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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.

December 7th, Second Sunday of Advent

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

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

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

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

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December 7, 2025, Second Sunday of Advent: Grades of Prayer – 8. Prayer of Conforming Union – Characteristics & Effects (2)

In last week's reflection, we learned about the definition and meaning of **Prayer of Conforming Union**. Now let us look into the **essential characteristics and the effects of the Prayer of Conforming Union**. St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of Cross identify the following characteristics and effects of Prayer of Conforming Union. 1. The absorption of the soul in God; 2. the ecstasy. Both of these elements are necessary for true mystical ecstasy. Without the union with God in infused contemplative prayer, the ecstasy would be a natural ecstasy or trance, a falsification of mystical ecstasy caused by an evil spirit. Sts. Teresa and John of the Cross speak of two forms of divine ecstasy: first is the sweet, gentle, and delightful ecstasy, which is no way harmful to health, rather, it often improves the person's health. Second, is the violent and painful ecstasy, in which the person experiences an intense bodily suffering.

St. Teresa points out **various types of ecstasy and the effects of ecstatic prayer**. 1. The soul is gradually drawn to God. The soul becomes aware of its own misery, disdain for all created things, great desire to serve God with humility, and even strong desire martyrdom for the love of God. 2. The soul feels a greater separation from the body. It feels great sorrow of sins of the past and experiences intense desire for the salvation of souls. 3. The soul enjoys great certitude and security, and desires to occupy itself with work of the Lord. In this stage, the soul would experience bodily levitation, visions, and revelations. 4. The soul feels itself to be in the state of deep loneliness and total abandonment, and desires to seek nothing but the Creator. The soul feels as if it is suspended between heaven and earth. The soul finds no rest in any created things, as St. Augustine states; "our souls are restless until the soul rests in you". The soul expresses its helplessness as we read in the Psalm 62, "my soul is thirsting for you my God, as the deer longs for running streams." Some spiritual authors call this state of ecstasy, **passive purgation of the soul**, which is necessary before the soul can proceed to the transforming union. St. Teresa says that the only comparison of this pain is the suffering in purgatory. Lastly, St. Teresa speaks of the wound of love, which closely resembles the ecstatic impulse. It is not a question of physical pain, although it may result in severe bodily pain after the experience has passed. The interior sensation is like that of a fiery arrow shot into the soul, and the sudden impact may make the individual cry out when it happens. Yet the wound is one of such sweet delight that the soul would like it to continue. The experience itself may be of brief duration, or it may last several hours. The faculties of the soul are inactive as long as it lasts, and there is the usual drop in body temperature and slowness of pulse, but no bodily rigidity or suspended animation, though frequently the experience terminates in a true trance or a vision.

During the second week of Advent, try not only to be faithful to your prayers and devotions, but also to permit the Holy Spirit to lead you into a deeper level of spiritual life. Try to see how God works in your life. Try to pay attention to the special moments such as gentle, delightful, or moments of stress, feeling of abandonment, or sense of pain which is caused for the greater need for God. Also, make a good examination of conscience and prepare yourself for a good Confession, May the love of God create in your heart a thirst for his love.

— Fr. Jesu

Mass Intentions and Liturgical Observations			Mass Readings
Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 11:30 am	Dec. 7 Mass Mass	Second Sunday of Advent † Gary Alan Voss by Greg & Martie Brown Noah Auliveld 19th Birthday by John & Chin Boyd Margarita Garcia Birthday by the Rosas Family Orlando Hernadez & Jose Maximino Contreras by the Hernandez-Ponce Family Jose y Uridelia Reyes y Familia by the Reyes Family	Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Romans 15:4-9 Luke 3:4, 6 Matthew 3:1-12
Monday 12:00 noon 6:00 pm	Dec. 8 Mass Mass	The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation Sarah Nelms by Kevin & Sharla Lewis <i>The People of St. Therese Parish</i>	Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12 Luke 1:26-38
Tuesday 6:00 pm	Dec. 9 Mass	Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatatzin † George & Alma Wolfmeyer, Laura & Ray Thurman, Bob & Janet Bahn, Paula Qualls & Sharon Kimbrell by Charles & Judy Thurman	Isaiah 40:1-11 Matthew 18:12-14
Wednesday 12:00 pm	Dec. 10 Mass	Our Lady of Loreto † James & Doris Edwards, Frank & Theresa Janerro By Deacon Larry & Pat Edwards	Isaiah 40:25-31 Matthew 11:28-30
Thursday 8:00 am	Dec. 11 Mass	Saint John Damasus I † Laura & Austin Bourgeois, Yaeger Markins, Ervin Comeaux & Thelma Abshire by Frank & Lee Markins	Isaiah 41:13-20 Matthew 11:11-15
Friday 6:00 am 8:00 am 6:00 pm	Dec. 12 Mass Mass	Our Lady of Guadalupe <i>Mananitas</i> † Tricia Cavarra, Annie Mason & Kevin Watson by Greg & Margie Wallace <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe - the People of St. Therese Parish</i>	Zechariah 2:14-17 Luke 1:26-38
Saturday 5:30 pm	Dec. 13 Mass	Saint Lucy † Judy Bouska Birthday by Kevin & Sharla Lewis	Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 Matthew 17:9a, 10-13
WHY TO ATTEND A DAILY MASS? It helps us to grow in our personal holiness. As we need food everyday, we need the Eucharist everyday. If you missed a Sunday Mass, kindly consider attending one of the weekday Masses. Let us pray for our broken world, which needs God’s Mercy and peace. If and when you can attend a weekday Mass, you will receive special graces for your efforts. 			
 The Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for December For Christians in areas of conflict Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope. Para los cristianos en áreas de conflict Esperemos que las personas que se sientan tentadas a quitarse la vida puedan recibir el apoyo, la atención y el amor que necesitan de su comunidad, y permanezcan receptivas al valor y la belleza de la vida.			
 Praying for the Sick Lala Paschall, Zak Elder, Jeff Hall, Helen Matus, Tanya Watkins, Sister Kimberly Prohaska, Ma Enedina Vazquez, Nicholas Medley, Alaric Boles, Carolyn Daughtry, Ann Johnson, Debbi Roberts, Carol Joy Born, Donna Bradshaw, Tater Family, Ron Veilleux, Margaret Musgrave, Rose Nino, David Nino, Stacy Crossley, Jerry & Uethel Burrows, Vanessa Oliver, Kevin Turner, Duane & Margaret Musgrave, Tammie Norman, Jerry Schroeder, Sarah Nelms, Nick Gangloff, Mandy Newhouse, Sean Carter, Emma Welty, Luis Hernandez, Benito Jr., Shayna Horne, Chris Lyle, Bill & Diane Crouch, Kathleen & Charlie Bulfer, Patty Ratliff, John Boyd, Gregory Crouch, Jackson Palumbo, Michele Louise, Margaret Hoefer, Susan Rand, Rose Montgomery, Carlos, Benito, Honey Roy, and those who suffer from various illnesses.			
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:			

Anuncios

⇒ **Este lunes 8 de diciembre es la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María.** Este es un Día de Precepto y todos los católicos están obligados a asistir, por lo tanto **tendremos Misa a las 12 del mediodía y a las 6:00 p.m. No habrá Misa a las 8:00 a.m.**

⇒ **La Novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe** continúa y concluirá el **jueves 11 de diciembre** con **Adoración en español de 7 a 8 p.m.**, seguida de una **Vigilia de 8 a 10 p.m.** El **viernes, en la Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, tendremos Mañanitas a las 6:00 a.m.**, Misa en inglés a las 8:00 a.m. **y Misa en español a las 6:00 p.m., seguida de una cena.**

⇒ Acompaña a nuestros **niños de Formación en la Fe** el **sábado 13 de diciembre a las 6:30 pm** mientras participan en el **Desfile Navideño de Canton.** Por favor, deja tus donaciones de dulces en la oficina de la iglesia. Si deseas que tu hijo participe en el desfile, comunícate con Anne Lucas o Barbara Cozart.

⇒ **La Novena de Las Posadas comienza el martes 16 de diciembre y termina el 24 de diciembre.**

⇒ **Tendremos confesiones de Adviento el miércoles 17 de diciembre de 6:00 pm a 7:30 pm.** Habrá varios sacerdotes disponibles para escuchar confesiones. *Por favor, prepara tu corazón espiritualmente para la Navidad.*

⇒ **¿Buscas el regalo perfecto de Navidad?** Visita la tienda de artículos religiosos en el salón parroquial, donde encontrarás nuevos y únicos productos para el Adviento y la Navidad.

⇒ Habrá una **segunda colecta** el próximo fin de semana para el **Fondo de Retiro de los Religiosos.**

Campaña de Capital Rejoice in Hope — *Solicitud de Fin de Año*

Querida familia parroquial:

Al **mirar con gratitud las bendiciones de este año**, también miramos con esperanza hacia el futuro de nuestra comunidad parroquial, especialmente nuestros niños y jóvenes. Con esto en mente, invitamos a cada familia a considerar en oración apoyar nuestra campaña de recaudación de fondos "Rejoice in Hope" antes de que termine el año.

