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Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

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GIFT GIVING

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

Weekend Offertory Totals

4/18/21 Offertory total via mail and weekend Masses \$4,077.00
Other donations 4/18/21 not used for operations totaled \$478.39

In addition, we received E-giving support this week totaling \$3,215.99

Weekend Mass count 181 and Masses viewed livestream 162

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!

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21

EASTER OFFERINGS

The Easter season presents a wonderful opportunity for St. Therese to thank those individuals and families that support the church throughout the year with their time, talent and financial contributions. And, with services well attended during this season, it is also a good opportunity to extend a warm welcome to our new and returning congregation members. We hope that you also will be generous with you time and financial support. To assist everyone in making the consistent offerings that are so important to us, we are pleased to offer the option of giving electronically. Please visit www.sttheresechurch.info to help us continue to receive consistent donations. May Christ's light shine upon you and your families!

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

APRIL OFFERTORY

Regular Offertory each weekend MMR (Major Maintenance & Repair)

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

THIS WEEKEND OF APRIL 24-25, 2021

Live streamed on Facebook and recorded for replay on YouTube. Visit our website at sttheresechurch.Info for the links to each.

Saturday 5:00 PM Mass

Intention: <u>Frank Murray (RIP)</u> Requested By: Pat Moynihan

Sunday 8:00 AM Mass

Intention: St. Therese Parishioners
Sunday 10:30 AM

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Intention: First Communion Students: Juliette. Isaac & Jo-Davy

WEEK OF APRIL 26-30, 2021

Monday No Mass
Tuesday 12:00 Noon Mass
Intention: Mass for the people
Wednesday 7:30 PM Public/Livestream Mass

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Thursday 12:00 Noon Public/Livestream Mass

Intention: <u>Joseph Sutton (RIP)</u> Requested By: Bob & Cheryl Davis

Friday No Mass

WEEKEND OF May 1-2, 2021

Saturday 5:00 PM Public/Livestreaming Mass

Intention: **Chuck & Mary Lou Villa (RIP)**Requested By: Mary Kay Villa

Sunday 8:00 AM Mass

Intention: St. Therese Parishioners

Sunday 10:30 AM Mass Intention: First Communion Students: Dakota, Eliiah & Maddie



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

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2021

If a kid asks her parents for a dog, she might hear this response: "If you take care of it." The logic is simple: human beings respond to responsibility. We tend to treat things better when they belong to us.

Jesus knows this, and shows us in today's Gospel that His love is not the love of a hireling, who runs away when faced with trouble. Instead, He loves like the Good Shepherd, who lays down His life for His sheep, precisely because they are *His* sheep. When we have a stake in something, we tend to invest in it.

God has entrusted each of us with this parish community. We are all truly members of it, and we all have a stake in it. The Annual Diocesan Appeal is a great way to imitate the Good Shepherd by caring for what belongs to us, as opposed to merely using it like a hireling.

Do we really believe that our parish is ours, that it's been entrusted to us as a gift from God? If so, what should our commitment through the Annual Diocesan Appeal look like? And if not, why not? God wants us to be a part of the fold, because He knows that responsibility and relationship are the only ways to grow in love. Please consider making a gift as a response to Christ's call to be a good steward.

WHEN SIGNING UP FOR MASS ONLINE

Go to the St. Therese website at www.sttheresechurch.info, under the "Worship with us!" logo, click on "please click here to sign up for Mass", fill in the information for the Mass you would like to attend and how many are attending. Once you sign up wait for an email confirmation, if you do not receive a confirmation email within an hour, please call Ann in the Parish Office at 804-693-5939 and double check that your entry was recorded, please do not sign up for Mass again. Thank you for your cooperation.

GRIEFSHARE SUNDAYS THROUGH 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 Sundays through June 20 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.



NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. There is no better time than the Easter season to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God—our children. Blue pinwheels are placed throughout the nation in support of National Child Abuse Prevention Month. For information about the Diocese of Richmond Child protection policies programs and assistance for victims and survivors, please visit http://www.richmonddiocese.org/safe-environment.

JOIN FR. GREGORY FOR THE STATIONS OF LIGHT

You've heard of Stations of the Cross—how about Stations of Light? On <u>Sunday, May 2, at 7 PM</u>, Fr .Gregory will lead the PASCHAL WAY OF THE LIGHT, 14 stations for reflection from Jesus' resurrection to the mystery of Pentecost. Come and meet in the portico at the entrance to the church and we will walk around our campus in prayer and song and reflection. All are welcome! Come for this devotional way to celebrate Jesus' risen presence among us and what it means.



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DURING THIS TIME OF SOCIAL DISTANCING, WE ARE COMMMITED 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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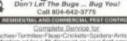
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We will share updates and news, as well as provide interactive ministries such as prayers and reflections.

GIVE ONLINE

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

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