CHURCH OF ST. THERESE GLOUCESTER, VA

# JULY 14, 2024

### **MASSES AND INTENTIONS**

Saturday, July 13

5:00 p.m. Richard Carter (RIP)

Reg. by: Jim and Marta Lee

Sunday, July 14

8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of

St. Therese

10:30 a.m. Daniella La Fata

Req. by: Rosalia Leone

Monday, July 15

NO MASS

Tuesday, July 16

12:00 p.m. For the People

Wednesday, July 17

8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of

St. Therese

Thursday, July 18

12:00 p.m. Litnic Mass

Friday, July 19

12:00 p.m. For the People

Saturday, July 20

5:00 p.m. Zeleznick Family

Req. by Linda O'Connell

Sunday, July 21

8:00 a.m. For the People

10:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of

St. Therese

Blessed Sacrament Chapel vase flowers are a perpetual living memorial for Anna Lupei.

Tabernacle Candle shines in loving memory of Angelo Sobieski.

### OFFICE MINISTRY

Really? There isn't one family who needs their registration updated? Would you come into the office or call and update your registration information.

### **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 p.m. to 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 Igregory0530@gmail.com.

### **NEED A HUG?**

Pick up a Prayer Shawl from the display in the Parish Social Hall and be embraced in the warmth of God's Love. Or gift one to someone in need, celebrating a milestone event in their lives or just as a reminder that you care and are praying for them. Items are free for the gifting. Have something special in mind – different color or style? Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for special requests, questions or to join the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

## **DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Monday, July 15, 2024** – Saint Bonaventure Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34–11:1

Tuesday, July 16, 2024 – Weekday Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 17, 2024 – Weekday Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Mt 11:25-27 Thursday, July 18, 2024 – Saint Benedict, Abbot Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30

Friday, July 19, 2024 – Weekday Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8

**Saturday, July 20, 2024** – Weekday Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday, July 21, 2024 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

### **PARISH NEWS**

#### **BINGO**

Bingo is played on Tuesday Nights. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and Bingo starts at 7:00 p.m. Bingo could use some help working in the kitchen this summer and selling pull tabs. Many of our staff are out with surgeries. Additional help would be so appreciated.



#### JUSTICE AND CHARITY

Justice and Charity ministry will have a box in the Commons to collect school supplies for the Salvation Army from July 13-28. Book bags as well as general school supplies are needed. A list

of suggested supplies will be in the Commons. All

items will be distributed to students in need in Gloucester County. Thank you for your support.



#### SCHOOL IS OUT FOR THE SUMMER!

Please support the Food Pantry with cereal, peanut butter, jelly, biscuit mix, pancake mix and syrup, canned meats and pastas, granola bars, canned fruit (packed in water or fruit juice). The shopping cart is in the Social Hall.

#### THE G.U.E.S.T. DAY SHELTER IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS.

The shelter is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. If you can help, call 804-792-5046. If you are interested in making a monetary donation, make checks payable to GUEST and please put "Jubilee Churches" on the memo line. It will be used to assist people with utilities or housing.

#### 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.

#### 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.

### TRUE LIFE IN GOD PRAYER GROUP

Please join us for Bible readings, saying the Rosary, meditation, and discussions. Our main purpose is to pray for Christian Unity as our Holy Father Pope Francis has asked of us. Point of Contact is Trudy Vanderhoof. You may reach her at btcentauri@aol.com.

### 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 (804-693-5939) or email k.fallon@stthersglo.org.

#### THRESHOLD BIBLE STUDY

We meet for one hour starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from April to November. We plan to start the next book in the Threshold Bible Study Series, "EUCHARIST." If you are being called to 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.

#### MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The group will not meet during the summer months. Meetings will resume on Thursday, September 5th. Please call Sid Dugas at 642-5869 to sign up or to get more information.

#### **GRIEF SHARE**

Grief Share will start a new 13-week session on Sunday, August 4th. We will gather in the Meeting Room from 2:00-4:00 p.m. For more information, go to griefshare.org.

