

Daily Mass
Mon-Sat 8:30 am
Weekend Masses
Saturday
4:00 pm
6:00 pm (Spanish)
Sunday
7:30 am
9:00 am
11:00 am
Rosary
Mon-Sat 7:50 am
Sunday 6:50 am

Anointing (Sick)
Weekend Masses
as needed
Confession
Tuesday 12:00-12:30 pm
Saturday 9:00-9:30 am or call
for appointment
Holy Communion
(sick & homebound)
Call Parish Office
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Funerals
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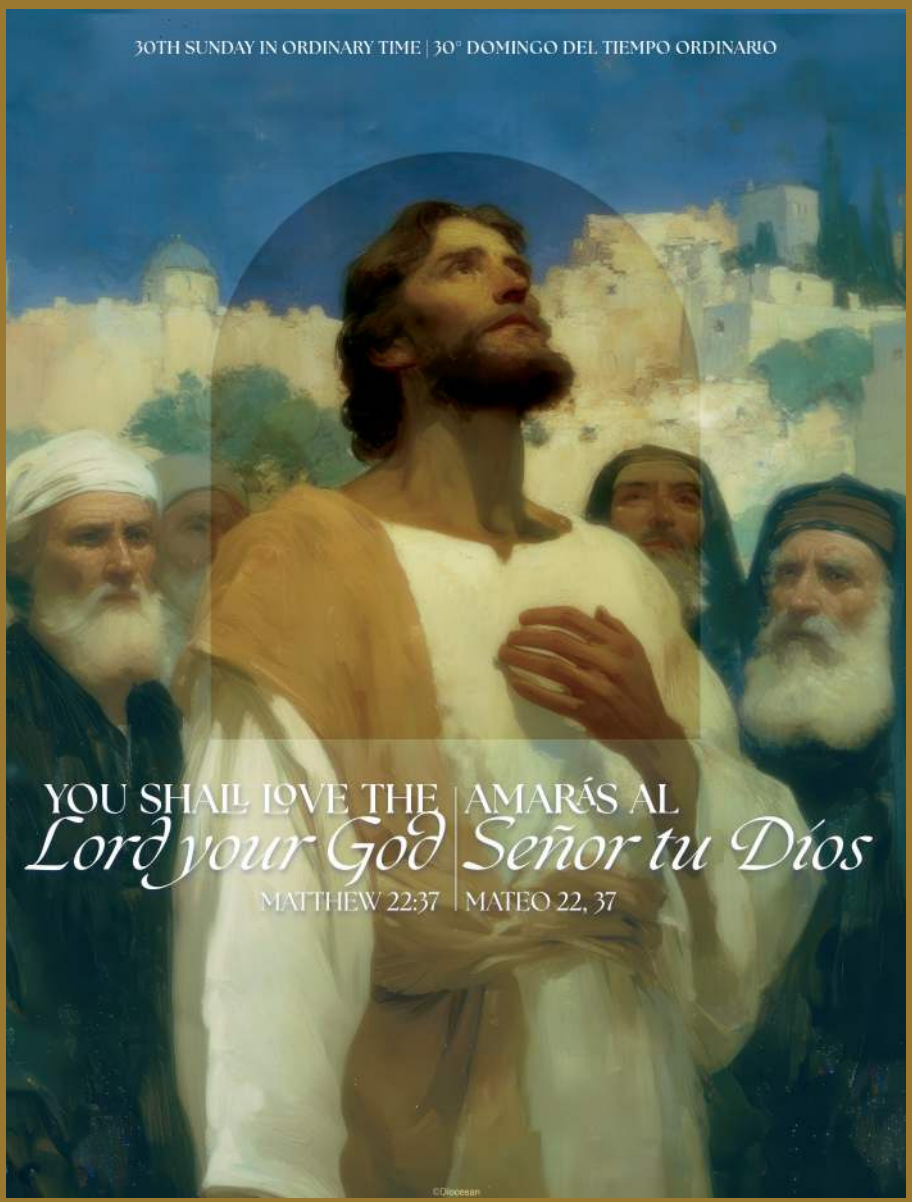
Parish Office Hours
Mon-Thurs 8 am-4 pm
Friday 8 am-12 noon
Soup Kitchen
Daily 11 am-12:30 pm
Food Pantry
Mon-Fri 9 am-12 noon
Social Services Office
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Thrift Store
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Mon-Sat 9 am-2:30 pm
Thrift Store Donations
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Gift Shop
Sat & Sun
after weekend masses

St. Theresa
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Welcome! ¡Bienvenidos!

