

Church of St. Therese the Little Flower



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Office Hours

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Friday, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass Schedule

Listed inside bulletin each week.

Reconciliation

By appointment only.

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms

Baptism preparation classes are held four times a year: December, March, June and September. The Sacrament of Baptism is held four times a year: January, April, July and October. Parents wishing to baptize their children must attend one of the preparation classes.

Marriage

Please make arrangements through the Parish Office at least six months in advance of the proposed date. If either party was married before, special procedures have to be followed and no date may be set.

Sacrament of Anointing

If you are seriously ill, anticipating surgery, or weakened by advanced age, please take advantage of the scheduled celebrations or contact Father any time for this sacrament.

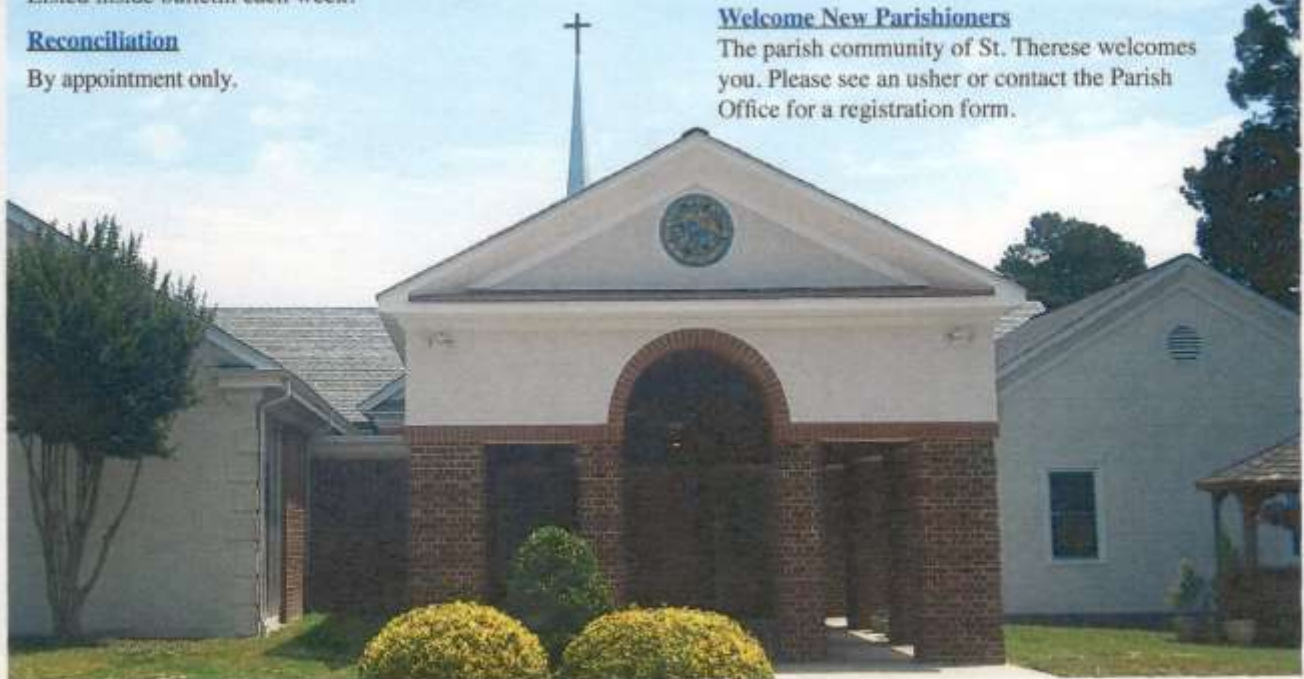
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Those seeking a deeper relationship with Christ through membership in the Roman Catholic Church are guided through the RCIA process. Inquiry and study of Catholic tradition and doctrine lead to full participation through the Sacraments of Initiation and reflection on the depth of God's love revealed in the Paschal Mystery.

Please contact the Parish Office to learn more about the RCIA process.

Welcome New Parishioners

The parish community of St. Therese welcomes you. Please see an usher or contact the Parish Office for a registration form.



6262 Main Street, Gloucester, VA 23061



“For God so loved the world that he gave his only son.”

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 14, 2021

EASTER FLOWERS

We are accepting donations for Easter Lilies, which may be in memory and/or in honor of a loved one. Please put your intentions on the back of your envelopes. Easter lily memorials will be collected and a bulletin insert will be prepared for the Easter bulletin. We are blessed from your generosity!

