



*St. Theresa of the
Child Jesus Church*
2800 East Ramon Road, Palm
Springs, CA 92264



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" - Jn 14:2

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760-323-2669 Ex. 315

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Mass Times:

Mon.-Fri.– 7:30am (Daily Mass)

Saturday

5:00 pm English

7:00 pm Spanish

Sunday

7:00 am English

8:30 am Spanish

10:30am English

12:30pm English

Monday—Friday

7:30 am English

Adoration—8:00am-3:00pm

Saturday Confessions—

3:30pm-4:30pm

Our Parish Mission Statement:

St. Theresa is a welcoming multicultural, diverse Roman Catholic community; aspiring to make God the center of our lives, striving to proclaim Jesus' message of Hope, Forgiveness, Love and Compassion to all.

Nuestra Misión Parroquial:

Santa Teresa es una Comunidad Católica Romana, con diversidad multicultural. Aspiramos a tener a Dios como centro de nuestras vidas. Proclamamos el mensaje de Jesús que es; Esperanza, Reconciliación, Amor y Compasión al Próximo.

Rev. John Kavcak, M.S.C./ Pastor

Rev. David Foxen M.S.C. /Parochial Vicar

This parish is staffed by the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (M.S.C.)

For more information visit the M.S.C.

website: <http://www.misacor-usa.org>

PASTOR'S COLUMN:

In the beginning of the second reading we are called precious in the eyes of the Lord. We are invaluable. We are cherished. We are highly esteemed. We are loved.

We are precious stones. Why? Why does God love us so much? Is it because of something that we have done? Why are we so precious to Him? Well, why do you, why do we love our children? Why are our children so precious to us? Is it because of what they do? No. Sure, there are many times that we are proud of our children's accomplishments. But we love them even without their accomplishments.

Parents need to let their children know that. Do we love our children because they are cute. No, God makes them cute so the rest of us don't knock them off before they turn 18. When you first held your children as infants, you could not believe you had so much love in you. Yet, the baby did not do anything. Why, then did you love that baby? Why do you love your children? You love them for whom they are, not for what they do. You see God's love in your child. You see a reflection of God's beauty in your child.

Why does God love us? Why are we so precious to Him? He loves us for who we are, unique reflections of His love in the world. He loves us because He sees in each of us the love He has for his Son, Jesus. He loves us because each of us is a unique reflection of the Love that became flesh in Jesus Christ.

GENTLE THOUGHTS:

I felt uncomfortable driving to the cemetery the other day. My GPS blurted out; "You have reached your final destination!"

My dog swallowed up my entire bag of Scrabble tiles, so I took him to the Vet to get him checked out . . no word yet.

Exercise helps you with decision-making. It's true.
I went for a run this morning and decided I'm never going again.

Visit our website to sign up to
Online Giving and get started.
<https://osvhub.com/st-theresa-ps/funds>

March Contributions

3/1/26- \$16,172.00
3/8/26- \$ 14,078.15
3/15/26- \$15,455.00
3/22/26- \$14,549.00
3/29/26- \$15,176.50

Spring Combined
\$3,029.00

Easter Flowers & Envir.
\$4,611.00

Total: \$75,430.65

On-Line Giving
\$8,210.00

School Tuition Assistance
\$4,243.00

Diocesan Development Fund

How to support the DDF:

The 2026 Goal is \$56,300, with your help we can reach it.

Make Pledge: Use a DDF envelope and send it to the Diocese or drop it into the collection basket at Mass (card, cash, or check) Make a Donation: Indicate on the check or envelop "DDF2026" Online Donation: visit our website and make a donation under the DDF 2026 tab.



