

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.



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Love your
enemies, do
good to those
who hate you.

Luke 6:27-38

February 20, 2022

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 19

5:00 p.m. Michael (health) and
Bonnita Mendonca (RIP)

Requested by:
Eric and Mindy Scott

Sunday, February 20

8:00 a.m. For the People

10:30 a.m. Pat Snyder (RIP)

Requested by:
Finance Council

Monday, February 21

No Mass

Tuesday, February 22

No Mass

Wednesday, February 23

7:00 p.m. For the People

Thursday, February 24

12:00 p.m. Patrick Shea (RIP)

Requested by:
Eileen Robert

Friday, February 25

12:00 p.m. Bobby Kandt

Requested by:
Pat Kurovics

Saturday, February 26

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, February 27

8:00 a.m. For the People

10:30 a.m. Missa pro populo

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL VASE FLOWERS

Perpetual living memorial
for Anna Lupei

ST. THERESE'S TABERNACLE CANDLE IN MEMORY OF:

John Hoover, Jerome Hoover,
Marianne Paterson, Herbert and
Margaret Schwabe

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, February 21:	Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday, February 22:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19
Wednesday, February 23:	Jas 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40
Thursday, February 24:	Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:41-50
Friday, February 25:	Jas 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday, February 26:	Jas 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16
Sunday, February 27:	Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45



PARISH NEWS

ST. THERESE WEBSITE: Did you know? Parishioner Eric Scott is our new webmaster for the Church website! You can contact him through email at www.sttheresews@gmail.com.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS: "Love one another as I have loved you." Are you discerning a call to follow the Lord? Call the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano, or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

EVENTS COMMITTEE: The events committee is looking ahead at some events that are coming up, but we want to gauge the interest in attending these events. If we do not receive enough interest in these events, they, unfortunately, will not happen. Our first event is a St. Patrick's Day event that would be on March 12th, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. The second event is the International Dinner that would be on May 15th, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. There will be sign-up sheets in the commons to sign up for these events, just so that we can see who is interested in attending. Thank you for your time!

GRIEF SHARE: A Support Group that is primarily for people to meet who are in similar circumstances. You are not alone. Meetings will be held on Sundays from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room. If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one, please join us. If you have any questions, you can call the office or contact Linda Gregory at 804-815-7695.

ANNUAL PLEDGE MESSAGE: As St. Therese prepares for a new year, it is important to know what support we can depend on from our congregation members. By knowing what you are willing to commit financially, we are able to better plan for the future. Please consider setting up a recurring giving plan. Automating of your financial commitments means your contributions will be received on a steady, uninterrupted basis.

FOR THE LOVE OF COMMUNITY: We just wanted to gently remind you all that we are still required to wipe down and spray hard surfaces with disinfectant after the use of an area. As Ministry people, let's continue to set the example so that we can try to keep everyone safe during these unprecedented times. We have set up stations with instructions and supplies to refresh our memories throughout the meeting areas of the church building. These procedures are even more important since there are variants out there and we are not yet through flu season. We also ask that you sweep and empty trash/recycle after your meetings and events so the next group will be comfortable coming behind you ☺. We want to continue to come together as a family as much as possible and pray that we all understand how to remain vigilant and safe.

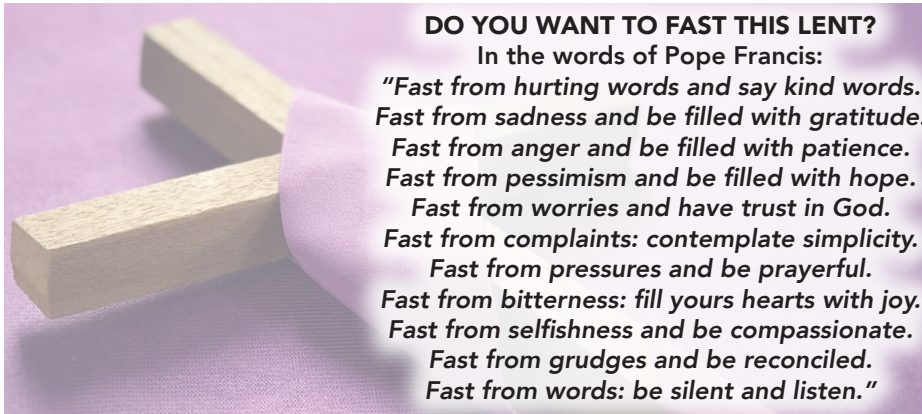
The Church of St. Therese in **Chesapeake** is holding a FREE EVENT

SARAH HART – April 3, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.; April 4, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.; April 4, at 10:00 a.m., Portsmouth Catholic Regional School, Church of St. Therese, 4137 Portsmouth Boulevard, Chesapeake, VA. Sarah Hart will be presenting a Lenten Mission on forgiveness using song, scripture, storytelling, and prayer. For more information, contact Renee Cunningham at 757-488-2553 or rcunningham@sttheresechesva.org.

MASK UPDATE: COVID-19 has recently infected many in our county. Please do not come to Mass if you have symptoms. Please wear a mask when you do come to Mass. The Virginia Department of Health **STRONGLY ENCOURAGES US** to once again wear masks whether vaccinated or not in indoor settings. The Diocese of Richmond includes Mass in this recommendation.

WINTER WARMTH BASKET WINNER IS: Brantley Savage!!! Congratulations! Keep your eyes out for the next Basket Giveaways in April, May, and June!!!

