

Masses for the Week

Mon, Nov 13 6:15— Sheila Leonard

8:30— Robert & Christa Turpin

12:15— Elena Boshier

Tues, Nov 14 6:15— Renjith Joseph+

8:30— Patricia Carey+

Wed, Nov 15 6:15— Bridget Miles

8:30 - Michael G. Ferrier+

12:15—Betsy Leon

Thurs, Nov 16 6:15— Marilyn Stavely+

8:30 - Michael & Cora McLaine+

Fri, Nov 17 6:15— Joan & Bob Burton+

8:30— Joseph Michael Begley+

Sat, Nov 18 8:30— Victoria Presley+

5:30— Michael Demski+

Sun, Nov 19 7:30— St. Theresa Parishioners

8:45— Marilyn Anzelmo+ 10:30— Cecilia Fallon+

12:30— Joseph, Laura & Carlo

Maresca+

5:00- Rolando C. Santos+

Parish Mass Schedule

Saturday: 8:30am, 5:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30, 8:45am & 10:30am

12:30 & 5:00pm

Weekdays: 6:15 and 8:30am, Monday through Friday

12:15pm, Mondays (except Federal Holidays)

and Wednesdays

Holy Days: As announced **Holy Hour:** Wednesdays, 7pm

Confessions: 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: Stephen Stahl, Steve Smith, Philip Carrescia, Erik Pollock, Michael Williamson, Brenda Fitzpatrick, Jack LaFave, Barney Smith, Rick & 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.

Prayers For Our Military: Tom Short, Bill Short, Sergio Mendez, 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, Russell Escalante, Eric Reilly, John Conrad, Fr. James Hinkle, Andrew Gillespie, Stephen Gilliland, David Seliquini, Joseph Auler, Adam Parkinson, Jake Shelton, Patrick G. Fitzgerald, Sean Spurr, Jack Hayes, David and Katherine Bergeron, Christopher Martin.

What are "Last Rites?"

Let's clarify a term widely misused and misunderstood. What exactly are "Last Rites?"

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick sometimes is called "Last Rites," but this is a misnomer. It may surprise you to know that officially speaking, there is no such thing as "Last Rites." The phrase is an unofficial term, used colloquially to refer to not one, but three sacraments, taken together—confession, Anointing of the Sick, and one's last ever reception of the Eucharist.

In my experience as a priest, it is very uncommon that I am able offer all three sacraments together to a dying soul. Rare is the dying person who is able to swallow anything other than liquid, and who therefore is able receive a host. Rarer still is the soul in his last days who has the mental clarity to make a good confession. Since it is important to receive all three of these sacraments in preparation for death, let me recommend that you call the priest well in advance of immanent death to celebrate confession, communion, and Anointing of the Sick as though it were for the final time. Death may not even be close at hand, but why not prepare spiritually anyway? Here's what we should receive:

Confession

We always begin with a sacramental confession. This confession, however, should be special. Recall all the biggest sins from your past. Admit them out loud, and then hear the priest say to you in reply "I absolve you of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." There's untold peace in hearing those words. Furthermore, a valid confession ensures the soul is properly disposed to receive Anointing of the Sick and Communion.

Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is one "of strengthening, peace, and courage to overcome the difficulties that go with the condition of serious illness or the frailty of old age. This grace is a gift of the Holy Spirit, who renews trust and faith in God and strengthens against the temptations of the evil one, especially the temptation to discouragement and anguish in the face of death." (CCC 1520) As I've mentioned before, Anointing of the Sick is not intended only for one's final hour. It is a powerful sacrament to unite us to God's grace as we struggle through the burdens of serious illness.

Final Eucharist

Although it is unlikely that this will be one's "final" reception of the Eucharist, there is a special term for one's last communion. It is called "Viaticum" (Latin, "provision for a journey"). The Eucharist received at this moment of "passing over" to the Father has a particular significance and importance. It is the seed of eternal life and the power of resurrection, according to the words of the Lord: "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." Communion is given right after confession and Anointing.