Scan QR Code to give

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Saturday, May 2

5:00pm

Napoleon Chiu +
Luis Gallegos +
Kristen McCorkley +

7:00pm-Espanol

Heribertha Lara Bastida +
Atzin Espino Aguilar S/I-In Thanks
Jose Luis Eudave +

Sunday, May 3

7:00am

Fred M. Baltas Jr. +
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Mendoza S/I-
(In Thanks)

8:30am- Español

Teresa Orozco S/I-Birthday
Guadalupe Marquez +
Victoria Lomeli +
The Gutierrez Diaz Familia +
Consuelo Lopez S/I-98th Birthday

10:30am

Sally Sauter +
Jack Sauter- S/I
Maria Guadalupe Lopez +
DFS Company- S/I
Carmelita Gregorio +

12:30pm

Ruby Hawkins +
Don Sedor +
Cole Drechsler +

Monday, May 4

Wilfred & Virginia Chanman +
Wesley Hubbard +
Jack W. Robilette +

Tuesday, May 5

Tony Aidukas +
Bridie & Mickey +
Tony & Anne +
Mary Ann Prag S/I-Healing

Wednesday, May 6

Holly V. +

Thursday, May 7

Agnette Duong +
Angela Morgan S/I-Healing
Arturo Rodriguez Jr. +

Friday, May 8

Elmira Ruth G. Padilla S/I-Birthday
Eli Salazar S/I-Healing
Arturo Rodriguez +

**We pray for the sick and for those who care for them:
Oremos por las personas enfermas y por las personas
que cuidan de ellos:**

John Salerno, Bryan Dinnoo, Chuck Stone,
Carolyn O'Linn, Norma Cardova Chanman, Ynez Romo,
Roger Newallo, Norbert Chanman, Laurie Mikolaycik,
Christopher Navo, Nicolette Rusanberg,
Nancy Holmes, Joyce Norvell, Keila David, ,
Aisling O'Connor, Marie Irwin, Richard Martanivick, ,
Cam (Tommy's Son) Sewnarain, Jose Alex Gonzalez, Carol Patney,
Joseph Ibanez, Monica Newallo, Lloyd Forbes, Tony Chanman,
Anilaine Gamba, Karen Gunst, Carol Zachik, Mark MyBrick,
Remy Ruesenberg, Tiffany Moretti, Ken Zachik,
Manuel & Sony Silverio, Esperanza Asejo, Henry McShane,
Joseph Piscope, Melinda Jennings & Family,
Jackie Peters, Florence, Angelito Rayos, John Paschal,
Christina Etedgui, Ernesto Cuabo, Sheila Sparling, Lisa Jarecki,
Butch Skillman, Val & Christopher, Luz Maria Matha,
Joseph Godinez, Jerome Godinez, Lucille Godinez, John Griffiths III
Marc Motzer, Ray, Terry Moretti,
Roman Hernandez, Rae Wenzel, Pat Malon, Kathy Kuniej Cooper,
Cristina Alverdiz, Maria Cruz Cardenas, David Landeros,
Jay Bednar, Becky Benedict, Dennis Cook, Susie Hoff, Selena Perez,
Steven Pilgrim, Bob Blum, Pat Quinn, Daniel Chavez,
Steve Schultz, Carmen, Marquez, Juan Zetina, Maria Bedillo, Sheila
Kucich, Ulla Brown, Judah Luke, Josie Imus, Joe Wesolowski Sr.
Arielle Cohen, Warren Parada, Steven & Bob, Brenc Krekeler,
Mary Lou Quintana

**(Names will be kept for 3 months. Please contact the
Parish Office to remove a name from the list/**

**Los nombres permanecerán por 3 meses. Por favor
de contactar a la Oficina Parroquial para remover un
nombre de la lista.)**



Readings for the week of May 3, 2026

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12
Monday: Acts 14:5-18/ Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/ Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/
Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/ Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/ Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Friday: Acts 15:22-31/ Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/ Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16 and 20/
1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

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Meditation Garden

Please join us in the restoration of the Meditation Garden by purchasing an engraved brick paver of remembrance which creates a new walkway to the statue of Jesus with outstretched arms. You may do so by getting an order form from the posters located at all church entrances. This form with your check should then be taken to the parish office for processing during normal office hours. You may also purchase online at the parish web site sttheresaps.com. Select the 135 Ministry tab on the home page then the drop down menu Meditation Garden to order.

