

AUGUST 24, 2025

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 23rd

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, 24th

8:00 a.m. Connie Francis by Joanne & Ed Kizer

10:30 a.m. Daniela LaFata by Rosalia Leone

Monday, August 25th

No Mass

Tuesday, August 26th

12:00 p.m. Arlene Osgood by Alice Osgood

Wednesday, August 27th

6:30 p.m. For the People

Thursday, August 28th

12:00 p.m. Ron Skurkis by Pat Skurkis

Friday, August 29th

12:00 p.m. Hugh Dempsey by the Altar Servers

Saturday, August 30th

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, August 31st

8:00 a.m. Hanora Campbell by the Campbell Family

10:30 a.m. Matthew Pineda by Leisa Strosnider

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

Tabernacle Candle Shines in loving memory of Darin Gouldrup
Altar arrangements provided by Youth Ministry and Arts & Environment.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The meaning of Eucharist has many different levels. To gain a better appreciation of the riches of this Sacrament, join us on Sunday, August 24, between the morning Masses (starting promptly at 9:15 a.m.). Fr. Gregory will talk about *Models of the Eucharist*. This will take place in the Meeting Room. All are welcome, Catholic or not!



LITNIC SEASON AT ST. THERESE!

Litnics are *Liturgy picnics* and are particularly intended for Catholics in the host's neighborhood, but **all parishioners** are invited to Litnics. A Mass is celebrated in the home or the yard (the *lit*) followed by a potluck supper (the *nic*). Our final Litnic for this season is located below:

Karen Schenck invites you to the Wednesday, **August 27th** "Litnic" at 8049 Riverwatch Court, Gloucester, 6:30 p.m. Please bring your favorite dish to share. Please RSVP 571-224-5450. **Bring your lawn chair!**

THE THERESIAN SOCIETY

Summer vacations are winding down and it's time for the Theresians to get back together and plan for a busy autumn of prayer and service and fundraising. Ladies of the Parish, consider joining us on Friday, September 5th for an informal dinner meeting. Our pre-meeting social will begin about 4:20 p.m. (pizza at 4:45 or so). The meeting will start at 5:00 p.m. and should end no later than 7:00 p.m. Come, share a meal with us and see what's in store for the fall.

COFFEE, DONUTS, AND JUST A FEW MINUTES CUTTING CHURCH GRASS...put all three in your life and feel so much better about yourself! For more information, leave a message with Jim Gierlak at 804-832-8595 or jegierlak@gmail.com.

JUSTICE AND CHARITY

The Salvation Army representative expressed her appreciation for the 933 school supply items donated by our parishioners and the 48 backpacks donated by Bingo. Thank you!

OFFICE CLOSURE

The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, September 1st for the Labor Day holiday.

SAVE THE DATE!



OCTOBER 11, 2025 AT THE DIAMOND, RICHMOND

CATHOLIC VENDORS & EXHIBITORS
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
PERFORMANCES FROM LOCAL CATHOLIC TALENT
FOOD TRUCKS
KIDS ZONE
ADORATION
MASS IN THE STADIUM WITH BISHOP KNESTOUT
PERFORMANCES BY SCYTHIAN, THE YOUNG ESCAPE, & MARIE MILLER
KEYNOTE SPEAKER
GAMES & INFLATABLES
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

AS PART OF THE DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF THE JUBILEE OF HOPE!



DONUTS

Join us this Sunday, August 24th, immediately following the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Masses **at the portico** for meeting and chatting with other parishioners. Donuts, muffins, bagels w/cream cheese, fruit, orange juice and ice tea will be available.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Morning Bible Study Group will resume its weekly meetings on September 4th. The group meets on Thursday mornings from 10:15 to 11:45 in the Meeting Room. Various sections or themes of the Bible are discussed in an informal setting. New participants are always welcome. If interested and would like more information, please call Sid Dugas at 804 642-5869 or email at spdugas@cox.net or call Kim Green at 804 824-1073 or email at kwg853@yahoo.com.

CALLING ALL PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

Faith Formation registration for all grades is currently being held before and after all Masses. If your child is in Grades K-12th, please register them at one of these times. **Classes begin on Sunday, September 7** for the 2025-2026 school year.

Please see Nadine McGrady for K-5th grade. The classes are held on Sundays from 9:15-10:15 a.m.

See Linda Gregory for Grades 6th-12th. Classes are held on Sundays from 12:00-1:30 p.m. Lunch is always included.

Last Sunday to register is Sunday, August 31.

After this date contact Nadine 804-693-5939, ext. 3, or Linda 804-693-5939, ext. 4, to register.

Hours are Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Fridays, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

COME AND SEE!

The Youth Ministry program has begun to grow and there is a need for catechists. The program serves youth between 6th and 12th Grade. As the number of youth increase, the number of helpers, teachers, chaperones and the like also increases. It is a wonderful problem to have. Please pray and discern if God may be calling you to be a part of this dynamic program here at St. Therese.

Catechists should be members of the church in good standing, be confirmed and over 18 years of age.

Contact the Coordinator Linda Gregory if you are interested or have any questions. Training will be provided.

Blessings,
Linda Gregory
804-693-5939, ext. 4



ARTS AND ENVIRONMENT AND YOUTH MINISTRY are working together to create youth-inspired altars. See the results of their beautiful work at Masses on August 23/24 (How to Invite Jesus to our Picnic).

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 José for Adoration and Benediction on September 17th at 6:00 p.m. Jesus is Our Hope in the Blessed Sacrament.**

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** on September 2nd.

ADULT SCRIPTURE STUDY/OCIA COMING SOON!!

