

# St. Theresa Catholic Church

21371 St. Theresa Lane, Ashburn, Virginia 20147

September 10, 2023  
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Masses for the Week

<b>Mon, Sept 11</b>	6:15— Robert H. Mangiante+ 8:30— The Extended McGuire Family & Friends (L&+) 12:15— Benito Cruz
<b>Tues, Sept 12</b>	6:15— Joseph Michael Begley+ 8:30— Robert Mica+
<b>Wed, Sept 13</b>	6:15— Anthony Albano+ 8:30— Dan Jeffries+ 12:15— Anniversary of Louis & Seraphine Premkumar
<b>Thurs, Sept 14</b>	6:15— Justin Alexander 8:30— Joe Price+
<b>Fri, Sept 15</b>	6:15— Anna Lou Miles 8:30— Brian & Erin Crum
<b>Sat, Sept 16</b>	8:30— Major General W.B. McGrath+ 5:30— Jackson, Leonar, Lynn Sweeney
<b>Sun, Sept 17</b>	7:30— St. Theresa Parishioners 8:45— Stan Urynowicz+ 10:30— Joseph, Laura & Carlo Maresca+ 12:30— Glenn Thorne+ 5:00— Leonard Conate+

## Parish Mass Schedule

<b>Saturday:</b>	8:30am, 5:30pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday:</b>	7:30, 8:45am & 10:30am 12:30 & 5:00pm
<b>Weekdays:</b>	6:15 and 8:30am, Monday through Friday 12:15pm, Mondays (except Federal Holidays) and Wednesdays
<b>Holy Days:</b>	As announced
<b>Holy Hour:</b>	Wednesdays, 7pm
<b>Confessions:</b>	Wednesdays, 9am (until line ends); Holy Hour, 7pm (until line ends); Saturdays, 4pm (until line ends); and by appointment

## Clergy

Reverend James C. Hudgins, Pastor  
Reverend Paul Dudzinski, Parochial Vicar  
Reverend Christopher T. Vaccaro, Parochial Vicar  
Reverend John F. O'Farrell, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Paul C. Konold  
Deacon Anthony J. Renzette  
Deacon Matthew K. Noah

**Prayers For The Sick:** Michael Williamson, Peggy Burkholder, Brenda Fitzpatrick, Jack LaFave, Catherine Feeny, Barney Smith, Kathleen Mikszan, Ron Crick, Jeffrey Miller, Raymond Humanik, Kelly Hargreaves, Ellen Russow, Patricia Fuechslin, Pranee Heinjarean, Nellie Gonzalez, Bernadette Valdez, Emma Ciaravino, Keelan Griffen, Evan Sweeney, Helen Atallah, Daniel Ramirez, Cynthia Ramirez, Haley Morris, Anabelle Huster, Russell Ramons, Martha Mason, John Forbes, Ruth Carradini, Mark Naftzger, Thomas Poerstel, Daniel John Begley, Scott Spitnale, Danny Schmude, Jess Williamson.

**Prayers For Our Military:** Geoffrey Galasso, Logan Anna Davis, Stephen Holdorf, Jr. Daniel W. Beverly, Michael Cinnamon, Matthew Schierling, Eric Frames, Bill Freschi, Paul Schierling, Marshall Kellner, Colin Freyne, Eric Ciliberti, John Kesterson, Matthew Kesterson, Alexa Katharine Koenig, Mark Short, Jonathan Bayly, Russell Escalante, Eric Reilly, John Conrad, Fr. James Hinkle, Andrew Gillespie, Stephen Gilliland, David Seliquni, Joseph Auler, Adam Parkinson, Jake Shelton, Patrick G. Fitzgerald, Sean Spurr, Jack Hayes, David and Katherine Bergeron, Christopher Martin, Tony Mattice, David Lakey.

## If You Believe in What We Do, Please Contribute to St. Theresa

Just once per year, I need to remind everyone how important it is to give to the collection. That's my only message, this week. Please allow me a chance to explain. The work of this parish is made possible only by free will offerings—exclusively and entirely. We receive no money from the Diocese. Very simply, without your help St. Theresa cannot fulfill its mission. If you believe in what we do here, then humbly I ask, please help us pay the bills.

This is a sacred obligation which falls upon each of us. In fact, one of the seven Precepts of the Church is, “to provide for the material needs of the parish, each according to his own ability.” We do not contribute to our parish simply because there is an immediate need. We contribute because it's the right thing to do. I ask only that you give as you are able. You owe it to God, and to your fellow parishioners.

St. Theresa parish is supported by the generosity of just a fraction of our families. More than half the families in the pews do not contribute anything, and that's just wrong. Here's an interesting statistic. Our collection would increase by 40% if those who give nothing would simply offer the average gift of \$15. Sometimes, people say “I have children in St. Theresa School. I pay plenty already in tuition.” Please understand, tuition only pays a fraction of the cost of operating the school. The parish subsidizes the rest. A child in St. Theresa school is a reason to give even more generously, but it's not a reason to avoid giving.

Just like last year, I wish to emphasize giving by Faith Direct, our electronic giving program that helps St. Theresa even more than giving in the collection basket does. Faith Direct saves your parish time and money, because it minimizes the time and effort we must dedicate to counting and tabulating the collection each week. Furthermore, when the snow falls and people stay home, our collection goes down dramatically. But Faith Direct protects your parish when that happens, because your giving is automated. As always, you decide the contribution amount, and control it, because you contribute via automatic payment from your checking account or credit card.

Take a look at the Faith Direct website, [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net), for more information or to securely enroll online by using our parish code: VA14. I have complete trust in this program, and I have enrolled in it myself. I hope you will begin using Faith Direct. It's simply the most effective way to give to St. Theresa.

Again, I ask you: please help your parish. Without you, we can't keep going. With your help, we can do so much more. Thank you for being a part of St. Theresa!

God bless you, and St. Theresa, pray for us!



Fr. Hudgins

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

## Current Critical & Urgent Adoration Needs

### Critical Need: No Adorer Scheduled

Sunday	Thursday	Friday
12:00am	1:00am	4:00am
2:00am		



**Note:** The Adoration Schedule online system allows users to cancel commitments from time-to-time to allow for vacation, sickness, or other possibilities that may prevent attendance. In those instances, substitute adorers will provide one-time coverage.

**Sign up for one of our open Adoration Time slots – it will change your life, your family's life, and the life of our St. Theresa Parish!**

Visit the Parish website to access the Saint Theresa Parish Adoration Scheduler, or use this short web address:

OR [www.tinyurl.com/weadore](http://www.tinyurl.com/weadore)

Please visit the website to sign up, or email [letusa-dore@sainttheresaparish.com](mailto:letusa-dore@sainttheresaparish.com), or text to 703.608.4278 or 703.728.0168, or come by the parish office.

### Wanting to hear Fr. Hudgins' homilies?

You can find all of Fr. Hudgins homilies recorded on [Fatherhudgins.com](http://Fatherhudgins.com)

# Youth Education and News



ymoffice@sainttheresaparish.com

## September

Sunday, the 10th-Upper Room Squad, 6-7:45pm

Saturday, the 16th-Confirmation Retreat, 1:30-8pm

Sunday, the 24th-Parish Food Drive (after 8:45am Mass & 5pm Mass)

Monday, the 25th-Food Sort by Expirations Dates, 7-8:30pm

Tuesday, the 26th-Load food for transport, 6:15-7pm

## Confirmation Retreat Information:

Registration for the Retreat for our Confirmation Candidates is open – the retreat is from 1:30pm to 8pm on **September 16th** and will be held here at St. Theresa. Please email Paul Dwyer at ymoffice@sainttheresaparish.com.



Office Hours:

Mon–Thurs. 9am-4pm; Fri. 9am-noon

**Registration for Religious Education classes** is open. Visit the parish website to sign up for classes next year.

## Classroom Aides Needed

Please contact the Office of Religious Education at reoffice@sainttheresaparish.com for more information.

## Adults Plan Ahead to Volunteer

Want to volunteer at the many St. Theresa's children based programs/ events? We encourage and welcome your involvement however it requires that all volunteers be compliant. For details contact Connie Gilligan, Parish Child Protection Coordinator, at connie@sainttheresaparish.com or call 703.729.3714.

