



St. Theresa Catholic Church

21371 St. Theresa Lane, Ashburn, Virginia 20147

October 26, 2025
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses for the Week

Mon, Oct 27	6:15— Patti & Brittany Mahan 8:30— Aleyamma Thomas+ 12:15— Fred R. Wall+
Tues, Oct 28	6:15— Szegedy Family 8:30— Manuel Tavares+
Wed, Oct 29	6:15— All Infant Souls+ 8:30— Maria Stanford 12:15— Marianne Wall+
Thurs, Oct 30	6:15— Johah Elkouri 8:30— Danny Costa
Fri, Oct 31	6:15— Diana Peters 8:30— Margaret Shaker+
Sat, Nov 1	8:30— Pearl Pecxeny+ 10:00— Margaret & Michael Tuple 5:30— Jerry Copeland+
Sun, Nov 2	7:30— Deceased Members of the McAndrew Family+ 8:45— All Souls Novena 10:30— St. Theresa Parishioners 12:30— Persecuted Christians around the World 5:00— Gerard Jacob+

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 The Sick: Maria Theresa Baric, Iris and Romeo Rigor, Jennifer Spurr, Luz Triana, 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.

Prayers For Our Military: Brady Carmical, Ify Nwabuku, 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.

Why Can't Protestants Receive Communion?

In a recent hospital visit, someone asked me, "Why can't Protestants receive Communion in the Catholic Church?" It's always one of the most awkward and painful moments for any priest to face. Because even when you try to explain why the Eucharist is reserved to Baptized Catholics in a state of grace, it can SEEM like you're telling them, "Because non-Catholics aren't good enough." Is that the message of our faith? Is that what the Church believes? Let's take a closer look.

From the very beginnings of our faith—even its first decades—the Eucharist was restricted to those fully initiated into the Church. In fact, not only did non-Christians not receive Communion, they were escorted out of Mass at the conclusion of the readings! This is because we have always believed that the Eucharist is an expression of *full membership in the Church*. It's not merely a personal prayer, or an act of devotion, or even a statement that you believe in Christ's body and blood. According to the *Catechism*: "Through the Eucharist, Christ unites the faithful into one body—the Church. Communion renews, strengthens, and deepens this incorporation into the Church, already achieved by Baptism" (CCC, 1396). That is to say, we believe the Eucharist actually unites those who share the same faith. This of course requires first that those who receive Communion should first actually *profess* the same faith.

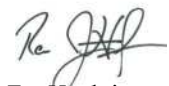
Although various Christian denominations profess many beliefs in common, (the divinity of Christ, the inspiration of scripture, the necessity of Baptism) it would be false to assume all Christians profess the same faith. Divisions in Christianity are sad, but they are real. If "receiving the Eucharist" means "full membership in the Church," then the divisions in Christianity prevent many Christians from receiving the Eucharist. This is why the Eucharist is restricted, and not open to anyone who approaches.

Perhaps a parallel case would help illuminate our belief: Catholics should not take communion at Protestant services either. As the Code of Canon Law states, "Catholic ministers may licitly administer the sacraments to Catholic members of the Christian faithful only and, likewise, the latter may licitly receive the sacraments only from Catholic ministers" (CIC 844). In our understanding, "taking communion" has always meant "full membership." We are not full members of Protestant denominations, and so we should not take communion at their services. Furthermore, those who are not baptized (Jews, Muslims, Hindus, etc.) should not receive the Eucharist either. While we welcome them to join us in prayer, we cannot invite them to receive the sacraments, since the sacraments are intrinsically linked to belief in Christ and membership in the Church.

The Eucharist is all about communion, which is why we also call the Eucharist, "Communion." Not only about communion with Jesus' Real Presence, but about communion with the Church, which is the Body of Christ on earth. Ironically, "open communion" actually negates the very idea of communion itself. If all receive the host regardless of personal beliefs, spiritual state, or church membership, then the Eucharist ceases to be a sign of communion with anything at all. It becomes an empty ritual. When beliefs among churches differ, it's clear that you can't be in *full communion* with more than one church.

