

**MARCH 9, 2025****MASSES AND INTENTIONS****Saturday, March 8th**

5:00 p.m. Salvatore Leone, Jr.  
by Rosalia Leone

**Sunday, March 9th**

8:00 a.m. For the People  
10:30 a.m. Betty Stevenson  
by Leisa and Dan Strosnider

**Monday, March 10th**

No Mass

**Tuesday, March 11th**

12:00 p.m. For the People

**Wednesday, March 12th**

8:00 a.m. For the People

**Thursday, March 13th**

No Mass

**Friday, March 14th**

10:00 a.m. Linus Riehle by Linda Gregory

**Saturday, March 15th**

5:00 p.m. Daniela LaFata by Rosalia Leone

**Sunday, March 16th**

8:00 a.m. Ronald & Betty Shalaski  
by Joanne and Ed Kizer

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 the Gunther/Carrington families and friends

**2025 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:  
SHARING HIS LOVE WITH OTHERS**

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

Please make *physical checks* to **CDR Annual Appeal and remit to PO Box 79212 Baltimore, MD 21279-0212**. Thank you for your continued support!

**GUEST HOMELESS SHELTER NEEDS**

The GUEST Shelter is in need of the following items: paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates, kitchen size 13-gallon trash bags, Lysol wipes, ground coffee, cereal, granola bars, Pop Tarts, liquid hand soap, laundry detergent pods. There is a box outside of the office to deposit items.

**MINISTRY BUDGETS**

Attention Ministry Chairs of the Parish: Your 8-month budget figures have been distributed for your use in preparing your fiscal 2025-2026 budget submissions which are due to the Bishop May 15, 2025. Please return your budget request to Deb in the Business Office by April 1, 2025 so that Finance Council can compile and prepare the annual parish budget submission. Reach out to Deb at 804-693-5939 with any questions or [b.manager@stthersglo.org](mailto:b.manager@stthersglo.org). Thank you for your cooperation!

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

The next social event at the parish is the **St. Patrick's Day** dinner! This will take place on March 15th after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. The menu will consist of corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, Irish soda bread, and cupcakes for dessert. Come enjoy a night of great food and great times with your parish family!! There is a sign-up sheet in the commons so that we know how much food to prepare!

**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.

**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 Adoration and Benediction Wednesday, March 19th at 6:00 p.m. Jesus is Our Hope in the Blessed Sacrament.**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be March 19th at 6:15 p.m.

**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! The group began last week 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).

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

The Eucharistic liturgy is the source and the summit of our Christian life each week. To understand better this Mass at which we worship, on **March 16**, between the morning Masses (starting about 9:15 a.m.), Father Gregory will speak on **The Structure of the Mass** in the Meeting Room. All are welcome, Catholic or not!

**OUR LENTEN TNT**

Our Lenten TNT (Theater 'N' Theology) takes place on *Friday, March 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 Lenten feature is the 2011 film *Courageous*. It's about some law enforcement officers who willingly stand up to the worst the world can offer, yet at the end of the day they face a challenge that none of them are truly prepared to tackle: fatherhood. Rated PG-13. Facilitated by Fr. Gregory. All are welcome. Come watch a great movie with your brothers and sisters in Christ!



**FOOD PANTRY**

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

**THE THERESIAN SOCIETY**

Anyone and Everyone should consider joining us on Wednesday, March 26th, from 1:00-3:00 p.m., in the Social Hall for **"Cooking For Crowds," a food safety course** presented by Virginia Cooperative Extension.

**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.

The next K of C Fish Fry will be Friday, March 21st, 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall.

**SHIRTS FOR ORDER**

If you'd like a St. Therese polo, sweatshirt, or youth T-shirt, place your order using the link no later than March 14th. Orders can either be mailed directly to you or to the church. Visit <https://sttherese.deco-apparel.com/>.

**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, 8:30-6:00 p.m. Childcare will be available! Scan the QR code for more information.



**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, [k.fallon@stthersglo.org](mailto: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](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 12:00-1:30 p.m. at the YLC

**LIFE LINE SCREENING** will be offering preventive health screenings on **Wednesday, March 19, 2025**. Church of St. Therese will be hosting Life Line Screening. Please see the poster on the bulletin board in the hall. To **schedule an appointment**, call **1-844-591-7160** or go to <https://www.lisa.social/hsca> or **text** the word **circle** to **216-279-1607**. Preregistration is required.

