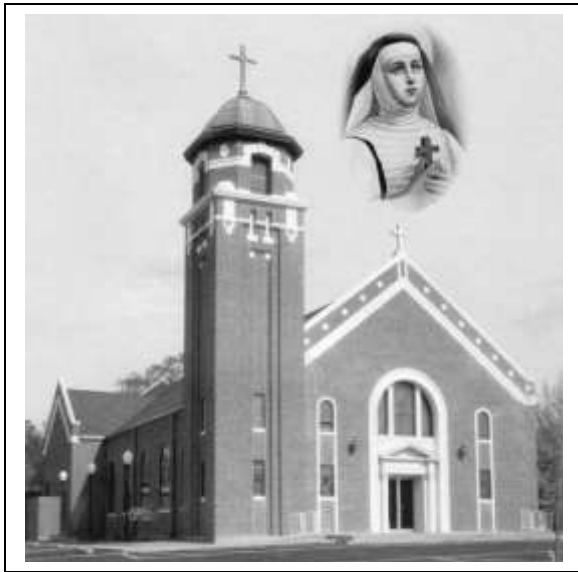


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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Priest Emergency Number: After hours line for serious medical emergencies 580-485-7749

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am

9:00 am

Weekdays:

Monday No Mass

Tuesday McCloud 6:30 pm

Wednesday Harrah 6:30 pm

Thursday McCloud 9:00 am

Friday Harrah 9:00 am

Adoration: First Fridays 8:am–6:pm Mass 6:00 pm

Holy Days: As announced in the bulletin

Confessions: Saturday – 3:00-3:45 pm

Sunday – 7:00-7:20 am

Baptism: Contact Parish Office for Appointment.

Marriage: See pastor six months prior to wedding.

(Please contact the parish office for questions.)

Parish phone listing

Office: (405) 454-2819

Office Fax: (405) 309-6416

St. Teresa Parish Hall: (405) 454-6076

St. Teresa Cemetery: (405) 620-1981

St. Vincent de Paul Society: (405) 343-2938

Religious Education Center: (405) 454-9440

Adult Education ~ Mondays 7 p.m.- R.E. Building

Altar Society ~ the first Sunday of the month, 1:00 pm (Sep-May)

Catholic Daughters ~ the first Sunday of the month 7:00pm

Knights of Columbus ~ the first Sunday of the month 7:00pm

Parish Council ~ First Thursday of the month

St. Vincent de Paul ~ MEETING Mondays (bi-weekly), 6:00 pm

Religious Education Classes ~Wednesdays, 7:00 pm

Prayer Group ~ Tuesdays in the church at 6:00 pm

RCIA Classes ~ Tuesdays 7pm in the family center

Youth Group (Grades 6-8) ~Sunday 6:30pm to 8pm

High School Youth Group (Grades 9-12) Sundays, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Jr Catholic Daughters ~ First Sunday of month, 4:30 pm

SVDP Food Bank~ open Mondays 4:30 to 5:30 pm.

September 1st, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday	Sept. 7	4:00 p.m.	♥Mert Zawisza - HEALING - Knights of Columbus
Sunday	Sept. 8	7:30 a.m.	†Frank P. Scalzo- Steve and Danguole Scalzo
Sunday	Sept. 8	9:00 a.m.	†Tom Herzog- Tammy Herzog
Wednesday	Sept. 11	7:00 p.m.	†Barbara Davenport- George Davenport
Friday	Sept. 13	9:00 a.m.	†Charlie Werchan- Evelyn Saxton

Readings for this week

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Offerings Last Week

Sunday Collections: \$5294.00
Children's: \$9.86
Assumption: \$97.48
Catholic Uni: \$
Total: \$5401.34

Mass Time Changes

Starting Sept. 4th !!!!!

R.E. School Year changes!

1st Wednesday of the month:

Mass including the R.E. kids is at 7 p.m.