Although there are some specific danger-of-death circumstances in which the Church has permitted the Eucharist to non-Catholics, these are complicated beyond the scope of one single bulletin column! Let's pray that the divisions in Christianity could be healed, that wrongs from centuries past could be forgiven, and that all may be one in Christ, just as He prayed that we would be.

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



Fr. Hudgins

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

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.

Youth Education and News



ymoffice@sainttheresaparish.com

October

Sun, 26th—High School RALLY @ Bishop O'Connell H.S., 11:15am-8:30pm

Sun, 26th—Parish Food Drive (after 8:45am Mass & 5pm Mass)

Mon, 27th—Food Sort by Expiration Dates, 7-8:30pm

Tues, 28th—Load food for transport, 6:15-7pm

November

Sun, 2nd—Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

Sat, 8th—Middle School ROCK Squad, School Cafeteria & Gym, 6:30-8:30pm

Sun, 9th—Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

Sun, 16th—Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

In House Basketball—2025/2026

Registration is now open and will close November 1st—K-3rd grade. Register to play at: <https://sainttheresaparish.com/activity/in-house-basketball/> Contact Rusty Byrne via e-mail at stsk3basketball@gmail.com if any questions.

NVJCYO Basketball Registration is now open:

It is open to all students currently enrolled in St. Theresa School or the St. Theresa Church Religious Education program in grades 4-8. You can register at <https://reg.sportspilot.com/106557> Questions: contact Paul Dwyer at cyo@sainttheresaparish.com.

CYO Basketball Coaches needed—A great Coach can change a life." Please consider Coaching for our upcoming 2025/2026 Basketball Season. The Arlington Diocese will be holding training for all CYO Coaches – this is a mandatory training program called

'Play Like a Champion Today'. The dates of the primary coach training will be in early November. The session is approximately 3 hours and every coach must attend the entire training to be able to coach after that time. Please contact Paul Dwyer by email at ymoffice@sainttheresaparish.com if you are interested in Coaching.



Office Hours:

Mon–Thurs. 9am-4pm; Fri. 9am-noon

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



8th Grade Art students' annual fall project with the parish Young at Heart club!



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www.stsashburn.com

Veterans Day Mass: the 8:30am Mass on Tuesday, November 11th will include a special tribute to Veterans, followed by a light reception. All veterans, military on active duty, and members of the intelligence services are invited to attend. This event is sponsored by **St. Theresa Catholic School's 5th Grade Class**. Veterans and active-duty military are encouraged to wear their uniforms. *We hope you'll join us!*

STCS Parents, mark your calendars for these important upcoming events & see the Thursday Thunder email for details:

Friday, October 31—

Fall Festival; early dismissal

Monday, November 3—

Celebrate All Saints Day

Tuesday, November 11—

Veterans Day Mass & Reception

Thursday, November 13—

Early dismissal, Parent-Teacher Conferences

Friday, November 14—

No school for students, Parent-Teacher Conferences



Mrs. Dorsey's 1st Grade, 1997-98

Calling all St. Theresa Catholic School

ALUMNI!

Send us your news!

Email updates to alumni@stsashburn.com

Calling all STCS Alumni! We love to hear from our Alumni & Alumni families! Send your news to alumni@stsashburn.com.

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News from our Parish

Job Opening - Secretary/Registrar for the Office of Religious Education—Responsibilities include database management, creating reports, assisting with major RE events throughout the school year, etc. Resumes can be sent to hr@sainttheresaparish.com. Contact the DRE, Mr. Bayne, at lbayne@sainttheresaparish.com, if you would like more information about the position.



Veterans Day Mass & Program - Save the Date!—The 8:30am Mass on Tuesday, November 11th will include a special tribute to Veterans. All veterans, military on active duty, and members of the intelligence services are invited to attend. A light reception for veterans and their families will follow in the school gym. This event is sponsored by St. Theresa Catholic School's **5th Grade Class**. Veterans and active-duty military are encouraged to wear their uniforms. If you have not attended in the past, it is a beautiful opportunity to recognize those that serve(d) our country. **We hope you'll join us!**

