

St. Theresa Catholic Church

21371 St. Theresa Lane, Ashburn, Virginia 20147

August 10, 2025
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Masses for the Week

Mon, Aug 11	6:15— Jerome+ and Lou Miles 8:30— Sandi Shaw 12:15— Chase Baron
Tues, Aug 12	6:15— Joan & Robert Burton+ 8:30— All fallen youth from broken families
Wed, Aug 13	6:15— Dennis Dudzinski+ 8:30— Maria Minh & All Souls+ 12:15— Frank J. DeMeo+
Thurs, Aug 14	6:15— GJ & Anita Vitale 8:30— James Pier+ 7:30— Dennis Dudzinski+
Fri, Aug 15	6:15— GJ & Anita Vitale 8:30— Joseph Begley+ 12:15— Anthony Tran Nguyen+ 4:30— Carl Zaleski+ 7:30— Nathan Lowry+
Sat, Aug 16	8:30— Baldur & Hannelore Conrad+ 5:30— Robert Mica+
Sun, Aug 17	7:30— St. Theresa Parishioners 8:45— Jan Cowart+ 10:30— Theresa Roth 12:30— Arthur & Martha Pohl+ 5:00— Frank & Philomena Marinarol+

Prayers For The Sick: Michael Tabash, Maddie N., Suzanne Miles, Martin Caplan, Gene Epperly, Patricia LeMay, Megan Brown, John Forbes, Ronald Lewis Cricks, Tom Poerstel, Mary Broderick, Mary Giebel, Esther Yager, Tori Edmonds, Daniel John Begley, Michael DeCardona, Stephen Stahl, Steve Smith, Michael Williamson, Brenda Fitzpatrick, Barney Smith, Rick & Kathleen Mikszan, Jeffrey Miller, Raymond Humanik, Kelly Hargreaves, Ellen Russow, Patricia Fuechslin, Pranee Heinjarean, Nellie Gonzalez, Bernadette Valdez.

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

****Federal Holidays—6:15 and 8:30am Masses only**

Clergy

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

Prayers For Our Military: Ify Nwabuoku, Cabell Early, Jack Williamson, Sabrina Sokol, Aidan Sullivan, Kyle Sullivan, Heather Hurley, Connor McCarthy, Kraig Broecker Jr., Victoria Carrick Caviston, Jack Ward, Michael Scully, Matthew Baba, Anthony Lupetaliaami, Tom Short, Bill Short, Sergio Mendez, Geoffrey Galasso, Logan Anna Davis, Stephen Holdorf, Jr. Daniel W. Beverly, Matthew Schierling, Eric Frames, Bill Freschi, Paul Schierling, Marshall Kellner, Eric Ciliberti, John Kesterson, Matthew Kesterson, Alexa Katharine Koenig, Russell Escalante.

Please Help the Josephite Missionaries

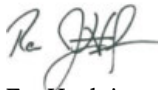
Next Sunday, we will take a special second collection to support St. Joseph's Society of the Sacred Heart—The Josephite Missionaries—as part of the annual Mission Cooperative Plan Appeal. Each year, our Diocese asks each parish to help an area of the Universal Church that stands in need not only of the sacraments and religious education, but also of the most basic needs, such as food, medicine, and shelter.

The Josephite Missionaries were founded over 150 years ago, just after the Civil War, as an English foreign missionary society of priests and brothers. They were initially sent to Africa and to the American South to bring the Gospel to more than five million newly emancipated slaves. Today, they labor in the South, in Africa, and in inner cities throughout the country. These can be some of the most challenging and dangerous areas in the world in which to serve. These missionaries depend on the good will and support of the Catholic faithful throughout the United States, and ask your assistance for the poor and needy. The best way to donate to this appeal is by check. Simply make your check payable to St. Theresa, and be sure to put "MCP" in the memo line. That will make sure the funds go to the "Mission Cooperative Plan" this year. You may drop a check in the collection basket, or in the boxes by the exits of church.

