CHURCH OF ST. THERESE GLOUCESTER, VA

NOVEMBER 17, 2024

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 16th

5:00 p.m. Bernard (Joe) O'Connell

by Linda O'Connell

Sunday, November 17th

8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. For the People Mark Z. Delar

by Leisa Strosnider

Monday, November 18th

No Mass

Tuesday, November 19th

12:00 p.m. Linus Riehle by Linda Gregory

Wednesday, November 20th

8:00 a.m.

Joseph Michael Revesz

by Joe Syslo

Thursday, November 21st

12:00 p.m.

Dru Adkins by Deb Kelly

Friday, November 22nd

No Mass

Saturday, November 23rd

5:00 p.m.

Carl Snyder

by Bob & Cheryl Davis

Sunday, November 24th

8:00 a.m.

For the people

10:30 a.m.

William Cleary by Patty Shaw

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

Tabernacle Candle shines in loving memory of Greg Linsmeyer, Sr.

Flower arrangements for November 17 by J.L. Parkin in memory of Arlene Edwards.



JUSTICE AND CHARITY: The Angel Tree will be in the Commons on November 16. The gift bags are for the children of migrant workers on the

Eastern Shore. Suggested items are on the tag attached to the gift bag. All items must fit in the bag. The tags are gifts for local children. Please return your unwrapped gifts or the gift bags by December 4. Be sure to attach the tag to your gifts. Thank you for helping to bring the joy of Christmas to others.

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 and selling pull tabs. Many of our staff are out with surgeries. Additional help would be so appreciated.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Children's Liturgy of the Word is available during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Children, ages three to 2nd grade are invited. Please contact Nadine McGrady for more information.

FOOD PANTRY – Please continue giving to the Food Pantry. The shopping cart is in the Social Hall. Please note their new addresses as well.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY – Our group meets on Thursday mornings from 10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. in the Meeting Room. New participants are always welcome and may join the group at any time. For more information, please call Sid Dugas at 804-642-5869 or email at spdugas@cox.net.

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. BYOK!!!

OLD GLORY – The Knights of Columbus will be collecting worn and tattered U.S. flags for proper disposal. A faded or torn flag should be retired properly and replaced with a vibrant new flag. Please bring in your old flags and place them in the *Old Soldier's Footlocker* which will be located in the Social Hall during November in honor of our Veterans. Thank you.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM is scheduled for the weekend of November 23/24. Please contact Father Gregory at 804-693-5939, ext. 7 or Nadine McGrady N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for more information.

TRUE LIFE IN GOD PRAYER GROUP – Please join us for Bible readings, saying the Rosary, meditation, and sharing. 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. We meet the 1st Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at the church in the Library.

CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS TO SERVE IN LITURGICAL MINISTRIES! Prayerfully consider which of the liturgical ministries you are drawn to. We need 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. Contact Kerry Fallon in the office at 804-693-5939 or email k.fallon@stthersglo.org.

THE FOUR PILLARS OF OUR FAITH – Join the Adult Faith Formation team for a study of the four pillars of our faith: the Creed, the Sacraments, Life in Christ, Prayer. We will begin with 12 weeks on the Creed, 3:00-4:30 p.m. Through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition we will explore what we believe and why we believe. You can order the workbook yourself through AscensionPress.com (click on "Bible Studies" and scroll down to "Pillar 1: The Creed"), or Kerry Fallon can order the book for you. Please contact Kerry Fallon in the office or via email, k.fallon@stthersglo.org.

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

THRESHOLD BIBLE STUDY – The Evening Bible Study group in the Threshold Bible Study series, "PEOPLE of the PASSION" will meet for 1 more week, November 21 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Jim Lee at 804-693-0826.

GIVE THE GIFT OF LOVE – Prayer shawls are available to gift for the holidays, holy days, birthdays and more. Slippers are now available and hats and scarves are on the way! Each is crafted with prayer, that the recipient knows they are loved not only by the giver but by our Lord, Jesus Christ. Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for special orders or for more information.

PARENTS, MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Kids only Funday will be held Saturday, December 21st from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 p.m. Crafts, games, and snacks will keep your little ones busy while you prepare for the holidays, take a nap, have a lunch date, etc. A sign-up sheet will be available the beginning of December. Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for questions or more information.

ADVENT IS COMING... Advent Candles, wreaths and holiday gift items are available in the Religious Goods cabinet located in the Commons next to the office. Items are first-come, first-served due to shipping delays. Special request or refill orders may not arrive before the holidays. Prices are marked on each item. Place donations in the designated box. Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for questions or more information.

EARLY BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE – Please submit bulletin announcements to office.1@stthersglo.org no later than **November 20th** for the December 1st bulletin.

