# APRIL 27, 2025

# **MASSES AND INTENTIONS**

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

Monday, April 28th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 29th

12:00 p.m. For the People

Wednesday, April 30th

8:00 a.m. For the People

Thursday, May 1st

12:00 p.m. For the People

Friday, May 2nd

12:00 p.m. Patrick Shea by Robert and

Eileen Shea

Saturday, May 3rd

5:00 p.m. Sylvia Luy by Rowena and

Tom Fauber

Sunday, May 4th

8:00 a.m. Ellen Stacklin

by The McCloskey family

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

Confroy-Fitzpatrick families

#### 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!

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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.

# Ladies Night Out - Women in the Bible Date: May 7th Time: 7 - 8:30 pm

Ladies, join us for a fun evening learning about some colorful women in the Bible. Tea, Lemonade and Chocolate provided. Bring a friend, BYOB and hors d'oeuvres to share if you want.

Presented by Karen Melendez



#### 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 <a href="N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org">N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org</a> for more information or to join the team.

# 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 <a href="mailto:spdugas@cox.net">spdugas@cox.net</a> or Kim Green at 804 824-1073 or email at <a href="mailto:kwg853@yahoo.com">kwg853@yahoo.com</a>.



#### **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 60 souls and earned \$423.00 in donations with 35 servers on April 11, 2025.

### 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!!!

# 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.

#### 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 am 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.

#### 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 questions. The book is Threshold Bible Study Series "Peacemaking and Non-violence."

#### **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 Caring for Creation Plant Swap on this 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.





# PILGRIMS OF HOPE: VATICAN II AT 60

The Bishop Keane Institute at Immaculate Conception Church in Hampton continues its Jubilee 2025 series, Pilgrims of Hope: Vatican II at 60, with Father Tim Donovan on Friday, May 2nd, at 7:00 p.m. Father Tim will unpack what it means to be family

in the world today and how families are role models for the Church herself.

Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 per person, and may be purchased online at ICCHampton.org, or at Immaculate Conception.



# **VBS PLANNING TIME!**

VBS is scheduled for June 23-27 from 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, 12:00-1:30 p.m. at the YLC

### 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 13, 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: \$6,436.00

E-giving: \$2,492.00

Other Contributions: \$1,099.00 Weekly Grand Total: \$10,027.00

Total Weekend Mass Count (5 pm & 8 am): 225

Second Collection Schedule:

May 4th: MMR

May 18th: Diocesan Home Missions

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 athe 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.



# REST IN PEACE HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS





Born December 17, 1936

Ordained to the Holy Priesthood December 13, 1969

Elected to the Papacy March 13, 2013

Died April 21, 2025

"We will never be disillusioned or lose our way if we are guided by God."