To learn more about the ministry of, please go to: <https://arlingtonmissions.org/mission/st-josephs-society-of-the-sacred-heart-the-josephites>

Your gift will be a blessing to many families who benefit from this outreach.

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



Fr. Hudgins

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

Adult Education and Spiritual Enrichment

Looking to learn more about your faith? This Fall the Catholic Education for Adults team will be offering five different classes:

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible (8 weeks): Get the "big picture" of salvation history by seeing how fourteen narrative books of the Bible tell the complete story from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church. Zoom Tuesdays 8-9pm. Starts Oct. 7th. Contact Andy at johnson.andrew7003@gmail.com or In-Person at Ashby Ponds (All are welcome). Tuesdays Starts Oct. 7th. Contact Peggy at peggy.burkholder@gmail.com

The Gospel of Matthew (24 weeks-In Person): Set in the rich context of Jesus' life, Matthew shows us who Jesus is and what His life and teachings mean for us today. Wednesdays 7-8pm. Starts Oct. 15th. Contact: Linda at lmmetz3@msn.com.

Acts (20 weeks-Zoom): The Compelling Story of the First Christians. This

class 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. Starts Oct 8th. Contact: Brett at brettastengako@gmail.com.

Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come (11 weeks-Zoom): Perhaps no book of the Bible fascinates people more than Revelation. This is an intriguing study that shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven. Wednesdays 7-8pm. Starts Oct. 8th. Contact: Mark at markscallion20@gmail.com.

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother (8 weeks-In Person): This class is an extraordinary pilgrimage that reveals Mary's unique role in God's kingdom and in our lives. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, you will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Thursdays 7-8pm. Starts

Oct. 9th. Contact: Viki at viki.hughes@gmail.com.

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 for the Lectio Divina prayer is the Mass reading for the upcoming Sunday. We are currently reading the book, "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary" by Brant Pitre. Parish women of all ages are cordially invited. For more information contact Dawn Garabito, 862.812.0039 or dmarie213@aol.com

That Man is You (TMIY)—That Man Is You: If you missed St Theresa's registration program this weekend there's still time to register for our TMIY year 3 program which begins September 6. Scan the QR Code below to register or contact Jack Hayes at: jack.hayes422@aol.com or 703.537.6418.



Upcoming Early Bulletin Deadline

September 7 bulletin--due by Tuesday, August 26th, 12noon

Youth Education and News



ymoffice@sainttheresaparish.com

August

Sun, 10th-Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

Sun, 17th-Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

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

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

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

Tues, 26th-Teen Leader Training for the Confirmation Retreat, 7-8:30pm

Sat, 30th-Confirmation Retreat, 1:30-8pm



Office Hours:

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

RE Registration is OPEN! Please visit the parish website to complete the online form and submit payment for your children's RE classes for the 2025-26 school year. Classes begin the week of September 14th.

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.

Certification for RE Teachers - If you would like to develop a deeper understanding of our Catholic Faith, especially if you are or will be teaching Religious Education, please consider participating in one of the following series of Certification courses:

Fall 2025/Winter 2026 - St. Theresa's, on Saturdays

Please contact the Office of Religious Education if you would like more information.

Registration Now OPEN!



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

To Golf, Sponsor, or join us for dinner scan the QR code or visit

www.SaintTheresaParish.com



Saint Theresa Catholic School

Educating Tomorrow's Catholic Leaders

www.stsashburn.com

STCS Parents, mark your calendars for these important upcoming events:

Wednesday, August 13—

New Parent Orientation Meeting

Friday, August 15—

Feast of the Assumption

Monday, August 18—

Meet Your Teacher Day for students & families

Thursday, August 21—

First Day of School

Saturday, August 23—

Back to School Picnic

Wednesday, August 27—

Middle School Back-to-School Night

Thursday, August 28—

Elementary Back-to-School Night

Friday, August 29—

Early Dismissal

Join our STCS team! St. Theresa Catholic School is accepting applications for Instructional Aides for the 2025-26 school year. To apply, please send your resume, cover letter, and references to HR@SaintTheresaParish.com.



