



CHURCH OF

St. Therese

THE LITTLE FLOWER



"If every tiny flower wanted to be a rose,
spring would lose its loveliness."

St. Therese of Lisieux

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Rev. Mr. Jose Melendez, Deacon

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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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Third Wednesday of the month 6:15-6:45 p.m.

Welcome New Parishioners

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



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 11, 2022

PARISH STAFF

Business Manager: Debbie Knarr
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 Mindy Scott
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 Nadine McGrady
Youth Ministry Leader:
 Wendie Mewszel
Director of Music Ministry:
 Kitty Witty
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 Gary Dietz
Custodian: Rosa Rodriguez

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 10, 2022

5:00 p.m. Joe Ladyga (RIP)
 Gary and Deb Knarr

Sunday, December 11, 2022

8:00 a.m. Daniela La Fata (RIP)
 Requested by:
 Rosalia Leona

10:30 a.m. For the People

Monday, December 12

No Mass

Tuesday, December 13

12:00 noon No Mass

Wednesday, December 14

8:00 a.m. No Mass

Thursday, December 15

12:00 noon No Mass

Friday, December 16

12:00 noon No Mass

Saturday, December 17

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, December 18

8:00 a.m. Daniella La Fata (RIP)
 Requested by:
 Roaslia Leona

10:30 a.m. Alma Eacho (RIP)
 Requested by:
 Linda Gregory

**BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL
 VASE FLOWERS**

A Perpetual Living Memorial
 for Anna Lupei.

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shines in loving memory of Cyril and
 Mary Davis, Joseph and Mary Russman.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Monday, December 12 –
 Our Lady of Guadalupe**

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a,10ab;
 Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

**Tuesday, December 13 –
 St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr**

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32

**Wednesday, December 14 – St. John of the Cross,
 Priest and Doctor of the Church**

Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday, December 15 – Advent Weekday

Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30

Friday, December 16 – Advent Weekday

Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Jn 5:33-36

Saturday, December 17 – Advent Weekday

Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17

Sunday, December 18 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7;
 Mt 1:18-24

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: The Sacrament of Baptism is held by appointment. Please contact Fr. Gregory.

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.

PARISH NEWS

“Jesus, remember me when you come into Your kingdom.” Will you make Christ the King and His merciful love remembered as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddioocese.org.

GRIEFSHARE is a growing ministry and would like to develop a team to serve those who attend the weekly sessions. GriefShare provides all training. There are no special requirements. All you need is a loving heart and a desire to help those on a grief journey. If you may be interested in this ministry, please contact Linda Gregory at 804-815-7695 or lgregory0530@gmail.com.

FELLOWSHIP AFTER SUNDAY MASSES!! Come to the Parish Social Hall for coffee, donuts, and fellowship, following the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses on December 18. The Scott Family will be hosting!! A Hospitality Team is needed for setting up and cleaning up once a month for this ministry. Interested? Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for more information or to join the team.

PLEASE BE MINDFUL ABOUT NOT COMING TO MASS AND OR ST. TERESE FUNCTIONS WHILE SICK. Do not forget we live stream 10:30 a.m. Mass every Sunday for this purpose. We want to remain vigilant against the spread of germs of ALL kinds.



**POINSETTIA DONATIONS WILL BE COLLECTED NOW UNTIL
 DECEMBER 18!**

Donations may be made in memory/honor of a loved one. You may put your intention on the back of your envelopes. Envelopes may be found in your contribution packets or in the commons on the small white counter.

SCRIPTURE STUDY OPPORTUNITY: Join us as we read the Bible from Genesis to Revelation in Chronological Order. Meetings will be held each Friday morning at 10:00 a.m. Contact Nadine McGrady at 804-693-5939, ext. 3 or N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org for more information or to join.

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

BINGO! Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and starts at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Parish Hall.