11528 SE US Hwy 301, Belleview, Florida 34420
Phone: (352) 245-2458
Pastor: **Father Tom Connery** Assisting Priest: **Father Jim Torpey**
Website: **www.mystcc.org**

The mission of St. Theresa is to form disciples
who radiate the love and joy of the Lord.
We practice ***mercy with a personal touch,***
Care and nurture ***our children, our hope,***
Demonstrate ***radical hospitality****, and*
Offer ***unceasing prayer.***



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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY OCTOBER 24TH		
8:30 am	† Arnold Henkemeier	Gerda Henkemeier
4:00 pm	† William Knapp	Peter & Londa Knapp
6:00 pm	† Marco Zuniga	Jessica y Familia
SUNDAY OCTOBER 25TH		
7:30 am	St. Theresa Parishioners	
9:00 am	† Howard Hecker	Karen Hecker
11:00 am	† Ted and Rose Jasper	Kevin Jasper
MONDAY OCTOBER 26TH		
8:30 am	† Donald Schreiner	Ruth Schreiner
TUESDAY OCTOBER 27TH		
8:30 am	Lay Carmelites (Special Intention)	Lay Carmelites
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 28TH		
8:30 am	† Anthony Stasunas	Colleen & Daniel Halstead
THURSDAY OCTOBER 29TH		
8:30 am	† Elaine Bradshaw	John & Denise Stierle
FRIDAY OCTOBER 30TH		
8:30 am	† Matthew and Irene Serwacki	Kathy Serwacki
SATURDAY OCTOBER 31ST		
8:30 am	† John Rossi	Mary Belger
4:00 pm	† Dennis Spano	Joanne Marino Kottl
6:00 pm	† St. Theresa Parishioners	
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1ST		
7:30 am	† Ellen Amick	Loretta Montalto & Vicki Alvey
9:00 am	† St. Theresa Parishioners	
11:00 am	† Joan DeRosa	The Ornousky Family

Starting Sunday, Nov 8, the 5:00pm mass will be available again.

Candle Intentions

ADORATION CANDLE October 1st - 31st	† Ginny Kaiser	Richard Kaiser

Upcoming Events

DATE/TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Mon Oct 26 5:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Church
Mon Oct 26 6:00 pm	MOST	Parish Hall
Mon Oct 26 6:00 pm	Prayer and Life Worship (Spanish Ministry)	Youth House
Tues Oct 27 9:00 am	Carmelites Community Meeting	Quad
Wed Oct 28 5:30 pm	Bell Choir	Church
Wed Oct 28 6:00 pm	ALPHA	Quad
Thurs Oct 29 6:00 pm	Spanish Legion of Mary	Youth House
Fri Oct 30 1:30 pm	Legions of Mary	Youth House
Sat Oct 31 9:00 am	ALPHA	Quad
Sat Oct 31 4:00 pm	Spanish Knights of Columbus	Library
Sun Nov 1 12:00 pm	OCIA	Quad
Mon Nov 2 11:00 am	All Souls Luncheon	Parish Hall
Mon Nov 2 5:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Mon Nov 2 6:00 pm	Prayer and Life Workshop Spanish Ministry	Youth House
Wed Nov 4 5:30 pm	Bell Choir	Sanctuary
Wed Nov 4 6:00 pm	ALPHA	Quad
Thurs Nov 5 6:00 pm	Spanish Legion of Mary	Youth House
Fri Nov 6 1:30 pm	Legion of Mary	Youth House
Fri Nov 6 6:30 pm	Filipino Sacred Heart Mass/Gathering	Sanctuary/ Parish Hall
Sat Nov 7 3:00 pm	Patriotic Rosary	Sanctuary
Sun Nov 8 12:00 pm	OCIA	Quad

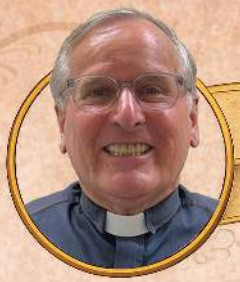
Maryann De Roche –
Funeral Saturday, October 24 at 10:00 a.m



The Pope's Prayer Intention For October:

Mental Health Ministry

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.



A Message from Fr. Tom
Un Mensaje de Padre Tom

This past week I had a wonderful retreat. As a bonus, I reconnected with some of my closest friends. Even though it has been many, many years since I have been with them, I feel at home. I also made some new friends. One of which is Brother Sal. I knew of Brother Sal, but our paths never crossed. He is 87 years young and still has his Brooklyn spirit. Coming from Brooklyn, you know he is a special guy. He surprised me with a gift - a crucifix. He made it from wire and wood. The man has talent. In fact, he made the chair that Pope Francis used when he said mass at Madison Square Garden. The chair is now at the shrine church. I had the pleasure of sitting on it. Very comfortable.