STCS Families, we hope you're having a fantastic summer! Summer has a way of flying by -- don't forget to check the school website

(stsashburn.com, click on "Parent Links") for **Summer Reading and Math for each grade level!** Assignments are due when school begins on August 21.

STCS Summer Office Hours: the school office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00am-1:00pm throughout the summer. *Have a wonderful and safe break!*

Wanting to hear Fr. Hudgins' homilies?

You can find all of Fr. Hudgins homilies recorded on Fatherhudgins.com

How to Register to be a Parishioner of St. Theresa Catholic Church

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 (closed for lunch from 12-1) 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.

News from our Parish

Reminder: Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary and Brown Scapular Enrollment on August 17, 2025—Father would lead the consecration after each Mass on August 17 and there's formal investiture in the Brown Scapular afterwards. Before mass, look for the Legion of Mary table in the Narthex on August 17 if you need the consecration sheet, or a brown scapular.

Ashburn Catholic Young Adults—We will meet bi-weekly on Mondays from 6:15–7:30pm this summer for faith and fellowship. Our meetings will be a Theology of the Body Formation Series on August 11. We will meet in the Zelig Conference rooms in the Parish Admin Building.

Red Cross Blood Drive—Please consider supporting the American Red Cross at our next St. Theresa blood drive on **Thursday, August 14th** from 10am–3:15pm. As always, your help will save lives!

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or go to www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: "StTheresaChurch" to schedule your life-saving donation! If you have ANY difficulty, please e-mail Colleen Dwyer at colleenhome87@gmail.com or call/text 703.969.3667 & she will register you. The Red Cross is extremely grateful to the very generous St. Theresa parishioners for their continued support in these blood drives.

MCP Appeal—Next weekend, our second collection supports the annual Mission Cooperative Plan Appeal for our diocese. Our parish mission organization is St. Joseph's Society of the Sacred Heart (The Josephites). This appeal helps our brothers and sisters who do not have access to basic pastoral services that support and grow their faith, like Mass, the sacraments, religious education as well as basic needs – like food, shelter, and healthcare. You can support these organizations through this week's 2nd Collection. If donating by check, please make your check payable to our parish and put "MCP" in the memo line. Through your support, the MCP Appeal helps these mission organizations form vibrant faith communities and strengthens the global Church. Please be generous.

Altar Server TRAINING

Altar Server?—Training for new altar servers will be held on two consecutive Sunday evenings, **September 7 and September 14, from 7pm to 8:30pm**. Attendance is required at both events, and is open to any boy 4th grade and older, who would like to be an Altar Server at St Theresa.

Pre-registration is required. To register, go to the parish website: <https://sainttheresaparish.com/news/altar-server-training/>

Please note: attendance at both nights is required, and there will be no exceptions made. Parents are encouraged to attend with their child.

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 this fall in late October / early November.

Festival of Trees—This year our beloved Divine Mercy Outreach Festival of Trees will be on **December 6 & 7**. This year's festival promises to be better than ever with the venue moving back to the gym, cookies, punch and even singing. Plan to join this amazing gathering for fellowship, fun, and a great cause. It's time to get the creative juices flowing and think about donating a themed tree, wreath or basket to FOT. Cookie donations are also needed—everyone loves Christmas cookies! Last year's Festival of Trees raised \$23,600. For more information check out the DMO Festival of trees on our parish website: sainttheresaparish.com/divine-mercy/divine-mercy-outreach/festival-of-trees/

Contact Cathy Branly for tree/wreath/basket donations, or to volunteer: cathysews@yahoo.com
Contact Danielle Zuccaro for cookie donations: danielle.a.zuccaro@gmail.com

Walking With Purpose—Join Us for a New Year of Faith & Fellowship St. Theresa's is offering Walking With Purpose Bible studies for women, young women, and middle school girls,

Interested in becoming a St Theresa

beginning this fall. What is Walking With Purpose? A Catholic women's ministry that blends Scripture study with small group conversation, helping women of all ages deepen their faith and connect in community.

