

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH

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ESTABLISHMENT OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH ANNOUNCED BY DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH

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On Monday, August 1, 2022, Bishop Michael Olson announced the establishment of a new parish to serve the far North Fort Worth area.

The new parish will be named St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church. It will be formed from areas currently within the boundaries of Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Philip the Apostle, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes. The church will be located at 13517 Alta Vista Road, north of U.S. Highway 170, in Fort Worth.

Deacon Dan Zavala will serve as coordinator of parish life and will oversee the parish's day-to-day operations.

Bishop Olson established the new parish in response to the rapid growth of the Catholic population in the northern portions of Tarrant County.

The new parish will be erected at a Mass celebrated by Bishop Olson on Sunday, September 4, 2022, at 5 p.m. at the new parish location. Regular Masses will be held in facilities that are located on an approximately 31-acre site which previously was home to former Our Lady of Grace High School.

The new parish boundaries include all or portions of the following:

- Zip Codes 76052 and 76177, now part of Our Lady of Guadalupe;
- Zip Codes 76247, 76052, 76177 and 76262, now part of St. Philip the Apostle;
- Zip Code 76262 now part of St. Francis of Assisi; and
- Zip Codes 76262, 76244 north of FM 1709 and 76248 north of FM 1709, now part of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

Cities within the parish include Fort Worth, Justin, Roanoke, Trophy Club, Haslet, and Keller.

The Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth has been experiencing rapid growth. When the Diocese was established in 1969 in 28 counties of North Texas, the Catholic population was approximately 67,090. Today, the Catholic population is 1.2 million, with most living in Tarrant, Denton, Parker, and Johnson Counties.

St. Teresa of Calcutta becomes the 92nd parish in the Diocese.