CHURCH OF ST. THERESE GLOUCESTER, VA

JANUARY 26, 2025

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 25th

5:00 p.m. Karl Hartkopf by Ruth Hartkopf

Sunday, January 26th

8:00 a.m. Carl and Pat Snyder

by Jeri and Tom Trudeau

Sunday, January 26th

10:30 a.m. For the People

Monday, January 27th

No Mass

Tuesday, January 28th

For the People

Wednesday, January 29th

8:00 a.m. For the People Thursday, January 30th

12:00 p.m. For the People

Friday, January 31st

12:00 p.m. For the People

Saturday, February 1st

5:00 p.m. Mary Regan by Carolyn Hoover

Sunday, January 2nd

8:00 a.m. For the People

10:30 a.m. Salvatore Leone, Jr. by Rosalia Leone

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

Tabernacle Candle shines in loving memory of Vera Bauer, Dina David, Arbeu and

Guadalupe Galang

Flower arrangements provided by

Michael Weathers in memory of Cathy Weathers

STUDY GROUP ON

BLESSED JULIAN OF NORWICH will begin on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, at 11:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room. The book we will use will be *The Showings of Julian of Norwich*, published by Paulist Press (The Classics of Western Spirituality). Facilitated by Fr. Gregory. <u>All</u> are welcome!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Church has a long history burdened with weakness and sinfulness but still the instrument of the Kingdom of God and the germ of a new creation. On **February 16**, between the morning Masses (starting about 9:15 a.m.), Father Gregory will give an overview of **Church History** in the Meeting Room. All are welcome, Catholic or not!

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.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Our group meets on Thursday mornings from 10:15-11:45 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. or call Kim Green at 804-824-1073 or email at kwg853@ yahoo.com.

OUR NEXT TNT (THEATRE 'N' THEOLOGY) will be on Friday, February 21, 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 February feature will be the 1966 British film A Man for All Seasons. It's a splendid film based on Robert Bolt's play about St. Thomas More's personal conflict when King Henry VIII asks his support in a break with the Pope and formation of the Church of England. Paul Scofield's rich characterization of St. Thomas is matched by a superb cast starring Wendy Hiller, Leo McKern, Robert Shaw, Orson Welles, Susannah York, John Hurt, and Vanessa Redgrave. Vivid atmosphere. Six Oscars: Best Actor, Director, Picture, Screenplay (Robert Bolt), Cinematography, and Costumes. Facilitated by Fr. Gregory. All are welcome. Come watch a great movie with your brothers and sisters in Christ!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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 beginning in January, 2025. Third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Jesus is Our Hope in the Blessed Sacrament.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The sign-up calendar for altar flowers needs your attention. We have weekends available between now and Ash Wednesday (March 5th), and more available after Pentecost (June 8th). Consider how beautiful our altar looks with your arrangement or even flowering/foliage plants. Remember your donation keeps on giving after the weekend Mass as it is placed in the chapel or before the statue of St. Therese for all to enjoy. Arts and Environment appreciates your help making the altar beautiful.

KITCHEN/PANTRY CLOSURE

The kitchen/pantry facilities will be closed from January 29th through February 7th for repairs.

BINGO

There will be no Bingo on Tuesday, February 4th.

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.



FOOD PANTRY

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

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!!!

JUSTICE AND CHARITY

The GUEST Homeless Shelter needs our help. Volunteers are needed for the Night Shelter. Night Shelter will be held at different churches, rotating to a new location each week. The Day Shelter will be open 7 days a week 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. during the winter. Volunteers are needed to help staff the Day Shelter, especially on weekends. If you are willing to volunteer, you can sign up at guestshelter.org, call GUEST at 804-792-5046 or contact Ann Foster at anntgfoster@gmail.com. Training opportunities will be coming in the near future. Anything you can do to help would be greatly appreciated.

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 first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at the Church in the library.

LADIES FIAT90

We are beginning a 90-day ladies group, January 20th to Easter Sunday, meeting weekly. Contact Kerry Fallon at kfallon@stthersglo. org or Karen Melendez at karenmelendez34@gmail.com to learn more. Come grow in faith, community and God's grace with us! Fiat-90.com Weekly day and time to be determined.



SAVE THE DATE

Anchored in Christ Retreat Saturday, March 29, 2025 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

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 second pillar of our faith: The Sacraments. We will begin in January for 12 weeks on Saturdays from, 3:00-4:30 p.m. You can order the workbook yourself through AscensionPress.com (click on "Bible Studies" and scroll down to "Pillar 2: The Sacraments"), or Kerry Fallon can order the book for you. Please contact Kerry Fallon in the office or via email, k.fallon@ stthersglo.org.

GIVE THE GIFT OF LOVE

Prayer shawls are available to gift for the holidays, holy days, birthdays and more. Slippers, hats and scarves are now available! Each is crafted with the 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.



2025 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: SHARING HIS LOVE WITH OTHERS

Welcome to the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal -Sharing His Love with Others.

The 2025 Appeal will provide critical funding to three key areas of our Diocesan Church: Empowering the Next Generation, Providing for Those in Need, and Strengthening Catholic Communities.

In addition, our parish receives back a portion of the funds collected. This year, the funds returned will be used to support the building of a playground here at St. Therese. In complement to the funds returned to our parish through the parish sharing formula, the 2025 Appeal also benefits us through the Fuel & Hunger Fund grant.

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.

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 January Calendar

- Students meet at the YLC all four Sundays
- Wednesday, January 29 Adoration

Save the date: Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage

We will not be going to Rome, but we can still go on a pilgrimage.

Plan on joining the youth of the church on a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Richmond. The Youth Ministry Program is sponsoring a Pilgrimage during this Jubilee Year of Hope to the diocesan church. A plenary indulgence can be received by going to Reconciliation, Eucharist and praying for your loved ones. Everyone is invited. More information will follow in future bulletins.

To all St. Therese Parishioners:

Youth Ministry would like to thank all those who have expressed concern and offered help as well as those who have donated financially to the upcoming event. There are three young persons attending the Diocesan Youth Conference in Richmond because of your love and support. Please continue to pray for them and their success from attending this event.



ATTENTION PLEASE:

PARISH REGISTRATION INFORMATION

parish. Forms are located in the Commons next to the office entrance. Current members: We appreciate having your current information on file, including telephone numbers added or deleted, address updates and existing household members. Call the office and confirm your data as we have several folks with outdated land line phone numbers and no current way to reach out. Thanks for your cooperation!

Welcome, new parishioners! Please register with the

OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE

For the weekend of January 12, 2025

Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 24/25 \$699,286.00 Amount needed per week to maintain budget is \$13,447.81 Actual Plate Contributions: \$4,072.00

E-giving: \$2,577.00 Other Contributions: \$1,264.00 Weekly Grand Total: \$7,913.00 Weekend Mass Count: 214

> 2nd Collection Schedule February 1/2 - MMR

Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.



2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Please call Deb at 804-693-5939 to pick yours up.

2024 OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTION LETTERS

Happy New Year! For your tax purposes, 2024 donation statements were mailed by January 17, 2025. Please call Deb in the Business Office if you didn't receive one or have questions. Thank you for your continued generosity and God Bless [] .