



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



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"No servant can serve two masters."
- Lk 16:13**

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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:

The situation described in today's letter to Timothy is very different from ours – but at the same time so similar. The Christians of that community had no possibility of manipulating the levers of power in the politics of the Roman Empire. The Church should not endeavor to manipulate the political processes of today's democratic state. In both situations, however, Christians still have great responsibility, as citizens. We must make an honorable contribution to the common welfare, at whatever level we are involved. We must have no part in the corruption that can be very tempting, in the complex processes of today's social order. We must support legitimate authority; and have good will towards our fellow citizens, respecting their different points of view, and seeking to work together with them to make a just society. Our great contribution is, the Christian values we live by – the vitality of a human community comes from the values its citizens are committed to.

If the Church today, as St Pope John Paul II had said, renounces any desire 'to be a participant or competitor in the game of politics', it is called to contribute to the wellbeing of the human community by the witness and example it gives. Our lives, and the quality of our relationships as a Christian community, should demonstrate to our troubled world that living according to the ways Christ has given us is not a bondage, but a fulfilment.

GENTLE THOUGHTS:

I went to the paint store to get thinner. It didn't work.

Before we work on Artificial Intelligence, why don't we do something about Natural Stupidity

Autumn is finally here. I am so excited I wet my plants.

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

July & August Contributions

7/6/25- \$5,907.00
7/13/25- \$11,457.55
7/20/25- \$9,735.00
7/27/25- \$14,783.00

Total= \$43,307.55

8/3/25- \$11,358.00
8/10/25- \$10,174.15
8/17/25- \$9,265.50
8/24/25- \$10,317.00
8/31/25- \$11,621.00

Total= 52,735.65

On-Line Giving
\$3,393.00

School Tuition
\$4,249.00

Assumption
\$1,799.00

Mission Appeal
\$5,308.00

Diocesan Development Fund (DDF2025)

Goal: 54,900

Christ proclaims, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." How are you bringing this peace to others? One way is by supporting the Diocesan Development Fund.

Please prayerfully consider a gift today and help bring His peace and strength to those around you.

How to support the DDF:

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 "DDF2025" Online Donation: visit our website and make a donation under the DDF 2025 tab.

Percent of Goal: 25 %

As of: July 31, 2025



Scan the QR code to give!

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 20

5:00pm

Candido Magbuhat Sr. +
Francine Leong Poi- S/I

7:00pm-Espanol

Manuel Ernesto Gomez +

Sunday, September 21

7:00am

Flordelina Ramoran +
Emmanuel Lao +

8:30am- Español

Juan Muñoz +
Melquides Ramirez +
Eduardo S/I-Healing

10:30am

DFS Company -S/I
Heather Keller +
Melquiades Cuevas +

12:30pm

Napoleon Chiu +
Gener Jove Delector S/I-Birthday
Marc Motzer S/I-Healing

Monday, September 22

Charlie Riddle +
Christopher Stone S/I-Birthday

Tuesday, September 23

Tyler Hoffman +
John Hoffman +
Mila Hermocilla +

Wednesday, September 24

Francis K. "Bucky" Cody +
Eva Gonzalez +

Thursday, September 25

Remedios Bongcaras -S/I
Magna & Benedicto Cuabo +
Ernest Cuadbo- S/I

Friday, September 26

Rosario Chavez- S/I
Librada Hernandez- S/I
DFS Company- S/I

**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,
Catherine Dinnoo, Carolyn O'Linn, Alissa Dinnoo,
Norma Cardova Chanman, Ynez Romo, Robin Dinnoo,
Roger Newallo, Cathryn Corey Ciolli, Norbert Chanman,
Rosa Medrano, Salvatori Lafata, Laurie Mikolaycik,
Christopher Navo, Nicolette Rusanberg,
Richie Martanovic, James Kleinsser,
Alejandra Abraham, Malinea Lee Cortez, Nancy Holmes,
Joyce Norvell, Keila David, Fernando Azael Serna,
Kelsey Dellino, Debbie Frieborn, Thomas Holland, Sofia de la Fuente,
Concepcion Marin, Reynaldo Ramos, Miriam Burger, Aisling O'Connor, Ira Amon, Marie Irwin
Agustin Oros, Yadira Molina, Richard Martanivick, Carmen Brown,
Palmore Family, Leann Alvarez, Doug DeSale, Cam (Tommy's Son)
Mahesh Sewnarain, Jose Alex Gonzalez, Carol Patney,
Joseph Ibanez, Monica Newallo, Lloyd Forbes, Tony Chanman,
Anilaine Gamba, Mary Ann Andrews, Joe Godinez, Karen Gunst,
Carol Zachik, Mark MyBrick, Mario Pocasangce, Angela Brown,
Remy Ruesenberg, Tiffany Moretti, Ken Zachik,
Manuel & Sony Silverio, Esperanza Asejo, Henry McShane,
Joseph Piscopo, Emma, Melinda Jennings & Family,
Jackie Peters, Florence, Linda Francis,
Angelito Rayos, John Paschal, Christina Ettedgui, Ernesto Cuabo,
Sheila Sparling, Lisa, Dennis Cook, Reggie Montoya,
Butch Skillman, Val & Christopher, Luz Maria Matha,
Joseph Godinez, Jerome Godinez, Lucille Godinez, John Griffiths III
Marc Motzer, Ray

**(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 September 21, 2025

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/
Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13
Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/
Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/
Lk 16:19-31

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) Inquiry Sessions

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Do you have questions about becoming Catholic or completing your sacraments? Join us for our OCIA Inquiry Sessions! These gatherings will be a welcoming space to explore your faith journey, ask questions, and meet others on a similar path.

