

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2026

Saturday, August 22nd

4:00pm Rosary

4:30pm

- † Robert & Ivah Howell – Jesse & Paulette Howell
- † David & Elida Gonzalez – Jesse & Paulette Howell
- † Israel Cadena (Ann) - family
- For Healing, John V. Trevino – Roxie Rosas
- For Healing, Rudy Pena - family

Sunday, August 23rd Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:45am Rosary

10:15am

- † Alma Salazar – family
- For Healing, David Siemonsma – family
- For Healing, Saul Cantu - family

11:30am For the People

Monday, August 24th

12:00pm No Mass

Tuesday, August 25th

12:00pm No Mass

Wednesday, August 26th

8:00am

- † Ramon Carrera, Jr. – family
- Holy Souls in Purgatory – Trevino family

Thursday, August 27th

8:00am No Mass

Friday, August 28th

8:00am No Mass

Saturday, August 29th

4:00pm Rosary

4:30pm

- † Fane Garza – family
- † Mary E. Wright -- Jesse & Paulette Howell

Sunday, August 30th Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:45am Rosary

10:15am

- † Jose A. Trevino (5 Ann) - family
- † Ramon Carrera, Jr. – family
- For Healing, David Siemonsma – family
- For Healing, Saul Cantu - family

11:30am For the People

Next Week's Readings

Jer 20:7-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27 (124)

Religious Education Registration

First Day: Wednesday, September 23, 2026

Registration for Religious Education is now open!

We encourage all families to register as soon as possible, as classes will begin soon.

Registration forms are available at the parish office or at the back entrance of the church.

A \$20 registration fee per family will help cover the cost of classroom supplies and materials.

We look forward to welcoming our students for another year of growing in faith and learning together. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings from Fr. Sanish. I hope and pray that you are all doing well. Thank you very much for your kind prayers and support as I prepare to visit my family. I truly appreciate your prayers and ask you to continue praying for me throughout my journey.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus asks His disciples a very important question: "Who do you say that I am?" Peter answers with faith, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus then entrusts Peter with a special mission, saying, "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church."

This question is not meant only for Peter and the disciples. Jesus asks each one of us: Who am I in your life? Like Peter, He deserves an answer from each one of us.

Peter was not perfect. He made mistakes and would even deny Jesus. Yet Jesus chose him, strengthened him, and entrusted him with a great responsibility. This reminds us that God does not choose perfect people; He chooses people who are willing to trust Him, follow Him, and grow in faith.

As members of the Church, we too are called to be living stones upon which God can build His Kingdom. Through our kindness, forgiveness, service, and willingness to stand with one another, we can help others encounter Christ.

Let us put this faith into action together through our upcoming parish events, especially our Youth Retreat. May this retreat inspire and encourage many young men and women. Together, let us build God's Kingdom by helping our young people discover that they have an important place and mission in the Church.

May God bless you and your families. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

With love and prayers,
Fr. Sanish Mathew, HGN

PARENTS, YOU'RE INVITED!

Saint Theresa's Little Way

LITTLE FLOWER. GREAT LOVE. BIG HEART.
Do small things with great love.

MEET & GREET the Teachers!
Come meet our wonderful Religious Education teachers, learn about the year ahead, and see how we'll help your child grow in faith—one little act of love at a time.

JOIN US FOR THE FIRST DAY OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD, 2026

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES START:

ELEMENTARY GRADES (1 st - 5 th) 4:45 P.M. GRADES 1 - 5	JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL (6 th - 12 th) 7:00 P.M. GRADES 6 - 12
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LET'S GROW TOGETHER IN FAITH, LOVE, AND TRUST AS WE FOLLOW SAINT THERESA'S LITTLE WAY. WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!
SAINT THERESA OF LISIEUX, PRAY FOR US!

