



St. Theresa Catholic Church

21371 St. Theresa Lane, Ashburn, Virginia 20147

July 12, 2026
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses for the Week

Mon, July 13	6:15— Dagmar Cook+ 8:30— Ann & Leon Plesner+ 12:15— Aleksandra Puc+
Tues, July 14	6:15— Robert Burton+ 8:30— Henry Charaoui+
Wed, July 15	6:15— Kelsey Farmer Hockenbury+ 8:30— Elizabeth & Augustine Huynh+ 12:15— Sarah Warren Woollen+
Thurs, July 16	6:15— Catherine A. Sica+ 8:30— John Jake Lay+
Fri, July 17	6:15— Beverly Hiltabidle+ 8:30— Claire Carrescia
Sat, July 18	8:30— Enrique Cruz+ & Maria Teresa Cruz 5:30— Jeannine Kandrac
Sun, July 19	7:30— St. Theresa Parishioners 8:45— Eugene Ward Bain+ 10:30— Shannon Conte Cook+ 12:30— Deceased Members of the Keane & Bianchet Families+ 5:00— Librada Gonzalez+

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 Alex Solsma, Parochial Vicar
 Reverend Matthew J. DeForest, In Residence
 Deacon Paul C. Konold
 Deacon Anthony J. Renzette

Prayers For The Sick: Eve Katherine Tinsley, Ashley Augustine, Regina McGrath, Mary Corrigan, Carol Logue, Lloyd Quist, Mr. Melchor Dizon, Megan Brown, Katherine McCray, Maria Theresa Baric, Iris and Romeo Rigor, Jennifer Spurr, Luz Triana, Maddie N., Suzanne Miles, Martin Caplan, 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, Michael Williamson, Brenda Fitzpatrick, Barney Smith.

Prayers For Our Military: Ron Willer, Michael Perez, Ethan Battaglini, Garrett Batt, Nicole Batt, Joaquin Gabriel, Brady Carmical, 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.

Does Everyone Really Have a Guardian Angel?

Yes, it's true! Every baptized Christian has a Guardian Angel. This is not just a gentle and comforting idea which we tell to small children. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church:

From its beginning until death, human life is surrounded by the watchful care and intercession of a Guardian Angel. Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life. Already here on earth the Christian life shares by faith in the blessed company of angels and men united in God. (CCC 336)

Where did we get the idea that every Christian has a Guardian Angel? Directly from Jesus himself. "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father" (Mt 18:10). This is a reaffirmation of a teaching from the Old Testament, which repeatedly states that angels offer God's people special care and attention (cf. Ps 34:7, Ps 91:10-13, Job 33:23-24, et al).

So, how should you interact with your Guardian Angel? First, the Church insists that you must not try to "name" your Guardian Angel, as if he were a "pet" and you were the owner. St. Thomas Aquinas says that each angel already has a name given by God himself. Moreover, each angel is superior in nature to each human being, which means that it would be much more appropriate for your Guardian Angel to name you, than vice-versa! There are only three angels whose names have been revealed—the Archangels Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. The rest of the angels are named by God alone.

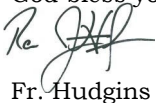
The best way to interact with your Guardian Angel is to deliberately ask for his prayers, guidance, and protection. Angels may also help settle disputes. Ask your angel to assist another person in his understanding in a difficult time. Angels are able to enlighten minds with God's graces. (I've tried this myself, and have not been disappointed in the result!) Padre Pio suggests, "Develop the beautiful habit of always thinking of your Guardian Angel. Know that near to you is a heavenly spirit, who, from the cradle to the tomb, does not leave you for an instant. Who guides you, protects you as a friend, and a brother. Who will always be a consolation to you, especially in your saddest moments." Here are some prayers to share with your Guardian Angel:

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, rule and guide. Amen.