Sally Sauter's Memorial Mass

Date: May 7, 2026
Time: 11:30am
Where: Main Church

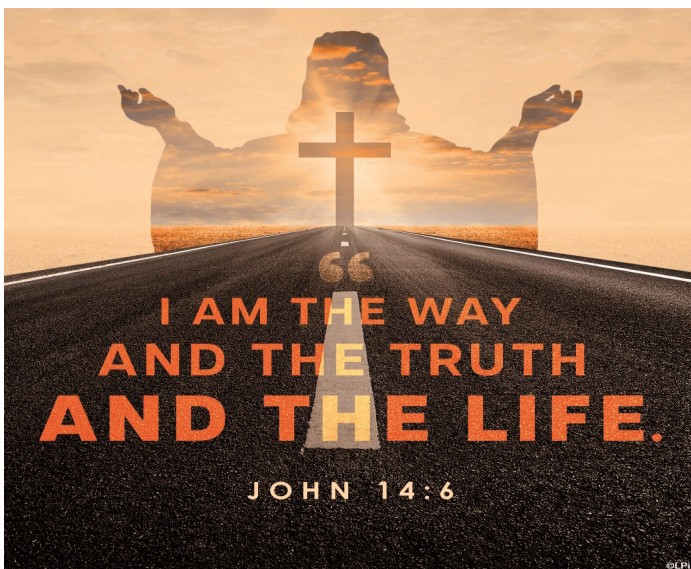
In lieu of flowers the family asked to make a contribution to

“St. Theresa School Tuition Assistance Program”

Blessing of Peace

Dear Lord,
You have said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled.”
Bless me with Your peace.
Fill my heart with trust in You,
and hope in Your promises.
Be my rock in times of distress,
my light in times of darkness,
and my rest in the storm.
Amen.

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St. Theresa Catholic Church

FILIPINO SUNDAY MASS

COME JOIN US

UPCOMING MASSES:

*2026	JANUARY 11	*2027	JANUARY 10
	FEBRUARY 8		FEBRUARY 14
	MARCH 8		MARCH 14
	APRIL 12		APRIL 11
	* MAY 3	* Schedule changed due to	* MAY 2
	JUNE 14	"Mother's Day" holiday	JUNE 13
	JULY 12		JULY 11
	AUGUST 9		AUGUST 8
	SEPTEMBER 13		SEPTEMBER 12
	OCTOBER 11		OCTOBER 10
	NOVEMBER 8		NOVEMBER 14
	DECEMBER 13		DECEMBER 12

FILIPINO SUNDAY MASS IS CELEBRATED EVERY 2nd SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT 5:00PM.
MASS WILL BE BILINGUAL: TAGALOG / ENGLISH

2800 E. Ramon Road, Palm Springs, CA 92264

For any question, contact: Josie Imus – 442.234.8758 / Amy Villar – 760.449.1328

St. Theresa Altar Society

What is this Ministry about?

A society of women over 18 years of age who contribute to the needs of the parish through various events and activities that foster a spirit of community and spiritual growth of its members.

Come and join us every first Wednesday of the month after daily mass in the St. Peter & St. Paul rooms.

GOOD GRIEF MINISTRY

Dates for meetings:
(1:30pm in the Youth Room on the east side of the Church)

April 26, 2026 May 17, 2026



Gifted and Called
LGBTQ Catholics Ministry
Palm Springs
Contact us at:

GiftedandCalled@LGBTQCatholics.faith

COLUMNA DEL PASTOR :

Al comienzo de la segunda lectura, somos llamados preciosos a los ojos del Señor. Somos invaluables. Somos muy apreciados. Somos tenidos en alta estima. Somos amados.

Somos piedras preciosas. ¿Por qué? ¿Por qué nos ama tanto Dios? ¿Es acaso por algo que hemos hecho? ¿Por qué somos tan valiosos para Él? Bueno, ¿por qué amas tú —por qué amamos nosotros— a nuestros hijos? ¿Por qué son nuestros hijos tan valiosos para nosotros? ¿Es por lo que hacen? No. Claro, hay muchas ocasiones en las que nos sentimos orgullosos de los logros de nuestros hijos. Pero los amamos incluso sin sus logros.