**LENTEN SCHEDULE**

March 9th	First Sunday of Lent
March 14th	Soup With Love, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – Social Hall
March 15th	Stations of the Cross, 7:00 p.m. – Sanctuary
March 15th	St. Patrick's Day Dinner after 5:00 p.m. Mass – Social Hall
March 16th	Second Sunday of Lent
March 19th	Reconciliation, 6:15 p.m.
March 19th	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 6:00 p.m.
March 21st	Soup With Love, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – Social Hall
March 21st	Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, 5:00-7:00 p.m. – Social Hall
March 21st	TNT, 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room
March 23rd	Third Sunday of Lent

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**

Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and **reveal Christ's love** to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).



**NEW TO ST. THERESE?**

Welcome new parishioners! Please register with the parish office. Forms are located in the commons next to the office entrance. Current parishioners; your registration information may need updating. Please contact the parish office with updates on address, phone number or name changes.

**OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE**

**For the weekend of February 23, 2025**

Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 24/25	\$699,286.00
Amount needed per week to maintain budget	\$13,447.81
Actual Plate Contributions:	\$4,949.00
E-giving:	\$4,172.00
Other Contributions:	\$712.50
Weekly Grand Total:	\$9,833.50
Total Weekend Mass Count:	369

**2nd Collection Schedule**

March 15th/16th – Catholic Relief Services

Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.



# Jubilee 2025

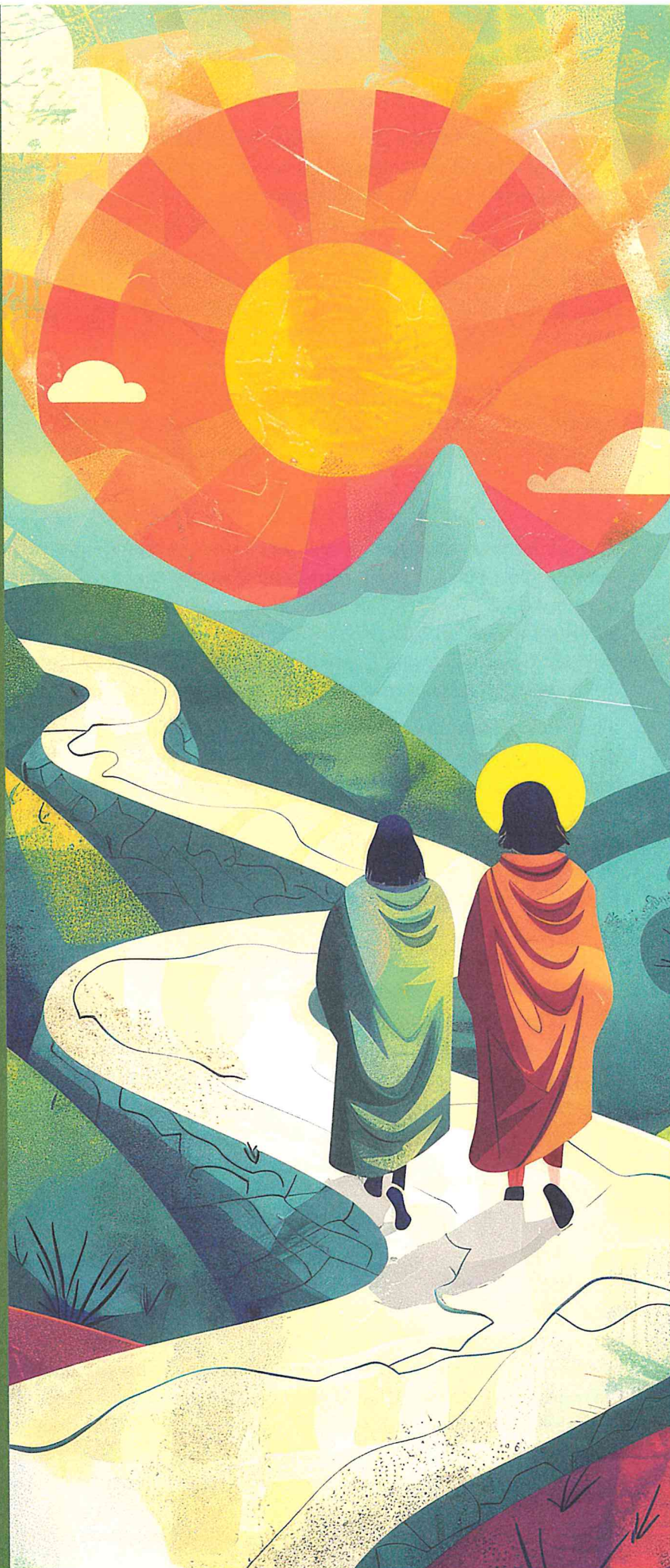
## We Are Pilgrims of Hope

On May 9, 2024 Pope Francis solemnly announced that the Church's Jubilee year 2025 "will be a Holy Year marked by a lively experience of grace and an opportunity to be renewed in the hope that does not fade, our hope in God. May it help us to recover the confident trust that we require, in the Church and in society, in our interpersonal relationships, in international relations, and in our task of promoting the dignity of all persons and respect for God's gift of creation. May the witness of believers be for our world a leaven of authentic hope, a harbinger of new heavens and a new earth, where men and women will dwell in justice and harmony, in joyful expectation of the fulfilment of the Lord's promises."