O Holy Angel, whom God, by the effect of His goodness and His tender regard for my welfare, has charged with the care of my conduct, and who assists me in all my wants and comforts me in all my afflictions, who supports me when I am discouraged and continually obtains for me new favors, I return thee profound thanks, and I earnestly beseech thee, O most amiable protector, to continue thy charitable care and defense of me against the malignant attacks of all my enemies. Keep me away from all occasions of sin. Obtain for me the grace of listening attentively to thy holy inspirations and of faithfully putting them into practice. In particular, I implore thee to obtain for me the favor which I ask for by this novena. [Mention your petition.] Protect me in all the temptations and trials of this life, but more especially at the hour of my death, and do not leave me until thou hast conducted me into the presence of my Creator in the mansions of everlasting happiness. Amen.

O Holy Guardian Angel, my dear friend and solicitous guide on the dangerous way of life, to thee be heartfelt thanks for the numberless benefits which have been granted me through thy love and goodness and for the powerful help by which thou hast preserved me from so many dangers and temptations. I beg of thee, let me further experience thy love and thy care. Avert from me all danger, increase in me horror for sin and love for all that is good. Be a counselor and consoler to me in all the affairs of my life, and when my life draws to a close, conduct my soul through the valley of death into the kingdom of eternal peace, so that in eternity we may together praise God and rejoice in His glory. Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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


Fr. Hudgins

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

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



Office Hours:

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

RE Registration for 2026-2027

School Year—opened on **1 June** for the 2026-2027 school year. Any questions contact the RE office at 703.729.3714 or email kasbanr@sainttheresaparish.com

RE Teachers needed for 2026-27

The Religious Education program needs teachers for the following grades and days for the 2026-27 RE Year:

Monday Afternoons - 4:30-5:45pm

- 1st grade
- 2nd grade
- 7th grade (2 teachers)

Monday Evenings - 6:15-7:30pm

- 1st grade
- 3rd grade
- 4th grade

Tuesday Afternoons - 4:30-5:45pm

- Kindergarten
- 7th grade
- 8th grade

Wednesday Afternoons - 4:30-5:45pm

- 3rd grade
- 5th grade
- 6th grade
- 7th grade
- 8th grade

Please contact the RE Office right away for details if you are interested in volunteering.

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.



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July

Sun, 12th-Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

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



Susan Fash Bateman Memorial Scholarship & Christian Service Awards STCS 2026

Memorial Scholarship Recipient:

Kara R.

Christian Service Awards:

- 4th - Charlotte S., Everly B.
- 5th - Kara R., Olivia H.
- 6th - Austin R., Natalie S.
- 7th - Keenan S., Conall J.

Congratulations to all!

Mrs. Susan F. Bateman
was a beloved,
long-time STCS
Kindergarten teacher.
The Memorial
Scholarship & Awards
honor Susan and her
devotion to Catholic
education & STCS.



Parishioners & STCS Parents, SAVE THE DATE for the **16th Annual Friends of St. Theresa School (FOSTS) Golf Tournament for Tuition Assistance!** The tournament is on Monday, October 5, 2026, at Belmont Country Club in Ashburn. **Registration opens next week** – *get your foursomes lined up, we're looking forward to another fantastic event to support tuition assistance.*

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 in August!

STCS Summer Office Hours: The school office will be open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please note we are closed the week of July 5. *Have a wonderful and safe summer break!*

Save the Date! PTO Family Bingo Night & Used Uniform Sale! STCS parents, mark your calendars to join us for our annual PTO Summer Family Bingo Night & Used Uniform Sale on **Wednesday evening, July 15.** Details to come, watch for your summer edition of *Thursday Thunder* in July.

We have a few open spots remaining for the 2026-2027 school year! Interested in learning more about St. Theresa Catholic School, and how Catholic education can make a difference in your child's life? To complete an application or request a tour, visit our website, www.stsashburn.com (click "Admissions"). *We can't wait to welcome you!*

News from our Parish

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Announcing Two Parish-Wide Events—

Fr. Hudgins would like to offer all parishioners the opportunity to prepare and partake of two important spiritual events after all Masses on August 16, Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary and formal investiture in the Brown Scapular.

Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary - Preparation will begin on **July 13** using Fr. Gaitley's 33 Days to Morning Glory. For those who have done the Consecration before, it is an opportunity to renew. To receive a pdf copy of the book, please sign up at the Legion of Mary table in the Narthex on July 5 and July 12, or email Maria Basu at maria_basu@yahoo.com.