Los padres deben hacerles saber esto a sus hijos. ¿Acaso amamos a nuestros hijos porque son lindos? No; Dios los hace lindos para que el resto de nosotros no acabemos con ellos antes de que cumplan los dieciocho años. Cuando sostuviste a tus hijos en brazos por primera vez, siendo apenas unos bebés, no podías creer que albergases tanto amor en tu interior. Y, sin embargo, el bebé no había hecho nada. ¿Por qué, entonces, amabas a ese bebé? ¿Por qué amas a tus hijos? Los amas por quienes son, no por lo que hacen. Ves el amor de Dios en tu hijo; ves un reflejo de la belleza de Dios en tu hijo.

¿Por qué nos ama Dios? ¿Por qué somos tan valiosos para Él? Él nos ama por quienes somos: reflejos únicos de Su amor en el mundo. Él nos ama porque ve en cada uno de nosotros el amor que tiene por Su Hijo, Jesús. Él nos ama porque cada uno de nosotros es un reflejo único del Amor que se hizo carne en Jesucristo.

Fondo de Desarrollo Diocesano (DDF)

Nuestra Meta para el DDF 2026 es de \$56,300. Lo lograremos igual! Que Dios los bendiga.

Gracias por su participación.

Donacion en linea

<https://osvhub.com/st-theresa-ps/funds>

**Las lecturas de la semana del 3 de mayo de 2026**

Domingo:	Hch 6, 1-7/Sal 32, 1-2. 4-5. 18-19/ 1 Pe 2, 4-9/Jn 14, 1-12
Lunes:	Hch 14, 5-18/ Sal 113, 1-2. 3-4. 15-16/Jn 14, 21-26
Martes:	Hch 14, 19-28/ Sal 144, 10-11. 12-13. 21/Jn 14, 27-31
Miércoles:	Hch 15, 1-6/ Sal 121, 1-2. 3-4. 4-5/Jn 15, 1-8
Jueves:	Hch 15, 7-21/ Sal 95, 1-2. 2-3. 10/Jn 15, 9-11
Viernes:	Hch 15, 22-31/ Sal 56, 8-9. 10 y 12/Jn 15, 12-17
Sábado:	Hch 16, 1-10/ Sal 99, 1-2. 3. 5/ Jn 15, 18-21
Domingo siguiente:	Hch 8, 5-8. 14-17/Sal 65, 1-3. 4-5. 6-7. 16 y 20/1 Pe 3, 15-18/Jn 14, 15-21


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Prevención y Rescate

Si estas sufriendo de alcoholism o drogadicción o tienes un familiar con esa problematica y decese la ayuda “No estcis solo” te invitamos los lunes a la asamblea familiar de 7-9 pm, salones Maria y Jose.

El grupo de 12 pasos te invita los Viernes de 7-9pm a buscar y mantener una sobriedad.

Mas informacion al.
760-534-3749



Come and Celebrate!!

The Filipino-American Community of the Low Desert in the Coachella Valley invites you and your family to celebrate and honor OUR BLESSED MOTHER!!



Flores de Mayo "Flowers of May" and Santacruzán "Festival of the Holy Cross"

May 17th, 2026
Sunday @ 5:00 p.m.

St. Theresa Catholic Church
2800 E. Ramon Road, Palm Springs, CA

Join us: The Prelude begins at 4:00 p.m.; rosary prayer prior to the 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass, followed by the Santacruzán procession. Floral Offering to the Blessed Virgin Mary and Reception in the parish hall.

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Hermano - Dr. Emilio Tayag

Hermanas - Emily Federis, Josie Imus & Lolita Arugay

SANTACRUZAN FESTIVAL ... The annual outdoor May Procession (SANTACRUZAN) follows immediately after Holy Mass. The procession will cover some few blocks around St. Theresa Church. The image of the Blessed Virgin Mary will highlight the procession. All children participating and beautiful ladies (Sagala participants) and their handsome escort will walk in the procession under the hand-carried decorated arches bearing the various Titles of Mary.



"Say the Rosary every day, to bring peace to the world and the end of the war."

