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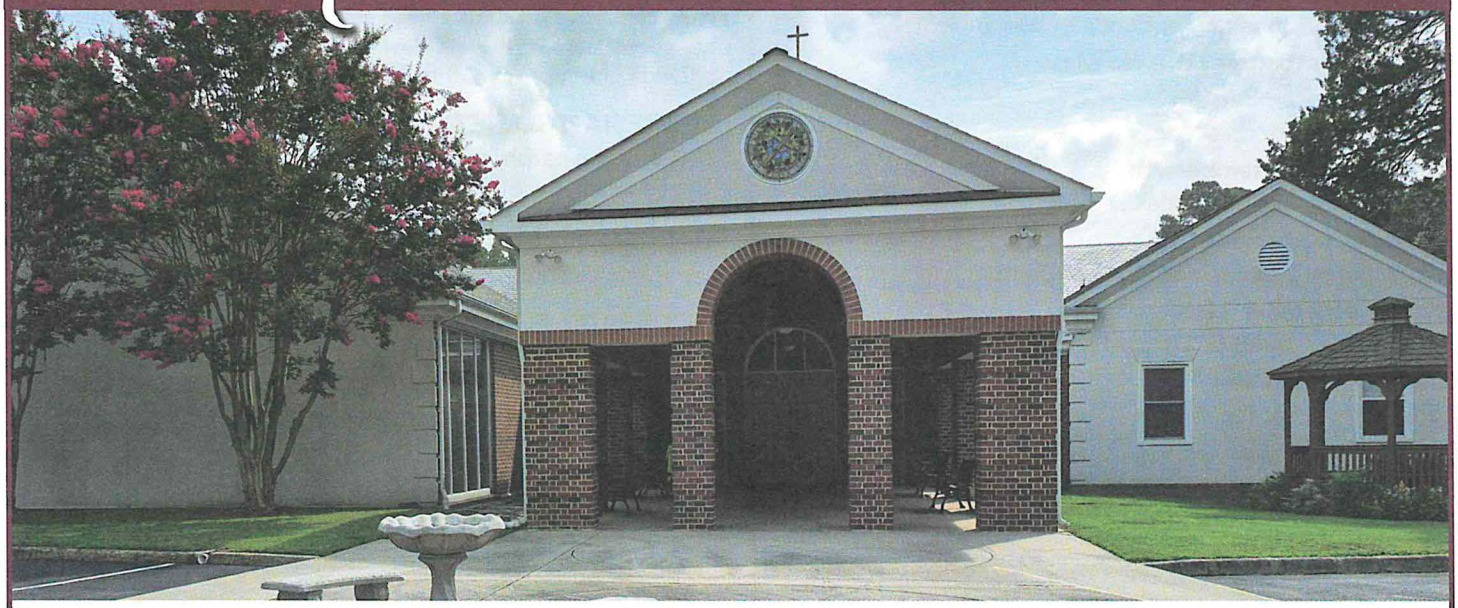

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Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday – 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass Schedule
Listed inside bulletin each week

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 25, 2026

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 24th
5:00 p.m. Steven Prakapas by Ruth Hartkopf

Sunday, October 25th
8:00 a.m. For the People
10:30 a.m. Evelyn Osgood by Alice Osgood

Monday, October 26th
No Mass

Tuesday, October 27th
9:00 a.m. For the People

Wednesday, October 28th
9:00 a.m. Floyd Allen for healing by Denise Canada

Thursday, October 29th
9:00 a.m. For the People

Friday, October 30th
12:00 p.m. Petra Rascon by Rosa Rodriguez

Saturday, October 31st
5:00 p.m. Steven Prakapas by Betty Fuller

Sunday, November 1st
8:00 a.m. For the People
10:30 a.m. Giacomo Buzzetta by Martha Leone

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

Tabernacle Candle Shines in Loving Memory of Frey & Kittrell Families

Altar arrangements provided by Donna and Rick Harper in Loving Memory of family members

Last weekend's Altar arrangements were provided by Michelle Smithson & Rosalyn Cook in Loving Memory of John Cook Sr.

The Mass for All Souls' Day will be at 10:00 a.m.