## Please join us!

Join us to celebrate our parish community & support our students...it's **FORE** the kids!



To golf & sponsor visit [www.SaintTheresaParish.com](http://www.SaintTheresaParish.com) or scan the QR code



**STCS families, we can't wait to see you this week!** Please mark your calendars for the following events, and watch for details in the Thursday Thunder email newsletter:

**Friday, September 15**—  
Middle School Dance



**Wednesday, September 20**—

Battle of the Books, first meeting

**Friday, September 29**—

Early Dismissal; Celebrate St. Therese's Feast Day (Oct. 1)

**STCS Open House - Save the Date!**

Would you like to learn more about St. Theresa Catholic School, and how Catholic education can make a difference in your child's life? Please join us on Sunday, **November 12**, for our annual Open House! Details coming soon; in the meantime, please visit our website at [www.stsashburn.com](http://www.stsashburn.com) (click "Admissions") or email Admissions Director Denise Rotell, rotelld@stsashburn.com for more information.

**Calling all St. Theresa Catholic School Alumni and Alumni Families!**

We would love to hear from you, and add you to our Alumni & Friends Newsletter email list. Please send your news and contact information to [alumni@stsashburn.com](mailto:alumni@stsashburn.com).

**Please re-link your Harris Teeter cards with St. Theresa Catholic School (STCS)!** Parents, grandparents, alumni, parishioners, & friends, don't forget that each

summer you need to re-link your Harris Teeter card. Visit [www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education](http://www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education) and use code #5887. You can also stop at the customer service desk in-store for help. We are grateful for your support!

**St. Theresa Catholic School is hiring for the 2023-24 school year!**

STCS is accepting applications for the following part-time positions: Extended Day Care Staff, Lunch/Recess Monitors, and Substitute Teachers. To apply, please send your resume, cover letter, and references to [HR@sainttheresaparish.com](mailto:HR@sainttheresaparish.com).

**STCS Alumni & Alumni Families, Send Us Your News!**



Mrs. Pope's 6B, 2002-03

Email updates to [alumni@stsashburn.com](mailto:alumni@stsashburn.com)

## Upcoming Early Bulletin Deadline

**September 24th** has an early deadline. Submissions due by **Tuesday, September 12 noon**.

# News from our Parish

## Our Parish Choirs

New members welcome! Contact us at [music@sainttheresaparish.com](mailto:music@sainttheresaparish.com).

**Children's Choir:** Rehearses on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30 beginning Tuesday, September 12.

**Youth Choir:** Rehearses on Saturdays from 4:00-5:00. This choir will learn more challenging music and learn to serve as cantor.

**Parish 10:30am Choir** always welcomes new members. We are especially in need of more men singers and "that man is YOU". This choir rehearses on Tuesday evenings at 7pm.

## Join us for a new year of Walking With Purpose - women's and middle school girls' Bible studies!

Walking With Purpose is a Catholic women's ministry that develops Bible studies to reach women and middle school girls. Our small groups from St. Theresa's (which meet weekly September - May in the homes of leaders) combine personal study with small group discussion, linking our everyday challenges to the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church.

Blaze is the Walking With Purpose ministry for middle school girls. The mission of BLAZE is to use Scripture to speak God's truth into the hearts of young girls (you can learn more about the BLAZE ministry at [walkingwithpurpose.com/blaze](http://walkingwithpurpose.com/blaze)).

The adult groups meet weekly beginning the week of Sept. 26th. BLAZE will meet weekly for twenty weeks starting in October. Registration is now open (go to St. Theresa's website and under "Activities", click on "Women's Bible Study-Walking With Purpose". All women are welcome to join us for our Kick Off Mass and Wine Social - Thursday, **September 14th**, beginning with Mass @ 7pm followed by a casual reception in the Atrium at 8pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to see what our program is all about, meet other women, and connect with your small group! We look forward to seeing you soon! Questions? Email us at [sttheresawwp@gmail.com](mailto:sttheresawwp@gmail.com)

## Young at Heart Club (Men and Women 55+)

Welcome back! Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2023 in the Admin. Bldg. after 12:15 Mass. Bring your brown-bag lunch; the Club will provide beverages and Ice Cream Sundaes with your favorite

fixings. We're looking forward to having Fr. Vaccaro as our guest speaker. We will also collect \$ for the Oct. 18 luncheon. New friends are welcome! Please let us know you are coming - Freddie 703.615.5715 or Grace 410.967.8888

## Are you interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith?

Are you missing Sacraments? RCIA registration for this year is now online. Please go to <https://sainttheresaparish.com/activity/rcia/> to register today. Classes start on Tuesday, **October 10th**. Note that the first three classes are on Tuesday with the remaining classes being on Monday up to the Easter Vigil. Then after Easter Sunday, the remaining four classes will go back to Tuesday.

## Cub Scout Pack 997 (sponsored by St



Theresa Parish) welcomes new Cub Scouts for the 2023-2024 school year! We have an exciting and engaging program planned for

the upcoming year. We are open to boys in grades K through 5; Scouts need not be students at St Theresa School. The time commitment is two one-hour meetings per month, plus a handful of miscellaneous events during the year. A Join Scouting Night will be held on Wednesday, **September 13** at 6:30pm in the STCS cafeteria. Interested families should send an email to [pack997leaders@googlegroups.com](mailto:pack997leaders@googlegroups.com) for more information.

**Women's Workshop:** All women are invited to Made for More: A Workshop for Women on the Journey of the Beloved on Saturday, **October 7th**, 9am-12:30pm in the St. Theresa Parish Center in Ashburn, Virginia. Do you long for greater peace and joy? Do you ever feel like the promises of God just aren't for you? Join workshop leader & award-winning author Elizabeth Leon for a morning of prayer, hope, & restoration. Drawing from scripture and Catholic teaching, we will discover how our brokenness can lead to healing, claim God's promises, and identify barriers to letting ourselves receive Christ's love. Featured in the Arlington Catholic Herald! \$25 cost includes workshop materials and refreshments. Register at [www.JourneyoftheBeloved.com](http://www.JourneyoftheBeloved.com)

Questions? Contact Elizabeth Leon 703.283.4053 or [onegratefulgirl@verizon.net](mailto:onegratefulgirl@verizon.net)

## Co-Coordinator for Donut Sunday!

Want to be a part of something fun! Looking for a Co-Coordinator for Donut Sunday. Please contact Angela Haberland @ [angela.haberland@gmail.com](mailto:angela.haberland@gmail.com).

## St Zelig Moms Group

Moms of the parish are invited to join the St. Zelig Moms Group. We have playdates and social events for Catholic fellowship. Please contact [christinenkids@gmail.com](mailto:christinenkids@gmail.com) for more information.

## Calling all homeschoolers

We are trying to form a St. Theresa's homeschooling group. If you would like to be added to our contact list, please email [christinenkids@gmail.com](mailto:christinenkids@gmail.com).

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## RE Classroom Aides Needed

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**MOSAIC VIRGINIA**  
Baby Bottle Campaign

Stop by the Mosaic table next week to make a difference in the lives of women and men facing unplanned pregnancy

Scan the QR Code to give online

## Parish Social Events Coming Soon

Pancake Breakfast -  
September 10th

## News from our Parish– Continued



**Sponsors & Golfers needed! Register now for the 13th Annual Friends of St. Theresa School (FOSTS) Golf Tournament for tuition assistance!**

The tournament is on Monday, Octo-

ber 2, 2023 at Belmont Country Club in Ashburn. **This is a wonderful parish event** – with proceeds going to tuition assistance for St. Theresa School families who experience a financial hardship. Not a golfer? Join us for dinner! For details on golf and sponsorship levels, please scan the QR code, visit our parish website ([www.SaintTheresaParish.com](http://www.SaintTheresaParish.com)), or contact Regina Freschi, [freschir@stsashburn.com](mailto:freschir@stsashburn.com), 703.729.3577. Thank you for your support!



## Adult Education and Spiritual Enrichment

### That Man is You (TMIY)

TMIY is a Catholic men's program that's made a real difference in our lives as husbands and fathers in St. Theresa's parish, helping us to grow in practical understanding of our Faith and to build friendships with fellow Catholic men. It would be great to have more men of the parish take advantage of this valuable and free program. Please join us for the start of this year's program on Saturday September 16th at 630am for fellowship and coffee, followed by the start of the program at 7am. We will meet in the Parish building across from the Church. Please contact Jack Hayes at 703.537.6418 or [jack.hayes422@aol.com](mailto:jack.hayes422@aol.com) for additional information and continue to watch the bulletin for upcoming details.

### Women's Discipleship Group

Meets every Wednesday morning, 9:30-10:30am for Lectio Divina and 10:45-11:45am for spiritual book reading. Our focus is the Mass reading for the upcoming Sunday and a spiritual book selected by our spiritual director Deacon Matthew Noah. Over the summer we are watching The Wild Goose Series with Fr. Dave Pivonka on discovering a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit. Parish women of all ages are cordially invited. For more information contact Dawn Garabito, 862.812.0039 or [dmarie213@aol.com](mailto:dmarie213@aol.com)

### Interested in learning about the Legion of Mary?

Two Legion of Mary groups meet at different times. Check the website for information, or be our guest at any Legion meeting held on Wednesday, 7:15pm; or Saturday 9:15am.

### Looking to learn more about your faith? This Fall we will be offering five different classes.

#### The Bible Timeline

The Bible Timeline is a Catholic Bible study that can help anyone to make sense of the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God's Word. This is a great class foundational class!

Tuesdays 7-8:30pm. In-Person. Starts Nov. 7th. Contact Deacon Noah at [dcnnoah@sainttheresaparish.com](mailto:dcnnoah@sainttheresaparish.com)

Wednesdays 7-8pm. Zoom. Starts Oct. 4th. Contact: Brett at [bret-tastengako@gmail.com](mailto:bret-tastengako@gmail.com)

#### The Gospel of Matthew

Set in the rich context of Jesus' life, Matthew shows us who Jesus is and what His life and teachings mean for us today.

Tuesdays 8-9pm. Zoom. Starts Oct 3rd. Contact: Andy at [johnson.andrew7003@gmail.com](mailto:johnson.andrew7003@gmail.com)

#### Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom

The Compelling Story of the First

Christians, Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom, traces how the gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem, and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root.

Wednesdays 7-8pm. Zoom. Starts Oct. 4th. Contact: Mark at [markscal-lion20@gmail.com](mailto:markscal-lion20@gmail.com)

Wednesdays 7-8pm. In-Person. Starts Oct. 4th. Contact: Linda at [lmmetz3@msn.com](mailto:lmmetz3@msn.com)

#### Biblical Walk Through the Mass

A Biblical Walk Through the Mass explores the extraordinary biblical roots of the Liturgy and reveals what it all means and why it all matters.

Thursdays 7-8pm. In-Person. Starts Oct. 5th. Contact: Viki at [vc\\_hughes@hotmail.com](mailto:vc_hughes@hotmail.com)

#### Prophets

The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy examines who the prophets were, their role during their time, and the meaning of their messages for our own time.

Wednesdays 7-8pm. Zoom. Starts Oct. 4th. Contact: Andy at [johnson.andrew7003@gmail.com](mailto:johnson.andrew7003@gmail.com)

Additional class details, sign-ups, and ordering information can be found at: [CatholicEducationForAdults.org](http://CatholicEducationForAdults.org)

# Parish



# Tailgate



# Picnic

- HOT DOGS • BURGERS • DRINKS •
- GAMES •

Sunday  
**October 1<sup>st</sup>**

**2:00 – 6:00 pm**



## BRING

A SIDE DISH TO SHARE AND ANY FAVORITE  
TAILGATING EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITIES



MEET YOUR  
FELLOW  
PARISHIONERS



FYI  
KofC Council Website  
<https://www.st-louismartin-kofc.org>

**RAIN OR SHINE!**

POC:  
Bill Lehner  
[bill99co22@hotmail.com](mailto:bill99co22@hotmail.com)



## Knights of Columbus

**Saint Theresa Picnic:** Save the date for our parish picnic this fall on Sunday 1 October.

**Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge:** Boys and girls, ages 9-14, are invited to participate in Council's Soccer challenge (15 penalty kicks). Points will be awarded depending upon the area of the goal through which the ball passes. The contest will be held on Sunday, October 1, 2023 during the Parish Picnic at the Soccer field. Registration from 2:00 pm until 2:30 pm. Competition starts at 2:35 pm.

**Pancake Breakfast:** Our first Pancake Breakfast of the new school year will be next Sunday, September 10, in

the Saint Theresa School cafeteria. Stop by after the morning Masses for a hearty breakfast of pancakes (plain, chocolate chip and blueberry), scrambled eggs, sausage, tater tots, along with coffee, juice, and Dunkin' Munchkins! Donations will benefit the Military Archdiocese.

**KOVAR:** Our next KOVAR collection will be after all Masses, Sunday September 16th and 17th. Volunteers to help with collection are needed. Please continue to support KOVAR. Your generous donations are appreciated.

**Are you a parishioner in need of a home repair?** If you need help in completing a small home repair that you cannot complete yourself or that may cause you financial

hardship, we are here to help! Projects should take no more than 1-2 hours and involve no more than 1-2 men. Please submit your request on our website at: <https://www.st-louismartin-kofc.org/handy-man-services>.

**Catholic men:** Interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus? See our most Frequently Asked Questions at:

<https://www.st-louismartin-kofc.org/faqs> or to submit a request for more information or to be contacted by our Membership Committee scan the following QR code.



## News Around the Diocese



The largest, non-profit children's consignment sale in Loudoun County

takes place on **Saturday, September 30, 2023**. Admission is FREE. Little Flower Consignments offers new and gently used baby and children's clothing, accessories, toys, books, videos, games, baby gear, furniture, maternity, and much more. All proceeds are donated back to the community via our charity, Divine Mercy Outreach and we accept credit cards, checks, and cash. Expecting parents can shop early at 7:30am on Saturday with pre-registration on our website. We invite teachers, military, first responders, and healthcare workers to shop our pre-sale on Saturday starting at 8:00am. Children are not allowed at the pre-sale, except for infants in carriers. The sale is open to the public, 9am-12pm with a half-price sale from 12:30-2pm at St. Theresa's Catholic School in Ashburn VA. We always welcome new consignors and volunteers! Visit [www.lfcsale.org](http://www.lfcsale.org) for details.

### Mass for Marriage Jubilarians

Celebrating A Golden or Silver Wedding Anniversary This Year? Were you married in 1973 or 1998? Then join Bishop Michael Burbidge for the 2023 Mass for Jubilarians to be celebrated on Sunday, **October 15, 2023**, at 3 p.m. at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Arlington, VA. Contact your parish office to register no later than Monday, October 2, 2023. For more info, visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/MJM](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/MJM).

**Separated or Divorced?**—St. John's Separated and Divorced Ministry invites all separated or divorced Catholics to their meetings every third Thursday of the month, 7:30pm at St. John's in Leesburg. Email [separated.divorced@stjohnleesburg.com](mailto:separated.divorced@stjohnleesburg.com) for more information.

**Do you love someone with a drug or alcohol problem?**—The Nar-Anon is a worldwide fellowship for those affected by a friend's or family member's addiction. As a twelve-step program, we offer our help by sharing our experience, strength, and hope. Please join us for an evening of support and recovery; you're only a stranger until you walk through the door. For more information, contact Deacon Noah at [dcnnoah@saintthereseparish.com](mailto:dcnnoah@saintthereseparish.com). Weekly meetings are held: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7-8pm, Cascades Library; 1st, 3rd & 5th Mondays, 7-8pm via Zoom; Thursdays, 7-8pm, Leesburg Presbyterian Church.

**Day of Prayer and Healing After Abortion Care for Women**—After Abortion Retreats: A Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be on Saturday, **September 30, 2023**. These group healing events are held in a private and peaceful setting, in English and Spanish, based on the Entering Canaan model. There will be an opportunity to hear from a past participant and others who have found healing. You are not alone. Take the first step.

For confidential inquiries, please contact Project Rachel Ministry: 703.841.2504 or [info@helpafterabortion.org](mailto:info@helpafterabortion.org).

**CALLED: A Conference for Young Adults**—Bishop Burbidge invites all young adults (ages 19 to 35, single and married) from parishes across the Diocese of Arlington to join him at CALLED: A Conference for Young Adults. Saturday, September 23, 2-9:15pm, for the annual Mass for Young Adults, an inspirational keynote from Mr. Sam Goodwin, breakout sessions, dinner, prayer, live music, vendors, ministry booths, and plenty of social time! We are excited to offer complimentary childcare for this conference! Invite your friends! To register: [https://secure4.arlingtondiocese.org/Young\\_Adult\\_Conference/Register.aspx](https://secure4.arlingtondiocese.org/Young_Adult_Conference/Register.aspx)

### Marriage Workshop: Strengthening Your Love Marriage Renewal Workshop: Oct 14-15, 2023

A Christ-centered weekend designed to offer practical tools that can help foster effective communication and emotional closeness in your marriage. Make your marriage thrive, not just survive! Please note: This is NOT an overnight program. Cost: \$480 per couple. Seating will be limited. Located at 7007 Bradley Blvd, Bethesda, MD 20817. Visit our website [www.ourladyofbethesda.org](http://www.ourladyofbethesda.org) for more info and to register.

## Parish Offices

Secretary: Kelly Cosenke, 703.729.2287  
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## Religious Education Offices

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Youth Activities: Paul Dwyer, 703.729.0426  
Secretary: Connie Gilligan, 703.729.3714  
Secretary: Myriam Perez, 703.729.3714  
Email: [reoffice@sainttheresaparish.com](mailto:reoffice@sainttheresaparish.com)  
Fax: 703.729.9036

## School Offices

Principal: Erin O'Malley, 703.729.3577  
Assistant Principal: Danny Costa, 703.729.3577  
Admin Asst: Lisa Ralston, 703.729.3577  
Receptionist: Denise Oriti, 703.729.3577  
Website: [www.stsashburn.com](http://www.stsashburn.com)  
Email: [schooloffice@stsashburn.com](mailto:schooloffice@stsashburn.com)  
Fax: 703.729.8068

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

## Sacraments

### Sponsor Certificates

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

### Baptisms

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a class (preferably before the child's birth) held the first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm in a Conference Room in the Administration Bldg. You may schedule your child for the Sacrament of Baptism (held all Sundays 1:30pm) by visiting the Parish website under Faith, Sacraments, Baptism. Date is confirmed once all paperwork is received in the office (at least 2 weeks prior to the date of desired 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.

### RCIA

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

### Hospitalized/Homebound

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### Pantry Needs

Your help is needed. At times we have families or individuals with urgent food/toiletry needs. We are low on or out of the following items: shampoo, body wash for men and women, women's deodorant, tissues, laundry soap, canned green beans & corn. Mark Parish pantry and please drop off items at the parish office if possible. God bless you.

**Furniture Ministry**—accepting kitchen tables & chairs, small dressers and metal bed frames.

Please contact our furniture coordina-

tor, Una Giachinta at 571.217.7551 or [furniture@sainttheresaparish.com](mailto:furniture@sainttheresaparish.com) if you want to help or if you have these items to donate.

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Interested in helping contact Bea Craig at 571.439.0364 or [beds@sainttheresaparish.com](mailto:beds@sainttheresaparish.com)

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### The Visitation Ministry

Are you HOMEBOUND? We have wonderful parishioners who would love to visit you or if you are not comfortable with a home visit at this time, they will call you! If you need help with an errand or would like someone to pray with you, let us know. If you are looking to volunteer, please contact us as well. Claudia Lewis at 703.431.8670 or email her at [clewis825@gmail.com](mailto:clewis825@gmail.com).

*Looking for more ways help? Sign up to receive our Outreach email to get up to date information on needs and volunteer opportunities. If you sign up you will learn about what we do and how you can become more involved in touching the lives of families who are struggling. Contact Marianne Guidos 703.729.2334 or [dmoutreach@sainttheresaparish.com](mailto:dmoutreach@sainttheresaparish.com).*



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