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

VASE FLOWERS

Perpetual living memorial for Anna Lupei

ST. THERESE’S TABERNACLE CANDLE

March 15-21, 2021

In Memory of James Louis Grabner

MASSSES AND INTENTIONS

THIS WEEKEND OF MARCH 13-14, 2021

Saturday 5:00 PM **Mass**

Live streamed on Facebook and recorded for replay on YouTube.

Visit our website at sttheresechurch.info for the links to each.

Intention: Jerome Hoover (RIP)

Requested By: Carolyn Hoover

Sunday 8:00 AM **Mass**

Intention: Beverly Syslo (RIP)

Requested By: Joe Syslo

Sunday 10:30 AM **Mass**

Intention: St. Therese Parishioners

WEEK OF MARCH 15-19, 2021

Monday **No Mass**

Tuesday 12:00 Noon **Public/Livestream Mass**

Intention: Chuck & Mary Lou Villa (RIP)

Requested By: Mary Kay Villa

Wednesday 7:30 PM **Public/Livestream Mass**

Intention: Betty Green (RIP)

Requested By: Ed & JoAnn Kizer

Thursday 12:00 Noon **Public/Livestream Mass**

Intention: Mass for the People

Friday 12:00 Noon **Public/Livestream Mass**

Intention: Jimmy Kurovics (RIP)

Requested By: Pat Kurovics

WEEKEND OF MARCH 20-21, 2021

Saturday 5:00 PM **Livestreaming Mass**

Intention: Clarence Collier (RIP)

Requested By: Bob & Clare Kochanski

Sunday 8:00 AM **Mass**

Intention: St. Therese Parishioners

Sunday 10:30 AM **Mass**

Intention: Nick Dattoli (RIP)

Requested By: The Martin Family



DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Daily Readings may be found at the

www.USCCB.org website

GIFT GIVING

Fiscal Year 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2021
Annual operating expense budget: \$548,256.00

Weekend Offertory Totals

3/7/21 Offertory total via mail and weekend

Masses \$5,771.99

Other donations 3/7/21 not used for
operations totaled \$1,911.81

In addition, we received E-giving support
this week totaling \$5,752.73

Weekend Mass count 156 and Masses viewed
livestream 230

**Fiscal Year 7/1/20-6/30/21 total budget = \$548,256.00 ÷ 52 =
\$10,543.38
in offertory needed per week.**

Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church!

*"But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right
is doing." Matthew 6:3*

GIVE ONLINE THIS HOLY SEASON OF LENT

As you contemplate donations this holiday season, please keep St. Therese in mind. Your contributions are need for everything from special programs to basic operating expenses—both are deserving of your support. Please be as generous as you can this holiday season and in the year ahead. For the convenience of church members, we offer online giving. To donate, visit the church website at www.sttheresechurch.info and locate the link to our online giving page and follow the instructions.

We can accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express, debit cards and savings/checking drafts.

MARCH OFFERTORY

Regular Offertory each weekend
MMR (Major Maintenance & Repair)
March 20/21 Catholic Relief Services Collection

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office hours are:

Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM and

Friday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Reminder that only 10 parishioners may gather at a time. All non-essential meetings at the church are cancelled. Anyone coming into the church must wear a mask and check into the office. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this time of uncertainty. Thank you



MARCH DRIVE THROUGH BLESSING

Join us for our March drive through blessing on **Saturday, March 20 from 3 to 4 pm**. Please call the Parish Office if you have any questions.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross, led by Father Gregory, will be prayed at Church of Saint Therese on the Fridays of Lent through March 26 inclusive, beginning at 7 PM in the Worship Center. All are welcome!

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE

OUR MASSES ARE NOW LIVESTREAMED!!

Masses are livestreamed Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at noon. Wednesday the Mass is at 7:30 PM and livestreamed. The **weekend Mass** at 5:00 on Saturday is livestreamed.

Watch the Livestream on

Facebook: www.facebook.com/churchofsttherese.

Watch the replay on YouTube: [Church Of St. Therese – Gloucester, VA YouTube Channel](#)

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2021

How's your Lent going? Still hanging on? Well, hopefully you noticed the pink vestments at Mass today. They're an indication that today is "Laetare Sunday," a moment to stop, rejoice, and remember that the difficulties of Lent lead us to the joy of Easter. Today is a reminder that we don't practice penance and self-denial so that we can "earn" or be rewarded with Easter. Instead, it's our confidence that the Easter victory has already been won that allows us to joyfully embrace this penitential season as an opportunity to grow closer to God.