The Festival of Trees—December 6 & 7. The festival of Trees is only 2 months away! Mark your calendar for December 6 and 7. This year will be exciting with the Festival back in the gym. Donations are needed for trees, wreaths, baskets, and cookies! It's time to be thinking of themes and planning your tree. This is fun parish gathering and an important fundraiser for Divine Mercy Outreach. To donate trees, baskets, and wreaths, contact Cathy Branly: cathysews@yahoo.com. For cookie and treat donations contact Danielle Zuccaro: danielle.a.zuccaro@gmail.com. Check out the DMO Festival of Trees on our parish website: sainttheresaparish.com/divine-mercy/divine-mercy-outreach/festival-of-trees/



You(th) vs Hunger Sign Ups!—Sign up for our 10th annual You(th) vs Hunger food packing event. We will be packing 1250,000 meals this year in the school gym. The event is on November 15, 2025. This year's event will bring our total meals packed as a parish to 1 MILLION MEALS! Kids as young as 5 can help pack food. Childcare will be provided for



free for kids under 5. Sign Ups will OPEN on Sunday, October 19 at 9 PM. Before this date, you will be able to access the sign up link and see the slots but NOT sign up. The slots usually fill up within minutes, so set your alarm! Visit <https://youthvshunger.wordpress.com/sign-ups/> to sign up

Young at Heart Social Club (YAH)—Men and Women (55 and over). We meet after the 12:15 pm Mass in the Zelle Room located across from the Church. On Wed., **Nov 19th** (3rd Wed.). We will be celebrating Thanksgiving! Turkey & ham will be provided. Please bring a side dish/trimmings or dessert. We will have our usual 50/50 drawings. All are welcome. If you plan to join us please RSVP to Freddie at wallflower64@gmail.com or 703.625.5715.

Adult Education and Spiritual Enrichment

Women's Discipleship Group—Welcome all women of St Theresa Catholic Church. Our Group meets every Wednesday morning from 9:30–10:30 for Lectio Divina and 10:45–11:45 for reading of a selected book that provides daily encouragement, spiritual guidance and personal growth for women. Our focus for the Lectio Divina is the Mass readings for the upcoming Sunday. On September 3, 2025 we will be starting the book "Imitation of Christ" written by Thomas a Kempis, and translated by Ronald Knox and Michael Oakley. For more information contact Dawn

Garabito 862.812.0039 or dmarie213@aol.com

Padre Pio Group—Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina is known for his gift of healing. When you become a child of Padre Pio, he also takes into his prayers your entire family. Won't you join us on the first Friday of every month as we pray the Rosary and ask Padre Pio to be our helper in heaven. Pray, Hope and don't Worry.....First Friday at 6pm. Our next meeting will be **November 7**, Saint Louis Martin Room. Questions, contact Mirella McAleer 703.463.0847

That Man is You (TMIY)—The new TMIY year is underway, with inspirational videos and discussions helping us grow in fellowship. If you are looking to strengthen your faith, become a better husband and father, and/or just get to know other men in the parish, we invite you to join us by using the following QR Code, or by contacting Jack Hayes at jack.hayes422@aol.com.





Legion of Mary

Want to be part of something bigger than yourself, build community, serve others, and grow your relationship with our Lord? There are two praesidium options: Saturdays at 9:15am and Wednesdays at 7:30pm. We invite you to join us in the St. Louis Martin room to say the Rosary with us and learn more.

Our Works

Invite Jesus into your home through a Sacred Heart Enthronement—a formal ceremony where Jesus is invited into your home and given authority over your family/household, bringing grace and blessings. Also, hosting the Pilgrim Virgin Statue is a beautiful way to invite God's blessings into your home, unite your family in prayer, and a tangible reminder that Mary is truly present and active in your daily lives. To schedule, complete the request forms online at <https://sainttheresaparish.com/activity/legion-of-mary/>

Prayer Request - Are you in need of prayer?

Are you in need of prayer and would like the Legion of Mary to pray along with you? Email us at legionof-marysttheresa@gmail.com or scan the QR code to send us your prayer request.



Knights of Columbus

Interested in Becoming a Foster Parent in Loudoun County?