I posted a picture of Bro. Sal and the crucifix on my Facebook page. He received many raving reviews. At the dinner table, I read one aloud. I wanted the community to hear it, but more importantly, I wanted Bro. Sal to hear it. It came all the way from Africa, from Fr. John Thompson a missionary. He wrote the following: “Brother Sal taught me how to drive a school bus in Newton,” I paused. I wanted him to think that was the total comment. I then continued “but what I’ll never forget was his loving kindness. A great and holy Salesian.”

He blushed. I caught a tear in his eye. The bus lesson occurred 55 years ago. I bet Bro. Sal had no idea the impression he left on Fr. John. He was doing what he always does, helping others with “loving kindness”. Now he knows. I am so glad that he got to hear how he touched Father John’s life. It is never too late to express love and appreciation.

I bet there are people upon whom you left a favorable impact. You don’t know who they are or what you even did. It may have just seemed the normal thing to do. The key to life is to offer loving kindness to whomever and wherever we can. Let it be second nature. You may never know it, but you will when you come before our Heavenly Father. Be a blessing!



Love and Blessings, Father Tom

La semana pasada disfruté de un retiro maravilloso. Además, tuve la oportunidad de reencontrarme con algunos de mis amigos más cercanos. Aunque han pasado muchísimos años desde la última vez que estuvimos juntos, me siento como en casa. También hice nuevas amistades; una de ellas es el hermano Sal. Ya sabía de su existencia, pero nuestros caminos nunca se habían cruzado. A sus 87 años, conserva intacto su espíritu de Brooklyn; y, viniendo de Brooklyn, ¡ya se imaginarán que es una persona muy especial! Me sorprendió con un regalo: un crucifijo que él mismo elaboró con alambre y madera. ¡Es un hombre con mucho talento! De hecho, él fue quien fabricó la silla que utilizó el Papa Francisco durante la misa que ofició en el Madison Square Garden. Esa silla se encuentra ahora en el santuario, y tuve el placer de sentarme en ella: ¡es comodísima!

Publiqué una foto del hermano Sal con el crucifijo en mi página de Facebook y recibió muchísimos comentarios elogiosos. Durante la cena, leí uno de ellos en voz alta; quería que la comunidad lo escuchara, pero, sobre todo, quería que el propio hermano Sal lo oyera. El mensaje llegaba desde África, enviado por el padre John Thompson, un misionero, quien escribió lo siguiente: “El hermano Sal me enseñó a conducir un autobús escolar en Newton...”. Hice una pausa, dejando que pensara que eso era todo lo que decía el mensaje, y luego continué: “...pero lo que nunca olvidaré fue su bondad cariñosa. Un gran y santo salesiano”.

Se sonrojó y pude ver una lágrima en sus ojos. Aquella lección de conducción ocurrió hace 55 años; apuesto a que el hermano Sal no tenía ni idea de la huella que dejó en el padre John. Él simplemente hacía lo que siempre hace: ayudar a los demás con “bondad cariñosa”. Ahora ya lo sabe. Me alegra muchísimo que haya podido conocer cómo marcó la vida del padre John. Nunca es demasiado tarde para expresar amor y gratitud.

Seguro que hay personas en cuyas vidas has dejado una huella positiva, aunque no sepas quiénes son ni recuerdes exactamente qué hiciste. Quizás, para ti, no fue más que algo natural, lo que tocaba hacer en ese momento. La clave de la vida consiste en ofrecer bondad amorosa a quien sea y dondequiera que podamos. Que esto se convierta en algo natural. Quizás nunca llegues a saberlo, pero lo sabrás cuando te presentes ante nuestro Padre Celestial. ¡Sé una bendición!

Con amor y bendiciones, Padre Tom











All Saints' Day Celebration: Sunday, November 1st

Join our parish family for a special celebration immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass.
Parishioners: Bring your own candy to Mass.
Children: Dress up as your favorite saint for Mass. You will parade past the altar afterward to collect your candy.



Perpetual Adoration

Find REST at the Adoration Chapel!
Retreat; **E**nter in the presence of Christ; **S**anctify this time with Him and for Him; **T**rust in His guidance.
We encourage individuals and families to commit one hour each week. Hours need to be filled:
Monday: 11pm-3am, 7am
Tuesday: 11pm-2am
Wednesday: 12am-2am
Thursday: 11pm-3am
Friday: 10pm-2am
Saturday: 9pm-3am, 6pm, 7pm
Sunday: 10pm-5am, 7pm

Substitutes are also needed for hours already filled.
Call Nancy at (941) 518-2194

Christmas Giving Tree 2026

St. Theresa Christmas Giving Trees will be in the church vestibule on **Saturday, November 7th, and Sunday, November 8th.** Gifts must be **unwrapped and put in a bag or box with the Angel Tag inside**. Please include any Gift Receipts. Please bring your gifts to the Social Services Office Monday - Friday, 9 am - 12 pm. Gifts must be turned in no later than Friday, December 4th. On behalf of Father Tom and the Social Services staff, we thank you for your generous support.

