



# Alleluia

## Church of St. Therese the Little Flower

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*"The tomb of Christ, who is living, The glory of Jesus' resurrection;  
bright angels attesting, The shroud and napkin resting.  
Yes, Christ my hope is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you."*

-Victimae paschali laudes



**MARCH 31, 2024****PARISH STAFF**

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**MASSES AND INTENTIONS****Saturday, March 30**

8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

**Sunday, March 31**

9:00 a.m. Easter

**Sunday, March 31**

11:00 a.m. Easter

**Monday, April 1**

NO MASS

**Tuesday, April 2**

NO MASS

**Wednesday, April 3**8:00 a.m. Tony Sinisi  
Requested by  
Linda O'Connell**Thursday, April 4**

7:00 p.m. Souls in Purgatory

**Friday, April 5**7:00 p.m. Patrick Shea  
Requested by Robert &  
Eileen Shea**Saturday, April 6**

5:00 p.m. For the People

**Sunday, April 7**8:00 a.m. Mark Fitzpatrick (Healing)  
Requested by  
Edwina Fitzpatrick**Sunday, April 7**10:30 a.m. Marian Campbell  
Requested by Kay Campbell

**Blessed Sacrament Chapel Vase Flowers**  
are a perpetual living memorial for Anna Lupei.

**Tabernacle Candle Shines**  
in loving memory of Dan & Danny Loudermilk.

**The Parish Offices will be closed**  
**Easter Monday, April 1, 2024.**

**REMINDER** – Please call Deb at 804-693-5939 or email [b.manager@stthersglo.org](mailto:b.manager@stthersglo.org) if you would like to pick up your 2024 offertory envelopes. Thank you and I pray that you are Blessed by the Amazing Grace of God.

**DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Monday, April 1 – Octave of Easter** Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15  
**Tuesday, April 2 – Octave of Easter** Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18  
**Wednesday, April 3 – Octave of Easter** Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35  
**Thursday, April 4 – Octave of Easter** Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48  
**Friday, April 5 – Octave of Easter** Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14  
**Saturday, April 6 – Octave of Easter** Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15  
**Sunday, April 7 – Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)**  
Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

**SACRAMENTS**

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** – Contact Nadine McGrady to register at [N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org](mailto:N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org) or 804-693-5939, ext 3.

**\*RECONCILIATION\*** Reconciliation is every third Wednesday of the month from 6:15-6:45 p.m. OR BY APPOINTMENT.

**PARISH NEWS****FY2025 BUDGET REMINDER**

Parish budget building has begun for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2024. There are still a few ministries that haven't returned the budget preparation forms. Please do so **ASAP** so that Finance Council can determine funding needs for the upcoming year and submit a balanced budget to the Bishop by the May 15 deadline. Feel free to reach out to Deb at 804-693-5939 if you need additional information. Thank you for your help, patience and dedication!

**A BUCKET O' SHENANIGANS** – Well, well, well, tis time for another giveaway. "A Bucket O' Shenanigans" available to those needing some cheer. Just fill out a ticket near the office door. With Lots O' Love from the office.

**FLEA MARKET Y'ALL!!**

The Theresian Society will be having a Flea Market in the parish parking lot area on April 20th from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with a rain date of May 5th. Would you like to be a vendor? Two parking spaces for \$20.00 with a refundable \$20.00 deposit. Cash and Checks accepted. Make checks payable to The Theresian Society. Please contact Mindy Scott at 804-693-5939, ext. 1, or email me at [ThereseFleaMarket2024@gmail.com](mailto:ThereseFleaMarket2024@gmail.com) for more information.

**SOUP WITH LOVE**

Another successful week of Soup with Love on Friday, March 15, 2024: 77 souls were served with 20 helpers and earned \$522.81.

**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**

Grief Share will be on Sundays in the Meeting Room from 2:00-4:00 p.m. For more information, go to [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org).

**BINGO** – Bingo is played on Tuesday Nights. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and Bingo starts at 7:00 p.m. Concessions are available!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

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. Knights of Columbus will be having their monthly breakfast on April 14th in the Social Hall in between Masses.



# 2024 Easter Lily Donations

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 Phil and Mary Olekszyk  
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 in memory of all our loved ones  
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 Cathie Sobieski  
 Nancy Gunn  
 Anthony and Joan Gattuso  
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 Charles and Donna Harper  
 Linda Gregory  
 Linda O'Connell in memory of Bernard J. O'Connell, Jr.  
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 Doris Melancon  
 Rosa Rodriguez For Gierlak and Savalis Family Members



The Parish Staff would like to wish everyone many blessings this Easter and know that you all are in our prayers.

Thank you to everyone who have donated towards Easter flowers. We apologize if we have missed anyone who may have donated.



**THRESHOLD BIBLE STUDY** – The Evening Bible Study group plans to start up again beginning on Thursday, April 11, 2024. 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. We will finish up the Threshold Bible Study series, "MYSTERIES of the ROSARY" and plan to start the next book "EUCHARIST." If you are being called to join in a more intimate relationship with Christ, please join us for a deep, insightful, and rewarding study. For more information, please contact Jim Lee at 804-693-0826.

