

HOLY CHILD PARISH

"Two beautiful churches, one GREAT parish."

St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus
13 E. Evesham Road

St. Maria Goretti
321 Orchard Avenue

August 31, 2025
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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WELCOME!

**The parishioners of Holy Child
Parish welcome you!**

**All worshipers are invited to
register by calling the
Parish Office at
(856) 939-1681**

***No matter what your present
status is in the Catholic Church; no
matter your family or marital
status; no matter where you are in
the practice of the faith; no matter
your personal history, age or
background; no matter what your
self-image may be; YOU are
invited, welcomed and loved at
Holy Child Parish.***

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22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Exiit qui seminat - "The sower goes out to sow"



This week is the continuation of the 6 principles outlined by Pope Leo XIV of the Church's response to the 2nd Vatican Council: the missionary conversion of the entire Christian community. This concept refers to the call (and really obligation) of every member of the Church to be missionaries and embrace a missionary spirit. By virtue of our baptism we are called to go out to the whole world and proclaim the Good News - a part of what Pope St. John Paul II called the 'universal call to holiness' and crystalized in Pope Francis' concept of missionary discipleship. As missionary disciples, all baptized Christians are to live out their faith through their daily

lives, focusing on an encounter with Jesus Christ and bearing witness to His love by sharing the Gospel with others in an accessible and attractive way. Just as our Lord did, we are to meet people where they are at the moment and accompany them in love to the place where God desires us all to go.

At his Sunday Angelus on July 15, 2018, Pope Francis spoke that the missionary zeal of the Church can be summed up in 2 points: the mission has a center and the mission has a face. As the Twelve go out two by two (Mark 6:7-13), we are shown that the center and end of missionary discipleship is Christ Himself. *"[T]he going out and working of the Twelve appears to be radiating from a centre (sp), reaffirming the presence and work of Jesus in their missionary actions. This demonstrates that the Apostles have nothing of their own to proclaim, nor any abilities to manifest, but rather that they speak and act as 'emissaries', as messengers of Jesus."* In giving witness to the Gospel of Christ, we recognize that our witness is not the initiative or work of individuals, or groups, or larger gatherings. It is the work of the Church with Christ as her center and head. The face of the mission is one of poverty and radical dependence. The Twelve bring only the bare basics in terms of possessions. It is God Himself who will provide all that we need. It allows the disciples to go out both unhampered and undistracted from the mission at hand.



While we often think of missionaries as people who go to foreign lands and preach the Gospel to the remote ends of the earth to those who have never heard the name of Jesus, that's only one dimension of missionary discipleship. One of our two patronesses, St. Thérèse of Lisieux, is the patron saint of foreign missions and never left her cloister! As a practical application to parish life, missionary zeal can be a lot more local. The reality is that the reach of priests and religious are limited. I am only one person and can only do so much in one day. I celebrate Mass for and with a specific group of the faithful who attend. I visit only so many parishioners as the hours of the day allow. The work of the Church is multiplied when the priest and the people work together. The faithful of the parish can go to places that I can't. We can preach and evangelize in our places of work, our schools, our homes, our teams, our hobbies and

activities that involve others, etc. Plus, this particular group of the People of God can let me know where I might be most needed. You make us aware of the sick, the elderly and those in need who need to have an encounter with Christ through the priest. In doing so, we give witness to Christ and may strike a chord in the heart of another who might be far away from our Lord and the Church and give them what they might need to return home again.

Let us remember that the work of the Spirit and the call to faith are not meant for individuals alone, but for whole households, whole communities, even entire nations who would one day be joined in one body, one baptism, one Lord. When the Christian community embraces the Gospel together, we bear witness to the power of God's grace to unite hearts and transform lives. May we, too, walk in that same spirit of renewal, keeping alive the flame of faith that was once kindled through the courage of missionaries, and may our lives together be a living testimony to Christ who gathers all into His fold.



AUGUST 31, 2025

Holy Child Parish Mass Intentions

Week of August 31

SMG = St. Maria Goretti Church, 321 Orchard Ave.