LANCASTER, PA TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND

Teresa Hinton is taking reservations for a Lancaster, PA trip to see JONAH at the Sight & Sound Theatre, April 13-15, 2027.
Deposit of $50.00 is due by November 15th to hold your spot. Final payment is February 15, 2027. This is a two night stay at the TRU by Hilton with many activities, meals, and tickets to the performance. There is double, triple, and single occupancy. Please contact Teresa at teres2hinton@gmail.com if interested.
Please place your payment by check made in the black box next to the office to Church of St. Therese.

WINE AND CHEESE

Join us in the Social hall for our Annual Wine and Cheese Event on Saturday, November 14, 2026 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Enjoy an evening of good company, fine wine, and delicious food. Souvenir wine glasses will be available at the door for a donation of $5.00 each.

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. Thank you.

WONDERING ABOUT THE BRICKS?

If you have ordered your brick but don't see it displayed just yet it may be due to the last two shipments which arrived damaged. Just want to provide an update that you should see them soon!

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Do you have a birthday or anniversary you'd like printed in the bulletin? If so, contact Denise at 804-693-5939, ext. 1 with your information at least two weeks prior to the date.

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 25
12:00-1:30 p.m. Class
5:00 p.m. TRUNK or TREAT
Friday, October 30-Saturday, October 31
7:00 p.m.-8:00 a.m. LOCK-IN

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 meets on Thursday mornings from 10:15-11:45 a.m. in the Meeting Room. Various sections or themes of the Bible are discussed in an informal setting. The group is currently discussing a six-session book, "Romans – Amazing Grace!" That will be followed by "Psalms – An Invitation to Prayer." 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

As we head into the winter, the GUEST shelter is in need of a few items: Lysol spray and wipes, Pine-sol or similar floor cleaner, and trash bags. The shelter is ready to accept cold-weather clothing donations: long sleeve shirts, pants, sweats, etc. 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 in the basket outside 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.

GRACE, GIFTS, AND GRATITUDE GALA BENEFITING THE ST. CLARE OF ASSISI RETREAT CENTER

The St. Clare of Assisi Retreat Center is bringing people closer to God, one retreat at a time. Join us on Saturday, November 21, 2026, at the retreat center in Hampton, Virginia for a plated dinner with wine and dessert in McGivney Hall at 6:00 p.m. A silent auction will be open throughout the evening, concluding at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $100.00 per person. Purchase tickets at: saintclareretreatcenter.flocknote.com/signup/265883. Prior to the evening's events, Bishop Barry C. Knestout will offer Holy Mass at 4:00 p.m. and bless the new Blessed Ortolana Building at 5:00 p.m. "Love God. Serve God. Everything is in that." – St. Clare of Assisi www.philippians2foundation.org

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.

TOILETRIES FOR HOSPITALIZED VETERANS

The Knights of Columbus is collecting travel-size toiletries for hospitalized veterans from now until November 8th. The collection box is near the water cooler in the Social Hall. All items will be given to veterans at the Hampton Veterans Affairs Hospital. Thank you for your generosity.

OLD GLORY

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting worn and tattered U.S. flags for proper disposal. A faded or torn flag should be retired properly and replaced with a vibrant new flag. Please bring in your old flags and place them in the Old Soldier's Footlocker which will be located in the Social Hall during November in honor of our Veterans. Thank you.

VETERANS

Our Knights of Columbus Council invites Veterans and their families to the Annual Veterans Brunch on Sunday, November 8th, at 11:45 a.m. in the Social Hall. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Commons or contact Eric Anderson at 518-354-2374/eranderson13@gmail.com by November 1st to indicate your attendance and ensure that the "chow line" is properly stocked. Also, please submit pictures for our Veterans Slide Show to Eric by the same date. In keeping with military tradition, we encourage veterans to wear their medals, ribbons, and badges and veterans service organization hats for this event.

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 to verify we have your current information at 804-693-5939, ext. 1.

OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE

FOR THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 11, 2026

Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 2026/2027:	**$ 798,016.00**
Amount needed per week to maintain budget:	**$ 15,346.46**
Actual Plate Contributions:	**$ 4,781.00**
E-giving:	**$ 4,342.00**
Other Contributions:	**$ 105.00**
Weekly Grand Total:	**$ 9,228.00**
Total Weekend Mass Count:	**404**

2nd Collection Schedule:
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