Loudoun County's Department of Family Services (DFS) is looking for 15 more approved foster parents. Interested in learning more? The County is hosting virtual foster care information sessions this Fall:

Wednesday, November 12, 12-1pm

During each session, DFS staff will discuss general information on foster care needs, eligibility requirements for foster parents, the process of becoming a foster parent, and the support provided by DFS to foster families. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and sign up for next steps. Attendance is free, but registration is required. For more information on foster care and how to sign up for these sessions, visit [https://](https://www.loudoun.gov/1004/Foster-Care-Adoption)

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Food Drive: Many thanks to the parishioners, volunteers, youth group, and Knights for donating, sorting, and delivering food to the Catholic Charities Loudoun Food Pantry in Sterling. Your contributions and effort make this program a successful one.

Please keep up the generosity by returning your bag this weekend (October 25-26) with items in the attached flyer. If you were unable to pick up a blue bag, you can always return food in a reusable, paper, or plastic bag. Please, no expired items. The pantry is unable to distribute expired items.

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-louismartin-kofc.org/handy-man-services>.

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-louismartin-kofc.org/faqs>. To be contacted, please scan the following QR code.



Gospel Meditation-Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

October 26, 2025
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 18:9-14

Every now and then readers of these reflections write letters in which they object to something. Years ago, this Gospel of Luke 18 prompted such an email. A man wrote to me: "I find it deeply offensive that you suggest we are still sinners once we are God's sons and daughters." His objection stirred in me a profound awareness of the paradox at the heart of our faith. Are we sinners or beloved children of God?

In this Gospel (Luke 18:9-14), a tax collector appears as one who has missed the mark. His sins have isolated him. His breast-beating is not an act of self-flagellation for pride's sake but a heartfelt admission of his failure and unworthiness. Remarkably, Jesus honors the candid humility of the parable's penitent. Why? Because we are always in need of mercy, always. But even more, perhaps because on the cross, Jesus will fully embrace a similar place of humiliation and rejection. He will enter into the most shameful, offensive place of the sinner so that we might "go home justified."

There is a sacred tension in admitting that we are sinners and yet have profound hope. We are beloved sons and daughters of God, growing precisely through our honest acceptance of failure. When we cry, "Have mercy on us," during Mass or when we repeat the "Jesus Prayer" in quiet moments, or in the confessional, we embrace our imperfections as fertile ground for divine grace. In doing so, we follow Christ's example — finding true exaltation in the humble acknowledgment of our human frailty.

— Father John Muir
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News Around the Diocese

October Pray. Fast. Vote. Campaign

Join Bishop Burbidge every Friday in October in prayer and fasting for grace to move hearts, transform lives, and elect leaders who uphold the dignity of every human life. The legislators we elect this November will decide whether the proposed extreme abortion amendment will be advanced or stopped.

24 Hours with Christ Retreat: A Short Spiritual Getaway Inspired By the Spiritual Exercises; For Women: Nov 1-2, 2025

—Experience the essentials of the Spiritual Exercises in this abbreviated one-night retreat. Based on the Spiritual Exercises, the retreat is designed to provide a rejuvenating experience with a more convenient schedule. You will have the opportunity to participate in guided meditations, attend Mass, and benefit from individual spiritual direction. Additionally, you will have plenty of free time to explore the beautiful natural surroundings of the retreat center and spend time in personal reflection. Registration is required. Cost: \$209 per person (Private Retreat Option: \$157) Scan the code above to register, Find more information on the website www.ourladyofbethesda.org. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, Miracles Happen Here! 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

John Paul the Great's Fall Open House - Sunday November 2, 2025

—From 1-4pm. This year Open House will be fun for the whole family! Learn more about our rigorous college-preparatory curriculum, competitive athletics, inspiring visual and performing arts, and abundant extracurricular opportunities! We look forward to introducing you to our unique Bioethics program as well as our beloved House System and robust Special Services! Meet students, faculty, and coaches to learn more about the programs you love. RSVP Today! Use the following link to RSVP: https://jpthegreat.fsenrollment.com/portal/new_inquiry

Monthly Men's Evenings of Reflections, Nov 5, 7-9:30pm

—Join us for a new series of monthly Reflections for Men, The Twelve Apostles: Ordinary Men, Extraordinary Mission, at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. These evenings begin with Mass, followed by a meditation and practical

talk, plus the opportunity for Confession. Enjoy fellowship as we break bread together—dinner is included. November session: James & John: Sons of Thunder, Disciples of Love / Wednesday, Nov 5, 2025, 7-9:30pm. Hosted by the Men of Regnum Christi. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. Cost: \$25 p/p. To register, visit www.ourladyofbethesda.org.