#### LITNIC SEASON IS WRAPPING UP! TWO DATES ARE AVAILABLE!

Litnics are now a venerable St. Therese summer tradition; they are Liturgy picnics, and here's how they work. Someone who wants to host a litnic calls the Parish Office and signs up for one of the posted available dates. They receive parish guidelines for hosting a litnic which must be read carefully. 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). Available dates for summer 2024 follow:

> July 18th - VanderMyde July 23rd - Mike and Ann Foster August 23rd - Available August 29th - Available

Margie & Matthew VanderMyde will be hosting a litnic on Thursday, July 18 at 6:00 p.m. at their home Address: 6774 Greenfield Lane,

Phone: 804-699-025

From church take a right on Belroi. Cross 17, you will go 3 miles on Belroi, turn right on Greenfield Lane. Go straight into the cul-de-sac. driveway is the left driveway. Parking in cul-de-sac or driveway is fine. Bring a lawn chair.

#### Mike & Ann Foster

The Litnic on Tuesday, July 23 will be at Ann and Mike Foster's home, 2685 Hawkins Avenue, Hayes at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a chair and something to share.

If you have any questions, call 804-815-8270. All are welcome!

If someone really wants to host a litnic and neither of the available dates are possible for them, please call Father Gregory at 804-693-9043 and we'll work something out!

Call the Parish Office now and sign up!

### PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE - NOVEMBER 12-21, 2024:

Join Father Gregory for an inspiring and customized pilgrimage to France. Our program traverses some of the most beautiful parts of France - from Normandy to Paris and to areas in and around Dijon, Annecy, and Geneva (in Switzerland). We will walk in the footsteps of some of the most important visionary men and women of faith - people who offered new ways to respond to the exigencies of their time, bringing the Gospel to life, people like our own St. Therese of Lisieux, our diocesan patron St. Vincent de Paul, St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, the patron saint of priests St. John Vianney (the Cure of Ars), St. Francis de Sales, and more! We will celebrate the Eucharist in historic venues and enjoy local cuisine and wine throughout our program. The itinerary is a feast for the soul, for the eyes, and for the palette - savoring the spiritual and cultural heritage of France. For more information about the itinerary, costs, and registration, visit our own pilgrimage website https://www. travelillume.com/trc/ary or call Illume at: 617-367-6757, ext. 128.

### **OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE**

June 30, 2024

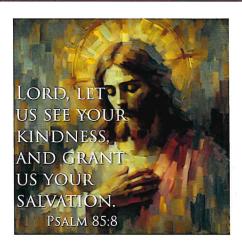
Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 23/24: \$719,300.00 Amount needed per week to maintain budget is \$13,827.52

Actual Plate Contributions: \$5,532.00

Egiving: \$2,237.00 Other Contributions: \$279.00 Weekly Grand Total: \$8,048.00 2nd Collection Schedule

1st Sunday of the Month is MMR Total weekend Mass count - 375

Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.



#### SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA

Saint of the Day: July 14

Patron Saint of: Environment and Ecology

Kateri Tekakwitha would be treated as a slave. Because she would not work on Sunday, Kateri received no food that day. Her life in grace grew rapidly. She told a missionary that she often meditated on the great dignity of being baptized. She was powerfully moved by God's love for human beings and saw the dignity of each of her people.

She was always in danger, for her conversion and holy life created great opposition. On the advice of a priest, Kateri stole away one night and began a 200-mile walking journey to a Christian Indian village at Sault St. Louis, near Montreal.

For three years she grew in holiness under the direction of a priest and an older Iroquois woman, giving herself totally to God in long hours of prayer, in charity, and in strenuous penance. At 23, Kateri took a vow of virginity, an unprecedented act for an Indian woman whose future depended on being married. She found a place in the woods where she could pray an hour a day—and was accused of meeting a man there!

Her dedication to virginity was instinctive: Kateri did not know about religious life for women until she visited Montreal. Inspired by this, she and two friends wanted to start a community, but the local priest dissuaded her. She humbly accepted an "ordinary" life. She practiced extremely severe fasting as penance for the conversion of her nation. Kateri Tekakwitha died the afternoon before Holy Thursday. Witnesses said that her emaciated face changed color and became like that of a healthy child. The lines of suffering, even the pockmarks, disappeared and the touch of a smile came upon her lips. She was beatified in 1980 and canonized in 2012.

Read the full article: "Saint Kateri Tekakwitha" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-kateri-tekakwitha/ (Accessed