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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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays following the 9:00 a.m. Mass
until 3:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Third Wednesday of the month 4:00-5:30 p.m.
or by appointment



The parish community of St. Therese welcomes
you. Please contact the Parish Office for a
registration form.



SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 19th

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, September 20th

8:00 a.m. Eileen and Walter Delendik
by Donna and Bob Guy

10:30 a.m. Miguel Melendez by Men of St. Joseph

Monday, September 21st – No Mass

Tuesday, September 22nd

9:00 a.m. Betty Shalaski by Joanne & Ed Kizer

Wednesday, September 23rd

9:00 a.m. Cecil "Joe" Dougherty, III
by Denise & Allen Canada

Thursday, September 24th

9:00 a.m. Sherrayn Haggerty by Mary Sinisi

Friday, September 25th

12:00 p.m. Miguel Melendez by Mary Sinisi

Saturday, September 26th

5:00 p.m. Arlene Krizman by Jerry & Karen Gustin

Sunday, September 27th

8:00 a.m. Mel and Will Barker by Nancy Gunn
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 the
Reihle and Gregory Families.

Altar arrangements provided by Nan and Dana Nichols in
Loving Memory of Barbara Novotny.

MASS FOR THE CARE OF CREATION AND BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Join us on Friday, October 2 at 10:00 a.m. at Beaverdam Park, Roaring Springs Road entrance, for the Mass for the Care of Creation. Fr. Jun will be celebrating Mass followed by the Blessing of the Animals. Pets must be on a leash or in an appropriate carrier. We will have a "Bring Your Own Lunch" picnic after Mass in the picnic shelter and pizza delivery! Have a slice of pizza, while supplies last. Bagged lunch is encouraged for those with dietary restrictions. We hope you will join us as we gather to pray for our common home in the beauty of our local park. A cooler of water will be available. Please bring your own water bottle to help reduce the use of plastics.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Do you have a birthday or anniversary you'd like mentioned in the bulletin? If so, contact Denise with your information at 804-693-5939, ext. 1.



JOIN US IN SUPPORTING A MEAL TRAIN!

One of our cherished Parish families is going through a tough time and would greatly appreciate the comfort of a warm meal. Reach out to Beverly Sabourin at 757-817-3698, to get involved and lend a hand.

YOUTH MINISTRY CATECHISTS NEEDED

The youth of the parish need you, your stories, your faith, your presence. This school year catechists are needed to be a part of the instruction and the fun that is Youth Ministry. No formal degrees or certificates are needed, just a willingness to engage with our youth and facilitate instruction. There are many ways to help, but primarily, instructors are needed to pass on the teachings of the Church.

If God is calling you to be a part of this ministry, contact Linda Gregory for more information at 804-693-5939, ext. 4 or youthministry@stthersglo.org.

NEW GRIEF SHARE SESSION

GriefShare is a 13-week grief recovery support group. If you have experienced the loss of a loved one, you know how painful and isolating it can be. It does not have to be endured alone.

In this session you will hear insights from grief recovery experts. You will meet others who understand what you are going through because they have been there. You will receive comfort and support and learn practical tips for navigating grief.

The session began here at St. Thérèse last Sunday and are from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The group will be in the Meeting Room. There is no cost to attend and receive the workbook. For questions or more information, contact Linda Gregory at 804-815-7695. Go to GriefShare.org to register online.

CHILDREN'S HOLY ADORATION

We would love to start a Children's Holy Adoration Hour every Wednesday during weekly benediction. Mary Biederman (757-652-2500) attends every week with her 5-year-old, 3-year-old, and 9-month-old children. We will meet from 11:00-11:30 a.m. in the church, say a children's Rosary together, followed by some playground and lunchtime outside (weather permitting). Spending time with Jesus is one of the greatest virtues we can instill in our children! Please reach out if you have any questions and we hope to see you there!

FAMILY & FRIENDS CPR AND AED CLASS

It covers: Adult, child, infant CPR & AED, basic first aid such as choking, heart attack, stroke, dehydration and drug overdose.

When: September 25 – 12:00 p.m. Noon
October 9 – 12:00 p.m. Noon
October 23 – 12:00 p.m. Noon

Where: Edna Bauer's residence:
8741 Farys Mill Road,
Gloucester 23061

Certificate of attendance will be provided by American Heart Association.

Instructor: Edna Bauer, Certified CPR, AED,
First Aid BLS instructor (AHA),
Phone: 757-509-0143



25TH & 50TH ANNIVERSARIES

If you have a 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in your future and are interested in a celebration and vow renewal, contact the parish office for further details!

CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your continued generosity! Please remember to put your first and last name on pew envelopes for 2025 or older envelope stock issued. We have reduced the number of envelope packets and older envelope sets are no longer coded to a donor. It is increasingly difficult to find the older donor records for cross reference during posting.

We very much appreciate your cooperation and continued support! Reach out to Deb at 804-693-5939 ext. 2 with any questions.

SAINT THÉRÈSE BOOK STUDY GROUP

The Saint Thérèse book study group began a study of *The Confessions of Saint Augustine* on September 9. Saint Augustine is one of the great doctors of the Church, widely respected for his understanding of original sin, but he is also widely respected by literary scholars as the originator of the autobiography and for his understanding of introspection and the use of memory.

We meet in the study room on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. We'll be using the Bibliotheca Magna edition of *The Confessions*, available on Amazon. Hope to see you there!



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.

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.

FOOD PANTRY



Looking for an opportunity to volunteer in the community? Or perhaps you need service hours for a school club or organization. The Bread for Life Food Pantry would love to have you. The Pantry is open for guests on Monday or Wednesday and needs help with packaging donated food, stocking the bins or serving the clients that come to the pantry. To volunteer, contact Tracey Reed at 804-694-9366.

ST. THÉRÈSE DIVINE MERCY GROUP

Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 9:45 a.m. in the parish meeting room following Mass. All are welcome!

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.



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.



LANDLINE TELEPHONES

Have you been notified that your landline will be going away? Have you discontinued your landline telephone and now your primary contact phone number is a mobile number? If so, have you contacted your parish with this change? Give Denise a call at the office at 804-693-5939, ext. 1 to verify we have your current information.

Our most sacred treasure for the weekend of September 6, 2026 will be posted in next week's bulletin due to holiday early bulletin submittal.

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



DONUTS

Join us next Sunday, September 20th 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, coffee and iced tea will be available.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Morning Bible Study Group resumed its weekly meetings Thursday, September 3rd. The group meets on Thursday mornings from 10:15 to 11:45 a.m. in the meeting room. Various sections or themes of the Bible are discussed in an informal setting.

For the first six sessions, the group will be discussing various parables using the book *"Parables – Stories of the Kingdom"* by Amy Welborn. New participants are always welcomed. If interested and would like more information, please call or text Sid Dugas at 804-815-6288 or email at spdugas@cox.net or call Kim Green at 804-824-1073 or email at kwg853@yahoo.com.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORTS

As your Finance Council prepares quarterly reports and inserts them into the bulletin, please also be aware that a copy is inserted into the binder in the commons under the social ministry box on the stand. Current and past reports are also available on the parish website at stthersglo.org under Church Councils, Financial Reports.

JUSTICE AND CHARITY

GUEST Shelter needed supplies include: deodorant for men and women, lotion, small shampoo and conditioner, women's underwear of all sizes and trash bags (kitchen and contractor size). You can drop off supplies at the Day Shelter located at 6536 Moose Drive on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. or place them in the basket outside of the office.

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