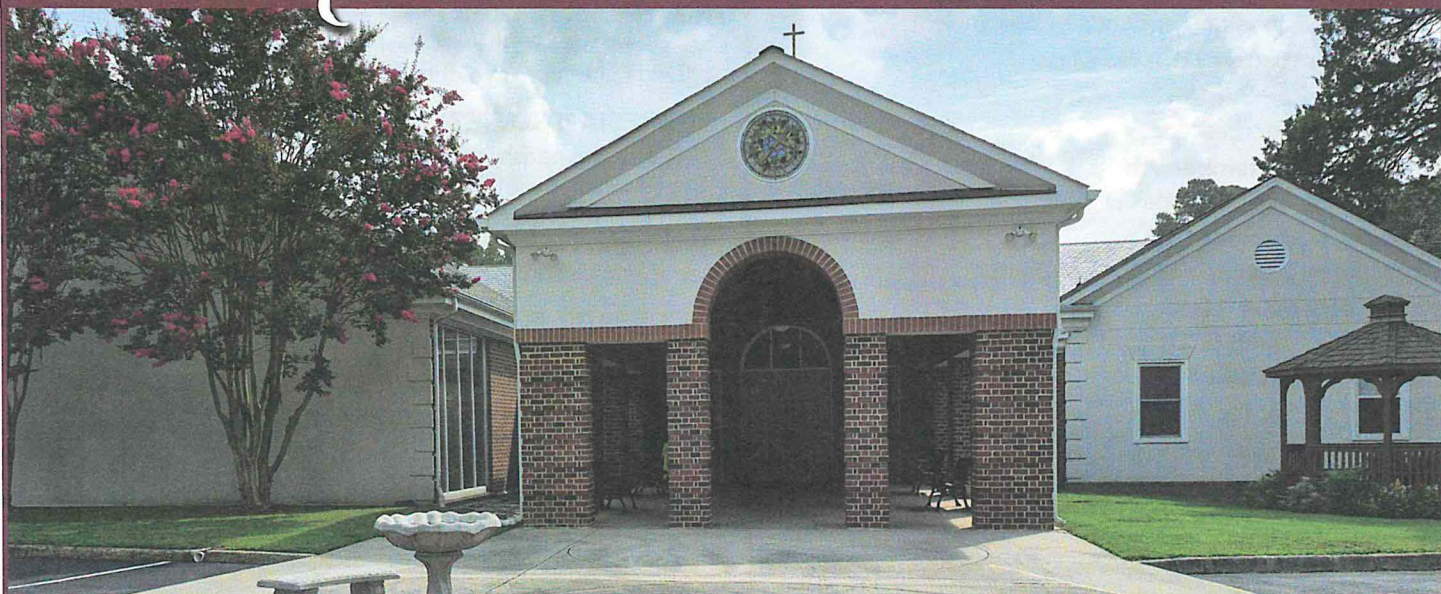




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Weekend Mass Schedule

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.



OCTOBER 11, 2026

MASSSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 10th
5:00 p.m. Anne Frey Bradley by Mary Olekszyk

Sunday, October 11th
8:00 a.m. For the People
10:30 a.m. For the People

Monday, October 12th-15th – No Mass

Friday, October 16th
12:00 p.m. Deacon José for his Birthday and Ordination Anniversary by St. Therese Parishioners

Saturday, October 17th
5:00 p.m. José Rascon by Rosa Rodriguez

Sunday, October 18th
8:00 a.m. For the People
10:30 a.m. Salvatore Leone, Jr. by Rosalia Leone

Sacrament Chapel vase flowers are a perpetual living memorial for Anna Lupei.
Tabernacle Candle Shines in Loving Memory of the Kemp Family.

Altar arrangements provided by Donna and Steve Raschke in Loving Memory of Sean Raschke.

Congratulations

CONGRATULATIONS TO GEORGE KOPP AND ABBIE GRIER ON THEIR MARRIAGE, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10th!
May God’s blessing always show the presence of the Lord to you and guide, protect, and support you in every step of your lives.

