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**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

**Daily Mass Schedule**

Listed inside bulletin  
each week

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Third Wednesday of the  
month at 6:15 p.m. or by  
appointment



**Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday -

9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Friday - 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

The parish community of  
St. Therese welcomes you.

Please see an usher or  
contact the  
Parish Office for a  
registration form.





JULY 12, 2026

MASSSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 11th

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, July 12th

8:00 a.m. Sherrayn Haggerty by Patricia Greedan

10:30 a.m. Hugh Dempsey by Emma Dempsey

Monday, July 13th – No Mass

Tuesday, July 14th

12:00 p.m. For the People

Wednesday, July 15th

8:00 a.m. Conrad Bareford by Josiah Reffo

Thursday, July 16th

12:00 p.m. Daniela LaFata by Rosalia Leone

Friday, July 17th

12:00 p.m. Salvatore Leone, Jr. by Rosalia Leone

Saturday, July 18th

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, July 19th

8:00 a.m. Mel, Will and Bill Barker by Nancy Gunn

10:30 a.m. Sherrayn Haggerty by Ron and Katherine Haggerty

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

Tabernacle Candle Shines in loving memory of Edward & Wanda Delendik.

Altar arrangements provided by Carl and Kim Greene in loving memory of the Greene & Weinbrod families.

**MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS**  
We will begin a study of Pope Leo XIV's encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*, the week of July 13 (days and times TBD) and finishing up the week of August 24th. This is a chapter a week to reflect upon. Questions? Contact Kerry Fallon in the parish office or by email to [k.fallon@stthersglo.org](mailto:k.fallon@stthersglo.org).

**JUBILEE CHURCH NEWS**  
In June, Jubilee Churches assisted a woman who had moved back to Gloucester in the spring to help her mother. She suffered an injury and wasn't able to work and got behind on her Dominion bill. Jubilee was able to get the bill paid and she has now been able to return to work.

**JUSTICE AND CHARITY**  
With warm weather here and the GUEST shelter open only Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, the following items have been requested to help keep the shelter well stocked. You can take donations directly to the shelter at 6536 Moose Drive or deposit them in the basket outside of the office. Items requested are: bug spray, sunscreen, body wipes, ready to eat food, snack foods (Nutri-grain bars, chips, Pop-Tarts), creamer, sugar, paper towels, paper plates.

FOOD PANTRY

Please continue to support the Food Pantry located at 7840 John Clayton Memorial Highway.

BREAD FOR LIFE  
Community Food Pantry



**SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS**  
We have a few weekends available for altar flowers remaining on this year's calendar. Your donation provides flowers or blooming plants at the altar to honor or in memory of loved ones. Sign-up sheet is to the left of the pantry door. After weekend Masses, your donation is placed in the chapel or by the statue of St. Therese for ALL TO ENJOY THE REST OF THE WEEK. For questions, contact Deb Schumake at 843-290-5710 or [DEB.FLLADY73@GMAIL.COM](mailto:DEB.FLLADY73@GMAIL.COM). We are ever grateful to those that have signed up.

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
Parents interested in having their children baptized should contact Nadine McGrady at [N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org](mailto:N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org) or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for more information on sacrament preparation.

**DRAGON SLAYERS ACADEMY VBS REGISTRATION**  
Registration is now available for all squires and ladies (boys and girls), Kindergarten – 5th grade interested in defeating the 7 Deadly Dragons. Forms may be picked up at the registration table in the parish commons. We are excited to be a pilot parish for the official Dragonslayers VBS program by Extraordinary Missions. For more information, contact Nadine McGrady at [N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org](mailto:N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org) or 804-693-5939. VBS will be held July 20-24 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon.



If Teacups Could Talk

Save the date! August 22, 2026 from 12:00 Noon-2:00 p.m. All ladies of the parish are invited to tea.

The theme:  
**If Teacups Could Talk–Sharing a Cup of Kindness with Treasured Friends.**

Watch this space for more information.