ST = St. Teresa Church, 13 E. Evesham Road

SATURDAY 21st Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am James & Camilla Sigman req by Jeanne Sigman (ST)

4:30 pm Mario Rapanaro, Gloria Rutter & Charles Rutter

req by Kathleen Rapanaro,

John M. Iacovino req by Gloria & Rick (ST)

SUNDAY 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am Stephen Asbury, Jr. req by Mother (ST)

9:00 am Will Costello (25th Anniversary) req by wife, Judy & family (SMG)

11:00 am Peggy Floro req by husband, Dean & grandsons, Cody & Larry,

Steven Baker req by Dolores Davis,

Charles Mansfield req by Michael McWilliams & Donna Hale,

Joe DeRosa req by Sal & Natalie Ruggieri (ST)

MONDAY 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Bonnie Casey req by Mary Tierno (ST)

TUESDAY 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Richard Duess req by The Nefferdorf Family (ST)

WEDNESDAY St. Gregory the Great

8:30 am Anne McManus req by Jack Close (ST)

THURSDAY 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am In thanksgiving to St. Joseph of Cupertino req by The DiGiovanni

Family (ST)

FRIDAY St. Teresa of Calcutta

8:30 am Michael C. Harkins req by The Harkins Family (ST)

SATURDAY 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Sr. Mary Lisa Weisglass, IHM req by the Sisters (ST)

4:30 pm Jean Mancini req by family,

Maureen Forte req by daughter, Elaine (ST)

SUNDAY 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am Charles Mansfield req by John McLaughlin (ST)

9:00 am Ed Orsatti req by Henni & family,

Rich & Carol Lalli req by Henni & family (SMG)

11:00 am Mark D. VanArt req by The Reale & The Eveanowsky Families,

Kathleen S. O'Keefe req by Olivia DeCaro,

Donald Newman req by Chickie & Larry (ST)

Office Closed

According to the Diocese of Camden Holiday
Schedule for 2025 the Parish Office will be closed
Monday, September 1, 2025.



Bread & Wine Memorial & Sanctuary Candles

**(the week of
August 31-Sept. 6)**

Blessed Virgin Mary Candle burns: (ST)

In memory of
Francis
O'Neill

(8th Anniversary)

req by

The O'Neill Family

The Saint Teresa Candle burns: (ST)

In memory of
Rocco
Porcellini

req by

daughter



Mass Cards & Candles

You may request a Mass for almost
any intention, in the Parish Office,
Monday-Saturday. We have remem-
brances for Masses, Candles and Of-
fertory Gifts for your faith-filled gift
to a loved one.



NEW~ Get Well Mass cards are available.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Chapel hours are as follows:

Monday & Wednesday

4PM to 7PM

Tuesday & Thursday

9AM to Noon



Faith Formation

If you have any questions or concerns,
please contact our Faith Formation Office

856-939- 0592

holychildfaithformation@gmail.com

Walking together in faith!

Religious Education Sessions Beginning Sunday, Sept 14

All our registered families should have already received our Welcoming Newsletters with the school calendar as well as all of our Fall upcoming events.

If you have a child starting public school 1st Grade and you still have not registered, please contact Joanna in our Faith Formation Office to have a Registration Form sent out to you right away. There is still time to join us!

Catechetical Sunday Sept 21 during the 11AM Mass

Celebrating our Catechists' role in Faith Formation for our Parish

"Always be ready to give an explanation... for a reason for your hope." (1 Pet 3:15).

This year's National Catechetical theme reminds us of our calling to be witnesses of the faith and of the hope we have in Christ. Responding to this call, our catechists and aides have generously offered their time, talents, and hearts in service to our parish communities.

A Catechist is more than a teacher of the faith—they are someone who allows the Word of God to echo through their life. By example, they reflect the footprints of Jesus, sharing their faith and guiding students to live out the lessons of the Gospel each week.

We invite all parishioners to join us at the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, September 21, as we recognize and celebrate our Religious Education Catechists, Aides, STRS Teachers, Children's Ministry leaders, Vacation Bible School team, and Middle School volunteers.

Together, let us give thanks for their faithful service and pray for God's continued blessing upon them.



Preparing to Share the basis of our faith, the Lord and the Hope He provides

If we look at Jesus' life with his disciples, we see that He called twelve men simply to walk with Him—and in turn, He poured His life into theirs. Jesus taught not just by words, but by

example. Daily life became their classroom, and ordinary experiences became powerful lessons. His actions deeply shaped the spiritual growth and values of His disciples.