ESSAY CONTEST

Would you like your children to be recognized for their writing skills? Knights of Columbus Council 9428 is offering that opportunity through the national Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest. The contest is open to Church of St Thérèse Catholic students (in catechetical classes or homeschooled) in Grades 8 through 12, with recognition certificates for each entrant and a winner in each grade. The topic this year is a selection from our first Catholic President John F. Kennedy's 1961 inauguration speech: *“The rights of man come not from the generosity of the state but from the hand of God.”* The contestant should explain what this quote means and its importance for the flourishing of a nation in 500-750 typewritten words, and the work must be original. Entry forms will be handed out at Masses starting September 26-27.

Due date is November 8, 2026. Also, entry forms may be requested from Knight Tim Brown at tbrown127@gmail.com or 757-871-5034 (text or voice).

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

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

MEMORIAL CANDLES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL SOULS’ DAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

The candles will be displayed in front of the altar during Mass on November 2nd. You may donate towards a candle in memory of a loved one by filling out one of the blue envelopes in the commons. The suggested minimum donation is \$12.00 per candle. You may donate towards candles until October 25th. You may pick up your candles after the Masses the following weekend, or you can donate them to be used as tabernacle candles in the chapel throughout the following year. These intentions will also be included in the bulletin for the tabernacle in the chapel. Thank you.

Thank You

As we think about this past year, we recognize the many gifts and miracles that were in abundance. Your support of prayers, donations, time, cards, and Mass Intentions have been the love that continues to hold us together. Thank you St. Therese parish community. We are blessed to call you Family.

Deacon José and Karen Melendez

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 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!

ST. THERESE MEAL TRAIN

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.

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!

CALENDAR FOR YOUTH MINISTRY – OCTOBER

Sunday, October 11 Class
Saturday, October 17 Theresian Craft Bazaar 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 18 Class
Friday, October 23 LOCK-IN 7:00 p.m.-Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Sunday, October 25 Class 12:00-1:30 p.m. and later, 5:00 p.m. TRUNK or TREAT

FAMILY & FRIENDS CPR AND AED CLASS

The final training for adult, child, and infant CPR, AED and basic First Aid will be October 23; 12:00 p.m. Noon instructed by Edna Bauer, Certified CPR, AED, First Aid BLS at her residence at 8741 Farys Mill Road, Gloucester 23061. Certificate of attendance will be provided by American Heart Association. Phone: 757-509-0143.

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 are using for the session which began in July. For more information, call Jim Lee at 804-693-0826.

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.

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.

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

As we head into October and November, the Pantry is preparing for a busy Fall. We are serving an additional 400-900 clients monthly. Virginia Peninsula Foodbank notified Bread for Life that the food supply is becoming tighter. Based on current projections, we expect to receive approximately 10% less food than we did previously. That makes community support more important than ever.

If you are able, please consider helping us collect or donate local farm fruits and vegetables, canned fruits and vegetables, soups, canned tuna, pasta and pasta sauce, rice, peanut butter, breakfast items, nutritious non-perishable foods. Financial donations are equally important as they allow the pantry to purchase foods needed when Foodbank supplies fall short. Here's how you can help: <https://www.breadforlifefoodpantry.com/how-to-help>.

ST. THÉRÈSE DIVINE MERCY GROUP

Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 9:45 a.m. following Mass in the parish meeting room. 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 27, 2026

Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 2026/2027:	\$ 798,016.00
Amount needed per week to maintain budget:	\$ 15,346.46
Actual Plate Contributions:	\$ 3,864.00
E-giving:	\$ 3,047.00
Weekly Grand Total:	\$ 6,911.00
Total Weekend Mass Count:	381

2nd Collection Schedule:
October 18: World Missions Collection

Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.



I shall live in the house of the Lord

all the days of my life.

– Psalm 23:6



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