**GLORY AND PRAISE BOOKS** – We are offering back the Glory and Praise books that were donated on behalf of your loved ones or in someone's honor. Please pick them up on the table outside the office by the 17th of April. All books not retrieved by then will be sold at the Theresians' 2nd Annual Flea Market on the 20th of April.

#### JUSTICE AND CHARITY

Justice and Charity will be having a Caring for Creation Plant Swap on the weekend of April 20-21 after all Masses. As you clean, trim, and prepare your garden for spring, please put any extra plants in pots to share at the plant swap. You do not have to bring a plant to receive plants as they are gifts to be shared with others. Let's share God's blessings.

#### 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.

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

**COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND** – Contact the office or Linda Gregory at lgregory0530@gmail.com.

**GIVE THE GIFT OF LOVE** – Items knitted and crocheted by the Prayer Shawl Ministry are now available for gifting. Items are located on the table in the Social Hall by the white cabinet. Items are free for gifting. Gift a prayer shawl for any occasion – holidays, Confirmation, in support for, etc. Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org, or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for questions or for special requests.



#### ST. THERESE BOOK HOUSE

Check out St. Therese's outdoor community library located on Main Street near the Pocahontas Statue. Family-friendly books to take home and read – to keep or return. You may also donate books that you think others might enjoy.

#### OFFICE AIDE MINISTRY

Office is in need of help. Please sign up outside the office on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please call the office and ask Mindy or Deb for details.

**THE MORNING BIBLE STUDY** – The group meets from 10:15-11:45 a.m. each Thursday in the Meeting Room. Please call Sid Dugas at 642-5869 to sign up or to get more information.

#### PRAYING FOR THEIR RETURN – THE ST. MONICA MINISTRY

Do you know family members and/or friends who no longer practice the Catholic Faith? Do you pray for their return? You may be interested in becoming a pilot member of St. Therese's chapter of the St. Monica Ministry. The St. Monica Ministry is a dedicated community and prayer network offering hope and support to the families and friends of fallen-away Catholics. For more information contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org, or 804-693-5939, ext. 3.

## OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE

Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 2023/2024 \$719,300.00  
Amount needed per week to maintain budget is \$13,827.52

Not available at time of printing.

2nd Collection Schedule  
May 5th and June 2nd for MMR

Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.



#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR – VBS IS RETURNING!

Vacation Bible School will once again be available here at St. Therese this summer. The theme **Come to the Table** will engage our youth in understanding that everyone is welcome at God's table and hearing how Jesus spent a lot of time eating and talking with unexpected people. They will make new friends, sing fun songs, hear Bible stories, play active games, do art projects and science explorations, and dig into the Bible. Save these dates to join the fun – **June 24-28, 2024 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon**. Children, ages 4 through 5th grade, are invited to attend. Youth, 6th-12th grade, are encouraged to participate as team assistants. More information will be coming in future bulletins.

#### BECOME A VBS TEAM MEMBER

Want to join the VBS fun but have "aged out" of the attendee range? Become a VBS team members! Adults are needed to help with crafts, music, snacks, games, storytelling and more. VBS will be held June 24-28 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon. Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org, or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for questions or to join.

**THERESIANS MEETING** – The Theresians will meet next on Thursday, April 4th, in the Social Hall. The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. with a social time starting about 9:30 a.m. Please join us as we continue planning our events calendar for the coming year and fine tune some details for the Parking Lot Rummage Sale. (See Mindy Scott, coordinator, for Rummage Sale details and space reservations.)

**STAFF POSITION AT ST. THERESE** – We are seeking a faithful and passionate Catholic for part-time employment as Coordinator of Youth Ministry. The successful candidate will be one who strives to lead a life of personal holiness and has a shepherd's heart to search out and lead teens closer to Christ. He/she must have the energy to build our youth program. Applicants should have at least a Bachelor's Degree and/or experience in youth ministry. The position is responsible for overseeing the middle school and high school programs with vision, including sacramental preparation for Confirmation, with special attention given to empowering lay leadership among both adults and teens. Position begins July 1, 2024. Salary and benefits consistent with diocesan guidelines, qualifications, and experience. Send cover letter, resume, and Richmond Diocesan application ([www.richmonddiocese.org](http://www.richmonddiocese.org) – go to Directory>Human Resources>Employment & Benefits>Apply for a Job) by May 17 to the Chair of the Search Committee, Anne Patullo, at [adpatullo@gmail.com](mailto:adpatullo@gmail.com). For more information, you can call Father Gregory at 804-693-9043.

**THEATRE 'N' THEOLOGY** – Our Easter TNT (Theatre 'N' Theology) will be on *Friday, April 5*, beginning **promptly** at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to come to our **St. Therese Movie Theater** (the "Meeting Room"). After the movie (the "Theater" part), we discuss the relevance of the film to our life in Christ (the "Theology" part). We will have an intermission midway through the film, and if anyone wants to bring refreshments to share, we will have refreshments at intermission! Our Easter feature will be the 2008 film Paul VI: The Pope in the Tempest, Part I. From 1963 to 1978, the papacy of Pope Paul VI helped shape how the Catholic Church would confront the complexities of the modern world. Actor Fabrizio Gifuni gives a powerful and sensitive performance as Pope Paul VI. Facilitated by Fr. Gregory. All are welcome. Come watch a great movie with your brothers and sisters in Christ!



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