"Hope is the virtue that gives inward direction and purpose to the life of believers so that we may bear credible and attractive witness to the faith and love that dwell in our hearts; that our faith may be joyful and our charity enthusiastic; and that each of us may be able to offer a smile, a small gesture of friendship, a kind look, a ready ear, a good deed, in the knowledge that, in the Spirit of Jesus, these can become, for those who receive them, rich seeds of hope."

## Our Pilgrimage Journey to and with Jesus

A pilgrimage is both an outer journey to a sacred place, and an inner journey to meet Christ and deepen our relationship with him. Thus Pope Francis desires that this Jubilee Year be a time "to encourage and sustain the hope that guides our steps towards the goal of a genuine, personal encounter with the risen Lord Jesus, who is not only the destination of our earthly pilgrimage but also a constant presence in our lives. I invite everyone to place their trust in the Lord who not only guides us, but is God-with-us, who loves us and walks with us in every circumstance of life. He shows us the path of love, lifts us up when we fall and supports us in our labors, opens our eyes to see our wretchedness and that of the world, but at the same time fills us with hope."



## THE MEANING OF THE JUBILEE LOGO: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The official logo of the 2025 Jubilee Year shows four colorful pilgrims, who symbolize all of humanity coming from all directions on their common journey to Christ. As they embrace each other in unity, the figure in front grasps the cross, which is the sign of our hope that united with Jesus we will also move through our death to new life. The elongated cross also changes at its base into an anchor, which was an ancient sign of hope because sailors used the anchor to stabilize ships during storms. So during the challenges of our daily lives and the events of the wider world symbolized by the rough waves beneath the pilgrims, hope keeps us focused on the goal of our pilgrimage to draw ever closer to encounter the Risen Christ.



### WHAT IS A JUBILEE YEAR?

The jubilee year (from the Hebrew word *yobel*, meaning horn, which was blown to proclaim the year's beginning) is an ancient Jewish tradition (see Leviticus 25:8-17, 29-31) of pardon and reconciliation celebrated every 50 years (after a "sabbath of sabbaths," 7 x 7 years) when the community imitated God's mercy and forgiveness by forgiving debts and by each family returning to its own land and not cultivating it that year.

This jubilee tradition was first adapted for Catholics in 1300 by Pope Boniface VIII as a universal "year of forgiveness of all sins." Since that time the "ordinary" jubilee years have usually been at 50 or now 25 year intervals (the last was in 2000), with other "extraordinary" jubilee years declared for special reasons like that of Mercy in 2015. Jubilee years are characterized especially by prayer, good works, pilgrimages to sacred sites (especially Rome), cultural events and special indulgences for those who participate.

### THE HOLY DOOR OF ST. PETER'S

Since the 1500's, the ceremonial opening at St. Peter's Basilica of the usually locked massive bronze Holy Door (also called the "Door of the Great Pardon" since its 16 panels portray various biblical scenes of sin and redemption) begins each Jubilee Year. After reciting specific prayers and invoking the Holy Spirit, the Pope pushes open the door and enters the Church, inviting pilgrims likewise to renew their spiritual journey and cross the threshold.



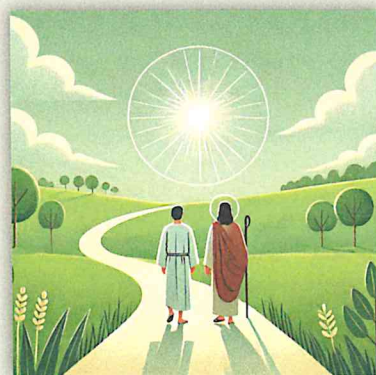
The opening of the Holy Door invites the faithful to embark on a journey of even deeper faith. Crossing the threshold of the door is a powerful act, inspired by Jesus' words in John 10:9, "I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture." This passage highlights the transformative experience of entering through the Holy Door, symbolizing the decision to follow Jesus, the Good Shepherd. The door serves as a physical and spiritual gateway, leading pilgrims into the sacred space of the church and inviting them to renew their commitment to their faith.

## 2025 JUBILEE PRAYER PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Father in heaven,  
may the faith you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators  
of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation of a  
new heaven and a new earth, when,  
with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever. *Amen.*



For more information on the 2025  
Jubilee Year of Hope and how you may  
participate more fully see the Vatican's  
official website at  
[www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html](http://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html)