

St. Theresa

Roman Catholic Church

Kihei, Hawaii



Rooted in Jesus, we love and serve others.

Stewardship Annual Report
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025



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Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Theresa Church,

As I reflect on the past fiscal year 2024-25, I want to thank all of you for your tremendous generosity to our parish. While there have been a few economic challenges, such as rising costs and fewer visitors to Maui, your financial stewardship has remained strong, and for that I am most grateful. I want to add that last February we also met our diocesan *Ohana in Christ* goal of \$32,000 in just one month! Mahalo nui loa!

Your kind generosity has allowed us to upgrade our parish hall with new flooring and add more meeting space by renovating the St. Francis Room, the St. Damien Room, the St. Clare Room, and the Lounge (formerly the old sacristy). These modest improvements will allow more ministries and groups to gather here on the campus so that many can know, love, and serve Christ with us.

Some of the other highlights from the past year include:

- A joyful celebration of Misa de Gallo organized by our Filipino Catholic Club
- Our Lenten Mission with guest speaker Jeremy Rivera
- We had good participation in our 24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration during Lent
- We expanded on our Family Ministry model for Religious Education
- We have a robust Youth Ministry averaging about 30 students every Wednesday night
- We continued to welcome new Altar Servers for ministry at Mass and other young people as Lectors and members of the Children's Choir
- We added a new violinist and flutist who help to elevate our Sunday, 9:30 AM Mass
- We started *Coffee & Conversation* on Wednesday mornings last January
- There is a new Catholic Recovery Ministry on Thursday nights for those who struggle with alcoholism and want to maintain sobriety
- We started the "Mingling Ministry" to support and encourage our Hale Kau Kau guests and to learn personally the names and stories of those who are houseless in Kihei
- There was the "Beach Rosary" at Kalama Beach Park
- We hosted Bishop Napoleon "Jun" Sipalay from the Diocese of Alimos in the Philippines in May
- We had a week of Liturgical Ministry formation and training in June with keynote speaker, Fr. Alfred Guerrero from our diocesan Office of Worship
- We instituted a new parish Pastoral Council and added new members to our Finance Council and Hale Kau Kau Board of Directors
- Over the summer, we received the Jubilee Cross for the Year of Hope uniting us with Catholics around the world
- We added HOPE for Mental Health to our Care Ministries, a monthly support group for those living with mental illness and their family and friends
- We celebrated Back-To-School weekend with the *Blessing of Students and Teachers*, including many new J1 Visa Teachers from the Philippines who serve in our Kihei public schools, and had free school supplies available as an outreach to the community
- We started a new volunteer Church Cleaning ministry, a great way to meet other parishioners
- We had a large, multi-cultural Mass and celebration on the lawn for our Parish Feast Day
- There was a fun *Blessing of Pets* for our community on the Feast of St. Francis
- And last, but certainly not least, we welcomed Deacon Chris Ribucan and his wife Dawn to diaconal ministry at St. Theresa, a true blessing for us!

For all these things, we give thanks and praise to God!

If you have not already done so, I would like to encourage you to set up an Online Giving account through our parish website, saint-theresa.com. It takes only a minute to do so using a debit or credit card. It is the most secure way to give, relieve some of the workload for our volunteer money counters, and provides the most up-to-date and accurate record of your contributions to the church.

Looking forward, our finance council is considering a capital campaign to replace the roof on the church, resurface our parking lot, and create a maintenance reserve for the parish. Some of you have already weighed in on the choice of materials for the roof and I appreciate your input. We have a beautiful campus, and we want to be good stewards of it. You will be hearing more about the campaign, the goal and the process to achieve it, in the weeks to come.

