

THE LITTLE FLOWER



"I know now that true charity consists in bearing all our neighbors' defects – not being surprised at their weakness, but edified at their smallest virtues."

St. Therese of Lisieux

Rev. Gregory Kandt, Pastor 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.

Thelcome New Parishioners

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

CHURCH OF ST. THERESE GLOUCESTER, VA

## AUGUST 20, 2023

### PARISH STAFF

Business Manager: Debbie Knarr Administrative Assistant: Mindy Scott Pastoral Minister: Kerry Fallon Coordinator of Religious Education: Nadine McGrady Director of Music Ministry: Kitty Witty **Evangelization and Youth Ministry** Coordinator: Kyle Glauner Facilities & Maintenance Coordinator: Gary Dietz Custodian: Rosa Rodriguez

### **MASSES AND INTENTIONS**

Saturday, August 19

5:00 p.m. For the Parishioners of

St. Therese

Sunday, August 20

8:00 a.m. Don Cowan (RIP)

Requested by: McClosky Family

10:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of

St. Therese

Monday, August 21

No Mass

Tuesday, August 22

12:00 p.m. Margaret Raterman (RIP)

Requested by:

Ana Barranco

Wednesday, August 23

8:00 a.m. Connie Francis

Requested by:

Ed & Joann Kizer

Thursday, August 24

Litnic/Patrick Shea

Eillen and Robert Shea

Friday, August 25

12:00 p.m. For the People

Saturday, August 26

5:00 p.m. Virginia Gruff

Requested by:

Edwina Fitzpatrick

Sunday, August 27

8:00 a.m. For the People

10:30 a.m. Ronald Skurkis

Requested by:

Pat Skurkis

#### BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL VASE

FLOWERS: A Perpetual Living Memorial

for Anna Lupei.

## THE ST. THERESE TABERNACLE CANDLE

will shine in Loving Memory of Sean, Annette, Ernest Raschke; Don & Mabel Smalley

## DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, August 21 - St. Pius X, Pope

Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday, August 22 -

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 23 – Weekday

Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, August 24 - St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Rev 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51

Friday, August 25 – Weekday

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 26 – Weekday

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday, August 27 -

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

## **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 anytime for this sacrament.

#### **PARISH NEWS**

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 are invited. Please contact Nadine McGrady for more information.

GRIEF SHARE: The dates for the next session of Grief Share will be on September 10. Ends December 10. 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the ALC.

#### \*RECONCILIATION\*

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

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAPPENINGS

Knights of Columbus Council gathers on the First and Third Thursdays of the month. Rosary is at 7:00 p.m. and a meeting is to follow.

#### CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS TO SERVE IN LITURGICAL MINISTRIES!

Please prayerfully consider which of the liturgical ministries you are drawn to. We need teenagers and adults to serve as USHERS, LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, MASS COORDINATORS. We need adults and children for the ALTAR SERVER ministry. If we have more people involved in these ministries, serving won't fall to the same dedicated ministers every week. Training is ongoing, call Kerry Fallon in the office at 804-693-5939 or email k.fallon@stthersglo.org.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: On Sunday, August 27, between the morning Masses (starting promptly at 9:15 a.m.), Father Gregory will show a film by Bishop Robert Barron called The Ineffable Mystery of God: That Than Which Nothing Greater can be Thought in the Meeting Room. Bishop Barron takes us on a journey from the heights of Mount Sinai to the mysterious sites of Istanbul, from the glittering streets of Paris to the glorious Sistine Chapel. He presents the Catholic Faith's compelling vision of God as the ineffable and majestic Trinity. All are welcome.

## CALLIGRAPHY CLASS

Would you like to learn the style of Calligraphy writing? Pat Kurovics will be teaching a class here at St. Therese on September 20 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Pat at 804-824-7467. Sign-up sheet is in the Commons.

Jubilee Churches of Gloucester is a collaboration of Gloucester churches working together to respond to the needs in our community. We are aiming to support local non-profit agencies who help the more vulnerable citizens of Gloucester County. The current project we are working on in collaboration with Gloucester Victim Witness Advocacy is aiding individuals fleeing domestic violence. We are looking for individuals in our congregation who would be willing to:

- Give a victim a ride from the Avalon Shelter in Williamsburg to their court location. It is recommended that 2 females do this together.
- Truck owners to help move the victim's belongings
- Foster a victim's pet for one month

If you would be willing to assist in any of these areas, your name will be added to a list which will be referenced as the needs arise. Contact Ann Foster <a href="mailto:anntgfoster@gmail.com">anntgfoster@gmail.com</a>.

COMING SOON! IN CONJUNCTION WITH OCIA (PREVIOUSLY RCIA), A STUDY OF THE GOSPELS OF JOHN AND MATTHEW WILL BEGIN SEPTEMBER 18 AND RUN THROUGH EASTER. All are welcome – Catholics, non-Catholics; bring a friend! Come learn about the Catholic faith through the lens of Scripture: why we believe what we believe; why we do what we do; what we have in common with protestant denominations; what sets us apart from our protestant brothers and sisters. Join us in the Social Hall Monday evenings beginning September 18 – social time from 5:45-6:15 p.m., study time 6:15-7:45 p.m. Contact Kerry Fallon to sign up or if you have any questions at K.fallon@stthersglo.org or 804-693-5939. More information and a sign-up sheet will also be available in the gathering space.