**THIS IS MY BODY. THIS IS MY BLOOD.**  
Eucharistic Adoration is an invitation to step out of the noise of daily life and into a sacred, life-giving encounter with Jesus Christ truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. In the quiet, heart-to-heart stillness before Him, burdens are lifted, prayers deepen, and a lasting peace takes root. Whether you come seeking clarity, comfort, or simply a moment to breathe, Christ is waiting—ready to meet you with love, mercy, and renewal.

**Adoration will be held**  
**Wednesday, July 15th from 6:00-7:00 p.m.**  
Come for a few minutes or stay for an hour—let this be your time to be refreshed, restored, and drawn closer to the heart of God. All are welcome.

Check out this link: **Catholics Come Home | You're Not Alone**  
[www.catholicscomehome.org](http://www.catholicscomehome.org)

**DONUTS**  
Join us this Sunday, July 12th immediately following the 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Masses at the **portico** for meeting and chatting with other parishioners. Donuts, muffins, bagels with cream cheese, fruit, orange juice, coffee and iced tea will be available.

**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.

**MUSIC MINISTRY**  
The Music Ministry is looking for men of praise to become part of the different choirs. We invite all men who can sing or play an instrument to join us. Rehearsals: Each choir practices one hour before their respective Mass, and on the 1st Sunday at 12:30 p.m. Come and lend your voice in harmony to the Lord!  
– Beverly Sabourin, Coordinator of Music Ministry



**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.

**ST. THERESE DIVINE MERCY GROUP**  
Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in the parish meeting room. All are welcome!

**ST. THERESE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**  
Began by Betty Zahn many years ago, the prayer shawl ministry creates and prays over not only shawls, but also, hats, scarves, slippers and lap robes for gifting to others. Opportunities for gifting are the reception of sacraments, birthdays, weddings, surgeries, illnesses and more. Items are available in the Social Hall along the back wall and are free for all. We meet each Wednesday from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall. For more information, contact Nadine McGrady at 804-693-5939, ext. 3 or [N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org](mailto:N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org).



**WORKERS NEEDED**  
Workers needed to build weaponry to defeat the dragons of sin during Vacation Bible School this summer, July 20-24 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Please contact Linda Gregory if you would be willing to be a part of this endeavor.

**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](mailto: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**  
Afternoon Threshold Bible Study meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 3:00-4:00 p.m. at Jim's home. The book entitled, "The Sacred Heart of Jesus" is the book we plan to start using beginning with our first session in July. For more information, call Jim Lee at 804-693-0826.



**VBS MIDDLE SCHOOL OF WEAPONRY**  
Register now to be a part of the summer VBS, July 20-24, 2026. Students will learn how to defeat the DRAGONS of sin by creating weapons. Metal works, sword fighting, creating your shield, shoes of peace, the helmet of salvation and archery will be available. We will put on our BELTS of truth to enable us to withstand the temptations of the devil, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. every day. Contact Linda Gregory for more information.

**EPIC 2026 – MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADES 6-8**  
Join us on August 8 for a fun day at Blessed Sacrament Huguenot School in Powhatan, Virginia from 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. This daylong event will be a high-energy day that is focused on building community and friendships with other Catholic middle school youth. It will also encourage zeal for our Catholic faith. Youth will experience everything from inflatables to a service project, lunch and Mass. Keynote speakers will highlight the lives of young saints and emphasize the call to holiness. The cost for the entire day, including lunch, will be \$20.00. Transportation to and from Richmond will be provided by VIRTUS-certified volunteers. Registration forms are available on the rolling cart in the foyer of the church. Contact Linda Gregory for questions or more information.

OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE

FOR THE WEEKEND OF June 28, 2026

|                                              |              |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 25/26    | \$757,901.00 |
| Amount needed per week to maintain budget is | \$ 14,575.02 |
| Actual Plate Contributions:                  | \$ 5,911.00  |
| E-giving:                                    | \$ 3,794.50  |
| Other Contributions:                         | \$ 125.00    |
| Weekly Grand Total:                          | \$ 9,830.50  |
| Total Weekend Mass Count:                    | 443          |

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