Brown Scapular Enrollment - Enrollment in the Brown Scapular is after each Mass on **August 16**. If you have previously been formally enrolled, re-enrollment is not required. Read more about these events on the parish website.

Patricians—Come and join us for a discussion on Humans, AI and the Holy Spirit. Pope Leo XIV's appeal for society to safeguard human dignity in the era of artificial intelligence. Our speaker is Jacqueline Biggio on Thursday, **July 16** at 7pm at the Louis Room. All are welcome; please bring

your family and friends! If you have any questions, please contact Maria Basu at maria_basu@yahoo.com or Jacqueline Biggio at jacobiggio@aol.com

Summer Reading & Art Camp —

Stories Come to Life!—Join Mrs. Tiller for a magical week of books and art for students in Grades 1–6! Each day explores a new theme — Ocean, Nature, Space, Animals, and Home & Faith — paired with a fun hands-on art project. All supplies provided; children just need to bring a snack.

July 20-24, 2026

Grades 1–3: 8:30–11:30am

Grades 4–6: 12–3pm

\$175 per child for the full week · Spots limited to 20 per session

To register, please visit our school website at stsashburn.com.

Red Cross Blood Drive—Please consider supporting the American Red Cross at our next St. Theresa blood drive on **Thursday, August 13th** 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. Thank you!!

Kidney Donation Needed for a Parishioner—Twenty-five years ago, a generous Catholic parishioner from our Diocese donated a kidney to Ashley Rader, then just a high school junior. But now, that kidney has expired, and a new kidney is desperately needed. Ashley is an adult parent and a parishioner here at St. Theresa. She must once again undergo life-saving dialysis until a kidney is donated. Please prayerfully consider a kidney

donation for Ashley. You may contact the Fairfax Hospital Living Donor Coordinator at 703.776.8053 about your transplant questions, without obligation. To learn more about Ashley and her need for a kidney donation, visit <https://nkr.org/GLK967>.

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The St. Theresa's Little Flower Ministry—

Do you have a flair for floral arranging or are willing to learn, the Little Flower Ministry is seeking three (3) volunteers to help with the weekly floral arrangements for church altar. If you are interested or if you have any questions, please contact Irene Galioto 703.724.1324 or email L80GLFR@AOL.COM
Thank you and God Bless

Agapé Fundraiser Update:

Thank you for your generosity!

Your Impact So Far:

\$7,500!

Donations are still being accepted!



tinyurl.com/AgapeBubbles

Status of Adult Children of Parishioners -- Upon reaching adulthood, children of registered parishioners must register again (if they reside within St. Theresa boundaries), separately and independently, as members of St. Theresa parish, even if they continue to live at home with their parents. These new registrations are valid until adult children move to another address. Upon moving elsewhere, they should register at the local parish in which they reside. Adult children of parishioners who no longer live within the parish will not be able to continue to claim parish membership.

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 started 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

Young Adults (ages 18-35)—

YA Summer Speaker Series

Based on his 10+ years of young adult ministry, Fr. Vaccaro will be giving a series of talks on relationships and dating over the summer

7/13 - The Maturity to Be a Good Friend and to Love Well

7/27 - Attraction: Sensuality and Sentimentality

8/10 - Five Phrases that are a Must for Successful Relationships and Happy Marriages

Talks are held on alternating Mondays from 6:15-7:30pm in the Admin Building, Zelig 2 and 3 conference rooms. There will be pizza after! College stu-

dents eat for free.

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/AshburnCatholicYA> for more information.



That Man is You (TMIY)—TMIY is growing in fellowship with inspirational summer videos and conversation. If interested in joining us, please come any Saturday morning 6:30-8:00 am in the Zelig 2/3 room in the Parish Admin building across from the Church -- or contact Jack

Hayes for more information at jack.hayes422@aol.com, or 703.537.6418.



Knights of Columbus

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 Handy-man 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>.

Answer the Call to Serve. Guided by principles of charity, unity, and fraternity, the Knights of Columbus are men of faith and action - supporting our parish, our families, and our com-

munity. Join us as we put our faith into action. Check out our FAQs at <https://www.st-louismartin-kofc.org/faqs> - or scan the QR code learn more about becoming a Knight.



