

St. Theresa Catholic Church

21371 St. Theresa Lane, Ashburn, Virginia 20147

Dear Parishioners,

As I write to you, I am hearing forecasts of up to three feet of snow from Friday through Saturday, so I wonder how many of you will actually get this bulletin. Then again, it is only a long range forecast which means we might have missed it altogether...

By now many of you have received a mailing from the Bishop with regard to this year's Lenten Appeal. I would ask that you take some time to prayerfully consider contributing to this most worthwhile appeal. You'll be hearing more from me on the appeal in the coming weeks.

We are working feverishly to complete the mailing of the end of year donor statements for taxes. You should get yours by the end of the week. I am grateful for the generosity of the parishioners over the past year. Should you not receive a statement by the first of February, contact the parish office.

May God bless you!

Sincerely in Christ,

Parish Mass Schedule

- Saturday:** 8:00am
5:30pm Vigil Mass
- Sunday:** 7:30, 8:45, 10:30am;
12:30 and 5:00pm
- Weekdays:** 6:15 and 8:30am,
Monday through Friday
Wednesdays: 12:15pm
- Holy Days:** As announced
(see inside bulletin)
- Holy Hour:** Thursdays, 8:00pm
- Confessions:** Saturdays, 4:00 - 4:45 pm;
during Holy Hour;
and by appointment

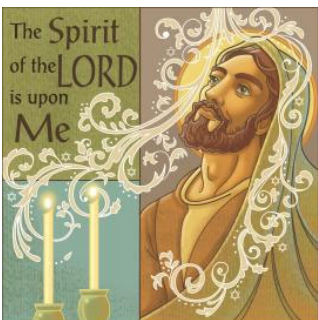
Clergy

Reverend Richard M. Guest, Pastor
Reverend Thomas B. Cavanaugh, Parochial Vicar
Reverend James C. Hinkle, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Paul C. Konold

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 24, 2016

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.
-- Luke 4:18a

Bulletin Deadline: Friday 2pm
(9 days prior to
publication)



Youth Education and News



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School Year Office Hours:

Mondays & Wednesdays: 10am-7:30pm
Tuesdays: 10am-6:00pm
Thursdays: 9am-4pm
Fridays: 9am-Noon

Note: When RE classes are NOT in session, we are open 9am-4pm.

Monday, February 1st to Wednesday, February 3rd

—First Penance Services during RE Sessions

Sunday, February 7th

—No RE Classes (Super Bowl)

Wednesday, February 10th

—No RE Classes, Ash Wednesday

Sunday, February 14th to Tuesday, February 15th

—No RE Classes, President's Day Holiday

The **VIRTUS update video** is being revised. Stay tuned for further instructions on recertification process.



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URS—The High School Youth Group (rising 9th graders - 12th grade) meets Sundays **6:00-8:00pm**. It is teen led and teen organized, with food, fun, fellowship and faith. Starts in the school cafeteria with snacks and games, then moves to the Upper Room (the choir loft of the church) for prayer and discussion of a Gospel passage lead by peer-mentors. Concludes with a talk by Fr Thomas or another leader, closing prayer, and Pizza and dessert!

According to Diocesan policy, all new volunteers to the RE and School programs are required to submit the necessary Diocesan paperwork prior to volunteering. Paperwork should be processed and *cleared* before anyone can begin his or her service in the Church and School. Individuals are not permitted to volunteer until these requirements are met. Also required is the VIRTUS course. Sign up and register at www.virtus.org today!

Saint Theresa Catholic School



Open House: Jan. 31st from 1:30 – 3:30 PM



Did You Know? . . .

Each of our students is issued a Chromebook in Middle School. Teaching computer literacy is one of our core competencies.

That's the St. Theresa Difference!

www.stsashburn.com | 703-729-3577 | schooloffice@stsashburn.com

St. Theresa School Open House

St. Theresa Catholic School (K-8) welcomes interested families to attend an open house on **Sunday, January 31**, from 1:30 to 3:30pm (presentation at 1:45pm). Teachers will be available and student tours will be provided. Information about the school and the application process can be found on the school website, www.stsashburn.com. For more information, please call the school at 703.729.3577 or e-mail schooloffice@stsashburn.com.

Scout Sunday Mass - 12:30pm on February 7th

All Scouts of the parish are invited to participate in Scout Sunday Mass at 12:30pm on Sunday, February 7. All Scouts and Scout leaders, including Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, American Heritage Girls, Girl Scouts and others are invited to wear their Scout uni-

forms to Mass, and may sit with their Scout unit or with their families. For additional information, contact Kathleen Quinn at KDWQuinn1@aol.com.

Save the Date

The altar server winter excursion will be on **February 15, 2016**. The bus will depart Saint Theresa at 8:30am for Mass and a Tour at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington D.C. Lunch and a sightseeing attraction following. Contact the Religious Ed office for permission slips.

Interested in Homeschooling?

Mary's House is an active group of local Catholic homeschooling families that is hosting a homeschooling information night on Wednesday, January 27 at 7:00pm at Sterling Library (Meeting Room). Come and ask questions about curriculum, sports, extra-curriculars, homeschooling children

with special needs, getting started, legal requirements, and more. Questions? Contact Cassie Henry at cas-sielhenry@gmail.com.

Box Tops and Labels for Education Programs

St. Theresa School would like to thank you for your continued support of the Box Tops For Education and Labels For Education programs. The parish has helped the school earn \$1375.00 in Box Tops and total of 3667 Labels for Education so far this year just by cutting out labels on products you already buy. Each Box Tops label you turn in is worth 10¢, which adds up quickly. Box Tops and Labels for Education collection containers are located at each entrance of the Church. Any questions or suggestions regarding this program, please contact Elisa Reinhardt- elisa@teamreinhardt.com.

Adult Education and Spiritual Enrichment

An Evening for Women

Feb 2, 7:30pm Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice." (John 10:27), but do you find it hard to hear God's voice? Do you ever wonder if God is really speaking to you, or is it just your imagination? Or perhaps you feel God speaks to others but not to you. The women of the St. Theresa Walking with Purpose bible study invite you to join us for an evening of fellowship, an inspirational talk, and reflection. In a talk entitled, "Hearing the Voice of God in Your Day to Day Life", Christina Harrington, Coordinator of Walking With Purpose, will share with you what she has learned and how you can hear God's voice in your everyday life. The evening will be held at the St. Theresa School Cafeteria (please enter through the back door). Light refreshments will be served. Please join us and bring a friend! RSVP to donovanma@yahoo.com Please contact us with any questions at sttheresawwp@gmail.com



Endow helps women from all walks of life discover their God-given dignity

and femininity through the richness and authenticity of Catholic teaching. When we as women grow in understanding the teachings of the Church and in the truth of Jesus Christ, our faith becomes more fully defined, and so does our transforming influence in the family, the community, and society as a whole. Endow utilizes study groups to cultivate faith, fellowship, and formation.

Starting February 2 and throughout the Lenten season, we will be studying Church teachings "On the Christian Meaning of Suffering." Far from depressing, this study is filled with joy and hope. There will be 2 groups meeting at Our Lady of Hope Parish Hall, 46639 Algonkian Parkway, Potomac Falls, VA: Tuesday evenings 7:30-9pm or Wednesday mornings 9:15-11am (babysitting provided Wed am). No homework and opportunity to grow in faith with your Sisters in Christ. To learn more or to register for this study, email Marie Kennedy at dken5854@aol.com or call 703.433.0864.

EPIC—A Journey Thru Church History

Catholic Church History is the story of our family and our ancestors in the

Faith. Knowing this story is crucial to our identity as Catholics. Began **Sept. 9th through Dec. 12th, 2016** to be held the **second and fourth Wed. from 7:30 to 9:00pm**, in the school. Questions/Register contact Andy Johnson, johnson.andrew@verizon.net.

Bible Timeline—The Story of Salvation

A fascinating study that takes participants on a journey through the entire Bible. Using a unique color-coded system, they will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. Began **Oct. 7th through Nov. 2016** to be held the **first and third Wed., 7:30-9pm** in room 315 in the school. Questions, contact Linda DiMuzio, lpdimuzio@gmail.com.

RCIA Meeting

7:30pm on **Wednesday evenings** in the Conference Room of the new building. Register online at <https://sainttheresaparish.com/activity/rcia/> or come to a meeting.

Thursday Morning Women's Discipleship Group

Welcome women of all ages. We meet in the north conference room 9:15-11am with Fr. Thomas. Questions call Jane -703.729.2495 or granp3318@gmail.com.

Mom's Faith Formation

Join us **Thursday mornings**, 9:30-10:30. Our mission is to bring together moms for fellowship and spiritual formation. Gospel readings, book studies, discussion groups and more are planned. Babies and children welcome. Find us in the new admin. building across from the church.

Unbound DVD Series

Join us for the UNBOUND DVD 8 week series, Thursdays 6:30pm - 7:30pm, January 7th. Keeping our New Year's resolutions could be a battle within. Come start your New Year off on the right path and find out what may be keeping you from succeeding. "So whoever is in Christ is a New Creation: the old things have passed

away..." (2 Corinthians 5:17). To know more about Unbound check out St. Theresa website or email: Lauren Kelley at schoolofprayersttheresa@gmail.com to register.

St. Theresa 2016 Annual Pilgrimage—

In the Footsteps of St. Paul - Father Guest will lead our Parish 12 Days Pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey, **April 12 - April 23, 2016**. Contact Anh Wong, wong.anh@gmail.com or 703.723.1308.



Institute of Catholic Culture

Seeking Wisdom: Boethius & the Birth of Christian Philosophy

Prof. Mark Wunsch, Ph.L., Ph.D. (cand.), **Sat., February 6**, 10:00am - 12:00pm St. Francis de Sales Church Hall 37730 St. Francis Court, Purcellville, VA 20132

A Concert and Reflections of the Year of Mercy by Sarah Hart

Wednesday, Feb. 17, 7pm. St. Joseph Church, 750 Peachtree St., Herndon, VA 20170. Contact Alice Eelman, 703.880.4321 or aeelman@sjcherndon.org.

Spiritual Exercises Weekends

Upcoming Retreats include: Spiritual Exercises for Women Feb 26-28 (Lent)/3-day/\$190 p/p March 3-6 (Lent)/4-day/\$275 p/p April 7-10/4-day/\$275 p/p

Spiritual Exercises for Men Feb 19-21 (Lent)/3-day/\$190 p/p (coincides with Young Men's retreat, see below. Great opportunity for a Father/Son retreat experience!)

Spiritual Exercises for Young Men (High School & College) Feb 19-21 (Lent)/3-day/\$150 p/p

Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. Visit our website www.ourladyofbethesda.org. Or call 301-365-0612.

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All offices located at 21370 St. Theresa Lane, Ashburn, VA

Sacraments

Baptisms

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a class, preferably before the child's birth. After you have attended the class, you may schedule your child for the Sacrament of Baptism (Sundays 1:30 pm).

Baptism forms can be found on the Parish website under Faith, Sacraments, Baptism.

Matrimony

The priest must be contacted at least six (6) months prior to the wedding date.

Visit the Parish Website under Faith, Sacraments, Marriage and fill out the

Marriage Preparation Questionnaire prior to contacting the Parish Office. A priest will contact you.

Sponsor Certificates

Please contact the Parish Office to obtain a sponsor certificate prior to a Baptism or Confirmation.

RCIA

Adults desiring instruction in the Catholic Faith should visit the website to register for RCIA classes.

Hospitalized/ Homebound

Please contact the Parish Office to ask for Holy Communion or the Anointing of the Sick.



February 1 – **Monthly Business Meeting.** We will say the Rosary at 7:30pm, followed by the meeting beginning at 8:00pm, in the St.

Zélie Martin room located in the new Administration Addition.

February 6 – **Hosting 3rd Degree Exemplification.** Our Council will host a 3rd Degree Exemplification for Brothers throughout Northern VA beginning at 11:00am. We need help from 3rd/4th Degree Brothers with: (1) preparing and serving breakfast and lunch, (2) checking-in the candidates, (3) traffic control, and (4) clean up. If you are a 2nd Degree Brother, please plan to attend and receive your 3rd Degree. This is the only time we

will host a 3rd Degree at St. Theresa parish during 2016. Details to follow.

February 7 – **Football Party.** Please join us at 4:00pm, until? and watch a football game on the large TV in the St. Zélie Martin room. We will serve drinks and food (if any is left) from the February 6, 3rd Degree Exemplification (donations accepted to defray their costs) – feel free to bring your own food/snacks to share. This party is open to the entire parish.

February 13 – **Men's Lenten Retreat.** Start Lent off right! All men of the parish are invited to attend. We will begin with an 8:00am, Mass followed by a light breakfast in the Narthex. There will also be Eucharistic Adora-

tion and opportunity for confession, a group rosary, and several talks to help us properly celebrate the Lenten season.

February 14 – **Pancake Breakfast For Your Valentine.** Treat your Valentine to a delicious pancake and sausage breakfast after the 7:30, 8:45, or 10:30am, Masses. You will help support the You(th) vs. Hunger effort in addition to pleasing your Valentine!

Are you a Knight? If not, why not? Contact us at kofc15256@googlegroups.com to learn the great things that we do to help our parish and community.

Homily Real-Time Translation (CART) Updates

CART is now available on any tablet or smart phone including Android, iPhone, iPad, Kindle, etc. A free loaner mini iPad is available at mass on a first come first served basis. For the

hearing impaired and deaf but open to all, this service allows you to receive the homily, prayers of the faithful, and announcements in real time (CART) during mass! Contact Donna at CARTsttheresa@aol.com for more information.

Captioned masses in January:

Jan. 31, 8:45am.

In case of inclement weather, please text Donna's cell at 703.501.4320 or email to be sure CART has not been cancelled.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASSSES for the WEEK

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Mon, Jan 25	6:15— Richard Aust+ 8:30— Mary Jane Murphy+
Tues, Jan 26	6:15— Emily Schroth+ 8:30— Mona Hoppmeyer+
Wed, Jan 27	6:15— Roy Kizewinski+ 8:30— Bobby Givens+ 12:15— Stanley Plummer+
Thurs, Jan 28	6:15— Jacinta Mele 8:30— Anna Bich Thu Nguyen+
Fri, Jan 29	6:15— Mrs. Paula Fries+ 8:30— Francis Barry
Sat, Jan 30	8:00— Sr. Mary Emmanuel, OSB+ 5:30— Ruben and Nellie Devia, 25th Wedding Anniversary
Sun, Jan 31	7:30— Neil Prince+ 8:45— Michael Miranda+ 10:30— Parishioners of St. Theresa 12:30— Margaret and Francis J. Pfeiffer+ 5:00— Joseph Spandra, Sr.+

