

First Sunday of Lent

February 22, 2026



Saturday, February 21st

4:00pm Rosary

4:30pm

† Tiva Martinez (2 Ann) – Johnson family

† Jesus Davila (1 Ann) – Yolanda Gutierrez & family

Sunday, February 22nd First Sunday of Lent

9:45am Rosary

10:15am

† Eva Lopez (24 Ann) - family

† David Lopez (19 Ann) - family

11:30am For the People

Monday, February 23rd

8:00am No Mass

Tuesday, February 24th

12:00pm

† JC Janicek – Janicek family

† Felo & Fane Garza – Grace Camargo

Wednesday, February 25th

8:00am † Eusebio Perez – Capella family

7:00pm Lenten Talk

Thursday, February 26th

8:00am † Alma Salazar - friends

Friday, February 27th

6:00pm † JC Janicek – Janicek family

6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 28th

4:00pm Rosary

4:30pm

† Olga R. (4 Ann) & Mario Mercado – Pablo & Irma Johnson

Sunday, March 1st Second Sunday of Lent

9:45am Rosary

10:15am

† Will Zelaya (13 Ann) – Melba Zelaya & family

† Felo & Fane Garza – daughters

† Leo Carrales (2 Ann) – Leo Carrales, Jr.

† Luis Rene Lozano (3 Ann) – Janey Lozano & family

11:30am For the People

Dear friends in Christ Jesus,

On this First Sunday of Lent, the Gospel recounts how Jesus Christ was led by the Spirit into the desert, where He fasted for forty days and faced temptation. In the wilderness, He shows us that faithfulness to God is stronger than any trial. When tempted, Jesus responds not with power, but with trust in the Word of God.

Lent is our desert journey. It is a sacred time to step away from distractions and draw closer to the Lord through prayer, fasting, and acts of charity. We, too, experience temptations and moments of weakness, yet Christ teaches us to rely on God's grace. The desert is not a place of defeat, but of transformation.

As we begin these forty days, let us renew our commitment to conversion. May this season purify our hearts, strengthen our faith, and prepare us to celebrate the joy and victory of Easter with renewed hope.

With love and prayers,
Fr. Sanish Mathew HGN

Next Week's Readings:

Gn 12:1-4a 2 Tim 1:8b-10 Mt 17:1-9 (25)

For Your Information

Contact the parish office for 2025 Tax info

Check out our new Website: sttheresapremont.org

Baptism classes/Baptisms will Not be available during Lent.

During Lent, Friday Morning mass will be changed to 6pm- followed by Stations of the Cross.

To prepare our bulletin board for the Vocation of Marriage, we are in need of your wedding day photos.

If you would like to be part of our Marriage Vocation bulletin board, please email or text a photo to Michelle Gomes at mgomes1217@gmail.com or 361-756-302. One photo per family please.

Thank you in advance.



Schedule of Church Ministries February 28th & March 1st

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday 4:30pm *Oralia Eberhard, Maria Diaz*
 Sunday 10:15am *Irma Johnson, Michelle Gomes*
 Sunday 11:30am *Rosie Gonzalez, Lily Rodriguez*

Lectors

Saturday 4:30pm *Jerardo & Terri Rodriguez*
 Sunday 10:15am *Cristina Rivera, Mary Jo Morales*
 Sunday 11:30am *Julio Martinez*

Altar Servers

Saturday 4:30pm *Thiago, Thalia, Cael*
 Sunday 10:15am *Bentley, Paisley, Ariyah*
 Sunday 11:30am *Austin, Reyna, Sydni*

St. Theresa of the Little Way Court #2384

Presents our Annual Lenten Talks

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

Our Guest Speakers

February 25th Fr. Bob

March 4th Fr. Raju



A light meal at 6:30pm Talk begins at 7pm. All are welcome to attend.

Catholic Daughters Spaghetti Dinner

(served with meat sauce, toss salad, garlic bread,
And dessert)

Sunday, March 8, 2026

St. Theresa Community Life Center

11:00am to 1:00pm

\$12.00 Donation

Drive thru or dine in



February Calendar

25th CDA Lenten Retreat at 7pm
 27th Mass at 6pm/followed by Stations of the Cross

March Calendar

3rd Bingo at 7pm @ CLC
 4th CDA Lenten Retreat at 7pm
 6th Mass at 6pm/followed by Stations of the Cross
 8th CDA Spaghetti Dinner at CLC 11am to 1pm
 10th Bingo at 7pm @ CLC
 13th Mass at 6pm/followed by Stations of the Cross
 20th Mass at 6pm/followed by Stations of the Cross
 24th Catholic Daughters Rosary 6pm, Meeting 6:30pm
 25th CDA Lenten Retreat at 7pm
 27th Mass at 6pm/followed by Stations of the Cross
 29th Steubenville Brisket Fundraiser 11am to 1pm

Steubenville Brisket Fundraiser

St. Theresa Parish Hall

Sunday March 29, 2026

11:00pm - 1:00pm

Donation \$12.00

(brisket sandwich, chips & drink)

Please help our youth by donating the following items:

10 Briskets
 300 Buns
 300 Chips
 300 Brown bags
 300 Foil sheets
 300 Sandwich zip lock bags
 1 sack of onions
 3-gallon BBQ sauce

Monetary donations are also accepted.

