APRIL 20, 2025

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 19th

8:00 p.m. Daniela LaFata

by Rosalia Leone

Sunday, April 20th

9:00 a.m. For the People 11:00 a.m. Salvatore Leone Jr.

by Rosalia Leone

Monday, April 21st

No Mass

Tuesday, April 22nd

No Mass

Wednesday, April 23rd

8:00 a.m. For the People

Thursday, April 24th

12:00 p.m. Regina Exe by Linda Gregory

Friday, April 25th

No Mass

Saturday, April 26th

5:00 p.m. Mary and John McElligott

by Rowena and Tom Fauber

Sunday, April 27th

8:00 a.m. For the People

10:30 a.m. Sara Ann & Arnie Weinstein

by Jean Box

Sacrament Chapel vase flowers are a perpetual

living memorial for Anna Lupei.

Tabernacle Candle Shines in loving memory of

Margaret Clancy.

TNT

Our Easter TNT (Theatre 'N' Theology) will be on Easter Friday, April 25, 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 Easter feature will be the epic 2019 film A Hidden Life. It's the story of the martyr Blessed Franz Jaegerstatter, an Austrian peasant farmer who, because of his Catholic faith, refused to fight for the Nazis in World War II. Although he was faced with the threat of execution for treason, his unwavering faith and his love for his wife Fani and their three children kept his spirit alive. Written and directed by Terrence Malick. 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

The Discalced Carmelites are one of the great spiritual families in the Catholic tradition, the one to which our St. Therese belonged, founded by St. John of the Cross and Saint Teresa of Jesus. On April 27, the Octave Day of Easter, between the morning Masses (starting about 9:15 a.m.), Father Gregory will show a film, The Garden of Carmel, about Carmelite Spirituality, including its Biblical roots, and the founding of the first Carmel in America at Port Tobacco, MD, and the nuns' way of life there. This will take place in the Meeting Room. All are welcome, Catholic or not!



We are now at 98% of our parish Annual Appeal target goal of \$30,350.00! Please continue to send in your 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal in support of the Parish Playground Project, as we receive 50% back when we are over goal. Thank you again for the faith and trust you have put into your contributions!

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 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 a simpler language.

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

Grief Share 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 73 souls and earned \$585.67 with 20 servers on April 3, 2025.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus April social event will be on April 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall after the Silver Rose Ceremony. This is in place of the normal date of April 17th.

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20, 2025

SILVER ROSE

Knights of Columbus will conduct a Silver Rose Ceremony on April 23 at 6:00 p.m. in the church. The Ceremony commemorates a vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Juan Diego in Mexico on December 9, 1531 and her curing of his uncle. Juan Diego was declared Saint by St. John Paul II on July 31, 2002. The ceremony includes processing of the rose to the church, Scripture reading, Rosary, and Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Silver Rose will be on display in the Social Hall by the figure of Our Lady of Guadalupe, April 21-25. All are invited to attend. 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 THERESIAN SOCIETY

Celebrate Our Parish Youth! The Theresians ask you all to celebrate the youth of our parish with us. Join our young people, their families and those who guide our young people on Sunday, May 4th, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Grab a hot dog. Overload a sundae with toppings and whipped cream. Let our youth know that you support them. Find our poster in the commons and please sign the RSVP list. Join us for Celebrate Youth Sundae Sunday.

Also, the next Theresians meeting is Friday, May 2nd. The meeting starts at 10:00 a.m. A social time precedes the meeting.

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.

THRESHOLD BIBLE STUDY

Thursday evening Bible Study has changed 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 interested or have questions. The book is Threshold Bible Study Series' "Peacemaking and Non-violence."

DONUTS

Enjoy meeting and chatting with other parishioners. Immediately following the 9:00-11:00 a.m. Easter Masses on April 20th, enjoy donuts, muffins, bagels w/cream cheese, fruit, orange juice and iced tea.

BABY SHOWER FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Justice and Charity will be collecting baby items for the Catholic Charities Office in Newport News. Please bring your donations to church from May 2-12. They are in need of the following items to help families in our area. This year there is a special need for: diapers sizes 4, 5, 6; boys clothing sizes 3 months-3T; baby wash/shampoo; towels and washcloths; cloth books and board books. The Catholic Charities staff is very grateful for your support.