Although it is unlikely that one will make a "final" confession, Eucharist, and Anointing together, since these sacraments are repeatable, why not set aside a moment to make them together anyway? It's a very healthy practice both spiritually and personally to begin to prepare for the hour in which we will meet the Lord. For such an important moment, please don't procrastinate.

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

Fr. Hudgins

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

Current Critical 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

Please visit the website to signup, or email letusadore@sainttheresaparish.com, or text to 703.608.4278 or 703.728.0168, or come by the parish office.

Youth Education and News



ymoffice@sainttheresaparish.com

November

Sunday, the 12th-Upper Room Squad, 6-7:45pm

<u>Sunday, the 19th</u>-Upper Room Squad, 6-7:45pm

Sunday, the 26th-Parish Food Drive (after 8:45am Mass & 5pm Mass)

Monday, the 27th-Food Sort by Expirations Dates, 7-8:30pm

<u>Tuesday, the 28th</u>-Load food for transport, 6:15-7pm

December

Saturday, December 2nd-CYO Basketball Games begin Sunday, the 3rd-Upper Room Squad, 6-7:45pm

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

Sunday, the 17th-Upper Room Squad, 6-7:45pm

Mount2000 - A Retreat for High School Students led by Seminarians

MOUNT2000 is a yearly retreat hosted by Mount Saint Mary's Seminary for 1000+ high school teens. Offers youth an environment to encounter Jesus who is ALIVE and ACTIVE in our day with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, engaging speakers, spirit filled musicians, and breakout sessions led by the seminarians are offered. Held at Mount St. Mary's University Friday, February 2nd to Sunday, February 4, 2024. We depart early Friday afternoon and return Sunday afternoon.

Please go to this link for more details and to grab a spot:

https://tinyurl.com/STCCMount2000 Email Paul Dwyer at ymoffice@sainttheresaparish.com with any questions.



Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs. 9am-4pm; Fri. 9am-noon

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.





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:

Sunday, November 12-

STCS Open House (1:45pm)); Discover Catholic Schools Week begins

Monday, November 20-

All-school Virtues assembly

Tuesday, November 21-

Early dismissal;

Thanksgiving break begins

Tuesday, November 28-

Students return

Wednesday, November 29—

Book Fair opens

Book Fair Save the Date! Parishioners, please stop by the St. Theresa Catholic School Book Fair during the parish Festival of Trees on Sunday, December 3, in the School Library after all Masses. This is a great way to do some Christmas shopping and support the St. Theresa School Library! We hope to see you there!



Calling all St. Theresa Catholic School Alumni & 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

Upcoming Early Bulletin Deadline

November 26 bulletin -- due by Monday, November 13, 2pm

News from our Parish

THIS SUNDAY (Nov. 12) is St. Theresa Catholic School's OPEN HOUSE!
Please join us to learn more about our wonderful parish school, and how Catholic education can make a difference in your child's life! Open House begins at 1:45pm, with a brief presentation at 2:00pm. Afterwards you may tour the school. If you would like to pre-

register for the event, scan the QR code; you can also register at the door. We hope to see you there!



40 Hours Devotion

Bishop Burbidge has asked each parish in the Diocese to host a 40 Hours Devotion this year. 40 hours is a continuous exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the church, to deepen our love and reverence for Christ's presence in the Eucharist. St. Theresa's 40 Hours begins Monday, November 13 at 10:00am, and will continue until Wednesday morning at 10:00am. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and the Church will be open for prayer throughout this entire time.

Registration for New Altar Boys

Registration is now open for boys (4th grade and older) who are interested in becoming Altar Boys to serve at Mass and liturgies in the parish. Training for new altar boys takes place over four (4) sessions spread over several months. The initial training sessions will be held as follows:

Session 2: Sat., Dec. 9-10-11:30am

To register for the training sessions or for more information, please contact Deacon Renzette, deacon@renzette.org.

Advent Calendar and Candle Sale!

Prepare for the coming of Christ with your family and support our teens going to WorkCamp by participating in our 2023 Advent Calendar and Candle Sale! The WorkCamp teens will be selling boxed sets of Advent candles as well as chocolate and paper Advent calendars after all Masses on this weekend and **Nov. 25 and 26**. Thank you for your support!