Thank you for the following donations:

Pat Burke \$300 Gilbert & Norma Leal \$100
 Anonymous \$20 Deacon Ruben & Imelda Maldonado \$100

To purchase tickets, please contact Lily Rodriguez

DCYC Teen Registration

All teens ages 13 - 18 (7th - 12 grade) are welcome to attend

<https://diocesec.org/dcyc>

The Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference is right around the corner, and it will be a day filled with amazing experiences of fun, fellowship, talks, mass, confession and adoration. Don't miss the opportunity!

The event will be held on Sunday, March 1st, 2026 at the Richardson Event Center at Del Mar, from 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

Choose one of the following:

1. I will pay the \$15 OR
2. Bill DCYC fee to my Parish

If you can pay the fee, GREAT. Thank you for your donation. But know the Church is here to assist (IF NEEDED). Do not let the not being able to pay the registration fee the reason your child does not get to attend this amazing event.

Once registered, email information to mrp@catholicexchange.com and cc: mrgomes1217@gmail.com so we can have a headcount. Subject line: DCYC Registration. Thank you in advance.

Any questions, contact Michelle Gomes at 361-756-3302.

St. Theresa Community Life Center Bingo

Bingo will take place on the *First & Second Tuesdays* of every month

March 3rd & 10th

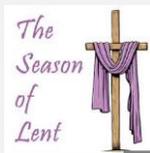


Concession stand will be available.

Volunteers:

Janie Martinez, Eva Palacios, Sylvia Johnson, Rosie Gonzalez, Mory Perez, Luther Hofstetter, Rick & Margot Lopez, Emma Falcon, Roland Garcia, Rosario Gonzalez, Mary Jo Morales, Esther Munoz, Lily Rodriguez, Bea Garza, Isabel Infante, Chris Trevino, Irene Benavides, Diana Carrera, Tilden Allen, Liza Ramirez, Roxie Rosas, Roel Perez, Irma Johnson, Sandra Johnson, Mandy Johnson

Missions Corner



Saturday, February 21nd

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission
6:15pm Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, February 22nd First Sunday of Lent

Immaculate Conception Mission

8:30am

- † Katie Stillman – Jim & Norma Sheffer
- † Viola Stillman – Jim & Norma Sheffer
- † Julian Lozano – Lozano family
- † JoAnna Marie Chapa – Lozano family
- † Joe Chapa – Lozano family
- Holy Souls in Purgatory – Stillman family
- End to Abortion – Stillman family

Next Weekend

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Immaculate Conception Mission News

Join us each Sunday before 8:30am Mass at St. Joseph Hall to pray the Holy Rosary beginning at 8:00am.

Immaculate Conception Lectors

February

22nd Jerry Stillman

March

1st Norma Sheffer

8th Lilia Balderas

15th Melisa Montemayor

22nd Jerry Stillman

29th Norma Sheffer

Online Giving helps sustain our church. Just scan and sign up!



St. Theresa Catholic Church

Last Week's Collection Weekly Goal \$3,500

Collection	\$ 2,731.00
Building Fund	\$ 0
Online giving	\$ 550.00
Children's Collection	\$ 96.00
Total	\$ 3,377.00
<i>Under Goal</i>	<i>\$ 123.00</i>
Candles	\$ 41.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 1,201.00



Second Collections are forwarded to Diocese of Corpus Christi
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Last Week's Collection

Concepcion	\$ 597.00
Building Fund	\$ 0
Ash Wednesday	\$ 10.00

Ramirez	\$ 70.00
Building Fund	\$ 0



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Prayer for Rain

Whatever we ask in your name, Lord God, you have promised to grant. We come now with You in our hearts, to pray for rain. We are firmly convinced that You, according to the measure of Your wisdom, goodness and love, have the omnipotent power to send us the rain we need. We ask this in humility, knowing Your great goodness. We also ask of You to guide us in the right path, to restrain us from evil, and to preserve us from misfortune of soul and body. We ask that we may be made worthy of Your assistance, remembering Your words, "Ask and you shall receive." Amen.

The Precepts of the Catholic Church

- I. You shall attend Mass on Sundays and Holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor.
- II. You shall confess your sins at least once a year.
- III. You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least once during the Easter Season.
- IV. You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church.
- V. You shall help provide for the needs of the Church.

Confession Time: Confession time 4:00pm, or by appointment.

Bulletin deadline: Wednesdays at Noon Baptisms: Every first Sunday of the month after 11:30am Mass (*During lent no baptisms*)

Help us Keep our Records Current: Please notify the Parish Office if you are moving or if your personal status has changed: 361-348-2202 or email sttheresajj@gmail.com.

First Friday Mass and Adoration will be held every First Friday of every month at 6:00pm @ Main Church.