Session Dates:

September 21 & 28

October 19 & 26

November 16 & 23

Time: Sundays, 8:00 am – 9:00 am

Location: St. Mary Room

All are welcome! For more information, please contact

Jeanette Rosas (Confirmation and OCIA Coordinator) at (760) 323-4351.

Come and see what the journey is all about!

Why be a Catechist ?

Catechist play a crucial role in faith formation and are needed to help pass on religious beliefs and practices to the next generation. Serving as a catechist can also be a rewarding experience, leading to personal spiritual growth and a deeper connection with one's own faith.

Are you being called to share the love of God with others? Call or email us to learn more sttheresaps@sbdioocese.org

¿Por qué ser catequista?

Las catequistas desempeñan un papel crucial en la formación de la fe y son necesarios para ayudar a transmitir las creencias y prácticas religiosas a la siguiente generación. Servir como catequista también puede ser una experiencia gratificante, que conduce al crecimiento espiritual personal y a una conexión más profunda con la propia fe.

¿Eres llamado a compartir el amor de Dios con los demás? Llámanos o escríbenos para obtener más información:
sttheresaps@sbdioocese.org

GAZA COLLECTION

At the request of Pope Leo XIV and the USCCB leadership, Bishop Alberto Rojas humbly asks every parish community to hold a **Special Collection for the Gaza Humanitarian Crisis on the weekend of September 27-28, 2025.**

Your generosity will directly support the lifesaving work of Catholic Relief Services and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association.

Thank you for your prayers and for embracing our brothers and sisters in Gaza with love and compassion. May God bless your generous hearts.

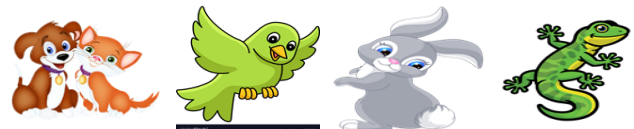


LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

No servant can serve two masters, and in his goodness, God gives us the ability to choose. Will we serve mammon, the riches of this world? Or will we seek true wealth, the kind that cannot be hoarded or wasted, but only given freely away?

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Blessing of Animals — All Are Welcome!



In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, St. Theresa School will host a **Blessing of Animals** on **Saturday, October 4, 2025, from 9:00–10:30 a.m.** in the **school amphitheater.**

Bring your beloved pets for a brief prayer and individual blessing. For everyone's safety, please keep animals **leashed or in carriers.** Photos of pets are welcome if they cannot attend.



**St. Theresa 135 Ministry
Spring 2026 Event
DINAH SHORE ESTATE
Thursday Feb 19th 2026**
Go to parish web site at sttheresaps.com
for information and ticket purchases

If you are registered or would like to register as a parishioner to receive E-Blasts on what's happening at the parish, please contact the Parish Office at 760-323-2669

GOOD GRIEF MINISTRY
Dates for meetings:
(1:30pm in St. Peter & Paul Rooms)

September 28, 2025	February 22, 2026
October 26, 2025	March 29, 2026
November 23, 2025	April 26, 2026
December 21, 2025	May 17, 2026
January 25, 2026	

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.



Gifted and Called
LGBTQ Catholics Ministry
Palm Springs
Contact us at:
Giftedandcalledlgbtqcatholics@gmail.com

St. Theresa Catholic Church



FILIPINO SUNDAY MASS

COME JOIN US

UPCOMING MASSES:

*2024	JANUARY 14	*2025	JANUARY 12
	FEBRUARY 11		FEBRUARY 9
	MARCH 10		MARCH 9
	APRIL 14		APRIL 13
	* MAY 5		* MAY 4
	JUNE 9		JUNE 8
	JULY 14		JULY 13
	AUGUST 11		AUGUST 10
	SEPTEMBER 8		SEPTEMBER 14
	OCTOBER 13		OCTOBER 12
	NOVEMBER 10		NOVEMBER 9
	DECEMBER 8		DECEMBER 14

* Schedule changed due to Mother's Day Holiday

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 - 760.449.1326

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.

COLUMNA DEL PASTOR :

La situación descrita en la carta de hoy a Timoteo es muy diferente a la nuestra, pero a la vez muy similar. Los cristianos de esa comunidad no tenían posibilidad de manipular los mecanismos del poder político del Imperio Romano. La Iglesia no debe intentar manipular los procesos políticos del estado democrático actual. Sin embargo, en ambas situaciones, los cristianos siguen teniendo una gran responsabilidad como ciudadanos. Debemos contribuir de forma honorable al bienestar común, sea cual sea nuestro nivel de participación. No debemos participar en la corrupción, que puede ser muy tentadora, en los complejos procesos del orden social actual. Debemos apoyar la autoridad legítima y tener buena voluntad hacia nuestros conciudadanos, respetando sus diferentes puntos de vista y procurando colaborar con ellos para construir una sociedad justa. Nuestra gran contribución reside en los valores cristianos que vivimos: la vitalidad de una comunidad humana proviene de los valores con los que se comprometen sus ciudadanos.