The 2024 Mass Intention Book—Second Half will be opened on Tuesday, November 14th, at 9:30am. The remainder of the 2024 Mass Intention book will be opened. For those requesting multiple Masses for the year, you can request 2 per week and only on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you are requesting just one Mass you may come any day of the week.

Young at Heart Over 55 Club Join us on Wednesday, Nov 15 for our Thanksgiving Feast after the 12:15 Mass. The club will serve turkey and ham, you bring a side dish (to serve 6). Please contact Freddie, wallflower64@gmail.com or 703.625.5715 for reservations. All are welcome!

The St. Theresa Altar Society is in need of a few volunteers who could help Launder/ Iron the Altar Linens for the Church next year. If you are interested in being part of this ministry, please contact Patti Mahan, Text/call 631.241.3011 or email palbano4727@gmail.com

Women's Workshop: All women are invited to Made for More: A Workshop for Women on the Journey of the Beloved on Saturday, November 18th from 9am-12:30 pm 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 Ouestions? Contact Elizabeth Leon 703.283.4053 or onegratefulgirl@verizon.net

Assistive Listening Devices. Did you know one out of every 8 adults in the U. S. has some difficulty hearing even when using a hearing aid? That means that on any given weekend, hundreds of our congregation are missing much of what is being said at Mass. To help them, St. Theresa's has

an assistive listening system in the church that can be accessed by wearing compatible headphones (or an earpiece) with a receiver that amplifies the voices heard over the sound system. A neck loop is also available for people who have hearing aids or cochlear implants with the telecoil (t-coil) function. These assisted listening devices can be checked out from an usher before Mass. Talk with an usher for more information.

Saint Theresa Donut Program

We are in need of donations and volunteers for November 19th, December 10th and December 24th. Please sign up, if you can https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080F4EA4AA2D6-saint This program can't run without volunteers and donations. Thank you and God Bless. Any questions, please contact Angela Haberland@gmail.com.or.

angela.haberland@gmail.com or 703.407.1204

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.

Our Parish Choirs

New members welcome! Contact us at music@sainttheresaparish.com <u>Children's Choir</u>: Rehearses on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30.

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

Parish 10:30 AM Choir always welcomes new members. We especially are in need of more men singers and "that man is YOU". This choir rehearses on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-9:00.

Parish Social Events Coming Soon

KofC Pancake Breakfast— November 12th

Donut Sunday— November 19th



Adult Education and Spiritual Enrichment

That Man is You (TMIY)

That Man is You (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 better understand our Faith and to build friendships with fellow Catholic men. During our October 28th meeting we investigated how to lay solid socioeconomic foundations for our families; next Saturday we'll focus on the cost of this challenge, using Christ as our example. Please join us next Saturday at 6:30am for fellowship, video and, and discussion, (6:30-

8am) in the Parish building across from the Church. Please contact Jack Hayes at 703.537.6418 or jack.hayes422@aol.com for additional information.

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. Starting October 11th, we will be reading

the book, "Four Witnesses: The Early Church In Her Own Words. Parish women of all ages are cordially invited. For more information contact Dawn Garabito, 862.812.0039 or 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.

Knights of Columbus

Pancake Breakfast: The
Knights of Columbus will be
hosting their traditional pancake
breakfast in the Saint Theresa School
cafeteria on Sunday November 12.
Stop by after the morning Masses for a
hearty breakfast of pancakes (plain,
chocolate chip and blueberry), scrambled eggs, sausage, tater tots and
home fries, along with coffee, juice,
and Dunkin' Munchkins! Net proceeds from this breakfast will benefit
the VA Special Olympics.

New Knights: Congratulations and a warm welcome to the following new brother Knights who completed a Combined Degree Exemplification Ceremony, hosted by our Council on October 30, 2023. We look forward to their fraternity and involvement in our Council activities.

Christopher, Mooney, Geoffrey Peters, Armand Oei, Christian Decesaris, Chester Starowitz **Advent Retreat for the Parish**: a Morning of Reflection is planned for Dec 16, 8:30-11am. All parishioners are invited.