Please know of my heartfelt gratitude for the many ways that each of you live Catholic stewardship in large and small ways. And remember these words from St. Paul to the Galatians: *Do not grow weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

Sincerely in the Lord,



Fr. William Kunisch
Pastor



PARISH FINANCE

Statement of Financial Position

Assets

Checking Account
Repair & Maintenance Fund
Savings - Parish Revolving Fund
Other Savings - PPP
Receivables
Other Current Assets
Property & Equipment
Property & Equipment (Excess \$10 Mil)

Total Assets

6/30/23

6/30/24

6/30/25

159,889	221,477	40,329
47,742	48,223	48,707
754,610	762,204	1,039,326
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17,416	39,993	32,540
21,818	24,476	29,538
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5,240,787	5,018,454	4,874,725

16,242,262

16,114,827

16,065,164

Liabilities

Accounts Payable
Credit Card Payables
Custodial Funds to Remit
Other Current Liabilities
Long Term Liabilities

Total Liabilities

22,701	20,478	30,482
7,191	7,575	4,997
28,945	31,887	20,856
19,031	7,196	5,955

77,869

67,136

62,290

Net Assets

Change in Net Assets
Net Assets (Includes Land Value Change)
Net Assets (Excess \$10 Mil)
Current Year Land Value Change
Restricted Net Assets

(179,619)	(124,531)	(45,156)
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1,081,181	6,609,499	6,398,513
5,708,439	0	0
(445,608)	(437,278)	(350,483)

Total Net Assets

16,164,393

16,047,690

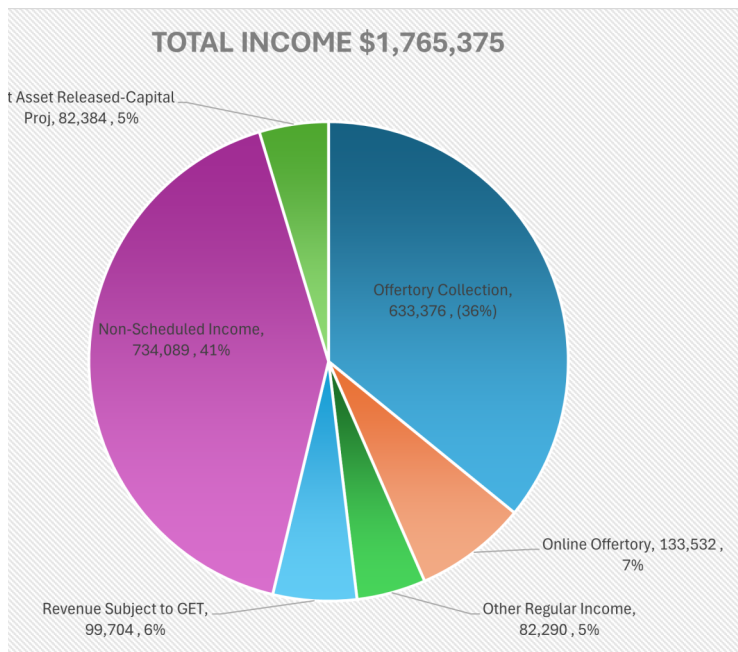
16,002,874

Total Liabilities & Net Assets

16,242,262

16,114,827

16,065,164



PARISH FINANCE

Statement of Activities

Income

Offertory Collection
Online Offertory
Other Regular Income
Revenue Subject to GET
Non-Scheduled Income
Net Asset Released-Capital Proj
Total Income

7/1/22 - 6/30/23

498,539
131,295
38,165
241,072
322,753
0
1,231,825

7/1/23 - 6/30/24

551,188	633,376
136,163	133,532
51,212	82,290
115,554	99,704
565,246	734,089
86,224	82,384
1,505,587	1,765,375

7/1/24 - 6/30/25

Expenses

Employment Costs.
Professional Services
Insurance
Leadership Development
Supplies and Other Services
Fundraising Expenses
Repairs & Maintenance
Utilities
Assessments & Contributions
Subsidies & Assistance
Taxes
Depreciation

557,717
63,808
50,720
15,933
214,490
26,301
106,445
105,214
80,714
7,376
4,887
177,839

597,916	659,524
73,577	50,179
74,395	84,796
22,297	16,704
227,360	347,888
20,660	8,366
100,542	137,324
121,732	132,253
151,349	158,440
1,452	2,450
5,226	19,466
233,611	193,139

Total Expenses

1,411,444

1,630,118	1,810,531
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Changes in Unrestricted Net Assets
Other Restricted Assets (Other Income)
Total Changes in Assets

(179,619)
0
(179,619)