Words spoken by our Blessed Mother Mary at Fatima



**Saint Theresa Parish
Anticipated Major Repairs Within 5 Years
As Updated April 9, 2026**

Expenditures		Cost
1	Parking Lots Asphalt & Concrete	\$325,773
2	Church Buildings Roofing - Flat Sections	\$191,100
3	Church Buildings HVAC Systems , 6 Units	\$84,000
4	Church Large HVAC System - 60 ton	\$180,000
5	Church Smaller HVAC System - 10 ton	\$40,000
6	Main Church Doors Hardware	\$120,000
7	Main Church Pews Upholstery	\$52,000
8	Main Church Interior Painting	\$17,500
9	Main Church Carpeting	\$65,000
10	Church Sound System	\$19,500
11	Chapel Interior Painting- Net of Insurance Proceeds	\$6,000
12	Chapel Carpeting - Net of Insurance Proceeds	\$3,000
13	Chapel Pews Upholstery	\$12,000
14	Youth Room Interior Painting - Net of Insurance Proceeds	\$5,000
15	School Buildings Roofing	\$233,300
16	School Breezeway Roofing	\$26,400
17	Repair Church Concrete Retaining Walls	\$25,000
18	Repair Church Laminated Wood Beams	\$150,000
	Total Expenditures	#####
Additional Potential Projects - If Funds Available		
1	Entrance Enhancements	\$25,000
2	Conversion of Youth Room to Hospitality/Media Center	\$40,000
3	Cooling Tower Replacement	\$180,000
4	Additional Exterior Wood at Church, Office Rectory and School	\$150,000
5	Restoration of Pre School Building	\$350,000
6	East Parking Lot Solar Panels and Canopies	\$800,000
	Total Additional Potential Project Expenditures	#####
Additional Ways to Make Donations to Saint Theresa Parish		
Qualified Charitable Distributions / IRA Rollover		
<p>You can make a donation to the Parish directly from you IRA. This type of donation is known as a "Qualified Charitable Distribution". This allows individuals age 70 and 1/2 or older to authorize their IRA administrator to directly transfer up to \$100,000 annually from their IRA to the Parish, tax free. If you are age 73 or older, the amount you transfer can satisfy all or part of your required minimum distribution. Please contact your income tax professional.</p>		
Donor Advised Funds		
<p>Donor Advised Funds are the fastest growing giving method and tax efficient way to manage charitable donations. Donor Advised Funds allow donors to make a charitable contribution, receive an immediate income tax deduction and then recommend grants from the fund over time. Please consult with your attorney or income tax professional and take advantage of this exciting new way to manage your charitable contributions.</p>		

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OUR SCHOOL AND FAITH COMMUNITY



NEXT EPISODE
Sunday, May 17

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Isai Alvarez
Isis Alvarez
Izelle Alvarez
Ryleigh Arthen
Nia Bernardo
Alexander Calderon
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Alyssa Castaneda
Eliana Coloma
Brandon Covarrubias Magallanes
Kimberly Covarrubias Magallanes
Jordan Davila
Brianda Del Cid
Penelope Valdez
Zoey Valdez
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Palm Springs Knights of Columbus Council 3583 is sponsoring a recycle drive to support St. Theresa School. We urge all students, parents and parishioners to save their bottles and cans. We accept all glass bottles including beer and wine bottles, all plastic water and beverage bottles.



If in doubt, look for the recycle symbol. You may drop off items at the school or every Saturday from 10 to noon on the east side of the church.

Amount Collected:
\$18,361.63



Proceeds Support St. Theresa School Tuition Assistance Program

in the St Theresa Parish Hall
Each Friday night January through May

EARLY BIRD BINGO begins at 5:00 pm
Buy-In Packets are \$15 for 6 games and 1 pull-tab

REGULAR BINGO begins at 6:30 p.m.
Buy-In Packets are \$25 for 8 games, 1 Special game, and 1 pull-tab; additional pull-tabs are \$1 ea; Dabbers are \$2 ea.

Dinner served 4:30-6:30 p.m. by Parish Ministries for \$12 per plate including drink
Doors open at 4:30 p.m. for dinner and purchase of Bingo packets.
Additional information provided on the Parish website.

WIN CASH \$\$\$\$	WIN DOOR PRIZES
HAVE FUN !	MEET PEOPLE
LAUGH !	EAT DELICIOUS FOOD

SUPPORT OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS