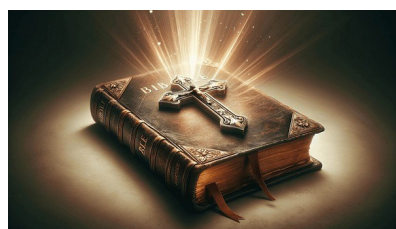


ARE YOU READY FOR A CHALLENGE?!

Try our new Bible Challenge!
Can YOU find the answers?



- 1) How old was Jesus when he began his public ministry?
- 2) What was Jesus's first public miracle?
- 3) Where did the Holy Spirit lead Jesus immediately after his baptism?
- 4) Who interceded for the couple who ran out of wine at their wedding?
- 5) When Satan tempted Jesus in the desert, from which book in the Bible did Jesus's responses come?



(Answers next week! Don't use Google!
Notate the scripture where found.)

Thanks to Denise Lane for initiating this Bible Trivia

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Monthly or Weekly Meetings

Ladies Guild 2nd-Sun 10 am
 Holy Name Society 2nd-Sun 10 am
 Knights of Columbus 3rd-Thurs 6 pm
 Sacraments Prep Wed 6:30 pm
 CYO Wed 6:00 pm
 OCIA / RCIA Sun 10:30 am
 Daughter's of Mary 2nd-Wed 10:30 am
 Divine Will Group Thurs 9:00 am

Parish Organizations

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Your Gift is for God's Work

Weekend Mass Collection: \$ 5,399.60
 Attendance for April 11 & 12: 514



We suggest 10% of monthly income

Parish Income & Expenses for March

Parish Income : \$ 37,505.05
 Parish Expenses: \$ 30,756.10
 Building Maintenance Collection: \$ 2,258.00

Special thanks to everyone for your donations!

Kindly consider a year-end tax-deductible donation.

Please Remember St. Therese Church in your Will.



St. Therese Hospitality Ministry Welcomes our Visitors and New Parishioners

We joyfully welcome you to our Parish Family.
 We are blessed by your visit!
 If you would like to become a member of our St. Therese Family, please, talk with one of our hospitality ministry members or come to our Church office after the 9:00 am Mass to register.
 May God bless you and your family abundantly.
Thank you

Humor of the Week



Why can't Catholics travel at light speed?
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PLEASE BE AWARE OF SCAMS

Father Jesu will never ask you for gift cards, money transfers or donations/cash solicited via text messages or email. If you receive anything like this please know it is a scam and do not respond.

Please Be Mindful of Respectful Dress Code For Divine Worship

Please remember that our **liturgical dress code** does NOT allow shorts, T-shirts, shirts with messages which are inappropriate to wear in the church, short skirts, tank tops, spaghetti straps, halter tops, crop tops, sleeveless tops (no bare shoulders or revealed midriff). Please consider dressing with dignity as you partake in the Sacred Liturgy. **"Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. Glorify God in your Body"** (1 Cor 6:19-20). Also, Please, **NO chewing gum or phones** in Mass.

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 Parish Contact Person: Suzanne Watson 214-732-9966
 Please contact the Church Office for more information.

Do you Need Sacraments?
For all your Sacramental needs call the church office, fill out necessary forms, and make an appointment with the priest, take Sacramental preparation classes. DO NOT SET A DATE for a celebration without consulting the priest, and taking necessary classes for the Sacraments.

Baptisms: Please contact the church office at least three months prior to setting a date of Baptism.
 Pre-Baptismal classes are required for the parents and godparents/sponsors. Submit the child's birth certificate.

Marriage: Please contact the church office to visit with your priest at least six months prior to setting a date of your Wedding. Marriage prep classes are required. Marriage Forms need to be submitted to the parish.

For both of these sacraments you must be a member of our Parish and must complete the classes required. If you belong to another Parish and are seeking the Sacraments in our parish, you must bring a letter from your priest.

Requirements for Godparents / Sponsors: Must be a Catholic in good standing. That means, practicing your faith, married in the Church by priest or deacon. If you come from other parish bring a letter from your priest.

If you need Annulment for your previous marriage, please contact the priest or a deacon.

¿Necesita Sacramentos?
 Para todas sus necesidades sacramentales, llame a la oficina de la iglesia, llene los formularios necesarios y haga una cita con el sacerdote. También deberá tomar las clases de preparación sacramental. **NO FIJE UNA FECHA** para una celebración sin antes consultar con el sacerdote y haber tomado las clases necesarias para los sacramentos.

Bautizos:
 Por favor comuníquese con la oficina de la iglesia **al menos tres meses antes** de fijar la fecha del Bautismo. Se requieren **clases prebautismales** para los padres y los padrinos/madrinas. Debe presentar el **acta de nacimiento del niño(a).**

Matrimonio:
 Por favor comuníquese con la oficina de la iglesia para reunirse con el sacerdote **al menos seis meses antes** de fijar la fecha de su boda. Se requieren **clases de preparación matrimonial.** Los **formularios de matrimonio** deben entregarse a la parroquia.