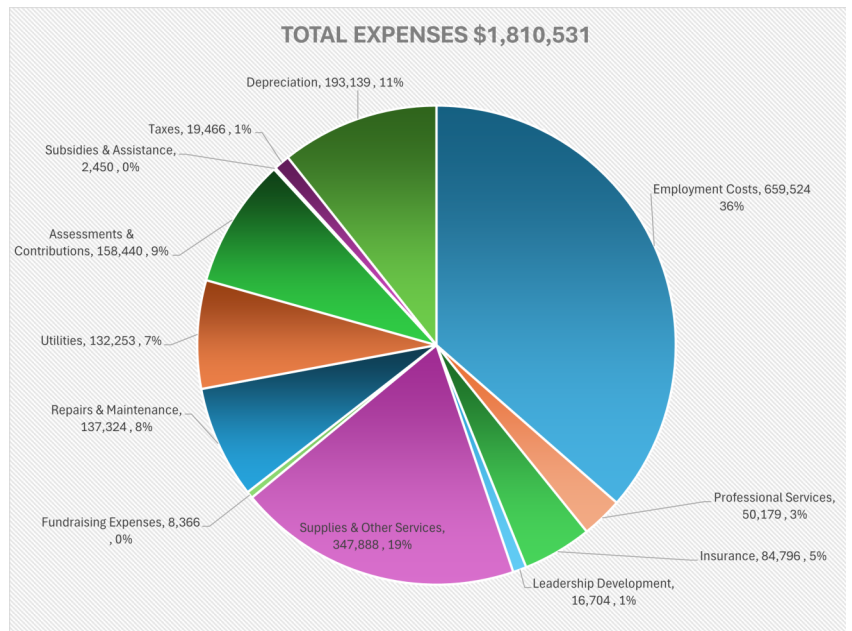
(124,531)	(45,156)
0	0
(124,531)	(45,156)

Source & Use of Cash

Net Income
Depreciation (add-back non-cash expense)
Less Capital Expenses (Property Improvements)
Net Change in Cash
(some cash held in restricted accounts)

(179,619)
177,839
(1,780)

(124,531)	(45,156)
233,611	193,139
109,080	147,983



MUSIC & LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

The Liturgy is the “source and summit” of our faith. It is the font from which all of the Church’s power flows and the source of grace that allows us to live out our faith. Therefore, we are especially blessed at St. Theresa to have so many ministers that serve with such love and reverence. This past year several formation opportunities were available for our liturgical ministries. Also, in this Jubilee year of Hope, there many special liturgies that brought the ministers together.

In the Fall of 2024 we reintroduced our St. Theresa **Ministry Fair** in the hall. Each ministry was given a table to display information about their particular ministry. Many people came by the hall to visit their friends, but also many went away learning something. Several new volunteers were recruited.

In Advent (2024), all the music ministers came together to present an **Advent Evening** of Music and Reflection. The participation and response was so positive that it was confirmed immediately that an Advent Evening of Music and Reflection would return in 2025: December 2 at 7pm!

The **Altar Server** ministry has several new faces. We are grateful for our new Emcee, Arnel Dayame, who has worked with the servers alongside Fr. William. New procedures and dress codes were initiated as well.

Everything related to the Mass usually starts in the Sacristy. This is where the priests vest, and where the wine, altar bread, and vessels are stored and then out to arranged to bring out to the credence table. Our fulltime Sacristan, Jenny Guterrez, leads this most important position. Easing the many tasks of the Ushers and Greeters is our Weekend Manager, Anita Carrington, who assists in all the facets of liturgy that are unable to be managed by a minister who is on duty! We are grateful for her presence and awareness.

The **Ushers** have expanded their role to also include the hospitality that comes with being a Greeter. There are new faces in this most important and busy ministry.

Coordinating our many **Readers/Proclaimers** of the Word, Evelyn Ibonia, has worked closely with the new, young readers engaging and encouraging their continued participation. Word of God Sunday (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time) recognized all readers as they received a special blessing. Continued formation and special practices for our Holy Week liturgies also accounted for additional participation.

Music Ministry has continued to enhance our liturgies with careful practice and attention to the season. The Tongan Choir has several new future singers in the choir and some of the singers have stepped up to take the baton. The Filipino Choir has been blessed with many new faces of teachers who will be here for several years. The 9:30 Choir now has the addition of 2 wonderful instrumentalists that grace the singing of the assembly. The Children’s Choir continues to thrive and is on schedule to sing once a month. The Contemporary Choir continues to lead on Sunday evenings and we are blessed to have that energetic music!

A **Music Workshop** for all music ministers on the island was held in March. There were several special Vicariate Masses and the Eucharistic Procession which included all choirs-we are grateful for everyone’s commitment.

In June of 2025, our first **Liturgy Conference Week** was organized with 4 evenings being devoted to formation of all our liturgical ministers. The first evening began with a dinner in the hall followed by a presentation from Fr. Alfred Guerrero, Director of the Office of Worship in Honolulu. The successive evenings were devoted to individual ministries. New procedures and guidelines were presented to each ministry.

A **Liturgy Workshop** entitled “Series on the Seasons” will be held throughout the year. The first session focused on Ordinary Time. The next sessions will be on Advent/Christmas in December; Lent/Holy Week in late February; and Easter in April.



FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation gathered once a month to learn about love, hope, faith, courage and so much more through the teachings of Jesus. Each gathering included food, music, movement, games, prayer, a saint skit, activity, teaching point, and a Bible verse. Families were able to learn more about being a disciple of Jesus along side their friends and loved ones.

Middle School and High School teens continued to meet in their small groups as well as the family gatherings. Two high school youth attended the National Catholic Youth Conference in Long Beach, CA in November where Hawaii was well represented by over 100 delegates. Youth Ministry meets Wednesday nights during the school year and Wednesday mornings in the summer months.

OCIA Five persons were baptized during the Easter Vigil through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. One adult, three children and one teen were supported throughout their journey by family and each other.

The Bible Study Group spent the year reading the Bible and will finish Revelation in December. Sessions are held Tuesday nights at 6pm and Thursday mornings at 8:45am.

Young Adult Ministry, EPIC (Ever Present in Christ) Ministry met regularly throughout the year. Each month EPIC hosts a faith-sharing presentation, attend adoration together, and have socials twice a month. Faith-sharing presentations are led by either an EPIC member or a guest speaker from the community or the parishes. It is held at St. Anthony Church on the

third Tuesday of the month. We attend Eucharistic Adoration the second Tuesday of the month at St. Anthony and have fellowship time afterwards at Parlay's. One social is on a Tuesday evening either at the driving range at Maui Lani Dunes or at Kehalani Mauka Park in Wailuku for a sunset social. The second social of the month is held on a Saturday evening at different locations (central, Kihei, upcountry). During this past Lent and Easter Season, we had 2 small groups running at St. Anthony's and Holy Ghost Church. One of the small groups completed its service project at Hale Kau Kau. The group mingled with guests at Hale Kau Kau during 4 Saturday evening dinners. We passed out inspirational Christian stickers and prayed together/took prayer requests. In the last few months, EPIC has been planning its first retreat for this year.



HALE KAU KAU



Our Mission:

To alleviate hunger by providing nutritious meals to the hungry and homebound in a safe, loving, and supportive environment.

Since August 1991, Hale Kau Kau has been feeding the hungry in South Maui with compassion and dignity. In our 34 years of service, we have provided more than **1.6 million meals** to those in need. This past year has been one of growth, gratitude, and generosity — a reflection of our strong volunteer community and the continued support of our parish and partners.

Meals Served

From July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025, Hale Kau Kau served a total of 59,996 meals, a 14% increase from the previous year.

- 37,133 meals were delivered to the homebound, an increase of 16%.
- 22,211 meals were served on-site, up 15%.
- 702 meals were provided for Maui Rescue Mission and other outreach efforts.

We currently operate six daily homebound delivery routes in South Maui, supported by 45 regular drivers and 77 substitute drivers. These volunteers generously use their own vehicles and fuel to bring meals — and companionship — to those unable to leave their homes.