OUR NEXT TNT (Theatre 'N' Theology) will be on *Friday, November 22*, 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 November feature will be the 2022 film *Father Stu.* It follows the life of Father Stuart Long, a boxer-turned-priest who inspired countless people during his journey from self-destruction to redemption. Stars Mark Wahlberg, Mel Gibson, and Malcolm McDowell. Rated PG-13. Facilitated by Fr. Gregory. All are welcome. Come watch a great movie with your brothers and sisters in Christ!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Blessed Julian of Norwich was an anchoress who lived in solitude in England in the late 14th century. Blessed Julian is a wonderful saint, who espouses a theology of the all-embracing fullness of divine love. On November 24, between the morning Masses, (starting about 9:15 a.m.), Father Gregory will present on Joy in Blessed Julian of Norwich in the Meeting Room. All are welcome, Catholic or not!



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament comes easily. Never feel worried if you find you have no thoughts at all while you are before the Blessed Sacrament. Never feel inadequate about being an Adorer even if you have not

developed a spirit of devotion, if you are numb, down and out, weakened by life. The all important factor is that you are before the Lord. Before Him who knows you inside-out. He reads your innermost thoughts and He still loves you immensely.

Imagine that!

St. John Vianney once compared Adoration to spiritual sunbathing. You are taking in the warmth of the grace and love radiating from the Sacred Host.

Join Deacon Jose for monthly Adoration and Benediction on November 20th from 6:00-7:00 p.m.



MUSIC IS WHAT FEELINGS SOUND LIKE... The Music Ministry is seeking a skilled pianist to play at Masses/liturgical services and church music programs. If you have a passion for sacred music, and feel moved to be

part of a dynamic ministry, contact Beverly Sabourin at 757-817-3698/musicministry@stthersglo.org.

OFFICE HOURS FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

The Parish Office will close at Noon on Wednesday, November 27th and reopen on Monday, December 2nd. Happy Thanksgiving!

GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS NOW AVAILABLE

If you are gluten-free and would like to receive gluten-free Body of Christ at Mass, please do the following:

- 1. Tell the Mass Coordinator when you arrive for Mass that you request gluten-free.
- 2. Go up for Communion in the middle line, and tell the Eucharistic Minister when you get to the front that you need glutenfree Communion.



DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS – See USCCB website for readings this week.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Church of St. Therese Youth Ministry

Grades 6 - 12

Sundays, 12:00 Noon to 1:30 p.m. at the YLC

YOUTH MINISTRY FOR NOVEMBER

Operation Christmas Child – November 3-17

The youth will be collecting small gift items, packing them in shoe boxes and dropping off the boxes at Newington Baptist Church. If you would like to donate items, the lists are posted on the bulletin board in the hallway to the Social Hall.

November 20 – Eucharistic Adoration from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Snacks in the Social Hall after.

YOUTH MINISTRY MOVIE NIGHT

All 6th through 12th grade students and their friends are invited to Movie Night at the YLC on Friday, November 22, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Come roast hot dogs and marshmallows at the pit and then watch *The Princess Bride* with popcorn.

YOUTH MINISTRY FUNDRAISER

The youth will be accepting donations to offset the cost of attendance at the Diocesan Youth Conference to be held in February of 2025. The youth will be wrapping holiday gifts for you during the Kids Only Funday on Saturday, December 21 from 12:00-3:00 p.m. at the YLC. Wrapping paper will be available, but if there is a special paper you want used, feel free to bring it.

2024 ADVENT SCHEDULE

December 1 – First Sunday of Advent

December 4 - Advent Reconciliation Service at St. Therese, 7:00 p.m.

December 8 - Second Sunday of Advent

December 9 - Immaculate Conception Masses at Noon & 6:00 p.m.

December 15 – Third Sunday of Advent

December 18 – Advent Reconciliation Service at Church of the Visitation, 6:30 p.m.

December 18 – Adoration, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

December 19 – Advent Reconciliation Service at St. Francis de Sales, 6:30 p.m.

December 21 - Kids only Funday, 12:00-3:00 p.m.

December 21 – YM Wrapping Fundraiser

December 22 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22 - Christmas Music Program, 3:00 p.m.

December 24 - Christmas Eve Masses at 5:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

December 25 - Christmas Day Mass at 10:00 a.m.

OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE

Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 24/25: \$699,286.00 Amount needed per week to maintain budget is \$13,447.81

November 3, 2024

Actual Plate Contributions: \$6,634.00

E-giving: \$4,492.00

Other Contributions: \$1,577.50

Weekly Grand Total: \$12,703.50 Weekend Mass Count: 341 2nd Collection Schedule

Christmas flower intentions start November 24 and end December 15

November 30/December 1 MMR December 7/8 Retired Religious December 24/25 Catholic Charities



Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.