Offerings Include:

- Adult Women Bible Studies (Begin the week of September 22)
- Beloved – A new study for young women seeking a stronger foundation in their identity in Christ
- BLAZE – A 20-week program for middle school girls, starting in October, exploring Scripture in a fun, engaging way

Registration is now open! Explore studies, find your group, and take a meaningful step on your faith journey.

□ Questions? Email: sttheresawwp@gmail.com

Childcare Help Needed — Walking With Purpose—St. Theresa Parish is seeking kind and reliable childcare helpers for our Walking With Purpose women's Bible study program.

- Thursdays, 9:15–11am
- September 25 – May 7
- Paid position
- VIRTUS compliance required

If you enjoy caring for children and would like to support this ministry, we'd love to hear from you!

Contact us at: sttheresawwp@gmail.com

Donut Sunday Program Art Contest

—Drawing of Mother Mary. Drawing must be completed by **August 29th**, drop of @ St Theresa Parish Office, Office Hours: M-F: 9:30am–3:30pm (closed for lunch 12–1)



Rules: 8 ½ x 11 Sheet | Name & Age and Parent Contact on back. Must be a hand drawn picture of Mother Mary Only 1 submission per person

Age Groups: up to 5 yrs old; 6–10 yrs old; 10–16 yrs old; 16–24 yrs old; New Age Groups Added: 25–44 yrs old; 45 and over. Winners will be announced on September 7th by email. (6) 1st Place Awards. Winners will get a \$25 Gift Card & Trophy. Questions? Contact: Angela Haberland angela.haberland@gmail.com | 703.407.1204

Parish News Continued

REGISTRATION IS OPEN for the 15th Annual Friends of St. Theresa School (FOSTS) Golf Tournament for tuition assistance on Monday, October 6, 2025 at Belmont Country Club. This is a wonderful parish event – we hope you'll join us for a fantastic day of golf, food, and fundraising for tuition assistance! ***This is the primary***

fundraiser for FOSTS, which provides assistance to families and students who might not otherwise have access to a Catholic education. Not a golfer? ***Join us for dinner!*** To sponsor, golf, join us for dinner, or make a donation please scan the QR code or visit our parish website

(www.SaintTheresaParish.com). ***Sponsors are needed for the tournament*** (individuals, businesses, families), please contact Regina Freschi, freschir@stsashburn.com or 703.729.3577.



Legion of Mary

Want to deepen your faith, build community, increase your relationship with our

Lord, and serve others? Want to be part of something bigger than yourself? We have two praesidium options. Saturdays at 9:15am and Wednesdays at 7:00pm. Stop by the Saint Martin room and learn more about it.

Home Enthronement of the Sacred Heart

Our Lord revealed that wherever the image of His Sacred Heart is exposed and given special honor, great blessings, and graces would abound. One way to accomplish this goal is to do a formal enthronement of the Sacred Heart in your home. The enthronement is a ceremony where Jesus is invited into your home and is given authority over your family/household. Please email sttheresalegionofmary@gmail.com to schedule one.

Prayer Request - Are you in need of prayer?

Do you need the power of prayer to support you? Join your fellow parishioners in our prayer emails. This is a prayer network maintained by the Legion of Mary. You can enroll in the prayer email here: legionofmarysttheresa@gmail.com We are all on this journey together. Let us be together by praying together for one another!



Knights of Columbus

Officers of the St. Louis Martin Council at Saint Theresa for 2026



Are you a parishioner in need of a home repair? If you are physically or

financially unable to complete basic home repairs, we can help. Our Handy-Man team skills include Plumbing, Electrical, Carpentry, and Painting but exclude outdoor yard or gardening work. If you are in need of repairs, or would like to be part of the Handyman Team, please visit this website to submit your repair project request or to join the team <https://www.st-louis martin-kofc.org/handy-man-services>.