Volunteers

Our mission is made possible by the dedication of our volunteers. This year we averaged 174 volunteers per month (up 13%) who served an

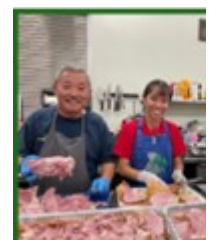
average of 1,419 hours per month (up 9%).

- Kitchen volunteers number about 7.6 per day, covering more than 53 shifts per week, each averaging 6.15 hours. They prepare, serve, and clean daily — including thorough end-of-day sanitation.
- Homebound drivers contribute approximately 3,025 hours per year, while kitchen volunteers contribute around 13,182 hours annually (including 766 community service hours).
- Office, advisory board, and fundraising volunteers add another 816 hours yearly. In total, approximately 17,023 volunteer hours supported Hale Kau Kau this past year — a remarkable testament to stewardship in action.

Community and Holiday Events

Our volunteers and donors made it possible to continue beloved community traditions:

- Thanksgiving Day Luncheon (Nov. 28, 2024): Served 411 meals with 107 volunteers, including six delivery drivers.
- Christmas Day Luncheon (Dec. 25, 2024): Served 398 meals with 108 volunteers, including Santa and his Elves, gift wrappers, and kitchen helpers.
- Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon (Feb. 22, 2025): A heartfelt celebration of all our volun-



HALE KAU KAU

teers, recognizing the love and labor that make our mission thrive.

Fundraising and Support

Our fundraising efforts were outstanding this year:

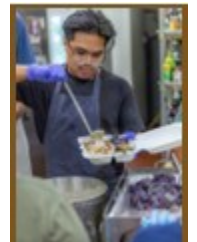
- Stomp Out Hunger (Oct. 2024): A record-breaking event with 250+ participants, raising \$117,198.74.
- Charity Walk & St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Auction (2025): Raised \$155,276.75 through the Visitor Industry Charity Walk Grant and generous community giving.
- Grants: We are deeply grateful for a \$100,000 grant from the County of Maui, and additional support from Don & Kris Wilson, The Bendon Family Foundation, Starbucks, Tom & Joan Wilkinson, Alex Neuhoﬀ, and Cameron Clark.

Community Partnerships

We continue to be blessed by strong partnerships with Maui Food Bank, Whole Foods, Feed My Sheep, Maui Bread Co., and Starbucks, whose food donations sustain our ministry. We also collaborate closely with Keolahou Church and Maui Rescue Mission, extending our reach to those most in need.

The story of Hale Kau Kau is one of faith in action. Each meal served, mile driven, and hour volunteered is a reflection of the Gospel call to love one another. We thank our volunteers, donors, community partners, and parish family for your unwavering support.

Together, we can continue to be the hands and heart of Christ to those who hunger—both for food and for compassion.



Parish Statistics

Parish Families	472
Infant Baptisms	18
Received through OCIA	5
Confirmations	23
Weddings	10
Deaths	14
Choir Members	61
Liturgical Ministers	86
Family Faith Formation (PK-8th)	32
Youth Ministry (9th-12th)	39
Young Adults (EPIC)	12
Adults in Study Groups	30
Catechists	7
Full-time Employees	7
Part-time Employees	3
Hale Kau Kau Volunteers	174



HISPANIC MINISTRY

The Hispanic Ministry continues to serve with dedication and joy across our three parish communities: St. Theresa, St. Maria Lanakila, and Christ the King. Pastoral attention is offered in the office on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Each week, four weekday Masses and three weekend Masses are celebrated, along with confessions every Friday from 5:00–6:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held monthly—on the first Friday at St. Theresa and the first Tuesday at Maria Lanakila. The ministry also gathers monthly with community servers to strengthen faith and leadership. During Lent, a three-day spiritual retreat unites the three communities for prayer and renewal.

Throughout the year, Fr. Ornelo provides pre-baptismal instruction, visits the sick upon request,

and participates in weekly staff meetings and monthly vicariate gatherings. Weekly Sunday reflections (in Spanish) are shared with all three parishes to support faith formation and unity.