In the same way, everyone who shares the Catholic faith is a catechist. Parents, most especially, are their children's first catechists. Just as Jesus showed His disciples how to live, parents teach their children how to live the faith—through example, love, prayer, and daily witness. As St. John Paul II reminds us: *"Every member of the faithful is called to holiness and mission. We are called to be Eucharist by word and action to our brothers and sisters in Christ."*

This year's theme ... *"Always be ready to give an explanation ... for a reason for your hope"* (1 Peter 3:15) ... reminds us of the importance of sharing our faith and our hope in Christ with others.

On Catechetical Sunday, we honor all who teach the faith, but especially parents, whose role in forming their children is the most vital of all.





St Theresa of Lisieux Novena

Starting September 22
*"I will spend my Heaven doing
good on Earth!"*

St. Theresa loved nature. She felt she was like the simple wildflowers in the forest, blooming where God had planted her. She saw the world as God's garden and each person as representing a different kind of flower, each having the ability to enhance the world around them. St Theresa never saw herself as a rose but as a simple wildflower.

So, what did she mean by 'shower of roses? 'She loved roses and as a child, she would toss rose petals towards the Blessed Sacrament. When she was dying, she was able to look out the window at the rose bushes that were blooming. She believed her mission was just the beginning and explained, "After my death, I will let fall, a shower of roses. I will spend my heaven doing good upon earth. I will raise up a mighty host of little saints. My mission is to make God loved."

St Teresa Novena – Schedule of Events During the week you have 2 options

September 22-26, Monday thru Friday

Novena recited at the end of 8:30AM Mass
Novena and Reflection at 7PM, St Teresa Church

September 27, Saturday

Novena recited at the end of 8:30AM Mass
4:30PM Mass

September 28, Sunday

Novena recited during each of our
morning Masses

September 29-30, Monday and Tuesday

Novena recited at the end of 8:30AM Mass
Novena and Reflection at 7PM, St Teresa Church

October 1, Wednesday

Feast Day of St Teresa

7PM Mass Celebrating Feast Day, St Teresa
Church

Unable to make all nine-days, no worries!

We will have each day's Novena prayer on the home page of our website. We will also be offering a link that will give you the option to download and print out the prayers at home as well.

Women's Prayer Group Begins on Tues, Sept 23 7PM - STRS Library

Come and meet twelve extraordinary women of the Bible. In their own time, each was seen as ordinary and common. Yet, through their encounters with God, they received extraordinary grace and influence—transforming them into women who stood out in ways uncommon for their era. With courage and faith, they stepped beyond the limits placed on them, leaving a lasting impact that continues to inspire women of faith today.

Please come and join us as we talk about how the choices and struggles of Eve; Sarah hoping against hope; Hannah known as the portrait of 'Feminine Grace'; as well as Lydia's teaching us how to open up to a hospitable heart.

Our group has grown by leaps and bounds aging from 23 to 84 years old. Over time, we have fostered unity and connection among women, creating a network of support and encouragement. The only thing missing is YOU! We meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month.



Parish Leadership Committee Next Gathering, Tuesday, Sept 2 7PM @ SMG Hall

Please join us for our next Parish Council Meeting as we welcome in the new Fall season for our parish. Some of our topics of discussion will be:

Welcoming & Hospitality

Return of Hospitality Sunday
New Parishioner Sunday Blessing
Wellness Checks

Evangelization

Where are we as a Church

Family Catechesis

Holy Child selected to participate within two National pilot programs: Children & Catholic Worship and Children & Catholic Prayer.

The Life of Stewardship: A Call to Discipleship

Below are a variety of opportunities where your time and talents can make a real difference. To learn more on how you can get involved please contact our Faith Formation Office at 856-939-0592 or email us at holychildfaithformation@gmail.com.



Art & Environment Volunteers Needed Seasonal decorating

We are blessed with an amazing team of Art & Environment volunteers who work diligently to enhance our worship spaces with beautiful, seasonal decorations. This ministry plays a vital role in creating a prayerful and inspiring atmosphere that reflects the liturgical seasons and special feast days throughout the year.