Schedule of Church Ministries

August 29th & 30th

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday 4:30pm *Lupita Davila, Maria Diaz*
 Sunday 10:15am *Mary Jo Morales, Michelle Gomes*
 Sunday 11:30am *Lily Rodriguez, Rosie Gonzalez*



Lectors

Saturday 4:30pm *Robert & Isabel Infante*
 Sunday 10:15am *Becky Hinojosa,*
 Sunday 11:30am *Julio Martinez, Emlyn Carrera*

Altar Servers

Saturday 4:30pm *Bentley, Sydni, Paisley*
 Sunday 10:15am *Elian, Jayce, Ryan, Evan*
 Sunday 11:30am *Emlyn, Cassie, Elaina*

For Your Information

Check out our website: sttheresasapremont.org

Confessions: Every Saturday 4pm or by appointment

Next Baptism class to be announced Saturday, September 26th
 9am to 11am Parish Hall Room #4

First Friday Mass at 6pm

Anyone wishing to order a **flower arrangement** for a loved one to place on the altar, please contact Eva Palacios.

Annual Fall Thanksgiving Fest November 14, 2026



It's that time of year again! We are beginning preparations for our Thanksgiving Fest Raffle in November.

We invite parishioners to help make this year's raffle a success by donating a prize. You may also choose to donate a prize in memory of a loved one, a thoughtful way to honor their memory while supporting our parish. If you would like to donate a prize, please contact the parish office. Prizes do not need to be turned in until October.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our parish. Your kindness helps make our Thanksgiving Fest a wonderful event for our entire community.

The following prizes have already been committed.

\$1,000 Gift Cards – Oscar & Janie Martinez
 Surprise gift by Judge Sylvia Johnson
 65 inch TV - Alaniz Funeral Home
 \$100 Gift Card In Memory of M/M Jose Maria Regalado
 \$100 Kings Inn - In Memory of Alfred & Albeza Hofstetter
 Surprise Gift – In Memory of Melvin Lammons
 \$100 Gift Card – In Memory of Jose Raul Castellano
 \$100 Gift Card – In Memory of Celia Garcia
 \$100 Gift Card – Rosie, Carlos & Alex Gonzalez
 \$100 Gift Card – Joe & Cris Trevino
 \$100 Gift Card – Jesus & Anabel Navarro
 \$100 Chilis Card – Raul & Belia Gutierrez
 \$100 Walmart Card – In Memory of Juan T. Johnson, III (Johnny)
 \$100 Walmart Card – In Memory of Juan T. Johnson
 \$100 Walmart Card – David & Ofilia Trevino & Oralia Eberhard
 Surprise Gift – Sammy & Ina Cantu
 \$50 Gift Card – In Memory of Guadalupe & Lydia Rodriguez
 \$200 Gift Card – M/M Adrian Infante
 \$100 Gift Card – In Memory of Will Zelaya
 \$100 Gift Card – In Memory of M/M Paulino De Los Santos, Jr.
 \$25 Gift Card – In Memory of M/M Paulino De Los Santos, Jr.
 \$25 Gift Card – In Memory of M/M Paulino De Los Santos, Jr.
 \$100 Gift Card – Anonymous
 \$100 Gift Card – In Memory of Manuel & Ofelia Villagomez
 \$100 Gift Card – In Memory of Ramon Carrera, Jr.

SAVE THE DATE — ALTAR SERVER MEETING

Sunday, September 13, 2026

St. Theresa Parish Hall

All current Altar Servers and their parents are asked to attend this important meeting as we prepare for another year of serving at the Lord's altar.