Something similar happens in today's Gospel: Christ reminds us that God has given his only Son; that the light has come into the world; that the victory has already been won! We can live joyfully and love selflessly, even in the midst of life's hardships and uncertainties, because God's love has conquered all. Confidence in this truth has been a source of Christian charity throughout the ages, from the heroic sacrifices of the early martyrs to the selfless service of modern-day saints like Mother Teresa. And it needs to animate our lives today, too.

How might we love others if we were truly and completely convinced that God's love is supreme—that it wipes away our sins, our failings, and even the sting of death? What would we be free to give that we currently hold back, out of fear or self-preservation? Opportunities to love selflessly, as Christ and the saints did, surround us—from reaching out to an elderly relative experiencing loneliness, to giving generously to our diocese's the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Let's ask God for the grace to be more confident in his love, so that we might love others more fully.



GRIEFSHARE MARCH 21-JUNE 20, 2021

Have you experienced the death of a loved one recently? Would you want to belong to a group for support as you grieve that loss? Then GriefShare might be for you.

GriefShare is a network of many churches across the United States equipped to offer grief support to anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one. The program is nondenominational and uses biblical concepts for healing from grief. The group meets weekly for 13 weeks. Each week is an independent topic, so participants can come to some or all of the sessions.

The group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and have begun to rebuild their lives. The facilitators are not licensed counselors, but have been in the same place as you. They will walk with you on the long path through grief toward healing and hope for the future.

Please join us at Church of St. Therese, 6262 Main Street, on Sunday, March 21 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. We meet in the social hall. Due to Covid restrictions the group is limited to 10 persons. Zoom will be offered for anyone who prefers. Masks must be worn for in person meetings. Register at [GriefShare.org](https://www.griefshare.org) or contact Linda Gregory at lgregory0530@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and help **Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

ST. THERSE PARISH APP

Go to your app store on your smart phone and search for "InOurParish". After you download the app, search for St. Therese, Gloucester. In the app, you will be able to view Mass times, bulletins, go to the website, online giving, prayer requests, and notifications. **To receive notifications**, you need to be sure that you enable notifications. To enable the notifications, go to the **notifications setup** main menu, tap on it and check the box for General Messages and save it. Once enabled you will receive notifications from the parish office, for example: a funeral service day and time, unexpected office closure or cancellation of events. If you have any questions, contact Ann in the Parish Office.

OUR PARISH IS HERE FOR YOU

DURING THIS TIME OF SOCIAL DISTANCING, WE
ARE COMMITTED TO CONTINUE SERVING OUR
PARISHIONERS THROUGH OUR MINISTRIES AND
OTHER RESOURCES



OUR MINISTRIES

During the Covid-19 pandemic, the Church of St. Therese will continue to be a source of spiritual life for our parishioners and friends.

Please contact the parish at 804-693-5939 if there is any way we can minister to you.
Keep updated on our website at www.sttheresechurch.info.

SACRAMENTS

The parish will live-stream Mass through our Facebook page.

Reconciliation is available by appointment.

Baptisms and funerals are still conducted with groups of 10 or less.

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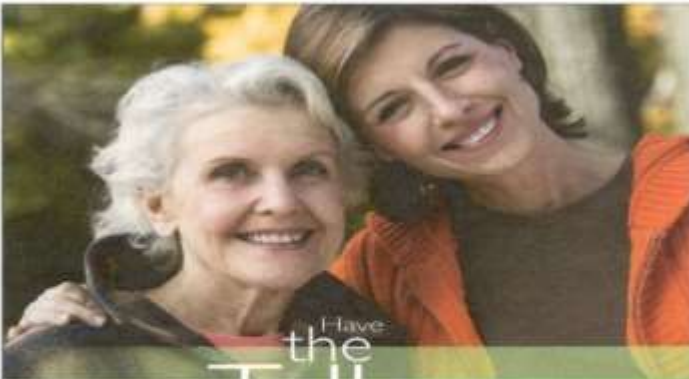
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We will share updates and news, as well as provide interactive ministries such as prayers and reflections.

GIVE ONLINE

Please consider supporting your parish by making a recurring gift online at <http://tinyurl.com/donatetochurchofsttherese>.

We are answering the office phone during the weekdays: 804-693-5939
Father is available for emergencies and time-sensitive needs: 804-695-2785



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the
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You talk about many things with your loved ones from day-to-day details to big events. Sharing stories with those who matter most isn't just important today, it will be especially significant when it's time to honor and commemorate your lives.

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