While we are grateful for our dedicated volunteers, the responsibility of decorating **two churches**—especially during Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, and other major feast days—means that a few extra helping hands would be a true blessing.

No experience needed, just a simple willingness to help, we would love to have you join us in this meaningful ministry!

Hospitality Committee Staying Connected by Lifting Spirits

Scripture reminds us that we are called to be a welcoming Body of Christ—embracing every person who crosses our threshold and working together to build a loving community of believers.

When we think of a Hospitality Team, the first image that often comes to mind is something simple yet powerful: a friendly smile, a kind word, or the gentle assurance that someone has been thinking of and praying for you. These small but meaningful acts of kindness reflect the love of Christ and make every person feel at home in our parish family.

Our Hospitality Committee is seeking caring hearts and willing hands to help us extend this warmth and welcome. If you feel called to share the love of Christ in simple yet powerful ways, we would love for you to join us.



SOUTH JERSEY
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL

2025 APPEAL “Our Journey United in Hope”

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to all who have supported and contributed to the South Jersey Ministry Appeal for 2025.

Your support of the South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal Ensures the vitality of essential Diocesan ministries and programs that bring Hope to those sustained by the Church and its ministries.

If you have not already given, please return your completed pledge card to the Parish of give online at
www.camdendiocese.org/sjcma.



If you feel that you have a burning desire to help people get closer to Christ and to know the Truth, then perhaps you have a vocation to the priesthood. If you feel like God is calling you, call our vocations director Father Adam Cichoski at:

**856-583-2864 or email him at
adam.cichoski@camdendiocese.org**

LUNCH BUNCH

We are starting our monthly Lunch Bunch Gathering back up. Hope everyone had a relaxing & wonderful summer. We can not wait to see you all soon.

**September 25, 2025
at 1:00 pm
Passariello's Pizzeria
111 Laurel Oak Road
Voorhees, NJ 08043**



Contact Diana Querubin at 609-707-6357, if you'd like to join the LUNCH BUNCH. Everyone is welcome! You will have your own check and only pay for what you eat.

Bereavement Starting

Dear Friends,

Thank you to all who have been part of our grief support groups. Your willingness to share your stories and trust me—and one another—with your thoughts and emotions continues to be both humbling and inspiring. It has truly been an honor to walk beside you on your healing journey.

Our current 6-week group has begun and meets **Mondays at 6:00 PM** at the **Parish Office Building**. Even though the group is in session, **the door remains open each week** for anyone who may feel ready to join. Whether you're returning or coming for the first time, you are welcome here.

If you're a past participant, we'd love for you to stop by, say hello, and share how you've been. You're always part of this community.

With gratitude,

Dawn Lipomi

☎ 609-405-2745



Senior Meeting Resuming

As a Church focused on the Eucharist, this year our first senior meeting will honor Mary under the title "**Tabernacle of the Lord**." All seniors in our parish are warmly invited to join us for sharing in faith, fellowship, and fun.



When: Thursday, September 11, 2025

Where: Saint Maria Goretti Hall

Time: 10:30am

**Seniors meet every 2nd Thursday of the month*

PB&J Outreach

We gather to make sandwiches the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 10:30am at SMGH. For those that make sandwiches at home, drop offs between 11-12:00 noon at SMGH. Please place the uncut sandwiches in individual zip lock bags before placing them back in the original bread sleeve. Thank you for your generosity to the needy. All are invited to join in this wonderful ministry.



Next PB&J will be September 4 and September 18

Poor Box

If you pass the poor boxes could you possibly throw some change for the SVdP Society. God Bless.



WIN \$1,000s!

Support Holy Child Parish.

Have a blast playing this exciting sweepstakes based on professional football! Get your game cards and WIN!

Special Offer:
Buy five (5) cards and get one (1) free.
(All six cards must be purchased by the same individual; offer cannot be split among multiple buyers.)

TICKET SALES END TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2!!!!!!