PLANT SWAP

Justice and Charity Ministry will be having a <u>Caring for Creation Plant Swap</u> 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 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon. Our theme this is 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.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Church of St. Therese Youth Ministry Grades 6-12

Sundays 12:00-1:30 p.m. at the YLC

Easter Egg Hunt

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

Bring your own basket.



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.

EASTER SCHEDULE

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 - YLC

Donuts, refreshments and fellowship following the Masses

April 21st Easter Monday – Parish Offices closed

OFFICE CLOSURE

The parish offices will be closed on Wednesday, April 30th for the staff retreat.



ARE WE ABLE TO REACH YOU?

Parishioners; is your contact information current? Please contact the Parish Office with updates on changes such as address, phone number or name.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please register with the Parish Office. Forms are located in the commons next to the office entrance or may be emailed if you contact the office. In addition, you may register online through our website.

OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE

For the weekend of April 6, 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: \$ 5,233.00
E-giving: \$ 5,111.00
Other Contributions: \$ 1,570.50
Weekly Grand Total: \$ 11,914.50

Total Weekend Mass Count: 344

Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.

Remember you can pay it forward! You have a wonderful Catholic heritage. Just as we plan to ensure financial health for our families, we must plan for the health of our faith families. If you are age 70 ½ or older, you can direct Qualified Charitable Distributions from your IRA fund administrator directly to the parish, school or a favorite ministry without increasing your taxable income. Please consider using your IRA as a charitable giving vehicle.

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.



We would like to thank the following parishioners for contributing towards the beautiful flowers for our Easter celebration.

The Trudeau Family
Jan and Steve Daum
Theodore J. Rasmussen
Trudy Terry
Martha Oliver
Marian Scott in Memory of Lori Corona
JoAnne Coogan

In Memory of Max and Doris Dick by the family members

Linda O'Connell in Memory of Bernard J. O'Connell, Jr., the Zeleznik family and Elizabeth & Laurence Stout Rick and Donna Harper in Honor of Fay Nell, Our Children & Grandchildren and in Memory of loved ones Elizabeth Kemp in loving Memory of Dr. David Kemp and deceased of the Kemp and Exler families.

Floyd Allen in Memory of the Allen and Joannes families Edwina Fitzpatrick in Memory of the Fitzpatrick-Confroy families

Pat and Zol Molnar

Carl and Kim Greene

Virginia and Mark Carrington in Memory of Gunther/Carrington family and friends Becky Weatherly

Mike and Margaret Davis in Loving Memory of the Davis and Howard families Rosalia Leone in Memory of Daniela LaFata and Salvatore Leone, Jr. Linda Conway in Memory of the Kolano and Conway families Elizabeth Onesty

Rowena and Tom Fauber in Memory of Sylvia Luy Carolyn Hoover in Memory of John Hoover, Jerome Hoover, and J D Briggs The Sinisi family

he Sinisi family L. Espiritu

Joe Syslo

Stephen and Donna Raschke

Leisa Strosnider

The Bernard family

Tony Byser in Memory of Byser, Mysliwiec and Zelaski families Don Toddy

The Kochanski family

Anthony Carambia Trudy Vanderhoof Mike and Ann Foster Carl and Patricia Shaw

Karen and Deacon Josè Melendez for the Deceased of the Fisher and Melendez families

The Pray Family
Patricia Skurkis

Allen and Denise Canada in Memory of the Canada and Long families Rosa Rodriguez in Memory of Petra and Josè Rascon Jim and Kathy Gierlak in Memory of the Gierlak and Savulis families Mark Molnar

> Joan and Josè Garcia in Memory of Mary Jane Gargasz Jerry and Karen Gustin Doris C. Chapman for the Doris Chapman family Cathie Sobieski

Joanne and Ed Kizer in Memory of Shalaski and Kizer families Hilarie Hicks in Memory of Earl and Helen Hicks & Margaret Clancy Nancy Gunn

Susan Sparacia in Memory of Tony Sparacia Beverly and Lee Moore and family

