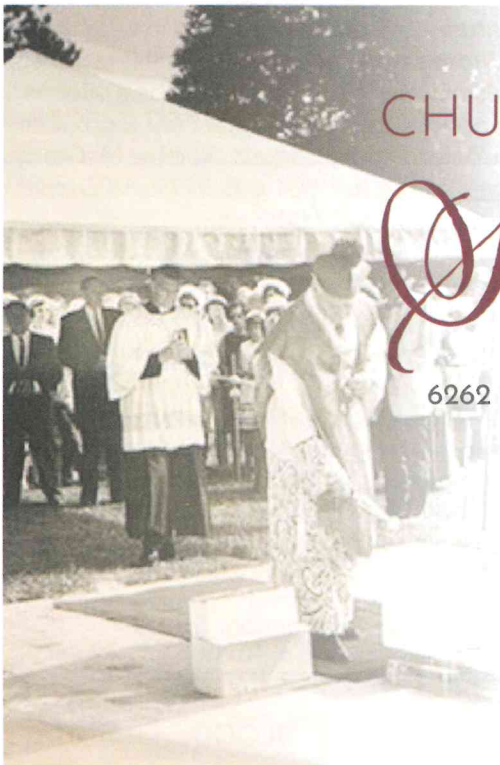


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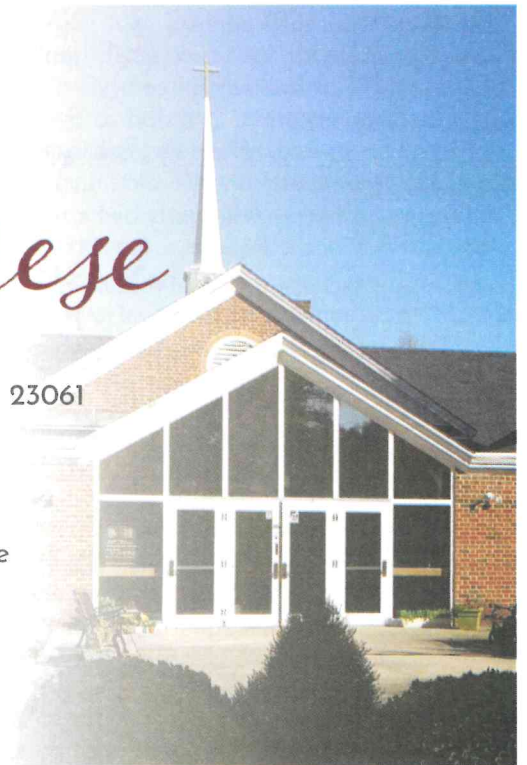
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Weekend Mass Schedule

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 26, 2026

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 25th
5:00 p.m. Paul Fitzpatrick by Edwina Fitzpatrick

Sunday, July 26th
8:00 a.m. For the People
10:30 a.m. For the People

Monday, July 27th – No Mass

Tuesday, July 28th
12:00 p.m. For the People

Wednesday, July 29th
9:00 a.m. Therese Allen by Floyd Allen

Thursday, July 30th
12:00 p.m. Dennis W. Osgood, Sr. by Alice Osgood

Friday, July 31st
12:00 p.m. For the People

Saturday, August 1st
5:00 p.m. Sherrayn Haggerty by Debbie Kelly

Sunday, August 2nd
8:00 a.m. For the People
10:30 a.m. Daniela LaFata by Rosalia Leone
Sacrament Chapel vase flowers are a perpetual living memorial for Anna Lupei.
Tabernacle Candle Shines in loving memory of Ellen Stacklin.
Altar arrangements provided by Floyd Allen in Loving Memory of Therese Allen.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Join us on Wednesday, July 29th for Mass at **9:00 a.m.**, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the sanctuary where Adoration will take place until Benediction at 5:00 p.m.

ROSARY WALK/MEDITATION GARDEN UPDATE

Phase I of the Rosary Walk/Meditation Garden is complete! But we still have some work to do. Phase II will involve a substantial amount of landscaping. Our plan will include low-maintenance shrubs, flowers and plants native to our area. These will primarily be on the inside of the Rosary Walk, to complement the tree that has been planted. To achieve a quiet setting, the Rosary Walk Committee will consider plantings on the outside perimeter of the Walk/Meditation area. Please prayerfully reflect on contributing to the landscaping effort. Donations can be made online through the church website, or you can drop your donation in the black box near the door to the office. Please make sure your donation is clearly marked "Rosary Walk." Thank you to all our parishioners.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Watch the bulletin for future Mass times for weekday Masses. Beginning **September 1st**, weekday Masses will be celebrated Tuesdays through Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. and Fridays at 12:00 p.m. noon.

Check out this link: **Catholics Come Home | You're Not Alone**
www.catholicscomehome.org

MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS

We began the study of Pope Leo XIV's encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*, on Monday, July 13th and will be finishing up on August 24th. This is a chapter per week to reflect upon. Questions? Contact Kerry Fallon in the parish office or by email to k.fallon@stthersglo.org.

OCIA

The Church of St. Therese is going to offer OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) beginning August 1st, Saturdays, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. We will be using a brand-new study that is getting rave reviews: *Invited: Your Journey into the Catholic Church*, published by Ascension Press. This is a 28-week program covering everything one can imagine regarding what we believe, why we believe, how we practice, etc., covering topics like "How Can We Know That God Exists?" and "If God Is Good, Why This Mess?" ALL ARE WELCOME, and in fact encouraged, because most of us have forgotten more than we ever knew about our Catholic faith. Time to brush up your apologetics skills! Questions? Contact Kerry Fallon in the office, 804-693-5939, ext. 5, or k.fallon@stthersglo.org. Sign-ups are in the gathering space – the earlier, the better, so we can order the books.

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.



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. A 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. We are ever grateful to those who have signed up.



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents interested in having their children baptized should contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3, for more information on sacrament preparation.



FOOD PANTRY

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



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.



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.

CATHOLIC DAY AT BUSCH GARDENS

October 3, 2026

All families, youth ministries, and young adult groups from around the Diocese are invited to Catholic Day at Busch Gardens on Saturday, October 3, 2026! The day at the park includes Sunday Vigil Mass and an optional all-you-can eat dinner buffet as a Diocese. Registration is \$82.00 per individual for an all-inclusive pass, \$55.00 per individual for a single-day admission, and \$27.00 per individual for the all-you-can eat dinner buffet only. Don't wait to register and enjoy a day riding roller coasters and celebrating the Eucharist with Catholics in our Diocese! For more information, visit evangelizerichmond.org/events.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

A diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC is scheduled for October 24, 2026. Visit the diocese page for details evangelizerichmond.org/events/diocesan-pilgrimage-2/

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

ST. THERESE DIVINE MERCY GROUP

Meetings began June 9th and are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in the parish meeting room. All are welcome!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The 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 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.

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

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.

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 July 12, 2026

Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 26/27	\$798,016.00
Amount needed per week to maintain budget is	\$15,346.46
Actual Plate Contributions:	\$ 5,165.00
E-giving:	\$ 3,716.00
Other Contributions:	\$ 60.00
Weekly Grand Total:	\$ 8,941.00
Total Weekend Mass Count:	435

2nd Collection Schedule:

August 2nd: MMR



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