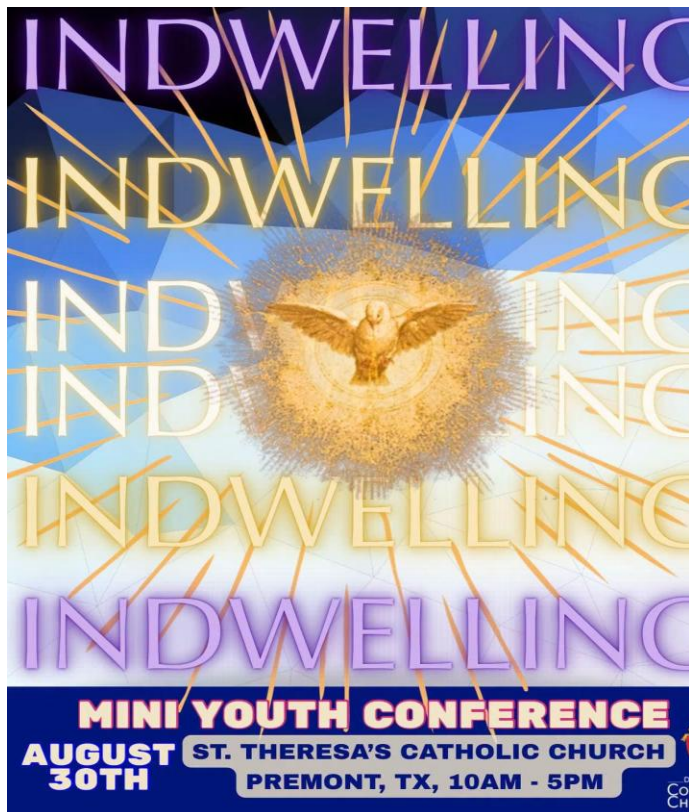
1:00 p.m. — 10:15 a.m. Mass Servers

2:00 p.m. — 11:30 a.m. Mass Servers

Attendance is mandatory for all current Altar Servers. Parents, please attend with your child.

 Newcomers are welcome! If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server, we would love for you to join us. Serve at the altar. Grow in faith. Lead with love. Follow Christ.

Thank you for saying "YES" to serve!



To register for the Mini Youth Conference you must complete it online only at

<https://form.jotform.com/communicationsdofcc/indwelling>

(If you need assistance, please stop by the parish office. We will be happy to help you)

Missions Corner

Saturday, August 22nd

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission

6:15pm Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, August 23rd Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Immaculate Conception Mission

8:30am

+ Vicente "Chente" Saenz - Olga Saenz & family

+ Joe Chapa - Lozano family

+ Joanna Marie Chapa - Lozano family

+ Julian Lozano - Lozano family

+ Sara Perez - Lozano family

For Healing, Rudy Pena - family

End to Abortion - Stillman family

Holy Souls in Purgatory - 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.

Are you lacking any sacraments?

Any adults seeking the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, or holy Eucharist, please see Mory in the office and leave your information.

¿Le falta algún sacramento?

Cualquier adulto que desee recibir los sacramentos del Bautismo, la Confirmación o la Sagrada Eucaristía, favor de ver a Mory en la oficina y dejar su información.

St. Theresa Catholic Church

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

Collection	\$ 2,499.00
Building Fund	\$ 0
Online giving	\$ 539.82
Children's Collection	\$ 74.00
Total	\$ 3,112.82
Under Goal	\$ 387.18
Candles	\$ 400.26



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Last Week's Collection

Concepcion	\$ 329.00
Building Fund	\$ 0

Ramirez	\$ 60.00
Building Fund	\$ 0



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



September Calendar

1 st	Bingo at Clc, arrive early
8 th	Bingo at Clc, arrive early
13 th	Altar Servers mtg look for times on bulletin
14 th	KC meeting at 6pm
22 nd	Catholic Daughter mtg at 6pm

Immaculate Conception Lectors

August

23rd Lily Balderas

30th Melisa Montemayor

Prayer for Rain

Whatever we ask in your name, Lord. 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 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

Cry Room

To our dear parishioners, we are blessed to have a cry room available for families with young children who may become fussy or need a break during Mass. We encourage you to use the space when needed, so all can better focus on the liturgy. We are grateful for your understanding as we strive to create a prayerful environment for everyone.