Prayers For The Sick: Gerry Walsh, Victoria Babcock, Aaron Quinn, David Whitaker, Pat Dougherty, Audrey D'Arnaud, Fabriana Dorsey, John McCurdy, Mark Kulyk, Theresa Birch, Frances Prestinari, Peter Kerney, Trevor Schweigest, Haley Morris, Theresa and John Baker, Johanna O'Brien, Braydon Ordway, Paul Ulich, Peter Perry, Krista Marting, Johnna Bass, Kathy Bernota, Evan Solomonides, Gerrie Rodriguez, Debora Vaz, Deborah Ferry, Kelly Poplar, Parker Williams, Cynthia Swanson, Troy Compner, Dottie Woisard, Angela Williams, Philip Schnibbe, Janice Cooney, Bill McLaine, Margaret Bever, Lisa Grealish, Caroline Divone, Larry Emerson, Robert Slaughter, Eric Hodges, Regan Wright, Ryan Theriot, Charlene Lawlor, Ryan Divivine, and Christine Krebs.

Prayers For Our Military: Sean Spurr, Jack Hayes, Katherine Bergeron, Christopher Martin, Thomas Gleason, Tony Mattice, Megan Jameson, Greg Lee, David Lakey, Jim Murray, Keith Bittle, Michael McCurdy, Steven Digangi, Michael J. Pruden, Robert Scheuerer, Meghan E. Fitzgerald, Tom Short, Bill Short, Griffin Spencer, Peter Santini, Eric Curcio, Steven Curcio, Matthew Slaughter, Joseph Alexander, Christopher Sheehan, Clayton William Abel, Matthew Ervin, David Nelson, Ryan Angelo Molina, Sarah Shaw, Mickey Shaw, Mary Kate Shaw, Heidi Harapko, Steve McGlynn, John Wade, David Seliquini, Brett Farmer, Reid Farmer, Shelley Farmer, John Daniel Wohdford, Neal Corson, Nick Nelson, Christopher Gray. To add a name, call Rosemary Pinney, 703.729.2017.

DIVINE
MERCY
OUTREACH

Learn more, visit
www.sainttheresaparish.com

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

Thursdays 9:30am. Gospel reflection following prayer. If you would like more information please call Susan Burns at 703-729-3174 or smburns92046@verizon.net.

Help Divine Mercy Outreach by giving a donation online!

Go to the parish website <http://www.sainttheresaparish.com> and click on Donate Now-Divine Mercy to make a monetary donation!

Get The Latest Outreach News

Would you like to help those in need in our community?

Sign up to be placed on our email. You'll learn more about what we do and can respond if able to assist in any way. Contact Marianne Guidos at dmoutreach@sainttheresaparish.com or 571.332.6533(cell) or 703.729.2334(Office) for more info.

Opportunities to Help

Red Cross Blood Drive

Our next American Red Cross blood drive at St. Theresa will be **Saturday, February 20th from 6:30-11:30am**. To register online: Please go to www.redcrossblood.org and type in the following as the sponsor code: St. Theresa Church. Once you get to the site, click on St. Theresa Church (on the left side of the screen) to choose your appointment time. If you have any difficulty, please e-mail Colleen Dwyer at colleenhome@verizon.net or call 703.969.3667. The Red Cross is extremely grateful to the very generous St. Theresa parishioners for their continued support. Thank you!!

Job Seekers & Volunteers

Christians are Networking (CAN), a ministry of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington, pairs persons who are unemployed, underemployed, or, in search of a new career with volunteer professionals who will teach them essential networking, resume writing, and job interview skills. CAN is a tremendous resource, not only for persons seeking new jobs, but for returning military veterans and recent college graduates who are relative newcomers to the employment market. The St. Theresa chapter of CAN meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, 7-9pm @ St. Theresa parish meeting rooms. Con-

tact Raelene Wagoner at can@sainttheresaparish.com for more information or visit our website: www.cdda.net/programs_jobs.php

2016 Bishop's Lenten Appeal Begins!

This month many of us will receive a mailing from Bishop Loverde regarding the 2016 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). The theme for the 2016 BLA is "Go forth as heralds of God's mercy." After reflecting upon the many blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge of support to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serve the people in our diocese. Every pledge is an expression of God's love and mercy!