

# FEBRUARY 16, 2025

## MASSES AND INTENTIONS

### Saturday, February 15th

5:00 p.m. For the People

### Sunday, February 16th

8:00 a.m. Vickie Christman

by Mike and Robin Koch

10:30 a.m. For the People

### Monday, February 17th

No Mass

### Tuesday, February 18th

No Mass

### Wednesday, February 19th

No Mass

### Thursday, February 20th

No Mass

### Friday, February 21st

No Mass

### Saturday, February 22nd

5:00 p.m. Patrick Shea

by Eileen and Robert Shea

### Sunday, February 23rd

8:00 a.m. Marlene Sanders

by Mike and Robin Koch

10:30 a.m. For the People

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

Tabernacle Candle Shines in loving memory of John and Nora Campbell

Flower arrangements provided by

Linda Gregory in Memory of Irene Riehle



### THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

The Men of St. Joseph meet weekly on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room.



### 2025 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:

#### SHARING HIS LOVE WITH OTHERS

Supporting the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal is about providing for 21 important ministries of our Catholic Church. For example, did you know that the Appeal:

- Provides formation opportunities for youth and young adults aimed at community building, prayer, worship, service, and education.
- Expands opportunities for college students to deepen their commitment to the Catholic Church.
- Funds the cost of room, board, tuition, and health insurance for our seminarians.

To see the full list of ministries supported by the Appeal, please visit [richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal](http://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal).

### DIOCESE OF RICHMOND FUEL AND HUNGER FUND

The Church of St. Therese has been awarded \$4,500.00 from the Diocese Fuel and Hunger Fund! These funds are available through the generous support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal by the people of the diocese. Thank you for your continued commitment and support.

### 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. Any additional help you can provide would be so appreciated.

Note: There will be NO Bingo on March 4th.

### 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 the Third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Jesus is Our Hope in the Blessed Sacrament.** The next Adoration will be Wednesday, February 19th.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation has been rescheduled to **February 26th** at 6:15 p.m.



### IS YOUR CHILI UP TO THE CHALLENGE? COME TEST IT OUT

AT THE 1ST ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF, on February 16, after the

10:30 Mass. Sign-up sheet is in the Commons; sign up to bring a delicious pot of your homemade chili, or to bring cornbread muffins or desserts. Youth Group will be judging this year's entries.

### 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

Are you considering the common practice of giving up something for Lent? This year, instead of giving up something, you may want to do something extra. Joining the Morning Bible Study group could be just the thing! Beginning on Thursday, March 6th, which is the day after Ash Wednesday, the group will begin using a special seven-session booklet, *"With Jesus to the Cross – Year C: Lenten Guide on the Sunday Mass Readings."* Each week, the readings for the upcoming Sunday will be discussed. The group meets in the Meeting Room from 10:15-11:45 a.m. each Thursday. To sign up or get more information, please call Sid Dugas at 642-5869 or email at [spdugas@cox.net](mailto:spdugas@cox.net) or Kim Green at 804-824-1073 or email at [kwg853@yahoo.com](mailto:kwg853@yahoo.com).



### FOOD PANTRY

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

### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Church has a long history burdened with weakness and sinfulness but is 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!

**OUR NEXT TNT (Theater 'N' Theology)** will be on **Friday, February 28** (note the date change), 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!

**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!!! The next scheduled K of C breakfast will be March 9th between the Masses.



**American Red Cross**

**DONATE BLOOD**

2025 Gloucester County Blood Drive here at Church of St. Therese on Monday, February 24th, 12:00-6:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment, please visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code GCVa or call Mary Beth at 757-876-7046.

**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](mailto:btcentauri@aol.com). We meet the First Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at the church in the library.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Anchored in Christ Retreat**, Saturday, March 29, 2025, 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Childcare will be available! Scan the QR code for more information. (Please note the QR code revision.)

**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](mailto: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 began in January and will meet for 12 weeks on Saturdays from **3:00-4:30 p.m.** You can order the workbook yourself through [AscensionPress.com](http://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 at [k.fallon@stthersglo.org](mailto:k.fallon@stthersglo.org).

**GIVE THE GIFT OF LOVE**

Prayer shawls are available to gift for 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](mailto:N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org) or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for special orders or for more information.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

Church of St. Therese Youth Ministry  
Grades 6-12  
Sundays, 12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m. at the YLC

**YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR****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.

**MARCH IS  
NATIONAL COLORECTAL CANCER  
AWARENESS MONTH**

Life Line Screening will be offering preventive health screenings on **Wednesday, March 19, 2025**. As part of the screening event, Life Line Screening will offer low-cost take-home colorectal cancer tests called FIT (Fecal Immunochemical Test) in recognition of March as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. These tests are simple, accurate, and recommended for the early detection of colorectal cancer. According to the Centers for Disease Control, the risk of developing colorectal cancer increases with age. More than 90% of cases occur in people aged 50 and older.

Other preventive screenings provided check for stroke risk, abdominal aortic aneurysms, and osteoporosis. Church of St. Therese is pleased to make these important screenings available by hosting Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings. Please see the poster on the bulletin board in the Hall.

For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call **1-844-591-7160** or go to <https://www.lla.social/hsca> or **text** the word **circle** to **216-279-1607**. Preregistration is required.

**OFFICE CLOSURE**

The parish offices will be closed on Monday, February 17th for Presidents' Day.

**ARE YOU RECEIVING NOTIFICATIONS?**

Your registration information may need updating. Please contact the parish office with updates on address, phone number or name changes.

**WELCOME, NEW PARISHIONERS!** Please register with the parish. Forms are located in the Commons next to the office entrance.

**OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE**

**For the weekend of February 2, 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: \$6,367.00**  
**E-giving: \$2,242.00**

**Other Contributions: \$1,052.50**

**Weekly Grand Total: \$9,661.50**

**Total Weekend Mass Count: 382**

**2nd Collection Schedule**

March 2nd MMR

March 16th Catholic Relief Services

Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.

**SEE YOUR ESTATE PLAN IN A NEW WAY...**

If you have planned a vacation, you can plan your legacy and estate. It can feel overwhelming or complicated to create a plan. It does not have to be. You already know who is important to you and what you want to do for them. Planning your estate can provide peace for your loved ones.

Your values, goals and ambitions are all part of your life's story – they are your legacy. You worked for it, now it should work for you. Visit [freewill.com/richmondcatholicfoundation](http://freewill.com/richmondcatholicfoundation).



*A cup of tea is an excuse  
to share great thoughts with great minds.*

*You're  
Invited!*

Afternoon Tea

Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

12:00 Noon – 2:00 PM

Parish Social Hall

All are welcome

R.S.V.P. form below to  
Nadine McGrady  
by Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies or Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

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Place in box on cart in the commons by February 26th



Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>

6:00 – 8:00 PM

Parish Social Hall

Sign-up in the Parish Commons



Food, Fun and  
Fellowship!

**Pancakes**

**Bacon**

**Sausage**

**Beignets**

And more!



# Anchored in Christ

As we go about our very busy lives, it is good to take some time to sit back and reflect on our journey of faith.



We invite you to a day-long spiritual retreat, "Anchored in Christ" led by Deacon Jose' and Karen Melendez on Saturday, March 29th 8:30am to 6:00 pm at St. Therese.