Interested in Becoming a Foster Parent in Loudoun County?

Loudoun County's Department of Family Services is looking for 15 more families to add to their list of approved foster families. Interested in learning more? The County is hosting monthly virtual foster care information ses-

sions this summer:

Tuesday, August 12, 2025, 12-1pm

Attendance is free, but registration is required. Visit <https://www.loudoun.gov/1004/Foster-Care-Adoption> for more information on foster care and ways that you can get involved to make a difference in our community.

Interested in Joining? Guided by principles of charity, unity and fellowship, the Knights of Columbus work to strengthen our parish, our families and our community. FAQ:

<https://www.st-louis martin-kofc.org/faqs>.

To be contacted, please scan the following QR code.



News Around the Diocese

Our Lady of Hope is hiring—Youth Minister position. Interested candidates are asked to provide a resume along with three references to: youthminister@ourladyofhope.net Please visit Catholicjobs.com for additional details.

Attention Rising 8th graders—Take the Practice Version of the High School Placement Test (Pre-HSPT) at St. Paul VI Catholic High School. Monday, **August 11, 2025** from 9am-noon. St. Paul VI Catholic High School, 42341 Braddock Road, Chantilly, VA 20152. Optional Parent Info Session: 11:30 a.m. in the PVI Theatre. Includes details about Paul VI and the admissions process. Please Note: The Pre-HSPT is not used for admissions but is a helpful preparation tool. Accommodations are not available for the Pre-HSPT. If you have any questions or to register, please email the PVI Office of Enrollment Management at admissions@paulvi.net.

Summer Retreat Weekend—Aug 15-17, 2025. This Summer, you are invited to step away from the busyness of daily life and enter into a deeper encounter with Christ. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center is offering the Summer Spiritual Exercises Retreat led by Fr. Robert Presutti, LC. This silent retreat, based on the time-tested methods of St. Ignatius of Loyola, will provide the perfect setting for prayer, reflection, and renewal. The weekend is designed for both men and women seeking to deepen their faith and reconnect with their spiritual journey. Plus! You can take advantage of the early-bird pricing, now available until Friday, July 25! Cost to attend: \$368 per person, EARLY-BIRD RATE: \$318 per person. For a more flexible, self-directed experience, the Private Retreat Option will be available during this weekend. Find more details on our website www.ourladyofbethesda.org or call 301.365.0612. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20187. Don't miss this opportunity to invest in your spiritual renewal and reconnect with God.

Pilgrimage of Hope: Mass for Those Who Are Suffering—Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church—All of the faithful of the Diocese of Arlington are invited to attend the Mass to Pray for Those Who

Are Suffering at Our Lady of Hope, Potomac Falls, on **August 16, 2025**, at 8:30am. All who are experiencing suffering of any kind are particularly invited to attend this Mass. This Mass will be in English only. There will be a reception to follow.

Three to Get Married Marriage Prep in 2025—Aug 21-24; Sept 18-21; Dec 11-14 The Three to Get Married Marriage Preparation Program is 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. \$398 per couple. ourladyofbethesda.org. Bethesda, MD.

Mass and Healing Prayer Service—Tuesday, **August 26**, Mass and Healing Prayer Service is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 11900 Lawyers Road, Reston, 7:30 p.m. Fr. John Melmer of St. John the Beloved Church of McLean will celebrate. Confessions will be available. This liturgy comes through the diocesan Catholic Healing Ministry. For more information, please contact Richard Schaad, 703.455.6131.

Calling all Young Adults!—Join us for a fundraising BBQ supporting the Associates of St. John Bosco (ASJB) on Saturday, **September 6th** at 12:30 pm in Alexandria. ASJB is a Catholic nonprofit organization that helps rising college freshmen grow closer to God as they transition to college. Come meet other young adults and learn about how you can be a part of our mission! Please register at asjb.org/bosco-bbq by **September 2**. Location will be provided upon registration. If you have questions, please email Cora Scheib at cora@asjb.org.