# A NIGHT UNDER THE SICILIAN STARS August 26, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Guests ages 19-25 are invited to the Adult Learning Center (on the parish property) for an evening of conversation, new friends, and food. This meal's theme will be Italian Lemons from the coast of Sicily. The fresh taste of lemon will be incorporated into every dish this evening. Please RSVP with Kyle Glaüner at youthministry@stthersglo.org. Hope to see you there!

THRESHOLD BIBLE STUDY: The Evening Bible Study group is starting a new book in the Threshold Bible Study series, "MYSTERIES of the ROSARY." It began on Thursday, August 10, 2023. We meet for one hour starting at 6:00 p.m. in the church on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from April to November. For more information, please contact Jim Lee at 804-693-0826.

**CAREFREE SENIORS** – Anyone 60 and older is invited to join the Carefree Seniors group. They meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month in the Social Hall from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Call Frank Rivera at 804-854-1101 for more information.

THE THERESIAN SOCIETY: The Theresian Society continues its Sunday meetings, August 20 (and September 17), between the Masses (approx. 9:00 a.m.). Please consider attending. Help us plan our Fall events. Even if you don't wish to join, we would appreciate your perspective and ideas.

#### 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 <a href="mailto:lgregory0530@gmail.com">lgregory0530@gmail.com</a>.

#### LITNIC SEASON IS IN FULL SWING AT ST. THERESE!

Litnics are Liturgy picnics. Litnics are particularly intended for Catholics in the host's neighborhood, but all parishioners are invited to Litnics. A Mass is celebrated in the home or the yard (the lit) followed by a potluck supper (the nic).

Come and enjoy the LAST Litnic of the season!! The entire parish is invited. It will be here at St. Therese over in the Pavilion on August 24. The Liturgy will start at 6:30 p.m. The Knights of Columbus and their lovely spouses are hosting. Please feel free to bring a dish to share. Contact Eric Scott at 757-920-3294 for more information.

## **GRATITUDE REPORT**

Annual Operating Budget FY2024: \$719,031.00 Amount needed per week to maintain budget is \$13,827.52

For the Weekend of August 12/13

Actual Plate Contributions towards operating budget totaled \$4,898.00

E-giving Operations support totaled \$2,917.00 Other donations not used for operations totaled \$1,136.00

Total Weekend Mass count Not Available

Total Weekend Mass Views 112
2nd Collection is September 3 & 4
Retired Religious

Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.



**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** There will be a meet and greet for all who are interested in the Prayer Shawl Ministry on Wednesday, August 23 at 2:00 p.m. Bring your projects to work on and pray over. Beginner lessons available for those interested. For more information, contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3.

THE MORNING BIBLE STUDY Group will resume its weekly meetings on Thursday, September 7. The group meets on Thursday mornings from 10:15 to 11:45 a.m. in the Meeting Room. Various sections or themes of the Bible are discussed in an informal setting. The first six sessions will be using the booklet "1-Corinthians: Living as Christians." New participants are always welcome and may join the group at any time. If interested, or would like more information, please call Sid Dugas at 804-642-5869 or email at spdugas@cox.net.

**UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION!!!** All of the staff here at St. Therese love serving our families and it starts with having all of your updated information. Please do so. Thank you all so much for your help!!



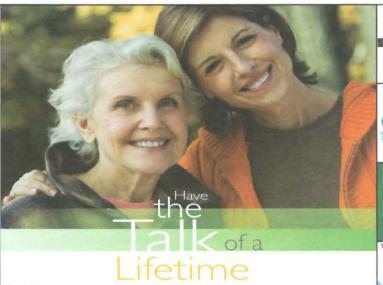
#### SAINT OF THE DAY

In the year 1111, at the age of 20, Bernard left his home to join the monastic community of Citeaux. His five brothers, two uncles, and some 30 young friends followed him into the monastery. Within four years, a dying community had recovered enough vitality to establish a new house in the

nearby valley of Wormwoods, with Bernard as abbot. The zealous young man was quite demanding, though more on himself than others. A slight breakdown of health taught him to be more patient and understanding. The valley was soon renamed Clairvaux, the valley of light.

His ability as arbitrator and counselor became widely known. More and more he was lured away from the monastery to settle long-standing disputes. On several of these occasions, he apparently stepped on some sensitive toes in Rome. Bernard was completely dedicated to the primacy of the Roman See. But to a letter of warning from Rome, he replied that the good fathers in Rome had enough to do to keep the Church in one piece. If any matters arose that warranted their interest, he would be the first to let them know. Shortly thereafter it was Bernard who intervened in a full-blown schism and settled it in favor of the Roman pontiff against the antipope. The Holy See prevailed on Bernard to preach the Second Crusade throughout Europe. His eloquence was so overwhelming that a great army was assembled and the success of the crusade seemed assured. The ideals of the men and their leaders, however, were not those of Abbot Bernard, and the project ended as a complete military and moral disaster. Bernard felt responsible in some way for the degenerative effects of the crusade. This heavy burden possibly hastened his death, which came August 20, 1153.

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