The Parish Office will be closed on February 21st for Presidents' Day.



FLOWERS: Altar Flower Sign-up sheets are back in the hallway on the bulletin board!

ATTENTION, YOUNG ADULTS! Would you like to understand Jesus and the Christian faith better? Come and join Father Gregory for **SCRIPTURE AND PIZZA** on Thursday, March 3, at 6:00 p.m. We will enjoy some pizza and then read the Bible out loud together and discuss it! We will meet in the Youth Learning Center, the white house across the parking lot from the church. All young adults 18 years of age and over are welcome. Come and feel free to bring a friend! You do not have to be a Catholic to come. BYOB-Bring your own Bible.

LITURGICAL COMMITTEE NEEDS HELP!!! The Parish is in need of Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and Lectors. The same devoted ministers are working every weekend. Please consider serving for this ministry. Call the office at 693-5939, press #5 or email Kerry Fallon at k.fallon@stthersglo.org to sign up.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY IS UNDERWAY FOR THE DIOCESE OF RICHMOND: We are preparing here at St. Therese to discern how this process, this "way to be as Church," can best be achieved through communion, participation, and mission. We will be facilitating small group discussions in order to gather, listen, and reflect on the best way to move forward in order to strengthen not only the life of our parish but that of the Universal Church. Call the office and leave a message for Kerry Fallon (option #5 after hours) if you feel called to participate in the discussions, or if you have any questions or concerns. Please sign up in the commons. Dates and Times: February 20, 2022 at 12:00 -2:00 p.m.; February 22, 2022 at 6:30-8:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION is offered every 3rd Wednesday of the Month from 6:15-6:45 p.m.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Get ready for Fish Fry Fridays!! More information will be in next week's bulletin!

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: Thanks to your generosity, the parish is in receipt of the 3rd round of 2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal funds. Our parish share of \$3,101.89 was deposited on February 4, 2022. The 2022 Appeal in-pew weekends will be March 5/6 and March 12/13. Thank you for your continued gifts to God and Church! Bless you all.

FATHER GREGORY'S CORNER message is available on the Parish Website, YouTube, and Facebook.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION: Faith Formation (grades K-5 and Sacramental preparation) is ongoing. Call Nadine McGrady at 693-5939, ext. 3 for more information.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Children's Liturgy of the Word is available during the 10:30 Mass. Children ages 3 to 2nd grade are invited.

CAREFREE SENIORS GROUP: Everyone 60 or older is invited to join the Carefree Seniors Group. They meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at St. Therese. The group has "fun sessions, excursions to local sites, and educational programs." Call Frank Rivera (804) 854-1101 for more information.

BINGO! BINGO! BINGO! Let's get BINGO back at St. Therese!! Helping hands are needed to make this happen. Call Donna Raschke at 695-9912 for information.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Know someone who is homebound and would like to be visited by a parishioner and receive Communion? Contact the office or Linda Gregory at lgregory0530@gmail.com.

LIVE STREAM TEAM: We will ONLY BE streaming the 10:30 a.m. Mass from now on. We need help to continue live streaming Mass. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

GIFT GIVING

Fiscal year 7/1/2021 through 6/30/2022

Annual operating expense budget:
\$655,215.00

Weekly offertory needed: \$12,600.00

OFFERTORY TOTALS

Actual Plate Contributions towards operating budget totaled \$4,919.75

E-giving Operations support totaled \$3,072.00

Other donations not used for operations totaled \$693.50

Total weekend Mass count 266

Online views were 102

All tithes of the land, whether in grain from the fields or in fruit from trees, belong to the Lord, as sacred to him.

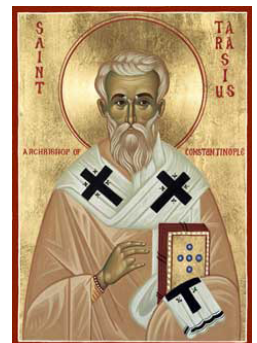
~ Leviticus 27:30

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Feast Day – February 25

Birth: 730, Death: 806

St. Tarasius was a subject of the Byzantine Empire. He was raised to the highest honors in the Empire as Consul, and later became first secretary to the Emperor Constantine and his mother, Irene. When being elected Patriarch of Constantinople, he consented to accept the dignity offered to him only on condition that a General Council should be summoned to resolve the disputes concerning the veneration of sacred images, for Constantinople had been separated from the Holy See on account of the war between the Emperors. The Council was held in the Church of the Holy Apostles at Constantinople in 786; it met again the following year at Nice and its decrees were approved by the Pope. The holy Patriarch incurred the enmity of the Emperor by his persistent refusal to sanction his divorce from his lawful wife. He witnessed the death of Constantine, which was occasioned by his own mother; he beheld the reign and the downfall of Irene and usurpation of Nicephorus. St. Tarasius' whole life in the Episcopacy was one of penance and prayer, and of hard labor to reform his clergy and people. He occupied the See of Constantinople twenty-one years and two months. His charity toward the poor was one of the characteristic virtues of his life. He visited in person, all the houses and hospitals in Constantinople, so that no indigent person might be overlooked in the distribution of alms. This saintly Bishop was called to his eternal reward in the year 806. His feast day is February 25th.





Have the Talk of a Lifetime

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. Memorialization at the end of life is more than it used to be. It can reflect a person's life story and be transformative, healing and comforting. Meaningful memorialization starts when loved ones talk about what matters most: memories made, lessons learned and how they hope to be remembered.

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