Back by popular demand: **The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation**
Want to make more sense of the Bible? Desire a fuller experience of the Mass? Need some tools to better defend your faith? Join us on Tuesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.; or Saturdays 3:00-4:30 p.m. as we trek together through Salvation History from Creation through the Institution of the Church. The sessions begin on August 31st/September 2nd. Week by week, you can choose between Saturday or Tuesday, depending on your schedule. No need to worry about missing some sessions for travel, etc., there is an online option to keep up while away. Sign up in the Gathering Space, or contact Kerry Fallon for more details. K.fallon@stthersglo.org.

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.

BAPTISM, FIRST EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION FOR YOUTH AGES 8-17

OCIA Adapted for Children – The process of Christian Initiation is also available to children who, for some reason or circumstance, have not yet been baptized or received the other Sacraments of Eucharist, Reconciliation & Confirmation.

The OCIA process adapted for children is being offered this coming year. It's an opportunity for children beyond the Second grade to prepare with their parents for reception of the sacraments and welcome into the Catholic Church at the Easter Season.

Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3, for questions or more information.



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

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!!!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PARISH HOLY HOUR

Please join the Knights of Columbus as they offer a Holy Hour as part of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Icon pilgrimage on **Thursday, August 28 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.** Deacon José will offer Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be an Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on display. The Knights of Columbus are honored to be able to offer this opportunity to the parish to spend some time with Jesus. We look forward to seeing you!

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 had asked of us. Point of Contact is Trudy Vanderhoof. You may reach her at btcentauri@aol.com. We meet the 1st 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 at 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 with questions. The book is Threshold Bible Study Series "Peacemaking and Non-violence."

LOST AND FOUND

The Lost and Found cabinet is located in the Social Hall. If you are missing an item, please check the cabinet. It will be cleaned out and items removed by the end of August.

GIVE THE GIFT OF LOVE

Prayer shawls are available to gift for the holidays, holy days, Birthdays and more and are free! 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.

GET ON BOARD THE ST. THERESE MEAL TRAIN!

Whether it's a new baby, an illness/surgery, or a death in the family, Meal Trains can help ease the burden and show love and support to those in need. Contact Beverly Sabourin-Moore, 757-817-3698, if you are in need of a meal train or to learn more on how to be involved.

COMMUNITY LIFE EVENT COMMITTEE (CLEC)

Greetings. My name is Beverly Sabourin-Moore, and I am inviting you to be part of St. Therese's Community Life Event Committee (CLEC).

The CLEC brings the community together through fellowship gatherings, seasonal celebrations, etc. The Committee plans events for the church community, and your skills and insights would be a valuable asset.

Committee responsibilities include:

- Brainstorming event ideas
- Assisting with planning and logistics
- Helping with event setup and execution
- Promoting events to the congregation

The Committee typically meets on the second Thursday at 6:00 p.m. The next meeting will be **September 11th** (check this). If flexibility is needed, such as attending meetings virtually or delegating tasks, please inquire. Involvement offers the opportunity to contribute to important church events, build relationships, and gain experience in event planning and teamwork. I would be thrilled if you would join me in planning events for our parish. Please respond if you are interested in being part of this dynamic group.

May God bless you abundantly,
Beverly Sabourin-Moore

Chair, Community Life and Event Committee
Beverly080904@gmail.com or 757-817-3698



HOW OLD IS YOUR REGISTRATION WITH ST. THERESE?

Are your records up to date? We may need to reach you or visit you and the contact information on file could be outdated. Please check with the office and ensure we have correct information for you.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

We would like to hear from you! Please register with us, especially if you or a family member anticipate receiving any sacraments in the future. Forms are located in the commons next to the office entrance or fillable electronic forms may be emailed upon request. Thanks!

CHECK OUT THIS LINK: Catholics Come Home | You're Not Alone
www.catholicscomehome.org.

OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE

For the weekend of August 10, 2025

Annual Operating Budget	
Fiscal Year 2025/2026:	\$ 757,901.00
Amount needed per week to maintain budget:	\$ 14,575.02
Actual Plate Contributions:	\$ 5,939.00
E-giving:	\$ 3,011.00
Other Contributions:	\$ 897.50
Weekly Grand Total:	\$ 9,847.50
Total Weekend Mass Count:	396

Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.



Spiritual Pilgrimage to Washington DC

Tuesday October 7 to Wednesday October 8, 2025

Details of the trip

- Departing 8am on 10/7 and returning on 10/8 8pm
- Newtown's Bus provides transportation to Washington DC, Franciscan Monastery, dinner, and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and back to Gloucester
- Franciscan Monastery visit and tour
- One night stay at Fairfield Inn by Marriott, Washington, DC (next to the United States National Arboretum) breakfast included
- Dinner at Ivy City Smokehouse All inclusive price includes soft drinks, salad, entree, and dessert - includes tax and tip
- Basilica of the National Shrine, mass with Fr Gregory and tour

40 people minimum and double occupancy \$240 PER PERSON. This includes a tip and hotel for our bus driver. Teresa will be individualizing prices for each person based on their hotel needs. **DEADLINE** to register to secure your reservation is September 7, 2025 along with a \$25 deposit. Payable to Church of St Therese and you may drop your form and check in the dropbox above the social ministry box in the commons. **FINAL** payment September 21, 2025. A detailed itinerary will be provided.



Please Contact Teresa Hinton directly: 804-824-5735 or email [teres2hinton@gmail](mailto:teres2hinton@gmail.com)

Registration for the Washington DC trip

Please write neatly.

1. FULL NAME

2. Phone and Email

3. Hotel Accommodations Details for Example: Rooms are Double Queen. Will you have a roommate?

4. Name of your Roommate

5. Emergency Contact

6. Any restrictions you want to communicate.