Food Drive: Many thanks to the parishioners, volunteers, youth group, and Knights for donating, sorting, and transferring the food for the Catholic Charities Loudoun Food Pantry in Sterling in October.

The next collection will take place on the weekend of November 25-26. Please pick up a blue bag on November 18-19 and return it the following week. Please, no expired items. The pantry is unable to distribute expired items. Thanks for your support.

KOVAR: KOVAR is a Virginia Knights of Columbus charity. It works to provide assistance through grants and home loans to tax exempt organizations. These organizations give training and assistance to persons with intellectual disabilities. We need your help through donations to fund this vital charity. We will be collecting at all Masses November 18th and 19th or

use QR code below. Thank you for your generosity in giving to KOVAR.





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

Fair—St. Timothy's 43rd Annual Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, November 18, and include over 50 vendors! Jewelry, fine art, religious items, ceramic, fashion, home decor, Christmas items, raffle and more. The Fair will run from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at St. Timothy Catholic School 13809 Poplar Tree Rd. Chantilly. Admission: please bring a canned good item to help support our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Contact Terri at tmil-

ler@sttimothyparish.org for more information.

Opening of the Golden Jubilee Celebration—Please join us on Sunday, November 26 at 5pm, the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe, at St. Michael Catholic Church, 7401 St. Michael's Lane, Annandale, for the opening of the Golden Jubilee celebration of the Diocese of Arlington. There will be Solemn Vespers with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, will be the celebrant and homilist. A reception will follow in the school gym. Please RSVP to events@arlingtondiocese.org

Advent Weekend Retreatsfor Women, Dec 1-3, 2023, for Men Dec 8-10, 2023—An Advent retreat based on the Spiritual Exercises crafted by St. Ignatius is a wonderful way to prepare your soul for the Christmas season. Registration is required. Cost: \$300 per person. Find more information and links to register on the website www.ourladyofbethesda.org. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, A Place to Encounter Christ! 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. Plan your next retreat today!

Silent Advent Retreat for Women

Retreat to our Arlington Diocese's San Damiano Spirituality Center in White Post, Virginia, from Friday-Sunday, December 1-3, and savor the silence with your sisters. We will "treasure and ponder" the mysteries of Advent while we read, think, and pray ... and rest with Jesus Christ. Fr. Riley will lead us in a consideration of the true meaning of the peaceful and solemn

St. Timothy's 43rd Annual Fall Craft season of Advent and how we might better prepare to welcome the Christ Child with joy into our families and our homes on Christmas morning. Retreat cost is \$285, and financial assistance may be available. For more info or to register for this retreat, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org.

> 2023 Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe led by Bishop Burbidge—You are invited to join Bishop Burbidge in a Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe, offered for the intentions of couples struggling with infertility, miscarriage or early infant death. The Novena starts on Monday, December 4 and concludes on Tuesday, December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. A private Mass will be offered by Bishop Michael Burbidge for this intention during the Novena. To receive the Novena and submit your intentions: OurFruitfulLove.com/Novena.

Advent Evening of Reflection for Couples—"No Room at the Inn" Wednesday, Dec 13, 2023 Married and Engaged couples are invited to an Evening of Reflection especially for you! The evening will begin with mass and include a delicious dinner, talk, time for quiet reflection and the opportunity for confession. \$75 per couple. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20187. Registration is required so that we can properly prepare. We also have monthly Mini-Retreats for women and Evenings of Reflection for men. Visit us at www.ourladyofbethesda.org or call 301.365.0612.

Three to Get Married Marriage Prep in 2023—Dec 14-17/ Jan 18-20 / Feb 22-25 (virtual)

A Catholic Pre-Cana program for seriously dating and engaged couples. This marriage preparation course is an intensive preparation experience true to the teachings of the Catholic Church. Convenient one-weekend schedule. FOCCUS administration is included. \$375 per couple. Space will be limited and these weekends fill up quickly, so reserve your spot today! Find more information on the website

ourladyofbethesda.org. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, Bethesda,

National Eucharistic Congress 2024 - Registration is Open

https://sainttheresaparish.com/wpcontent/uploads/NEC-Diocese-of-Arlington-Brochure.pdf

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 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@sainttheresaparish.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.