Para **ambos sacramentos**, usted debe ser **miembro de nuestra parroquia** y completar las clases requeridas. Si pertenece a otra parroquia y desea recibir los sacramentos en nuestra parroquia, debe traer **una carta de su sacerdote.**

Requisitos para Padrinos / Patrocinadores:
 Deben ser **católicos en buen estado con la Iglesia.** Esto significa practicar su fe y, si están casados, estar **casados por la Iglesia** por un sacerdote o diácono. Si vienen de otra parroquia, deben traer **una carta de su sacerdote.**

Si necesita **una anulación de su matrimonio anterior**, por favor comuníquese con el sacerdote o con un diácono.

Faith Formation for Children
 Parents are the primary teachers of faith. They have serious obligations before God to train their children in faith and in the love of God. Please, register your children for "Faith Formation" or "Sunday School". We also need volunteers to teach or to be an aid in the classrooms. If you love teaching children, and watch them grow in our amazing faith, please do not hesitate to sign up to be a teacher or aid. If you have any questions, please call the office or talk to Ms. Barbara Cozart or Anne Lucas.

Formación en la Fe para Niños
 Los padres son los primeros maestros de la fe. Tienen una seria responsabilidad ante Dios de educar a sus hijos en la fe y en el amor a Dios. Por favor, inscriban a sus hijos en el programa de "Formación en la Fe" o "Catecismo Dominical". También necesitamos voluntarios que deseen enseñar o apoyar en los salones de clase. Si te gusta enseñar a los niños y ver cómo crecen en una fe maravillosa, no dudes en inscribirte como maestro o asistente. Si tienes alguna pregunta, por favor llama a la oficina o comunícate con la Sra. Bárbara Cozart o Anne Lucas.

Please Mark your Calendar
 May 1, Fri - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
May 2, Sat - Confirmation & First Holy Communion Mass at 10:00 a.m. with Bishop Kelly
 May 3, Sun - The Crowning of Mary
 May 10, Sun - Mother's Day
 May 14, Thurs - Adoración Española at 7:00 p.m.
 May 16, Sat - Parish Cleanup / Workday 8:30—12:00
 May 17, Sun - Anniversary of Father Jesu Ordination
 May 24, Sun - Reception for High School Seniors
June 1-5 - Vacation Bible School
 June 5, Fri - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 June 6, Sat - First Saturday Mass at 8:00 a.m.

RCIA / OCIA
 Are you interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith? Are you impelled by the Holy Spirit to seek the Sacraments in the Roman Catholic Church? Are you wondering ... "Why do Catholics do this or that"? Then, RCIA /OCIA is the right place to begin. This program is designed to lead adults in their faith journey. If you have questions, please talk to one of our Deacons or Mr. Ed Lucas.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 Meetings are every 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm
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Grand Knight: Jeff Aubert
Deputy Grand Knight: David Johnson



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 Or call the Church office for Information.
 New members are always welcome!

Youth Ministry & CYO Grades 6 – 12
 meet **every Wednesday** from **6 pm – 7:30 pm.**
 in the Education Building.
 Please contact: JoAnne Henson for information



The St. Therese Canton Radio
If you are in the listening area, you can tune into KDMI-LP 97.5 FM. We are encouraging everyone to "follow" the Facebook page or listen to the station to stay up to date on things happening at St. Therese. Facebook page @ StThereseCantonRadio.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR THIS WEEK
 To honor someone with flowers for the altar, please contact: Martie Brown @ 214-679-1427
 Or contact the church office.



Time for Coffee and Donuts!
Come, Relax, and find new friends, after the 9:00 am Mass.
All are welcome!



¡Hora de café y donas! Ven, relájate y encuentra nuevos amigos, después de la misa de las 9:00 a.m. ¡Todos son bienvenidos

Holy Name Society
 is the St. Therese Men's Group which was started from the beginning of the parish. This ministry encourages fraternity, supports the Church, and provides monthly "Country Breakfasts"
 All Men are welcome to join them!
 If you like to join this ministry,
Contact: Mike Perez
 903-714-3414

Altar Linen Care Ministry
 Altar linen care ministry helps to care for the linens used during the celebration of the Holy Mass. We need your help. If you would like to help clean the altar linens, please call Martie Brown.

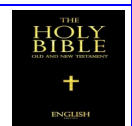
The Little Flower Choir Ministry
Singing once is like praying twice says St. Augustine. The final verse in the Book of Psalm (Ps.150) says, *Let everything that has breath give praise to the Lord! Hallelujah!*
 If you would like to sing or play an instrument, please talk to Ken Mings our Choir Director.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Every First Friday
 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Every Second Thursday
 Adoration in Spanish
 From 7:00 to 8:00 pm



Daughters of Mary Ministry
 This ministry is intended to offer support for widows and single women. They meet every 2nd Wednesday at 10:30 am in the Parish Hall.

English Bible Study Group
 Join us to study the Word of God.
 Foundations of Faith:
 A Journey through the Catechism of the Catholic Church.



Grupo de Estudio Bíblico en Español
 Únase a nosotros para estudiar la Palabra de Dios y orar.
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Divine Will Prayer Group
 Divine Will is a prayer group which meets every Thursday after the Morning Mass, from 9 to 11 am. If you would like to be inspired or want to learn to pray and discern the will of God, please visit us.

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 7:00—8:00 pm