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Announcements	
⇒	This Monday, December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation and all Catholics are obligated to attend, therefore we will have Mass at 12 noon and 6:00 p.m. <i>There will not be an 8:00 a.m. Mass.</i>
⇒	Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena continues and will conclude on Thursday, December 11th with Spanish Adoration from 7 to 8 p.m. followed by a Vigil from 8 to 10 p.m. <i>On Friday, the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe, we will have Mananitas at 6:00 a.m., Mass in English at 8:00 a.m. and Mass in Spanish at 6:00 p.m. with dinner following. Please join our Spanish community for this beautiful feast!</i>
⇒	Join our Faith Formation children on Saturday, December 13th at 6:30 p.m. as they participate in the Canton Christmas Parade! Please drop your candy donations off in the church office. If you would like your child to be in the parade, please contact Anne Lucas or Barbara Cozart.
⇒	Las Posadas Christmas Novena begins on Tuesday, December 16th through December 24th.
⇒	We will have Advent Confessions on Wednesday, December 17th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. There will be several priests available to hear confessions. <i>Please prepare your heart spiritually for Christmas.</i>
⇒	The Ladies Guild is having a bake sale today after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please go to the Parish Hall to pick up your favorite baked goods!
⇒	Looking for the perfect Christmas gift? Stop by the Religious Goods Store in the Parish Hall where there are new and unique items for all your Advent and Christmas needs!
⇒	There is a second collection next weekend for the Retirement Fund for the Religious.

Rejoice in Hope Capital Campaign — Year-End Appeal

Dear Parish Family,

As we look with gratitude toward the blessings of this year, we also look forward with hope to the future of our parish community—*especially our children and youth*. With this in mind, we invite every family to prayerfully consider supporting our **Rejoice in Hope Capital Campaign** before the end of the year.

Your generosity will help us build a **new Religious Education Center**, a space dedicated to forming young disciples, strengthening families, and nurturing the faith of the next generation. This building will provide the classrooms, gathering spaces, and resources our youth need to grow in their love for Christ and His Church.

Every gift—large or small—brings us closer to making this dream a reality. If you have not yet contributed, or if you feel called to give an additional gift, please do so by December 31. Every dollar you donate to the **Rejoice in Hope Campaign** by December 31, 2025 *will be matched up to \$200,000 by a generous donor*. This includes any year-end tax-deductible donations you make by December 31, 2025.

Thank you for your prayerful support, your stewardship, and your unwavering faith in the mission of our parish.

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.” — Romans 12:12

May God bless you abundantly for your generosity!

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Weekend Mass Collection: \$ 5,003.60
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We suggest 10% of monthly income
Parish Income & Expenses for November
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Parish Expenses: \$ 22,598.66
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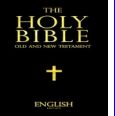
Humor of the Week
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Faith Formation for Children Parents are the primary teachers of faith. They have serious obligations before God to train their children in faith and in the love of God. Please, register your children for “Faith Formation” or “Sunday 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 Dec 8, Mon - Holy Day of Obligation - Immaculate Conception - Mass at 12 noon & 6 p.m. Dec. 11, Thurs - <i>Adoración en español 7 - 8 pm. with Vigil from 8 - 10 pm.</i> Dec. 12, Fri - Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe: 6:00 a.m. Mañanitas, 8:00 a.m. Mass (English), 6:00 p.m. Mass (Spanish); with dinner following. Dec. 13, Sat - Faith Formation in Christmas Parade at 6:30 pm on the square Dec. 16, Tues - Las Posadas Christmas Novena Dec. 17, Wed - Advent Confessions - 6 - 7:30 p.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 Interested in joining please contact: Grand Knight: Jeff Aubert Deputy Grand Knight: Mike Perez 	Time for Coffee and Donuts! Come, Relax, and find new friends, after the 9:00 am Mass. All are welcome! 
 LADIES GUILD SERVICE, SPIRITUAL, SOCIAL INTERESTED IN JOINING US please contact: Jane Miller Or call the Church office for Information. New members are always 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!
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 	 DAY OF OBLIGATION Monday, December 8, 2025 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary Masses Schedule: 12 noon and 6:00 pm
 The St. Therese Canton Radio <i>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.</i>	Holy Name Society is the St. Therese Men’s Group which encourages fraternity, supports the Church, and provides monthly “Country Breakfasts” All Men are welcome to join them
FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR THIS WEEK To honor someone with flowers for the altar, please contact: Martie Brown @ Or contact the church office. 	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 <i>Singing once is like praying twice</i> says St. Augustine. The final verse in the Book of Psalm (Ps.150) says, <i>Let everything that has breath give praise to the Lord! Hallelujah!</i> If you 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. “Classes will resume January 12, 2026” 	Grupo de Estudio Bíblico en Español Únase a nosotros para estudiar la Palabra de Dios y orar. Todos los martes a las 6:45 pm horas en el Edificio de Educación.
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.	Ministerios Españoles Ensayo del coro español: jueves a las 7:00pm Estudio bíblico en español: martes a las 6:45pm Adoración en español—segundo jueves 7:00—8:00 pm