2, 3, 4th Wednesdays Mass is at 6:30 with a special prayer service after mass for St. Teresa of Avila

St Gregory the Great September 3rd

Pope Saint Gregory I, also known as the Great, was the Pope of the Catholic Church between 590 and 604 AD. Gregory was born around 540 in Rome. The exact date of his birth is unknown. Although the Western Roman Empire had collapsed long before his birth, many ancient Roman families still commanded great wealth and influence in the city. Gregory was born into one such family. His great-great-grandfather was Pope Felix III who reigned from 483 to 492. (Astute readers may suspect this to be a scandal, but this was at a time before the clergy took vows of celibacy.)

Gregory's family was very wealthy and owned estates on the island of Sicily which provided income.

Gregory was well educated and excelled in all his studies. He also became an expert in law. He excelled so much he became the Prefect of Rome, just as his father had been. Gregory was only 33 years old.

Pope Gregory made many changes to the Mass, some of which remain today, the position of the Our Father in the Mass remains where Pope Gregory placed it.

He ordered his clergy to go out into the streets to find and care for the poor in person. Any clergy who were unwilling to go into the streets and help the poor were replaced. Assets of the Church were liquidated to provide income for alms. Clergy doing this work were paid four times a year and given a gold coin as a sort of bonus. When a famine struck Rome in the 590s, Pope Gregory ordered the Church to use its assets to feed the poor. At that time, the Church controlled nearly two thousand square miles of land, overseen by the clergy and used to generate income. Now, instead of selling the produce, Pope Gregory ordered it shipped to Rome and given away for free. In this way, he saved thousands of people from certain death.

Pope Gregory himself refused to eat until his monks returned from their work of handing out food.

He also made certain to dine with a dozen poor people at each meal.

Gregory is widely considered to be the first medieval pope, and he was a prolific writer.

Because of his great respect for the poor, it was Pope Gregory and the Church that became the most respected -- and obeyed force in Rome and across Italy.

Pope Gregory suffered from arthritis in his last years. He died on March 12, 604 AD. He was immediately proclaimed a saint by means of popular acclaim.

Saint Gregory's relics remain in St. Peter's Basilica to this day.

He is the patron saint of musicians, singers, students, and teachers.

Meetings coming up:

Parish Council Meeting is September 5th at 7 p.m.

⇒Altar Society Meeting is September 8th at 1 p.m. in the family center.

⇒There will be a meeting for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Thursday, September 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall.

SVdP is needing volunteers for the food bank

Saint Vincent de Paul Society is looking for two parishioners to volunteer in the food pantry, distributing food to the needy in our community. Every other Monday each month, 4:30-5:30. Call or text Marty Samwel @ 409-4589.

News from Religious Education Starting September 4th

Religious Education classes start on Wednesday, September 4th. Please register your students (age 4 through high school senior) with the forms found in the church entrances. **Completed forms need to be turned in before** students will be allowed in class. Registration will also take place on the 4th beginning at 6:30 pm. Questions- contact Sandra Sumaza.

COME AND SEE! September 3rd

This is a meeting open to everyone. We invite any parishioner, visitor, Catholic, or non-Catholic to attend. There is no registration or requirements. No expectation for a non-Catholic to join the Church. It is an excellent opportunity for evangelization. Something we are all expected as Catholics to do. Have a cup of coffee or soda and ask questions about our Faith--or just listen in.

Second session is Tuesday, September 3
Both sessions are at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

RCIA Starting September 10th, 2019

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a program to help non-Catholics discern if the Catholic Church is where they should be. It also serves to assist returning Catholics who have been away for a while and need some support as they journey back. This Rite begins Tuesday, September 10, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. This is another excellent opportunity for evangelization.

Please call Doug Kretchmar at 405-640-0745 with questions, concerns, or names of participants of either program.

Youth Group News

The Youth Group would like to express our sincerest thanks for all of the support we received from both, St. Teresa of Avila and St. Vincent De Paul Churches. Your generous support enabled us to assist our youth in attending the Steubenville Youth Conference. The Conference led to many of our youth growing to Christ and making positive changes in their lives. Patty and I cannot thank you enough!!