Volunteer Teachers Needed! Help teach adult refugees and immigrants in your community!

Education and Workforce Development of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Arlington is seeking teachers and coteachers for ESOL (English to Speakers of Other Languages), Citizenship, GED, Computer Literacy and ESOL for Childcare. We are accepting volunteers for in-person classes and online! In person classes are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7-9pm, at 46833 Harry Byrd Hwy, Sterling, VA 20164. More in -person classes are held in Manassas, Springfield, and Falls Church. We provide training, curriculum, and resources. No second language necessary! If interested, call the Education and Workforce Development office at 571.208.1572, email us at ewd@ccda.net.







They have answered the call Help Educate Our Future Priests

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Hebrews 13:16

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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

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



Learn more, visit www.saintttheresaparish.com

Light Up Someone's Christmas

Please select a bulb or bulbs to help families in need and other ministries and organizations this Christmas. You make a difference! Please return items the weekend of the 12th & 19th. All items due back by Monday, **Nov 20th**. Please do not leave items at church during the week due to theft. (Please note for monetary donations you can donate online at the parish website

www.sainttheresaparish.com under Donate.) Drop off to the boxes outside the parish office. Thank you! Questions? Contact Marianne at 703.729.2334 or

dmoutreach@sainttheresaparish.com

Furniture Ministry Coordinator

needed-We need your help. Our furniture ministry needs a coordinator or two. This includes picking up donated tables and chairs and small dressers and delivering them to families in need. It's would be about 2-4 times a month. Whatever works for your schedule. This would be great for a couple of friends to work together to help others. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Marianne Guidos at 703.729.2334 or dmoutreach @saintttheresaparish.com.

Festival of Trees 2023—We have need of 3 more trees. Please consider donating a decorated & themed 4ft trees. Proceeds from this fun, festive event go to help families in need through Divine Mercy Outreach.

See more information about the Festival of Trees on the parish website under Outreach- Festival of Trees. Last year we raised over \$21,600. from this beautiful, fun family event. Please contact Marianne Guidos if you would like to donate

dmoutreach@sainttheresaparish.com or 703.729.2334 . Questions about the Festival of Trees please contact the co-chairs Mary Sinnott at allthesinnotts@verizon.net or Angela Haberland at angela.haberland@gmail.com Get your Pre-sale tickets online now on the parish website under Festival of Trees. You can also get them after masses on the weekend of Nov 18th & 19th to get extra free bonus tickets. Tickets will be on sale at the event but no bonus tickets at the event.

Monetary Donations—Your donations make a difference in the lives of struggling families! We assist struggling veterans, individuals and families due to domestic violence, disabilities, layoffs, medical issues and unforeseen circumstances that need help in moving forward.

Donations accepted online, by mail or drop off to the parish office. Indicate DMO in the memo of the check or on the envelope. To donate onlinehttp://www.sainttheresaparish.com and click on "Donate" tab to make a monetary donation online! Thank you for helping us to bring Christ's love to others by helping them in their time of need.

Bed Ministry—Volunteer for the Bed Ministry -volunteers with trucks or Large SUVS needed especially! Great to do this with your teenager too!

Consider taking a short time out of your day to bring some light into another's life. We need extra helpers to bring new beds and bedding from our storage to families moving out of the shelters and other families and children in need. Interested in helping contact Bea Craig at 571.439.0364 or beds@sainttheresaparish.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.

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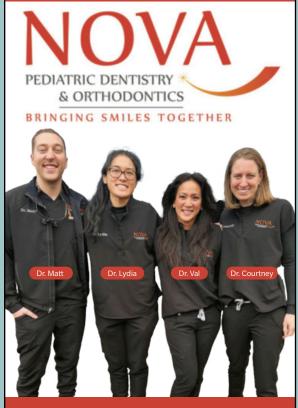
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