Urgent Need for Committed Adorers

We have an urgent need for committed adorers who can spend a grace-filled holy hour every week with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament for the following vacant one hour adoration slots:

Sunday: 3:30am

Monday: 1:30am; 5, 9:30 & 11pm

Tuesday: 3am

Wednesday: 11pm

Thursday: 2:30am & 12pm

Friday: 6pm

Saturday: 12:30 & 10pm

Also, urgent need for substitute adorers, especially for 9pm-5am

To sign up for one of our open Adoration time slots above, please go to <http://sainttheresa.letusadore.com> or come by the parish office.



Please 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, you can vacate the slot in advance and substitute adorers will provide one-time coverage.

Wanting to hear Fr. Hudgins' homilies?

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

News Around the Diocese

Attention Class of 2026!—Heading to college this fall? Join the Associates of St. John Bosco for FREE College Nights this summer in Northern Virginia! Meet other Catholic students, hear real stories from upperclassmen, and get practical tips for keeping your faith strong in college. You'll connect with students from your future campus (or a campus similar to yours), enjoy a free pizza dinner, and take home a "Bosco Bundle" of Catholic books to bring with you to college. Spots are limited (50 per night), so don't wait! The dates and locations are:

July 14 - Holy Trinity

July 21 - Basilica of St. Mary

July 28 - St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Visit www.asjb.org/student-registration to register for free!

Summer Ignatian Retreats—

Week-Long Retreats (\$650): Women:

July 23-30 / Men: August 3-10

Weekend Retreats for Women (\$368):

July 10-12 / August 14-16

Draw closer to Christ through the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises, a powerful method of prayer developed by St. Ignatius of Loyola. Step away from daily life for silence, reflection, and a deeper encounter with God. Private retreats are also available during these dates, offering flexibility for those seeking a more personalized experience. 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.

Three to Get Married Marriage Prep in 2026: Jul 16-19, Aug 20-23, Sep 17-20 (virtual only)—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 is limited, so reserve your spot today! Find more information at ourladyofbethesda.org. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, Bethesda, MD.

Personal Retreat Day—Friday, Jul 17: 9am-4pm. Summer is a season for rest and renewal. Why not set aside one day to rest in God's pres-

ence? Join us at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center for a Personal Retreat Day, a peaceful opportunity for prayer, silence, and reflection. The day includes Mass, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, and the option for spiritual direction, plus lunch and light snacks. You will be nourished and cared for while Our Lord speaks to your soul about the depths of His love for you. Advance Registration is required. Cost is \$135 per person. To register and find more dates, go to ourladyofbethesda.org. Or call 301.365.0612. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20187.

Living the Sacrament of Marriage – Married Couples' Retreat—

Retreat to our Arlington Diocese's San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, Virginia. A retreat for married couples to contemplate the gift of their Sacrament. We will pray individually and together, pondering the graces of Marriage and reflecting on God's promises and Presence in the life of a family.

We shall also consider how God elevates the capacity of spouses to love each other and their children, and how He makes the home of a family a privileged place of healing and sanctification. Join Fr. Daniel Hanley will lead this retreat for Married Couples. The retreat begins at 6 pm **Friday July 17th and concludes Sunday July 19th** at noon. Retreat cost is \$499, and financial assistance may be available. For further information or to register, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at: mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org or visit our website at www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat

Pre-HSPT—Rising 8th graders are invited to take the Pre-High School Placement Test (Pre-HSPT) at St. Paul VI Catholic High School in Chantilly.

Details:

What: Practice version of the High School Placement Test (HSPT)

Who: Students entering 8th grade in the 2026-2027 school year

When:

Tuesday, July 21, 10am-12:30pm

Thursday, July 30, 10am-12:30pm

Where: St. Paul VI, 42341 Braddock Road, Chantilly, VA 20152

Optional Parent Info Session: 12pm 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.

Encounter School of Ministry Summer Intensive—July 27-30 | 6-9pm; Mother of God School, Gaithersburg
Come Experience the Holy Spirit in a New Way Join us for four inspiring evenings of teaching, prayer, and practical exercises designed to help you grow closer to Jesus and become more attentive to the Holy Spirit in everyday life.