How Can We Grow Closer to Jesus While living in the Secular World?—If you are seeking to grow deeper in love with Jesus, you are invited to attend an informative session about Lay Communities: Dominican, Franciscan, Carmelite, Benedictine and Youth Apostles. There will be two sessions: 10am and again at 7pm. You may attend either one to hear short presentations from members of each Com-

munity. There will be time to ask questions and to speak with their members. This informational opportunity is intended to help you discern whether you may be called to this way of life. There is no obligation or pressure to join! **Save the Date! Monday, September 8, 2025** at St. John the Apostle, 101 Oakcrest Manor Drive, Leesburg.

Married Couples—"I Place Much of My Hope for the Future in Marriage Encounter". (Pope Saint John Paul II) Your honeymoon was a special time. Wherever you went, the things you saw and did were secondary. Just being together was most important. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend has the same focus. The weekend centers entirely on your relationship. It is a positive, simple common sense, private experience between you and your spouse, that revitalizes marriage by helping you to see again those loving qualities in each other that you may be taking for granted. Upcoming experience are: September 12-14, 2025 - Richmond VA; October 24-26, 2025- Jessup MD; November 7-9, 2025- Rehoboth Beach DE; February 13-15, 2026 - Waynesboro VA; March 6-8, 2026 - Hampton VA. For more information please call 757.690.1369 or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for your desired location

Monthly 2025-2026 Catholic Homeschool Clubs!—Looking for fun social activities for all of your homeschooled kids in the same time & place? Look no further! Mayflower Homeschoolers offers a Clubs Day for all ages on 3rd Fridays of the school year! St. Bosco Coed Teen Games Club~Little Flowers Girls Club~Blue Knights Boys Club~St. Nicholas Coed PreK&K Club. For details about clubs & our other weekly events, go to www.mayflowerhomeschoolers.org.

Seminarian Education Endowment—The Seminarian Education Endowment at the Catholic Foundation of Arlington has been supporting the education and formation of those who have been preparing for the priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of Arlington for many years. Find out how you can support the future leaders of our Diocese at catholicarlington.org/seminarian

News from the Diocese Continued

Men's Bootcamp Weekend Retreat Sep 26-28, 2025—Join us for a dynamic weekend retreat designed specifically for men! The Men's Bootcamp Weekend Retreat combines the structure of the Spiritual Exercises with engaging breakout groups and powerful talks tailored to strengthen your faith, leadership, and brotherhood. While not a silent retreat, the schedule will include time for personal reflection, prayer, and discussion. Step away from the noise of daily life and invest in your spiritual growth. You can take advantage of the early-bird pricing by registering soon! Cost to attend: \$368 per person, EARLY-BIRD RATE: \$318 per person. Find more details on our website www.ourladyofbethesda.org or call 301.365.0612. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20187. Don't miss this opportunity to invest in your spiritual renewal and reconnect with God.

PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC): We are a social group, mostly aged 60 and over. (35 to 59? Ask about our free associate-membership group.) Accompany us to: square dancing (every Tuesday); Thursday lunches (Aug. 14 & 28); dinner/walk at Huntley Meadows (Aug. 10); brunch (Aug. 17); talk by Dawn Beutner, Editor for Saints at Magnificat magazine (Aug. 21); serving meal at Christ House (Aug. 23); movie/dinner (Aug. 24); picnic (Aug. 31). For details, visit our website: bit.ly/ptsc. With questions or to RSVP, email Tom at ptscnva@gmail.com.

Obedience and Spiritual Union – "Let it be Done Unto Me"—In this women's silent retreat, we will consider the secret to true Obedience; a disposition of Receptivity. Meditating on the nature of a woman's receptive power, we will explore how the feminine gifts of Empathy, Intuition, and Adaptability enable us to listen more deeply in prayer, and to achieve spiritual union, not only with our spouses, but with Jesus Himself.