Number of Tickets:	Donation	Total Amount
	X \$20.00	

Name going on the ticket:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

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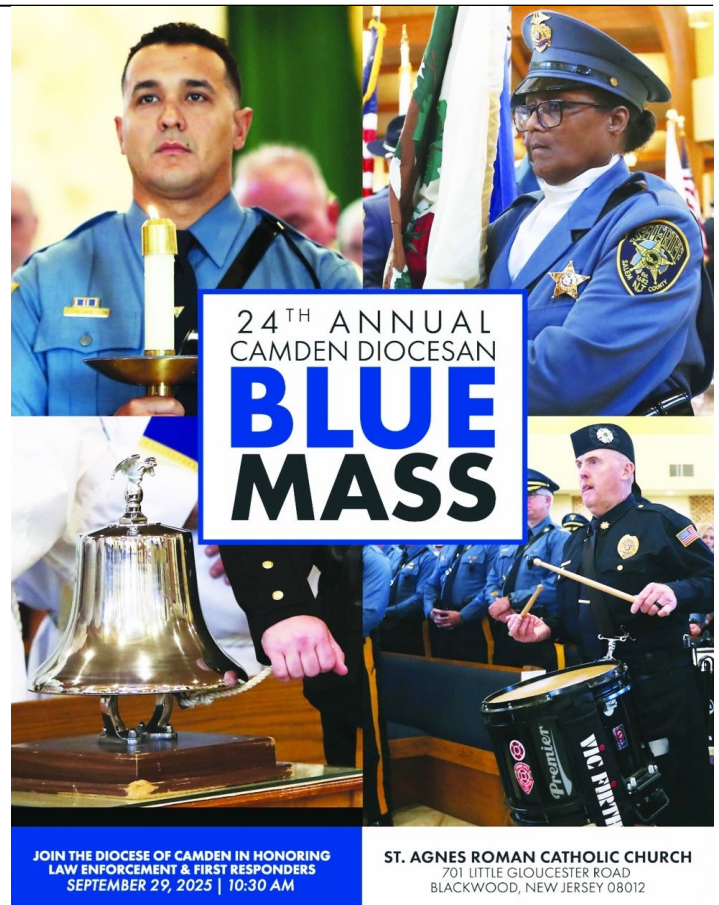


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FIRE, POLICE, & FIRST RESPONDERS
PLEASE ACCEPT A FREE SANDWICH ON 9/11
as a small gesture of our thanks
for all you do to Protect, Serve & Save.

Join us at Noon for our live National Anthem.

MISSION BBQ
The American Way



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CAMDEN DIOCESAN
BLUE
MASS**

JOIN THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN IN HONORING
LAW ENFORCEMENT & FIRST RESPONDERS
SEPTEMBER 29, 2025 | 10:30 AM

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701 LITTLE GLOUCESTER ROAD
BLACKWOOD, NEW JERSEY 08012



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MEN'S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025

Join Us For This One-Day Life Changing Event!
"We Are Called To Be Men Of Faith and Pilgrims Of Hope"

Most Rev. Dennis Sullivan
Bishop Emeritus of Camden NJ

Chris Stefanick
Author, Speaker, TV Host

Most Rev. Joseph Williams
Ninth Bishop of Camden NJ

Tom Kendzia
OCP Musician, Composer, Author

Deacon Steve Javie
Former NBA Referee

Eddie Morris
A Man Of Faith, Hope, and Action

Registration and Breakfast Begin at 7:30 Conference Ends at 3:30

Amazing speakers, opportunities for confession, adoration, inspiring music, spiritual reflection, exhibitors, breakfast, lunch, and more

PAUL VI High School
901 Hopkins Rd.
Haddonfield, NJ

Tickets and Information
WWW.MANUPSOUTHJERSEY.COM

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Mark your calendars for up and coming Bingo events! Join us every Tuesday morning and Thursday Night for daily Bingo at SMG Hall.

Last Super Bingo for the year:

Oct 18, 2025 1PM Start
Don't miss out!

Online Giving

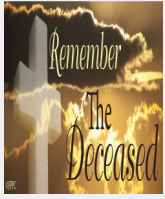
Did you know you can now give your parish giving online? Simply visit holychildparish.net and on the home page on top right hand side there is a link that says give in blue. Once on the parish giving page click sign up now and follow the steps. If anyone needs phone assistance you can call 866-307-7140 Monday-Friday for help.

Mass Book

The Mass Book for the year 2026 will open on **September 15, 2025**. During the first two weeks, **Mass intentions will be taken by appointment only**. Appointments can be scheduled beginning **September 8** by calling the Parish Office at **856-939-1681**. Thank you, and God bless!

