

THE HARVEST IS ABUNDANT  
BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW;  
SO PRAY TO THE LORD OF THE HARVEST  
TO SEND OUT LABORERS FOR HIS HARVEST.



**St. Theresa**  
of the Infant Jesus  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*June 14, 2026*

## MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

4 PM †Mary June Fuller; †Aurora Costa Rodriguez; Poor Souls

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

8:15 AM Matthew Schnur

10:45 AM Pro Populo

1:45 PM Poor Souls

MONDAY, JUNE 15

8:15 AM Poor Souls

TUESDAY, JUNE 16

5:30 PM †Fr. Russ Harbaugh

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

8:15 AM Conversion of Traci Johnson;

Poor Souls; Benefactors of St. Joseph's Projects; †Joseph Spain; Alessandro Gaffuri

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

8:15 AM Conversion of Danielle Flowers

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

8:15 AM †Susan Fagan

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

8:15 AM Conversion of Trinity Honnen

4 PM †Mary June Fuller; †Juan Carlos Vargas; Poor Souls; Jim & Jan Owens 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

8:15 AM Philip Schnur

10:45 AM Pro Populo

1:45 PM Poor Souls

## SANCTUARY CANDLES

2 weeks: \$20 & 1 week: \$10

†Juan Carlos Coss Vargas

Benefactors of the Parish

Families of the Parish

Reparation to the Blessed Sacrament

St. Joseph's Projects Benefactors

Increase in Vocations from our Parish

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

*Please pray for*

Fr. Frank Phillips, C.R.

Amparo Estrada

Whit & Carolyn Bell

Jeanine Hilbert

Larry Colbert, Jr.

Gloria Dorian



*Heart of Jesus,  
pierced with a  
lance, have mercy  
on us!*



July 8th - 16th  
ENROLL TODAY

Enroll yourself or a loved one in our annual Novena of Masses for the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Please include a \$50 Donation to St. Theresa Catholic Church "Altar Society" to enroll a loved one in the Novena of Masses. Donations may be made either by check (payable to St. Theresa Church and write "Altar Society" in the memo), in the collection with the filled-in slip (available at Our Lady's Altar), or online. Enrollments must be received by Sunday, July 5th

## 2026-2027 PRE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

St. Theresa Parish Religious Education (PRE) is now accepting applications for 2026-2027 classes for ages 6-18. Registration packets are available in the vestibule and the **deadline to register is August 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Classes will again take place between the 8:15 and 10:45 AM Sunday Masses. For a list of topics taught in each grade, please see the PRE bulletin board in the vestibule or the course description in the registration packet. The Diocesan requirement is two years of parish religious education before a child may receive a Sacrament. Whether your child is homeschooled, attends private, public, or Catholic school, **he or she must be registered for PRE in order to receive a Sacrament**. This is a great opportunity to help strengthen the faith of your children alongside their peers in the parish. Any questions, please email Laurie at [Laurie.Lewandowski@stlfcchurch.cdom.org](mailto:Laurie.Lewandowski@stlfcchurch.cdom.org)



*May Our Lady, Queen of Priests and Model of Religious, pray for all our children as they grow in the knowledge of the Faith*

El Programa de Educación Religiosa (PRE) de la Parroquia Santa Teresita ya está aceptando solicitudes para las clases del ciclo 2026-2027, dirigidas a jóvenes de 6 a 18 años. Los paquetes de inscripción están disponibles en el vestíbulo, y la fecha límite para inscribirse es el 3 de Agosto. Las clases se llevarán a cabo entre las Misas dominicales de las 8:15 a.m. y las 10:45 a.m. El requisito diocesano establece que los niños deben haber cursado dos años de educación religiosa parroquial antes de poder recibir un Sacramento. Independientemente de si su hijo recibe educación en casa o asiste a una escuela privada, pública o católica, es indispensable que esté inscrito en el programa PRE para poder recibir un Sacramento. Esta es una excelente oportunidad para ayudar a fortalecer la fe de sus hijos, compartiendo esta experiencia junto a sus compañeros de la parroquia.

**J**OIN US, on the following **Sundays, 9:30-10:30**, in the Adult Faith Formation room to learn more about these pivotal players in the history of Catholicism:

**TODAY** – St. Augustine

**July 19<sup>th</sup>** – St. Benedict

**Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>** – Bartolomé de las Casas

**W**HY did Our Lord, when He spoke of vocations, single out precisely the word, "Pray!"? Because prayer is the expression of the Christian community and the yearning of the Church. As the Church gets the kind of Pope she deserves, so she gets the kind and number of priests she deserves...Why do some countries have so few? Because few people, even few parents, pray for priests. "Ask, and the gift will come" (Luke 11:9). Can we hope to receive, if we do not ask? There are probably hundreds of thousands of vocations hanging from heaven on silken cords; prayer is the sword that cuts them. The laborers are available potentially in the Heart of Christ; it is our petitions that actualize them. "... And I was never consulted?" (Isaiah 30:2).