On September 21st the Youth Group will be hosting an Indian Taco Fundraiser!! There will be live music from 12-1 PM provided by Mary Mayhew and her students (including Jolie Marshall) and we will attempt to play the football games on the big screen after the musicians have finished. We will be selling advance tickets \$6 after all masses the weekend of September 14th and tickets at the door will be \$7. We will be serving from 11:30 A.M. until 6:30 P.M. Come enjoy our famous Indian Tacos!!

Liturgical Roles for September

Saturday 4 P.M.

Ministers of Holy Communion

Michael Brown
Karen Manwell
Linda Parker
Martha Shawnee
Susan Stramski

Lectors

Kelly Trice

Ushers

Lu Dull
Scott Dull
Dewain Manek
Martin House

7:30 A.M. Sunday

Ministers of Holy Communion

Stan DeLong
Rachel Espolt
Steve Gorczyca

Lectors

Bernadette Klimkowski

Ushers

Steve Gorczyca
Tony Nickel
Mike Sweeney
Gerald Visnieski

9:00 A.M. Sunday

Ministers of Holy Communion

Rich Boyd
Danyelis Eskue
Kendall Foster
David McCorkle
Dean Schirf

Lectors

Amelia Stramski
Philip Stramski

Ushers

Glen Nead
Thomas Staton
Stan Malaske

Altar Servers: Please check your email for scheduling or contact Melanie Rivera @ 405-534-7700

A call to join the Prayer Ministry

➔Did you know? St. Teresa's has a group of people who pray for the specific needs of those on our parish prayer list that is published in the bulletin. If you would like to be a part of this group please contact Debra Birdsong at 650-4662 or Kristi Kretchmar at 391-2728.

St. Teresa's Prayer List

Our Parish has a prayer chain for our parish family concerns. You may call for prayer requests to either Kristi Kretchmar at 391-2728 or Debra Birdsong at 650-4662. The prayer list is updated every three months. Please contact us if a name should be relisted.

Bonnie Anderson, Brad Anglin, Amanda Ashley, Taylor Atkinson, Brittany Baltazor, Neal Baltazor
Jan Barnes, Tom Barnes, Sissy Belicheck, Tom Boyle, Tommy Breske, Anita Brimm, Sally Bugg, Easton Carpenter, Brett Cleveland, Christian Cleveland, J.C. Compton, Kenny Conn, Rebecca David, Loretta Dixon, Virginia Drew, Kathleen Duggins, Ron & Loretta Finley, Christine Floyd, Mary Ellen Fortleney, JoAnn Gravitt, Kemi Gravitt, Mary Gravitt, Marilyn Gravitt, Philo Gravitt, Kortney Griffith, Stella Hartig, Martha Hopcus, Ronny Jaro, Ann Jones, Betsy & Jerry Jorski
Matthew Keller, David Kreikemeier, Don Lachance, Chuck Lang, Maria Leslie, Elanora Lipinski, Michelle Lynch, Rev. Eugene Marshall O.S.B, Doris Mann, Rex Mann, Harriett Marshall, Evadne Mathews, avid McKinney, Paul & Charlotte Nickel, Darrell O'Neal, Paul Oliver, Clare Owens, Trisha Parker, Fred Rodriguez, Mary Rodriguez, Fred and Donna Roller, Marjorie Royal, Carol Rudek, Carolyn Rudek, Juanita Shaffer, Ruth Shaw, Jo Sims, Darrell Simpson, Aline Smith, Brenda Smith, Daniel Smith, Lola Smith, Laverne Stejskal, Logan Stephens, Wesley StillSmoking, John Thomas, Coby Trout, Emily Tucker, Madison Tytanic, Henry Villarma, Jake Visnieski,
Samuel Visnieski, Olivia Voyles, Carolyn Werchan, Candace Wietelman, Tammy Wilson, Vickie Wilson, Barbara Wyskup, Louise Wyskup, George Yancy, Filex & Ann Zachare, Mert Zawisza.

**Please pray for the repose of the souls who have passed:
Barbara Davenport, Ron Dennis, Doyle Sitton and Charlie Werchan.**

Bulletin and mass announcement requests

All bulletin and mass announcement requests/changes or corrections must be in the office by no later than noon on Thursday. Additionally, all after mass announcements must have prior approval from Father Deva.
Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.