Compassionate Outreach

Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased



Sr. Virginia Assumpta, IHM,
Sr. Carol Isselmann, IHM
Scott Bates and
Sr. Marie Hubert Kealy, IHM

Please Pray for our Sick:

Our updated sick list (8/3/2025) is at all the entrances to our churches, and in the Adoration Chapel.

Adorers can pray for the sick (newly added):

Fran Lafferty, Angela Giordano, George Rollins, Maryann Eaton, Jennifer Jones, Maggie Schmidt and Anthony Weiner

Lynn McClausland
Baby Lily
Weezie
Michael Grecco
Danny & Julia Byrnes
Barb Farnsworth
Michelle Kettel

Virginia Venturo
Norm McConchie
Joe Gordon
Michael Bonnette
Len Venturo
Edwin Hopkins

PRAYER LIST When names are put on the list, they will remain on the list for three months unless otherwise requested. If you would like to have a name on the list, please fill-out this form and return to the parish office or call the office at 856-939-1681. Thank you and God bless!

I would like to have the following name (s) entered on the Prayer List:

Requested by: _____

Phone# _____ Date _____

REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the N.J. Division of Child Protection and Permanency and law enforcement. For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call 1-800-964-6588.

Our Active Military

Jim Boyle, Tabatha Baur,
Justin Warrender, Gianna Bowne,
Nicholas Liberatore, Taylor Naphys,
Lou Sampolski, Tyler Thomas, T.J.
Swanson, Nicholas Cristinzio
Justin Nairn & Nicholas LoCantore



Stewardship

Our weekly expenses are \$9,561.75 and
our monthly expenses are \$38,247.

August 3—\$9,227.10
August 10—\$6,721.00
August 18—\$6,689.00
Assumption—\$2,624.00

Second collections for August—
School Support—August 24, 2025

Thank you for your continued support.

Telephone Prayer Chain Line

Please call with prayer intention requests to Theresa
856-939-4132 or Joan 856-939-4679 anytime.
The telephone prayer chain line will activate for
your loved one.

Prayer Quilt Ministry

Anyone can request a prayer quilt for someone in
need of prayers. Call Eileen Martin 856-870-9228 or
Diane 856-994-2734. A great gift of caring.

Saint Vincent dePaul Society is Available to Help in Various Ways

Food Pantry Open @ SMG Hall
*** 2nd & 4th Wed of every Month 9AM to 10AM**
***If you are in need of food of any type, please stop
by SMG Hall during the above pantry hours.***
Walk-Ins are welcome!

SVDP HOTLINE:

If you are in need of additional assistance, please
call 856-632-1765 and leave a detailed message in-
cluding town, needs and phone number. A SVDP
member will return your call within 48 hours.



Saint Teresa
REGIONAL SCHOOL

August 31, 2025



YOU can help raise money for STRS just by doing your regular grocery shopping. Have You tried the Box Tops App?

DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:



St. Teresa Regional School Mum Sale order form



9 Inch Pot \$13 ea.

12 Inch Pot \$23 ea.

Colors are Red, White, Yellow, Bronze and Purple
(substitution may be necessary)

ORDERS DUE BY SEPTEMBER 19, 2025

**PICK UP DATE September 26th, 2025 2:30pm-4pm or
September 27th 12pm to 2pm**

**Questions? Call or text
Nicole Cunningham 856-449-9449**

****PLEASE RETURN ORDER FORM & PAYMENT TO
SCHOOL c/o Julie Gr. 8 OR PARISH OFFICE****

**NAME: _____ P
PHONE: _____**

9 IN. \$13 EACH

12 IN. \$23 EACH

_____ RED

_____ RED

_____ WHITE

_____ WHITE

_____ BRONZE

_____ BRONZE

_____ YELLOW

_____ YELLOW

_____ PURPLE

_____ PURPLE

**** Please write how many you would like next to the color you would like. Cash, check (St. Teresa Regional School), Venmo @nicole-cunningham-72, or Paypal (nicolecunningham526@yahoo.com) are accepted. If paying electronically, please make sure to list your selections in the payment note section.**

