

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.

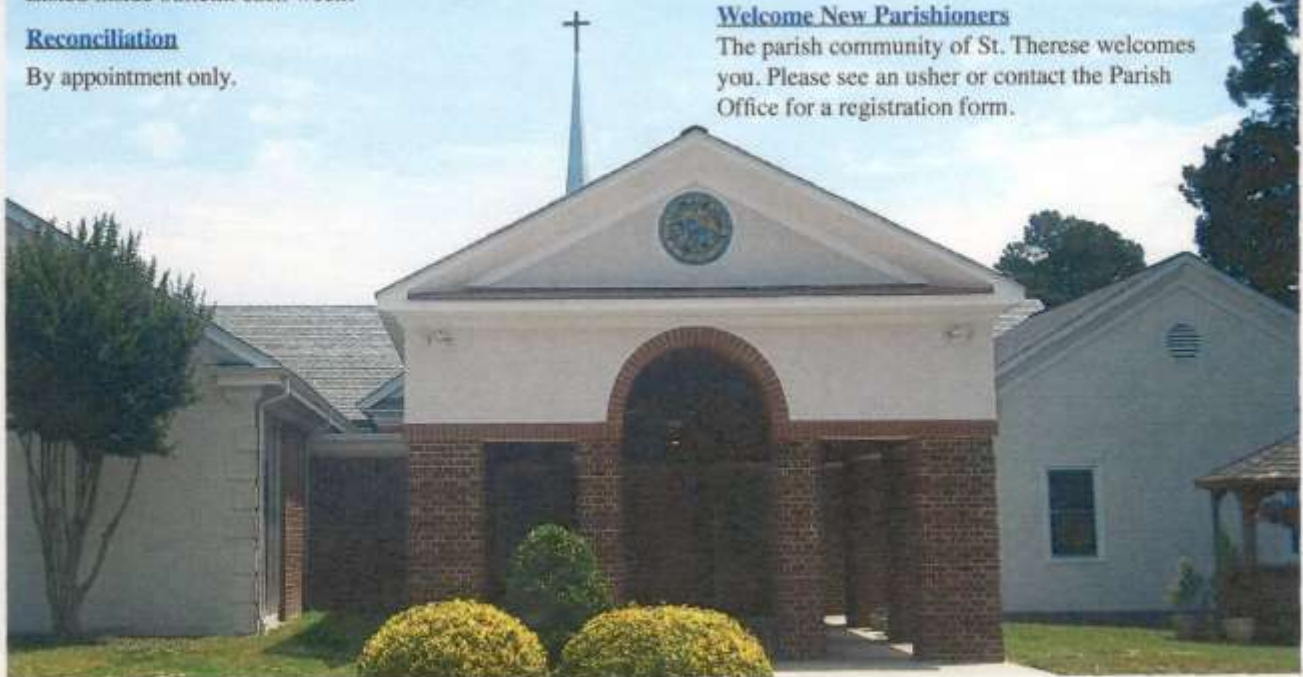
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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



"If it dies, it produces much fruit."

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 21, 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

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

THIS WEEKEND OF MARCH 20-21, 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: **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

WEEK OF MARCH 22-26, 2021

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 12:00 Noon Public/Livestream Mass

*Intention: **Marie Gervasini (RIP)***

Requested By: Mike & Ann Foster

Wednesday 7:30 PM Public/Livestream Mass

*Intention: **Chuck & Mary Lou Villa (RIP)***

Requested By: Mary Kay Villa

Thursday 12:00 Noon Public/Livestream Mass

*Intention: **Esther Dietz (Health)***

Requested By: Parish Staff

Friday 12:00 Noon Public/Livestream Mass

*Intention: **Daniela LaFata (RIP)***

Requested By: George & Betty Zahn

WEEKEND OF MARCH 27-28, 2021

Saturday 5:00 PM Livestreaming Mass

*Intention: **Barbara Loonam (RIP)***

Requested By: John Loonam

Sunday 8:00 AM Mass

*Intention: **St. Therese Parishioners***

Sunday 10:30 AM Mass

*Intention: **Daniela LaFata (RIP)***

Requested By: Rosalia Leone

GIFT GIVING

Fiscal Year 7/1/2020 through 6/30/2021

Annual operating expense budget: \$548,256.00

Weekend Offertory Totals

3/14/21 Offertory total via mail and weekend Masses \$2,941.86

Other donations 3/14/21 not used for operations totaled \$756.71

In addition, we received E-giving support this week totaling \$3,210.12

Weekend Mass count 162 and Masses viewed livestream 178

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



DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Daily Readings may be found at the