Sacramental Celebrations:

Weddings: 1 (Anniversary celebration in Kapalua)

Baptisms: 9 (5 at St. Theresa, 1 at St. Maria Lanakila, 3 at Christ the King)

Confirmations: 1 (St. Maria Lanakila, Kapalua)

Quinceañeras: 2 (1 at St. Theresa, 1 at Christ the King)

Presentations of Children: 3 across the three parishes

With gratitude to all who support the Hispanic Catholic community of Maui, we give thanks for another fruitful year of faith, service, and stewardship.

FILIPINO CATHOLIC CLUB



The Saint Theresa Filipino Catholic Club (STFCC) continues to be a vibrant and faith-filled ministry within our parish, bringing together 226 active members who live out the Gospel through service, fellowship, and devotion.

Our Mission and Objectives

The Club's mission is to strengthen the bonds among members, parishioners, and the wider community through social, religious, educational, and cultural activities. Guided by faith and compassion, STFCC reaches out to serve the needs of the parish community through programs of charity and service, provides comfort and assistance to the sick and needy, supports parish ministries, and promotes education through its annual scholarship for deserving high school graduates.

Our Parish Involvement

Members of STFCC are active participants in many parish ministries, serving as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors,

FILIPINO CATHOLIC CLUB

Ushers, Choir members, Bereavement and Wedding servers, Altar servers, and volunteers in Altar Care, Environment, and the Gift Shop.

Traditions and Events

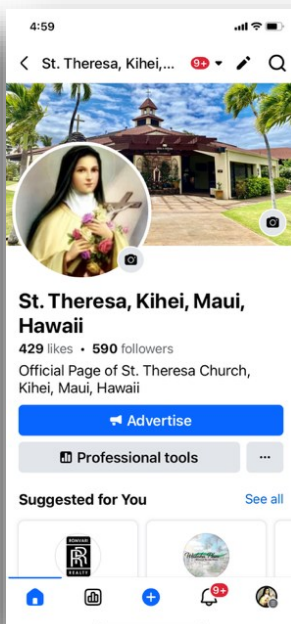
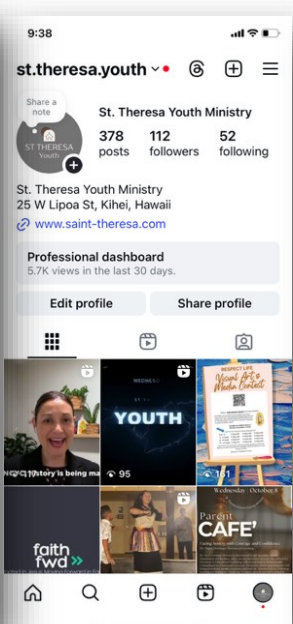
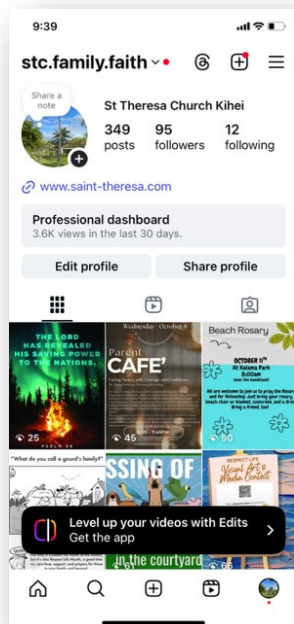
The Club proudly continues beloved traditions such as *Misa de Gallo* in December and *Flores de Mayo* in May. STFCC also plays a significant role in parish celebrations including Saint Theresa's Feast Day, Divine Mercy Sunday, and the Annual Rosary Crusade.

This year, STFCC is honored to collaborate with the Maui Council of Filipino Catholic Clubs (MCFCC) in hosting the Diocesan Congress of Filipino Catholic Clubs (DCFCC) 75th Diamond Jubilee Annual Celebration. We look forward to welcoming members from Filipino Catholic Clubs across Hawaii for this momentous event.

Through prayer, service, and community, the Saint Theresa Filipino Catholic Club continues to live out its call to be *Compassionate Community Driven Servants*.



SOCIAL MEDIA



Follow us!

St. Theresa Church has an active Facebook presence with quotes, invites, information and more.

Families and youth can follow what's happening, see updates on sessions and upcoming events on Instagram.

Information about our parish is on our website, too!

www.saint-theresa.com