The Beatitudes: A Blueprint for a Holy Marriage: Evenings of Reflection for Couples, Nov 12, 2025

—Marriage is one of the greatest gifts God has given us—and one of the greatest challenges. How do we live our marriage in the world but not of the world? Well, Jesus has given us a blueprint for holiness and joy: the Beatitudes. This fall, Our Lady of Bethesda is launching a new monthly series for married couples: The Beatitudes: A Blueprint for a Holy Marriage. Each session will reflect on one Beatitude and explore how it applies to the daily joys and struggles of married life. Next session will be Nov 12 and the topic will be: "Blessed Are the Couples Who Suffer Together, Letting Love Transform Their Pain." Married and engaged couples are invited to attend this special event! The evening will begin with mass and includes dinner, talk, time for quiet reflection and the opportunity for confession. \$55 per couple. Visit us at www.ourladyofbethesda.org to register. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. Registration is required so that we can properly prepare.

Personal Retreat Day: November 14, 9am-4pm

—Step away from the busyness of daily life and spend a day in quiet prayer and reflection at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. The Personal Retreat Day on Friday, August 8 offers the perfect opportunity to rest in God's presence, seek clarity, and renew your spirit in a peaceful, sacred setting. Our experienced team will guide you through this meaningful day and help you connect with God in a deeper way. The retreat schedule allows for one-on-one spiritual direction (optional), quiet reflection, Mass, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration, plus lunch; so you will be nourished and cared for while Our Lord speaks to your soul about the depths of His love for you. Cost is \$135 per person. Advance Registration is required. Visit

our website to register and to find more dates at ourladyofbethesda.org. Or call 301-365-0612. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

Made for More: A Healing Workshop for Women

—Do you long for greater peace and joy? Do you ever feel stuck, wondering if God's promises are truly for you? Join us for Made for More: A Healing Workshop for Women on the Journey of the Beloved on Saturday, **November 15**, from 1-4:30pm at St. Theresa Church in Ashburn, VA. Led by ministry founder Elizabeth Leon, this afternoon of prayer, reflection, and restoration draws from Scripture and Catholic teaching to help women find healing in brokenness, claim God's promises, and receive Christ's love more freely. Cost: \$40 (includes materials and refreshments) Register: visit www.journeyofthebeloved.com Questions? Contact Elizabeth Leon at letyourselfbeloved1690@gmail.com

The 33rd International Week of Prayer and Fasting: November 15 - 23, 2025

—The Opening Day of Prayer for the 33rd International Week of Prayer and Fasting will be held on Saturday, November 15th, from 8:30am to 5pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 400 Michigan Ave NE, Washington, DC, with Mass at noon, Eucharistic Adoration, the Rosary, Confessions, and speakers. Please register at www.iwopf.org or call 703.707.0799. This is a FREE event; however, online donations are welcomed to help support our ministry.

Confirmed speakers on the 15th include: Cardinal Ernest Simoni, Fr. Dan Reehil, Patricia Sandoval, and Andrew Niewald. This Year's theme is MERCY & HEALING: For the Jubilee Year of Hope. The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is designated as a "Special Place of Pilgrimage" for the 2025 Jubilee Year, extending the indulgence under the normal terms. The Virtual Conference on Nov. 17, 18, & 19 will feature additional speakers. Talks are free during the actual day of the presentation, or are available for purchase online for future viewing. For more information and to register, please go to www.iwopf.org or call 888.478.PRAY, or call 703.707.0799.

More News Around the Diocese

Quo Vadis Seminary Visit for high school boys—Ever wondered what college seminary is like? Join Vocations Director Father Noah Morey and Quo Vadis on **November 15** to experience it firsthand on a visit to St. John Paul II Seminary in Washington, D.C. Meet the college seminarians and their formators, see where they live, pray, eat and study, celebrate Mass together and tour parts of Catholic University where they have classes. Dads are welcome but not required. Cost is \$15 per person; **deadline to register is November 3**. Space is limited! Visit www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/QuoVadis, or contact the Office of Vocations, vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or 703.841.2514.