www.USCCB.org website

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

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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGluoucester)

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2021

What images come to mind when you hear the word “glory?” An American flag flying high as fighter jets streak across the sky? Confetti falling on the winning team as they hoist another trophy? Or perhaps a celebrity all decked out as they accept an award? These are all pretty reasonable representations of glory, on a human level. So when Jesus speaks about glorifying the Father, we might expect him to paint a similar kind of picture: one of power, grandeur, and awe. Instead, the clearest image Christ gives us in today’s Gospel is of a grain of wheat falling to the ground and dying. Hm. Not exactly what most of us have in mind when we think “glorious.”

In typical fashion, though, Jesus is showing us that the ways of God are not the ways of men. While God’s glory does include His power and awesomeness and majesty and might, it also includes something else that we might find a little surprising: the giving of Himself for another, so that they might have life. This is why Christ’s Self-Gift on the Cross—perhaps even more so than the Resurrection or the Ascension—is highlighted in John’s Gospel as the place of His Glory. And it’s why the Cross has been called Christ’s Royal Throne throughout Christian history.

We are called to glorify God, too. And we can’t do better than by imitating Jesus, offering generous, fruitful sacrifices in union with Christ. This Lenten season is the perfect time to do so. We can take part in many opportunities for almsgiving. We can also contribute to our Annual Diocesan Appeal, allowing a grain of our wealth to bear much fruit in our parish community. As we go forward this week, let’s ask God to show us how we can glorify His name by giving generously in imitation of Christ.



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!

GRIEF SHARE 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 or contact Linda Gregory at lgregory0530@gmail.com.

GOOD FRIDAY “WATCHING AND WAITING”

Please join us in person, or via livestreaming

Sttheresechurch.info

The Liturgy Committee of St. Therese is pleased to offer a special program on Good Friday, April 2nd, from 12:00pm to 3:30pm. We will host a “Watching and Waiting” program for all whose hearts are moved to deeper prayer and reflection upon the crucifixion of our Lord. Below is the schedule of devotions planned; please join us for as much of this very holy time as you can give.

12:00pm – Stations of the Cross

12:40pm – 3:00pm – Prayerful reflections on the “Seven Last Words” of Jesus on the Cross, with corresponding music, and silent personal reflection.

3:00pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Following the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the church will remain open for silent prayer. Please be advised there will be some activity as the altar is prepared for the Good Friday liturgy which takes place at 7:00pm.

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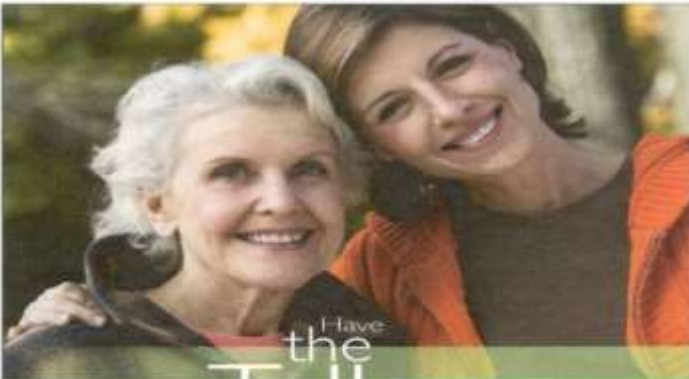
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We will share updates and news, as well as provide interactive ministries such as prayers and reflections.

GIVE ONLINE

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

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Father is available for emergencies and time-sensitive needs: 804-695-2785



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