Helping beyond our borders

The situation in Cuba remains critical. Please bring any of these items to the Parish Office before Mon Nov 20th.

- powdered milk
- hot chocolate packets
- unflavored/flavored gelatin
- fried red beans
- rice
- summer sausage
- dry soup packets
- packets of tuna &/or chicken
- sazon seasoning
- dried eggs (Amazon)
- macaroni and cheese
- wholewheat pasta
- oatmeal packets
- bags of wrapped candy
- insect repellent pump
- bath soap bars
- toothpaste





Please no canned items! Thank you for your donations.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

"Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,' but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?"
- James 2:15-16

As we are drawing closer to Thanksgiving, in lieu of Turkeys we would prefer Gift Cards. Turkeys take up so much room in the freezer, but a gift card can slip into a desk. Plus, the homeless can use gift cards but not so much a turkey.

Please consider donating a gift card, $15 is perfect.

Please have the amount of the gift card with the gift card. (Publix, Walmart, Dollar Tree, Dollar General, and Roses)

Any Thanksgiving related food items would also be welcome

We are always looking for:
plastic jars of pasta sauce
boxes of spaghetti
1lb-2lb bags of rice
Pop top cans of tuna and chicken
Gatorade
small cans of nuts
BOGO specials

Additionally the Soup Kitchen desperately needs **reusable shopping bags!** Please consider picking some up when you checkout at stores and donating.



Roses from Heaven Gift Shop
Open Sat 3:30-5:30 and Sun 8:30-12:30

Help Wanted - Parish Maintenance Supervisor

30 hours a week - groundskeeper, oversight of repairs, and ongoing preservation of property

If interested, please call Parish Office.

Honoring loved one who passed away Oct 2025 to Sept 2026

St Theresa's Ladies Guild will observe

All Soul's Day - Monday, November 2, 2026
10:00 am Mass
followed by lunch in the Parish Hall

Call the Parish Office to RSVP



Let us pray and honor your loved one on ***All Souls Day.***

Please bring in a picture of your deceased loved one to the Parish Office.It will be placed at the altar in a special basket during All Souls Day Mass on

Monday, Nov 2nd at 10:00 mass.

Please include your loved ones name, your name, and your phone number. All pictures can be picked up later that week.

Looking to volunteer?
Join the Cleaning Angels.
We can really use your help! We clean after Mass Thursdays (~9:15) for about 1-2 hours. Call Marie at the office, 352-245-2458, if you have any questions or want to volunteer.



Offertory	$ 14,054.50
Project Growth (Maintenance)	$ 2,213.50
Soup Kitchen	$ 7,068.50
Social Services	$ 1,724.50
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Knights of Columbus "Patriotic Rosary"

Join us in praying the rosary for the consecration of our nation and gratitude to our military veterans who fought for our freedoms.

Saturday Nov 7 3:00 pm
St Theresa Catholic Church



Prayer Requests

Father God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that you would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. In Jesus' name, Amen!"

Chuck Andrews
Rita Baker
Christine Bogus
Mary Jane Coss
Weston Cunningham
Marc Czyznik
Ron Czyznik
Karen Driscoll
Judy Egizio
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Rosemarie Gurick
Margaret Hennessy
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Val Jones
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Alvin Lacefield
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Virginia Strachen
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Mike Trotta
Joe Urban
Arlene Villa
Father David Vivero
Stephen Zammett

New to our Parish? Have you been coming awhile and ready to join?
We would love to have you join our Parish family!
To learn more, stop by the Welcome Desk at the church narthex before/after mass or visit the Parish Office to receive a
New Parishioner Welcome Packet.

Pro-Life Corner

The Pro-Life Committee is once again in action to collect money to support local Pregnancy Centers. These facilities provide counseling, baby supplies, and shelter to local expectant mothers in need. **Beginning Oct 31, Baby Bottles will be available in the Narthex.** Please take one, fill it with your loose change, cash, or a personal check (made out to St Theresa with "Pro Life" written in the memo line). **Please return bottles to St. Theresa on November 28/29.**

JOIN THE PRO LIFE COMMITTEE. WE NEED YOU!!!
If you are interested in the Church's Pro Life activities - please join us and bring your experiences, and new ideas! For more information call:
Pat Pratt - Committee Chair
(386)566-8654 patriciapratt4@icloud.com

"Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."
- Pope Francis

We Did It!

We have reached AND exceeded our Catholic Appeal goal of $175,239.
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Please continue to pray on how you can help; **there is no donation too small.**

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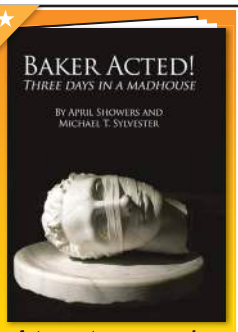
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