

APRIL 6, 2025

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 5th

5:00 p.m. Linda Luy Sayson
by Rowena and Tom Fauber

Sunday, April 6th

8:00 a.m. Theresa Meyers by Carol Birch
10:30 a.m. For the People

Monday, April 7th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 8th

12:00 p.m. For the People

Wednesday, April 9th

8:00 a.m. For the People

Thursday, April 10th

12:00 p.m. For the People

Friday, April 11th

10:00 a.m. Michael Marcenelle
by Jose' and Karen Melendez

Saturday, April 12th

5:00 p.m. Therese Allen by Floyd Allen

Sunday, April 13th

8:00 a.m. For the People
10:30 a.m. Carroll Steffensmeier
by Leisa Strosnider

Sacrament Chapel vase flowers are a perpetual living memorial for Anna Lupei. Tabernacle Candle Shines in loving memory of the Frederick Wm. Chapman.

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.

Please note: There will be **no Bingo** Tuesday, April 15th.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SERVICE

The Sacrament of Reconciliation service will be April 10th at 7:00 p.m.

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 on April 30th at 6:00 p.m. Jesus is Our Hope in the Blessed Sacrament.**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Spread the Good News to all the World!

Children's Liturgy of the Word is seeking people to join the team and spread the Good News to the youngest members of our parish.

Children's Liturgy is available at the 10:30 a.m. Mass using the same readings and Gospel proclaimed in the sanctuary, but in simpler language.

Please contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org for more information or to join the team.

GriefShare

Grief is a terrible journey to be on alone. Grief Share uses Scripture to support anyone who is suffering grief from the death of a loved one. Participants meet weekly for 13 weeks for approximately two hours. If you or anyone you know needs to be supported on their grief journey, this group may be just what is needed. Go to Griefshare.org to read about the program and to register free of charge.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Join the Morning Bible Study group. The group is 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 or Kim Green at 804 824-1073 or email at 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.



SOUP WITH LOVE

Soup with Love served 68 souls and earned \$517.00 with 18 servers on March 21 and served 70 souls and earned \$502.00 with 26 servers on March 28.



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 K of C Fish Fry will be Friday, April 11th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall.

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.



SAVE THE DATE

The Annual Theresian Craft Bazaar is back! After a short hiatus, the Bazaar will take place this year. Save October 18, 2025, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. here at the church. All crafters and vendors are invited to register for a table space. Contact Margie at: margie.bazaar@yahoo.com.

THRESHOLD BIBLE STUDY

Thursday evening Bible Study will be changing to afternoons, 3:00 p.m. at Jim Lee's home at 5489 Hickory Fork Road, Gloucester. It's located between Wawa and Belroi Market. Call Jim at 804-693-0826 if you are interested or have questions. The next book is Threshold Bible Study Series' *Peacemaking and Non-violence*.

PLANT SWAP

Justice and Charity Ministry will be having a **Caring for Creation Plant Swap** on the weekend of April 26-27 after all the Masses. As you clean, trim, and prepare your garden for spring, please put any extra plants in pots to share at the plant swap. You do not have to bring a plant to receive plants as they are gifts to be shared with others. Let's share God's blessings.

VBS PLANNING TIME!

VBS is scheduled for June 23-27, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon. Our theme this year is "Passport to Peace." Team members are needed for storytelling, crafts, music, snacks and activities.

Contact Nadine McGrady for more information or to join the team.

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.

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Church of St. Therese Youth Ministry
Grades 6-12

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

Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, April 20, after 11:00 a.m. Mass
Ages 0-10

Bring your own basket!



EASTER FLOWERS

Easter lily memorial donations will be accepted through Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025 for preparation of the contribution insert that will go into the Easter Sunday bulletin. Thank you for your continued support!

OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE

For the weekend of March 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	\$4,177.00
E-giving	\$5,117.00
Other Contributions	\$837.50
Weekly Grand Total	\$10,131.50
Total Weekend Mass Count:	346



Please use the QR code for Mobile giving:

The Holy Spirit brought the early Church alive by giving individuals gifts that would sustain the Church. By sharing your gifts, you can keep the Church alive for years to come. Don't miss the chance to make an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift this year! If you are 70 1/2 or older, please consider making an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution before December 31. You can make a gift up to \$108,000.00 directly from your IRA to our parish.

For more information about how you and the Church can benefit from an IRA qualified charitable contribution, contact your IRA administrator, tax preparer, or the parish office.

LENTEN/EASTER SCHEDULE

April 6th	5th Sunday of Lent Daffodil Festival, 12:00 Noon-5:00 p.m.
April 10th	Lent Reconciliation Service, 7:00 p.m.
April 11th	Mass, 10:00 a.m. – Chapel Soup With Love, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – Social Hall Knights of Columbus Fish Fry 5:00-7:00 p.m. – Social Hall
–	Stations of the Cross, 7:00 p.m. – Sanctuary
April 13th	Palm Sunday, Mass 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
April 17th	Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:00 p.m.
April 18th	Divine Mercy Prayer Group, 3:00 p.m. – Chapel Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 7:00 p.m. (Parish Offices closed)
April 19th	Easter Baskets Blessing, 10:00 a.m. Easter Vigil Mass Holy Saturday, 8:00 p.m.
April 20th	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Masses, 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Youth Easter Egg Hunt following the 11:00 a.m. Mass
April 21st	Easter Monday – Parish Offices closed

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please note there are early bulletin deadlines for submittals for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday bulletins. Contact the office for information.



CHURCH OF ST. THERESE WELCOMES YOU!

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.

RECONCILIATION

Reflection on John 8:1-11

Last Sunday, in the story of the Prodigal Son, we were given that compelling image of the long road, with two figures at either end, and saw how that image assured us that our God is always looking for us, waiting to embrace us in love and forgiveness. And we also saw how that image challenged us to make the journey to God, and at times to ourselves be the reconciler, ready to embrace and forgive others. In today's familiar story, Jesus gives us a clear example of this road to reconciliation.

We don't know for sure what Jesus wrote on the ground, but that little detail certainly adds a bit of suspense to the story. It was Jesus' spoken word that caught everyone unaware: "Let the one among you who is without sin cast the first stone." With this Word, Jesus had them, and He has us, over a barrel.

It is so easy, and so prevalent, especially through social media posts, to identify and vilify that person whom we judge to be standing in shame among us because of some behavior or action. Next time you may want to post a comment in judgment about someone in particular, recall this Gospel story, and think of your comment as a stone that you are throwing.