Marriage Renewal Retreat: Nov 15—Give your marriage the gift of time together with Christ. Join us for a one-day Marriage Renewal Retreat at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. This retreat is designed for Catholic couples who desire to grow closer to each other and to God through prayer, reflection, and practical talks. Strengthen the foundation of your sacrament and rekindle the grace that first united you. Cost: \$125 per couple. Engaged couples also welcome. 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.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux—Her relics visit the United States: October 1 - December 8, 2025 for the 100th anniversary of her Canonization and the Jubilee Year. Her relics will be in the Washington DC area **November 19-30**. For detailed schedule visit: <https://stthereseusa2025.com/schedule-of-events>. For questions, please email: StThereseUSA2025@gmail.com

Rooted in Hope: Monthly Mini-Retreats for Women: Evening: Wed, Nov 19, 6-9pm; Morning: Thu, Nov 20, 9:30am-12:15pm—Celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope with Monthly Mini-Retreats for Women at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center! Each month we'll gather to be refreshed in faith through prayer, talks, and fellowship with other women of faith. Join us for the November session, either on the evening of Nov 19 or the morn-

ing of Nov 20. Each mini-retreat includes Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, inspiring talks, time for confession, and fellowship with other women. Hosted by the Women of Regnum Christi. Cost is \$25 per person, meal included. Location: Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. Register online at www.ourladyofbethesda.org.

Thinking of a priestly vocation? (for men 18-35 years old)—Spending a weekend at a seminary is a critical part of exploring your vocation. You live, pray, eat and recreate with seminarians and experience first-hand what seminary life is like. Join Vocations Director Father Noah Morey for a weekend at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland. The group departs northern Virginia Friday **November 21 at 5:30pm and returns Sunday November 23 in the afternoon**. Cost is \$40. Contact the Office of Vocations for more info and to register: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or 703.841.2514. The deadline to register for this trip is Monday November 10.

Three to Get Married Marriage Prep in 2025/2026—Dec 11-14 | Jan 15-18 | Jan 29-Feb 1. 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. \$525 per couple. Space will be limited and these weekends fill up quickly, so reserve your spot today! More information on the website ourladyofbethesda.org. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, Bethesda, MD.

Married Couples—Just as we celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering together with family, why not celebrate your Marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? It's a positive, simple, common sense, private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes your marriage. Space is limited so make your reservation now! Upcoming experiences are: December 5-7, 2025-Ocean City, NJ; 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.

Bring a Crib to Baby Jesus Campaign—Since 2009, Project Manger-Cribs for Life has provided over 3,500 brand new cribs and mattresses to clients from 12 pregnancy resource centers throughout the Arlington Diocese. Many of these women were abortion-minded and had a change of heart when they learned of the assistance available to them. \$175 buys one fully equipped crib! Our goal is to provide 400 cribs this year. To donate online go to: <https://www.projectmanger.org/donate-a-crib> or

- by following the Q-R code. Or by mailing a check to: PROJECT MANGER -CRIBS FOR LIFE P.O. Box 11457, Burke, VA 22009. Due to safety and legal considerations we are unable to accept any used beds of any kind. Thank you for helping us turn every crisis pregnancy into the joyous event that God intends it to be.



Praise and Worship Holy Hours—All you who are burdened by sin, grief, loneliness, shame, addiction, self-hatred, abortion, or any other wound, come and place all your cares on the Heart of the Eucharistic Lord who desires to free you and restore you to new life.

The Holy Hour, will be every first Thursday of the month at 7pm at St. Thomas à Becket in Reston. It will include a Eucharistic Procession, opportunities for confession, as well as worship music led by a different musician each month. The celebrant will be Fr. Rich Dyer, Pastor, St. Thomas à Becket. If you have questions, contact us at 703.841.2550.

The Praise and Worship for Healing & Conversation in Families, will be second Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at St Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax. Confession will be available. Please come and spend time with Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration while praying for healing and conversion in families, including those affected by abortion.

For more information please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/family-life/praise-and-worship-holy-hour

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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 **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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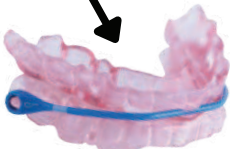
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