Si la Iglesia hoy, como dijo el Papa Juan Pablo II, renuncia a cualquier deseo de participar o competir en el juego político, está llamada a contribuir al bienestar de la comunidad humana mediante su testimonio y ejemplo. Nuestras vidas y la calidad de nuestras relaciones como comunidad cristiana deben demostrar a nuestro mundo atribulado que vivir según los caminos que Cristo nos ha dado no es una esclavitud sino una plenitud.

Fondo de Desarrollo Diocesano (DDF2025)**Meta: 54,900**

Estamos a 25% de nuestra meta diocesana.

El dinero que recibamos mas allá de nuestra meta diocesana se utilizara para proyectos de mantenimiento. Por favor, continúe enviando su promesa y si ya mando su donación, se le agradece!

Use la pagina de web o use el scan para compartir.

Aun ay oportunidad para apoyar nuestro desarrollo diocesano anual.



Donacion en linea

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

Las lecturas de la semana del 21 de septiembre de 2025

Domingo: Am 8, 4-7/Sal 112, 1-2. 4-6. 7-8
(ver 1. 7)/1 Tim 2, 1-8/Lc 16, 1-13 o 16, 10-13

Lunes: Esd 1, 1-6/Sal 125, 1-2. 2-3. 4-5. 6/Lc 8, 16-18

Martes: Esd 6, 7-8. 12. 14-20/Sal 121, 1-2. 3-4. 4-5/ Lc 8, 19-21

Miércoles: Esd 9, 5-9/Tob 13, 2. 3-4. 4. 7-8/Lc 9, 1-6

Jueves: Ag 1, 1-8/Sal 149, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 y 9/ Lc 9, 7-9

Viernes: Ag 1, 15—2, 9/Sal 42, 1. 2. 3. 4/Lc 9, 18-22

Sábado: Zac 2, 5-9. 14-15/Jr 31, 10. 11-12. 13/ Lc 9, 43-45

Domingo siguiente: Am 6, 1. 4-7/Sal 145, 7. 8-9. 9-10 (1)/1 Tim 6, 11-16/Lc 16, 19-31

¿Estás interesado en aprender sobre la fe Católica? ¿Tienes preguntas sobre el ser Católico, o la necesidad de completar tus sacramentos? ¡Únete a nuestras sesiones informativas! Estas reuniones serán un espacio acogedor donde podrás explorar tu jornada de fe, hacer preguntas, y conocer a otros en una etapa similar.

Fechas de Sesiones:

Septiembre 21 y 28

Octubre 19 y 26

Noviembre 16 y 23

Horario:

Domingos, de 8am a 9am

Lugar:

Salon St. Mary

¡Todos están invitados! Para más información, por favor comunicarse con Jeanette Rosas (Coordinadora de Confirmación y OCIA) llamando al (760) 323-4351.

¡Ven a descubrir de qué se trata esta jornada!

COLECCIÓN GAZA

A petición del Papa León XIV y del liderazgo de la USCCB, el obispo Alberto Rojas solicita humildemente a cada comunidad parroquial que realice una **colecta especial para la crisis humanitaria de Gaza durante el fin de semana del 27 y 28 de septiembre de 2025.**

Su generosidad apoyará directamente la labor de socorro de Catholic Relief Services y la Catholic Near East Welfare Association.

Gracias por sus oraciones y por acoger con amor y compasión a nuestros hermanos y hermanas de Gaza. Que Dios bendiga sus generosos corazones.

VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Ningún siervo puede servir a dos amos, y en su bondad, Dios nos da la capacidad de elegir. ¿Serviremos a las riquezas de este mundo? ¿O buscaremos la verdadera riqueza, la que no se puede acumular ni desperdiciar, sino que solo se puede regalar libremente?

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¡La Oración de Jesús, *Explicada!*

La Oración de Jesús es una breve invocación de misericordia en el nombre de Jesús: "Señor Jesucristo, Hijo de Dios, ten piedad de mí, pecador".

Los orígenes exactos de la oración no están claros, aunque a menudo se atribuye a la tradición del cristianismo oriental, posiblemente a través de los Padres del Desierto (los primeros ascetas cristianos que habitaron en Egipto). La oración ha sido importante para las tradiciones tanto de los ortodoxos orientales como de los fieles católicos orientales. El texto hace eco de las palabras del publicano en la parábola de Lucas 18:9-14, cuya humilde manera de orar fue alabada por Jesús. Su forma corta y su redacción sencilla lo hacen ideal para la oración meditativa.

El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, en el párrafo 2667, destaca la Oración de Jesús, diciendo que "por ella se abre el corazón a la miseria humana y a la misericordia del Salvador".

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