

St. Theresa Catholic Church

21371 St. Theresa Lane, Ashburn, Virginia 20147



October 1, 2017

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners:

Happy Feast Day! Today we honor our patroness, St. Theresa of the Child Jesus and we give thanks to God for her example and her care of our parish. As you know, Saint Theresa is known for her "Little Way" of doing even, and especially, small things with great love. In fact, she once said, "My vocation is love! I will be love in the heart of the Church!" We pray that we might follow her example of loving service to the Church.

In celebration of our patroness' feast, our Knights of Columbus are hosting our annual parish picnic TODAY (Sunday) from 2-6pm. There will be an abundance of food and drink (a feast of hot dogs, hamburgers, barbecue, etc.), a rock wall, an obstacle course, a moon bounce and various other activities for young and old alike. The Knights will also be holding their annual Soccer Challenge for boys and girls of the parish. I am so grateful for the Knights of our Council (St. Louis Martin) for their lead on this wonderful event for the parish family. I hope to see everyone there!

Please pray for our young men and women preparing for Confirmation this Fall. Half of the class participated in a retreat last month, the other half will be "on retreat" this Saturday. Archbishop Broglio of the Archdiocese for Military Services is scheduled to confirm our young men and women on Sunday, November 19, 2017. Keep them all in your prayers over these next several weeks that they might be truly open to the power of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

Next Sunday, October 8th, we will have our annual pet blessing on the grounds at the side of the church -- near the statue of Saint Theresa. The blessing is a tradition associated with Saint Francis, whose feast day is October 4th -- this Wednesday. Be sure to bring your dogs and cats, rabbits and birds -- whatever pet you have -- to the blessing. We will begin promptly at 2:00pm.

Sincerely in Christ,

Parish Mass Schedule

Saturday:	8:30am 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
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 James C. Hinkle, Parochial Vicar
Reverend Jordan M. Willard, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Paul C. Konold

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

Youth Education and News



Office Hours
Monday & Wednesday, 10am-7:30pm
Tuesday, 10am-6pm
Thursday, 9am to 4pm,
Friday, 9am to noon.

October 1-4

—Chastity Week in RE Classes

November 14 & 16, 7pm

—Confirmation Rehearsals

November 19th, 3pm and 7pm

—Confirmation



ymoffice@sainttheresaparish.com

URS—The High School Youth Group
(9th graders - 12th grade)

Rock Squad—Middle School Youth
Group (6th-8th grade)

Upcoming Schedules:

10/1 Parish Picnic

10/7 Confirmation Retreat

10/15 URS, 6-8pm

10/21 Rock Squad, 6:30-8:30pm

10/22 Diocesan High School Rally,
11am-8:30pm, see website for details

10/29 URS, 6-8pm

Adults- Plan Ahead to Volunteer

Want to volunteer at the many St. Theresa's children based programs/ events (i.e. fall picnic, STTACK, Merciful Harvest, school functions)? St. Theresa's encourages and welcomes your involvement however it requires

that all volunteers be VIRTUS trained (volunteer training & paperwork). The VIRTUS paperwork may take up to 4-6 weeks to clear.

To register for VIRTUS training go to www.virtus.org. Contact Connie Gilligan, Parish Child Safety Coordinator, connie@sainttheresaparish.com, 703.729.3714.



NVJCYO—Northern Virginia Junior Catholic Youth Organization

NVJCYO has a member organization of approximately 45 parishes from the Diocese of Arlington. Their mission is to organize sports programs for parish youth throughout the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, to reinforce Catholic values taught in parish schools and religious education programs.

St. Theresa's NVJCYO Representative is Dean Young, cyo@sainttheresaparish.com. Contact him for all questions.

All adults must be fully VIRTUS compliant prior to start of practices.

Basketball (Grades 4-8) Registration is now open. Go to the parish website: <https://sainttheresaparish.com/activity/nvjcyo-sports/> to register. Games begin Dec. 2 & 3.

If your child is interested in participating, please consider coaching. Without a coach, we cannot have a team. If interested, please contact Dean to learn how to get involved.

Saint Theresa Catholic School



School tours most Mondays (9:00am) starting in September
Be sure to check on our website under Admissions to sign up



Did You Know? . . .

A strong academic foundation is only the beginning at St. Theresa. We pride in giving our children a strong moral compass and a solid Catholic foundation.

**That's the
St. Theresa Difference!**

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Girls Kindergarten-4th Grade

October 5 first meeting, for Jr. Challenge, a monthly club where girls meet to learn a virtue in a fun, Catholic environment. They meet the first Thursday of each month, 3:20-4:30pm, in STS library. For questions, Christine Young, 703.723.3561 or ashburnchallenge@aol.com.

Opportunities to Help

Job Seekers & Volunteers

Christians are Networking (CAN), a ministry of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington, pairs persons who are unemployed, under-employed, or in search of a new career with volunteers who will teach them essential networking, resume writing, and job interview skills. The

St. Theresa chapter meets the 1st and 3rd Tues each month, 7-9pm. For more info contact Raelene Wagoner, can@sainttheresaparish.com or visit: www.cca.net/programs_jobs.php

Support the important mission of Catholics for Housing (CFH) and attend the 2017 CFH Gala "Creating

Opportunities Together" Fri, **October 6**, at 6 pm at Westfields Conference Center, Chantilly. If you can't attend, you can still support with your tax-deductible contribution. Tickets are \$125, purchase online at cfhva.org or by mail. Call 703.221.4510 or info@cfhva.org for more info or to RSVP by September 25.

How to Register to be a Parishioner of St. Theresa

Often, in the sacramental life of the Church, Catholic faithful will need to prove residency in a parish. Registration with the parish office allows us to track your sacramental data and keep you connected with the life of the

church. In order to register, come to the parish office Monday – Friday 9:30am – 3:30pm to fill out a registration card. Yellow registration cards can also be obtained at all of the Church entrances – these can be mailed to the parish or given to an usher during a church liturgy.

Parish Happenings

Porto Charities Annual Collection for God's Special Children

Bishop Burbidge has enthusiastically endorsed Porto Charities "Special Kids, Special Needs Collection" on behalf of intellectually and developmentally challenged youth within the diocese. Next Sunday there will be a second collection to assist special needs programs such as the Paul VI, Pope John Paul the Great, and St. Mark's School Special Education Option Programs, George Mason University Life Program, Gabriel Home, Special Olympics, and the "Keyboard for Kids" program which provides audio/visual communication capability to special needs students within the diocese. The Bishop has sanctioned this collection as a blessing for God's Special Children, their families and this entire diocese. Please be generous in your support of this worthwhile endeavor.

Gathering Leaves of Mercy

Look for the leaves on the trees in the entrances to the church **beginning the weekend of October 7, 2017**. Gather as many leaves as you would like, and purchase the item written on each leaf. Items will be used to help needy families and individuals at Merciful Harvest. Items may be left in the Divine Mercy boxes at the rear of the church.

Coat Drive

There are families in need who come to us each year looking for warm coats. Please help and consider purchasing a coat or donating gently used coats in children and adult sizes to keep them warm this winter. It is appreciated if used items are laundered prior to donation.

Clothing Donations Needed

Toddler through High School sizes Fall / Winter clothing, gently used (no stains or tears) is needed. Adult sizes accepted only if the items would appeal to teens. Basic clothing items such as jeans, sweatshirts, and sweat-

ers are always appreciated. Hats, gloves and scarves are also needed. It is appreciated if gently used items are laundered prior to donation.

New and gently used coats and gently used clothing can be dropped off at the church after Masses on STTACK Sundays:

☐ **October 15th and 22nd**

Drop your donations in the containers marked STTACK at the entrances

Pro-Life Advocate to Speak

Acclaimed Blogger and vocal advocate for Christian, pro-life, and conservative issues, Matt Walsh, for one night only will be at Saint Theresa Catholic Church in Ashburn, VA for a lecture on Saturday **October 14, 2017** at 7pm. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Topic to be announced. Presentation will be in the gym.

Young at Heart Club (YAH)

Men and Women (55 and over)

•**Thurs. October 26th Bus Trip**—MGM GRAND CASINO. Leave at 10am from St. Theresa's and arrive home at 8pm. Can visit National Harbor, Gaylord Hotel and Outlets. Cost \$30.00 per person - \$25.00 for slot play credit per person from Casino.

•**Thurs. November 2nd**—Holy Cross Abbey. Leave at 12:30pm from St Theresa's. (by bus or car pool depending on how many go). We will attend Mid-Day Prayers with the Monks and then an escorted tour of the Abbey. Their gift shop will be open for shopping afterwards.

•**Wed. April 19th**—We will meet in the Admin. Bldg., after attending 12:15pm Mass. A member will discuss her recent trip to Ireland. Bring your own bag lunch. Club will have desserts and beverages for your enjoyment. To sign up for above trips or more information on any of the above please contact Grace Breighner at gracejb18@aol.com or 703.729.7044.

St. Theresa 12-Days Pilgrimage to Ireland and Scotland

Father Guest will lead our 7th Annual Pilgrimage to Ireland and Scotland from **April 9 - 20, 2018**. We will leave from Dulles for Dublin. We will visit the Legion of Mary headquarters, the Carmelite Church in Dublin, the ruins of St Kevin's Monastery, the famous Rock of Cashel, 15th century Blarney Castle, the Blarney Woolen Mill, the neo-gothic St Mary's Cathedral in Kilarney, the Ring of Kerry, visit Molls Gap and Ladies View, see the famous Cliffs of Moher, the seaside city of Galway, the Galway Cathedral, the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock, the Apparition Chapel, take the ferry from Belfast to Glasgow, Scotland, St Andrew's Cathedral in Glasgow, the Sacred Heart Church in Edinburgh, visit Stirling Castle atop a 250 feet high rock that used to be Mary Queen of Scotland's residence, the Shrine of Venerable Margaret Sinclair (Sister Mary Francis of the Five Wounds) and more... Contact Anh Wong at, wong.anh@gmail.com or call 703.723.1308.

You(th) vs Hunger

Calling all business owners! St. Theresa's third annual You(th) vs Hunger will pack 100,000 meals on March 17, 2018. If your business would like to be sponsor, please email Rachel Revelle at rmrevelle@gmail.com Your business' name can be on the back of the shirt and you can have signs at the event. Help us meet our goal!

Closed Captions During Mass

Captioning of announcements and Homily available by downloading app onto any laptop, tablet, iPad, Kindle, smart phone such as iPhone and Android. Monthly mass schedule is on our website. Contact Donna at CARTsttheresa@aol.com for more information.



Today! – **Parish Picnic**. Our parish picnic will be held today, October 1, from 2 pm to 6 pm. Boys and girls ages 9 - 14 are invited to participate in the Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge beginning at 2:30pm at the St. Theresa school soccer field.

October 8 – **Pancake Breakfast Benefiting Merciful Harvest**. Breakfasts will be held after the 7:30, 8:45 and 10:30am Masses. Join us for delicious pancakes and sausage to help support this very worthwhile event.

November 11 – **4th Degree Exemplification** in Portsmouth, VA for any active 3rd Degree Member of our Council. See Ray Cook after the September

or October Council Business Meeting for an application.

Keep an eye out for Knights of Columbus recruitment events in the upcoming months.

Are you a Knight? Contact us at kofc15256@googlegroups.com to learn the great things that we do to help our parish and community.

Adult Education and Spiritual Enrichment

Men's Bible Study

Starting on **Tuesday, October 3rd**, 7-9pm in the Zelli Martin Conference Room. Will meet every Tuesday at that time. All men of the parish are welcome and encouraged to join us for this time of prayer, study, and fellowship. This Fall, we will be studying Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother. Cost is only \$25 for study materials. Contact Larry Bayne at 703.729.3714 with questions.

Praise and Worship in Song

Music opens our hearts to deep prayer and adoration! Please come for a special hour of adoration with music for praise and worship on **Friday, October 6th** at 8:15 pm in the church following the First Friday mass at 7:30 pm. Lift your voice in praise or pray quietly, allowing the words of the music to lead you closer to the Lord. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Betsy Leon at onegratefulgirl@verizon.net. If you can't make it, mark your calendar for First Friday in November and December!

R.C.I.A. 2017 - 2018

Interested in becoming Catholic or exploring the Catholic Faith? The next session of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) begins **October 11th** at 7pm in the Saint Louis Martin Room. Register at <https://sainttheresaparish.com/activity/rcia/> If you are coming from a different Christian denomination and have al-

ready received baptism, please obtain a proof of baptism from the church where you were baptized and bring it to the first class.

Wine and Theology

Welcome all adults! The Rainville family will host our next event on **Fri. October 13** from 7-10:30pm. This is a casual gathering to catch up, meet new people, and enjoy each other's company. We are excited that Frank Ferguson will be joining us to speak around 8ish. Children are welcome, but we also have babysitting references. Feel free to invite your friends! Please contact Katie McDonald katie.w.mcdonald@gmail.com for the invite or if you have questions. Future Date: Nov. 10. We hope to see you all soon!

Saint Theresa Women's Discipleship Group

Meets every Wednesday 9:30-11:30am in the North Conference Room.
9:30 - 10:30 Lectio Divina on the upcoming Sunday's Gospel
10:30 - 11:30 Book study
St. Francis de Sales', Introduction to the Devout Life, edited and abridged by Msgr. Charles Dollen. St. Francis de Sales intended this book to be used by lay people as a devotional. Copies will be available of this edition free of charge. Women of all ages are cordially invited. For more information, contact Flo at 719.671.5610 or friddoc@gmail.com

Calling All Men of the Parish to the Men's Discipleship Group

The St. Theresa Men's Discipleship Group is focused on bringing together Catholic men to discuss, share and support one another in our lives of faith. Our members act to encourage one another to strengthen our faith in Christ and to become better husbands, fathers, sons, brothers and friends.

Our meetings are held at **5pm Sunday** afternoons in the St. Louis Martin conference room in the parish office annex. For additional information, please contact Anthony Renzette - ar@renzette.org or consult the parish website.

English as a Second Language (ESL)

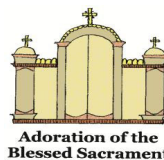
Classes are led by a certified ESL instructor and are free. ESL classes are Mondays, 10am-12pm and Tuesdays, 7-9pm and meets in the Louis room. If interested in attending, contact Crystal Jordan, ESL@sainttheresaparish.com.

Padre Pio Prayer Group

La Vergine Maria Immacolata Chapter has been approved by the Church to begin meeting at Saint Theresa. We will meet the first Friday of each month at 6pm in the Louis Room. The meetings will include devotion to Padre Pio, prayer intentions, a rosary, and discussion, with First Friday Mass to follow.

Current Vacant Adoration Slots

Sat	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
2:30am	1:30am	1:30am	12:30am	12:00am	1:00am	12:30am
3:30am	2:30am	2:30am	1:30am	4:00am	2:00am	1:30am
4:30am	6:30am	8:00am	3:00am	3:30pm	3:30am	2:30am
8:30am	9:30am	3:30pm	4:00am	9:00pm	8:00am	3:30am
11:30am	2:00pm	5:30pm	6:00am			8:00am
12:30pm	3:00pm	6:30pm	8:00am			3:30pm
1:30pm	5:30pm		8:30am			
2:30pm	11:00pm		9:30am			
4:30pm	11:30pm		2:30pm			
5:30pm			3:00pm			
6:00pm			4:00pm			
7:30pm						
9:30pm						



Red - No Adorer for this hour
Blue - No Adorer for the first half hour
Black - One Adorer already for this time slot but need one more Adorer.
If you can sign up for one of these available slots, it would be greatly appreciated.
To sign up, go to:
<http://sainttheresa.letusadore.com>

Parish Offices

Secretary: Peggy Sullivan, 703.729.2287
Secretary: Christine Young, 703.729.2287
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Religious Education Offices

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Secretary: Deena Lanier, 703.729.3577
Secretary: Patty Grywatch, 703.729.3577
Website: www.stsashburn.com
Email: schooloffice@stsashburn.com
Fax: 703.729.8068

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. The classes are held the first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm in the Louis Martin Conference Room in the Administration Bldg. After you attend 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.

Around the Diocese

Retaining Your Child's Faith

Join Paul VI Catholic High School's Panther Parent Organization for Fr. James Searby's, Chaplain at George Mason University, presentation on "Retaining Your Child's Faith, Spirituality and Morality in College" on Tuesday, **October 3rd**, at 7pm in the PVI library. Parents of all grades are invited to attend this important talk. Refreshments will be served.

The 25TH International Week of Prayer and Fasting

Coalition in collaboration with the Marians Fathers, Legion of Mary and Priests for Life, are asking for individuals, families, prayer groups and parishes to unite for nine days (**Oct 1st-9th**) of prayer and fasting for the following goals: Conversion of all Peoples and Nations, to Build a Culture of Life, to Defend the Sanctity of Marriage and Family Life, to Pray for Peace and to Implore God's Mercy. Parishes are encouraged to host holy hours, recitation of the Rosary, Masses and some kind of sacrifice or penance during these nine days.

Monday, **October 9th**, please join us at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., 9am - 4:30pm for the International Day of Prayer. Registration is FREE, but please register

online at www.iwopf.org to receive a free prayer card at the Basilica event.

For more information and for the list of the speakers, visit www.iwopf.org or call 888.478.PRAY (7729).

Catholic Hokies in NoVa Fall Gathering!

Announcement: Come to a gathering of "Catholic Hokies in NoVa"! We are alumni, parents of students, & friends of the Newman Community at Virginia Tech, living in Northern Virginia. Fr. David Sharland, Chaplain at VT, will share how Newman CCM is growing to serve VT students. Please join us on **October 13th**, from 6:30 to 8pm, in the Upper Room at St. Mary of Sorrows Catholic Church in Fairfax, to meet fellow Hokies and Hokie parents as we explore a Catholic Hokie community in NoVa! Refreshments served! RSVP to Dave & Cathy: VTCatholicInNova@gmail.com, or find us on Facebook [@vtcatholicinnova](https://www.facebook.com/vtcatholicinnova) - see you there!

Unbound Conference Series

Please join us for the Freedom in Christ Conference Series on Friday, **October 13th** at 7pm-9pm and Saturday, **October 14th** at 10-4pm. If you or any one you know are looking for a relationship with our Heavenly Father, Unbound is where you want to be.

Unbound will help free you from bondage, and help you come to know the love the Father has for you. For more information, please contact Lauren Kelley at schoolofprayersttheresa@gmail.com

Middle School Night Under the Lights

Middle School students and their families are invited to Middle School Night Under the Lights at Paul VI Catholic High School in Fairfax. Join us at 6pm on Friday, **October 20th** for pizza, tee shirts, games and tons of prizes. All are invited to join the VI Man cheering on our Panther varsity football team. Free to all and no reservations are needed. For questions, email: ehanley@pvipanther.net.

Paul VI Catholic High School Annual Open House

Sunday, **October 29th**, 1 to 4pm. Group presentations will take place at 1:15 and 2:15 in Father Heet Auditorium. This is a perfect opportunity for 6th, 7th and 8th graders and their families to explore the benefits of a Catholic high school education. Visit www.paulvi.net or ehanley@pvipanther.net for additional information about PVI. Current 8th graders are encouraged to set up a Panther for a Day experience by emailing gfarello@pvipanther.net.

Masses for the Week

Mon, Oct. 2	6:15— Christina Piccariello 8:30— Joseph Vipond+
Tues, Oct. 3	6:15— Cancer patients, their families and caregivers 8:30— Mary Ann Pelczar
Wed, Oct. 4	6:15— Special Intention 8:30— Mark E. Pardo+ 12:15— Gabriella Tellis
Thurs, Oct. 5	6:15— James & Yolanda Sorta+ 8:30— William K. Schuble+
Fri, Oct. 6	6:15— Souls in Purgatory+ 8:30— Aleykutty Painumkal+
Sat, Oct. 7	8:30— Madeline Tellis 5:30— Raymond Palma+
Sun, Oct. 8	7:30— Daniel Rooney+ 8:45— John Choi+ 10:30— Nancy Stratton+ 12:30— St. Theresa Parishioners 5:00— Raymond McDonald+

Prayers For The Sick: Apryl Binder, Carole Davinson, Josephine DiStefano, Ted M. Hall, Cheryl Grieve, Rita Giunta, Maria Giunta, Owen Eickel, Danny Bessette, Fred Beverly, Jesse Michl, Erick Pollock, Dan Espinoza, Steven Meree, Charles McCarthy, Nick Evers, Jillian Reilly, Bill Jenkins, Sr., Charles Shindler, Laurie Gessaman, Jordan Windsor, Tony Rodrigues, Stephane Papi, Julie Panoussi, Lolita Smith and Family, Ryan SanNicolas, Moe Meege, Timothy Vandermeer, Victoria Babcock, Aaron Quinn, David Whitaker, Audrey D'Arnaud, Fabriana Dorsey, John McCurdy, Mark Kulyk, Theresa Birch, Frances Prestinari, Peter Kerney, Trevor Schweigest, Haley Morris, Theresa and John Baker.

Prayers For Our Military: Brian Reese, Joseph Auler, Adam Parkinson, James (Robby) Surbella III, Jake Shelton, Patrick G. Fitzgerald, Sean Spurr, Jack Hayes, Katherine Bergeron, Christopher Martin, Thomas Gleason, Tony Mattice, Greg Lee, David Lakey, Jim Murray, Keith Bittle, Michael McCurdy, Steven Digangi, Michael J. Pruden, 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.



Learn more, visit
www.sainttheresaparish.com

2017 Merciful Harvest Friday Setup

Friday, **October 27th** Your help is needed for our 7th annual Merciful Harvest Open House serving the less fortunate here in our local community. This wonderful event can not be possible without the help of many volunteers on Friday for the Setup and Saturday for the event. Friday evening setup is a great opportunity for families to volunteer together—please show up anytime during designated hours and help as long as your schedule permits. Thank you!
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094da8ab22a1f58-2017>

2017 Merciful Harvest

Your help is needed for our 7th annual Merciful Harvest Open House serving the less fortunate here in our local community. The event is held at St. Theresa School in Ashburn on Saturday, **October 28th**. This wonderful event can not be possible without the help of many volunteers on Friday for Setup and Saturday for the event. We ask that our Saturday volunteers stay and work their complete shift. Due to the long hours and responsibilities involved, ALL Saturday volunteers must be at least 13 years old. If you are signing up as a family, please list all the names in the Comments section. We will send out detailed in-

structions to all volunteers the week of the event. Thank you!

For questions, contact Loan Jellá-dmoassis-
tant@sainttheresaparish.com
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094da8ab22a1f58-20171>

STTACK (Saint Theresa Teens Accept Clothing for Kids) **Today Sept 24th, October 15th & 22nd**

Great way for teens to get service hours as well as have fun and work alongside of friends. Fall & winter children's clothing & coats accepted at church on these dates. Adult volunteers (Virtus certified) needed. For more information contact Bea Craig at 571.439.0364 or beacraig3@gmail.com.

Grocery, Walmart and Gas Cards Still Needed

We have had a large influx of needy families. We need your help to assist these families. Gift cards can be dropped off at the parish office or in the Outreach lock boxes at church. Thank you for your support of families in need!

Bed Ministry

Join Karen and this wonderful group of volunteers who take beds, bedding & kitchen tables and chairs to families moving out of the shelter or families and children who are sleeping on the floor. Contact Karen at beds@sainttheresaparish.com or 806.341.1798.

Homebound?

We have wonderful parishioners who would love to visit you! Maybe you need help with an errand or would like someone to pray with you—let our Visitation Ministry know. Please contact Claudia Lewis at 703.431.8670 or email her at clewis825@gmail.com.

Monetary Donations

Help Divine Mercy Outreach by giving a donation online or mail to the parish office! We are in need of monetary donations to help persecuted Christian families, families with children with medical illnesses and beds for families in need. Go to the parish website <http://www.sainttheresaparish.com> and click on Donate Now—Divine Mercy to make a donation! Indicate what you would like your donation to be used for online or on the memo line of your check!

Interested in volunteering?

Want to get involved but not sure how? Sign up to be placed on our Outreach email list. You will learn about what we do and how you can become more involved. More requests show up through emails vs the bulletin due to the timing so it's a better way to get more involved. We'd love for you to join us! If interested, contact Marianne Guidos 703.729.2334 or dmoutreach@sainttheresaparish.com

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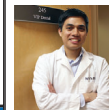
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