CAREFREE SENIORS – Anyone 60 and older is invited to join the Carefree Seniors group. They meet on the third Wednesday of each month in the Social Hall from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Call Frank Rivera at 804-854-1101 for more information. We plan to have our Advent Party December 14, 2022. Location on Rt. 17, it's next to the Lighthouse Worship Center, restaurant name is "IDK," which stands for "I Don't Know." We're also planning a gift exchange, some call it a Dirty Santa, White Elephant or Yankee Swap. No name on it; just wrap. There will be no meeting in the church social hall.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION/RCIA UPDATES: We are moving right along with our study of the Catholic Faith (what and why we believe that makes us unique in Christianity). In the last couple weeks, we have discussed the Church as Institution, Mary and all the saints, Christian morality and this weekend we talked about Christmas/Nativity. We introduced Michael Graves to the parish community at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on the 10th, with the Rite of Welcome and Acceptance. Please add Michael to your prayers as we begin the *Period of Catechumenate*, a time of deeper reflection and growth as he moves toward full initiation into the Church during the Easter Vigil. We will not meet December 24 and 31 (Merry Christmas and Happy New Year). When we pick up again on January 7, 3:00 p.m., we will talk about our **benevolent ministries and organizations** at the parish. **If you work with one of these organizations sponsored by our parish, and would like to give a little presentation on the 7th, please contact Kerry Fallon via email at k.fallon@stthersglo.org or call the office at 804-693-5939.**

SHARE YOUR FAITH! Our Third Graders are looking for a catechist! Prayerfully consider sharing your faith with the youth of our parish. Sessions are each Sunday morning from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for questions or to apply.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS council meets on the First and Third Thursdays of the month. Rosary is at 7:00 p.m. and a meeting is to follow. Knights will be selling Christmas Cards this year. Continue to look for detailed information here in the bulletin.

PRAYER FOR FATHER GREGORY: *Lord, please keep Father Gregory and those going on mission to Honduras this coming week. We pray for his health and safety as he travels. Give him the guidance and words to help set the people of the mission and the people of Honduras Souls On Fire for You!! Amen.*

SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE:

ATTENTION!! The Social Events Committee has planned out the social events for the next year, so mark your calendars!!

Mardi Gras – February 18 after 5:00 p.m. Mass

St. Patrick's Day Party –

March 18 after 5:00 p.m. Mass
International Meal –

May 28 after 10:30 a.m. Mass
Oldies Rock N' Roll –

July 29 after 5:00 p.m. Mass
Soup for Love – every Friday from
February 24-March 31
(11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.)

The Social Events Committee is also looking for more members!

Please contact Nicole Savage if you are interested!

717-829-6612 or nshirilla91@yahoo.com

GRATITUDE REPORT

For Sunday 11/27/22

Actual Plate contributions \$5,262.00

E-giving \$1,655.00

Other Contributions \$349.00

Total Weekend Mass Count: 282

Total weekend Mass views: 201

Annual Operating Budget: \$681,077.00

Weekly offertory needed: \$13,097.00

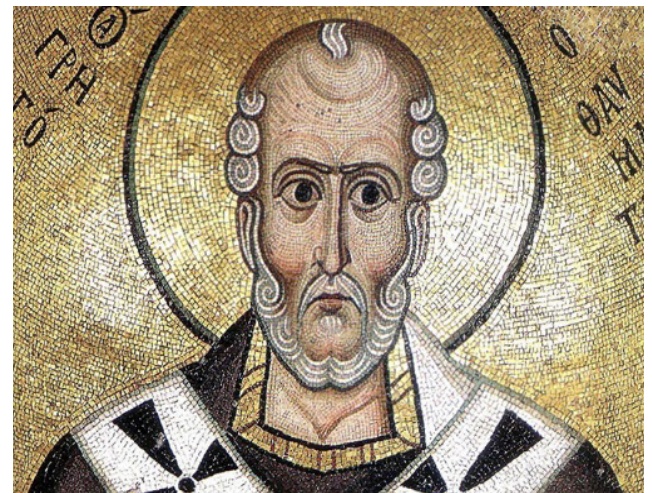
December 25 Catholic Charities

FAMILY FUN NIGHT will be on December 16 between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Come join the fun! Feel free to bring a friend or neighbor!! Everyone is welcome!! If you have any questions, please contact Nadine.

ATTENTION ALL ADULTS INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT CATHOLICISM

Questions ALL ARE WELCOME TO DROP IN! RCIA meets from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room (double?) Email Kerry Fallon at K.Fallon@stthersglo.org.

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.



SAINT GREGORY OF NYSSA'S STORY: The son of two saints, Basil and Emmilia, young Gregory was raised by his older brother, Saint Basil the Great, and his sister, Macrina, in modern-day Turkey. Gregory's success in his studies suggested great things were ahead for him. After becoming a professor of rhetoric, he was persuaded to devote his learning and efforts to the Church. By then married, Gregory went on to study for the priesthood and became ordained (this was at a time when celibacy was not a matter of law for priests).



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the
Talk of a
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