Mary Stanford, a Professor at Christendom College and author of *The Obedience Paradox: Finding True Freedom in Marriage*, will lead this retreat at the Arlington Diocese's San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post,

Virginia. Father John Riley, Spiritual Director at the center will serve those gathering with daily Mass and opportunities for confession. This retreat begins at 6 pm Friday **September 19th and concludes Sunday 21st** at noon. Retreat cost is \$299, and financial assistance may be available. For further information, please contact Father John Riley at: john.riley@arlingtondiocese.org For more information about San Damiano and retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat

After Abortion Retreats—A Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be held on Saturday, **September 27, 2025**. These group healing events are held in a private and peaceful setting, in English and in Spanish, based on the Entering Canaan model (2 separate retreats, in 1 location). 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

"Her Call Is Sacred" | Mighty Is Her Call Retreat—Mothers in our Diocese are invited to a day retreat with Mighty Is Her Call, "Her Call Is Sacred", at St. Mary of Sorrows in Fairfax on **September 27th**. A Mighty Is Her Call retreat is designed to provide a day of rest, encouragement and fortification in your life as a mother. Be reminded of the Christ-like nature of your called. The day includes: - Three inspiring talks, including one by Kimberly Cook, author of "Motherhood Redeemed" - Mass, Adoration, and Confession - Food and fellowship Register today at mightyishercall.com!

Marriage Workshop: Strengthening Your Love Marriage Renewal Workshop: Oct 11-12, 2025—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! The expert speaker team includes Catholic psychologists, therapists, and priests who will offer their expertise and experience, plus they will be on

hand the entire weekend to offer individual consultation, upon request. Please note: This is NOT an overnight program. Cost: Early-Bird rate: \$520 per couple, if registered by Sep 21st, afterward the price increases to \$650. Seating is limited. Scan the code above to register or visit www.ourladyofbethesda.org. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

Marriage Jubilee Mass 2025—Celebrating A Golden or Silver Wedding Anniversary This Year? If you were married in 1975 or 2000, please join Bishop Michael Burbidge for the 2025 Mass for Jubilarians to be celebrated on Sunday, **October 19th** at 2:30pm at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington, VA. Contact your parish office to register no later than **October 3rd**. For more info, visit <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/marriagejubilee>.

Finding Jesus with St. Thomas More – Men's Silent Retreat—Gather with a band of brothers at the Arlington Diocese's San Damiano Retreat Center to consider the life and spirituality of St. Thomas More. Fr. Nicholas Blank will lead this retreat, considering the "riches hidden in Christ" and in His saints, meditating on Our Lord's familiar words deeply engraved upon the heart of More: "What does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?" This retreat begins at 6 pm **Friday, October 24th, and concludes Sunday, October 26th**, after lunch. Retreat cost is \$299, and financial assistance may be available. For further information, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at: mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org or visit our website at www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat For more information about San Damiano and retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat

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.

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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 **7pm (note the time change)** 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.

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Do you have furniture items to donate?—Consider donating to help those in need that are moving out of shelters. We partner with McLean Bible church to assist families coming out of the shelter. Contact Matthew Broderick at 703-966-0791 or mebroderick1@gmail.com

Looking for more ways help? Consider signing up to receive our Outreach email to get up to date information on needs and volunteer opportunities. If you would like to sign up to be placed on our Outreach email 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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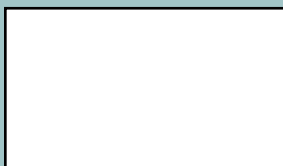
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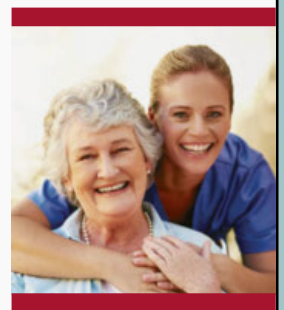
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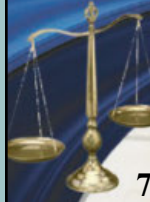
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