Are there prayers in Church for vocations? Do mothers pray for vocations for their children? Do the faithful pray the Lord "to send laborers out for the harvesting" (Matt. 9:38)? Do school children pray for the call of God?

What the Christian community wants ardently, the Lord of the Harvest will grant. That is why Our Lord told us to pray. The command was intended for all, but it was given directly and specifically to the apostles and the disciples, as His ambassadors and co-workers among the people. Prayer in the Church is alone primary; publicity and its methods are secondary. The search for vocations begins on our knees. One bishop had no candidates for the priesthood in two years. He began a campaign of prayer in the schools of his diocese, and without any other publicity he had activated forty vocations at the end of one year.

The original Greek word for "sending" laborers into the fields is stronger than the Latin (Matt. 9:38). It means that the Lord of the harvest would thrust them out, or propel them forward. The same Greek word is used by Matthew (8:31) for the expulsion of a devil out of a man (though different words are used in describing the incident in Mark 5:8 and Luke 8:29); it takes a great power to drive the priesthood into a man. This power Our Lord said He would exercise, if we prayed. It even suggests that from totally unexpected and impossible places, He would inspire vocations.

*from "The Priest Is Not His Own" by Ven. Fulton Sheen*

DEAR SPOUSES, WE INVITE YOU TO THE

*Sts. Louis & Zélie Martin*

COUPLES MASS & DINNER



SAT | 11 | 5 PM  
JULY

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**FATHER'S DAY  
SPIRITUAL  
BOUQUET:**

*Cards are available at the altar of the Sacred Heart to enroll a father-figure in your life in the Masses offered for Father's Day and the rest of the month of June.*

**ENROLLMENTS  
MUST BE  
RECEIVED BY  
THE END OF THE  
DAY TODAY TO  
BE INCLUDED IN  
THE BULLETIN!**



*Otherwise, they may be submitted by Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.*

The Vocations Committee would like to honor Married Couples with a dinner on July 11th! The patrons of this joyous occasion are Sts. Louis and Zélie Martin, the holy parents of our parish patroness. They were the first married couple canonized together. We will begin the evening with a Mass in their honor, a blessing with their first-class relics (brought directly from Lisieux, France by parishioners last year!), and follow with an elegant served dinner. Space will be limited, so you must RSVP using the link above. If child care is needed, please let us know so that we can plan accordingly.

**Weekly Offerings (Sunday, May 31, 2026)**

General: \$3,725.28	YTD: \$162,503.35
Building: \$425	YTD: \$20,216.78
St. Martin: \$30	YTD: \$34,602.24
St. Joseph's Projects <i>(restoring our church)</i>	YTD: \$112,316.46

***Second Collection today is for the St. Martin Society***

## HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday- 4:00 PM *English at Blessed Sacrament*  
 Sunday- 8:15 AM; 10:45 AM;  
 1:45 PM *Spanish at Blessed Sacrament*  
 Monday & Wednesday-Saturday- 8:15 AM  
 Tuesday- 5:30 PM  
 First Friday- 8:15 AM & 6:00 PM  
 Holy Days- See Bulletin or Call the Office for Times

## ADORATION & DEVOTIONS

### Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday - 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
 First Fridays - 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM

### Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Monday - Friday - 3:00 PM  
 Saturday - 3:00 PM at *Blessed Sacrament*  
 Sunday - Rosary before 8:15 & 10:45 Masses

### Little Flower Novena:

Thursday after Mass & after evening Benediction

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms** - Parents of children to be baptized must be registered parishioners for at least 6 months and complete a baptism course

**Marriages** - Couples must contact Pastor 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.

**Sick Calls** - Anytime. Please let us know if someone is hospitalized or needs a home visit.

**Order of Christian Initiation of Adults** - please contact the DRE for information on becoming Catholic.

**Office Hours:** Open 3 days a week: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday from 9AM - 3PM

**Blessed Sacrament** - 2564 Hale Avenue, Memphis, TN 38112

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## CONFESSIONS

Monday -Friday- 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM  
 Thursday - 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM & 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM  
 Saturday - 7:45 - 8:00 AM  
 3:30 PM - 3:45 PM at *Blessed Sacrament*  
 Sunday - 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

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## HILDREN ARE A GIFT

We are blessed to have this gift at our Parish! Children are also a RESPONSIBILITY. If your little one gets rowdy or disruptive, please be a responsible parent so others can pray and commune with the Lord undisturbed. Thank you for being considerate.



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