In light of Pope Leo XIV's recent call for spiritual renewal in the Church, these sessions will help you discover how the Holy Spirit is still transforming lives today. Topics include Identity in Christ, Prophecy, Healing and Inner Healing & Freedom

Drawn from the first year of Encounter School of Ministry's formation program, each evening combines Scripture-based teaching with opportunities to put your faith into practice. Come expectant. Come hungry for more. Come discover the life-changing power of the Holy Spirit.

Registration required. 4-day Ticket: \$110 (single) or \$170 (couples) | Single Day: \$40/ person. For more info and to register: summerintensive.org.



Questions: admin@encounterschooldc.org

Weekend of Intellectual Renewal—

Christendom College invites you to a weekend of intellectual renewal at this year's summer conference, "Faith and Science: From Wonder to Human Genius." Leading Catholic thinkers—including Stephen Barr, Fr. Tad Pacholczyk, David Deavel, John Cuddeback, and others—will explore the profound harmony between faith and science. Together, we'll contemplate the wonder of creation and consider how human genius, rightly ordered, can serve truth, culture, and the dignity of the human person. Enrich your mind, renew your spirit, and celebrate our Catholic Faith. Join us for the day on August 8th or enjoy extended access with the special 3-day VIP access ticket from **August 7-9th!** Register and learn more at conference.christendom.edu.

More News Around the Diocese

Married Couples—If you enjoy the warmth of summer, why not sign up for the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and bring some more warmth and intimacy to your marriage. It's a positive, simple, common sense, private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes your marriage. And, it is now Vatican Approved! Upcoming experiences are:

August 28-30, 2026—Bristow, VA (lodging is on your own—couples return home each night)

October 23-25, 2026—Hampton, VA (lodging provided)

November 6-8, 2026—Emerald Isle, NC (lodging provided)

February 12-14, 2027—Waynesboro, VA (lodging provided)

For more information please call 757.690.1369 or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for your desired location

Strengthening Your Love™ : A Catholic Workshop for Couples—October 10-11, 2026. Invest in your marriage with this Christ-centered weekend workshop designed to nurture emotional closeness and strengthen communication. Based on Emotionally Focused Therapy (EFT), the Strengthening Your Love™ workshop is facilitated by an expert team of Catholic therapists and priests who will share their expertise and experience. They will also be available throughout the weekend for individual consultation upon request. Whether your marriage needs renewal or you're seeking a deeper connection, this workshop offers practical tools, encouragement, and hope. **Please note: This is NOT an overnight program. Cost: \$600 per couple. Seating is limited. Scan the QR code to register or visit www.ourladyofbethesda.org. Our

Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD

Associates of St. John Bosco Benefit—Please come help the Associates of St. John Bosco celebrate 15 years of serving, mentoring, and supporting young Catholics in Northern Virginia and beyond! **Thursday, October 15th** at 6pm at Falls Church Marriott Fairview Park

Enjoy a classy dinner, good company, and a keynote address by Dr. Peter Kilpatrick, President of Catholic University of America while supporting the next generation of Catholic leaders in the Church! Sponsorships & tickets available www.asjb.org/boscobenefit

Good Shepherd of Northern Virginia Seeks Board Members—Good Shepherd of Northern Virginia is prayerfully seeking additional board members who are passionate about serving the homeless and near-homeless residents of Loudoun County.

Board members provide their time and talent to enhance our mission and outreach to all of God's children facing housing insecurity in our community. We welcome individuals with a heart for service and a desire to make a meaningful difference.

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity to join our Board of Trustees, please email llefeyre@gsnova.org or call 703.966.6422. Volunteers are also always welcome to serve our brothers and sisters in need.

Calix Society Meeting—Calix is an association of Catholic alcoholics, drug addicts, and family members and friends affected by addiction, who are

maintaining their sobriety through participation in their Catholic faith and a 12 Step program. Our first concern is to interest Catholics with these problems in the virtue of total abstinence. Our second stated purpose is to promote the spiritual development of our membership.

We meet every Saturday morning from 10-11am at Club 12, 58 Sycolin Road SE, Leesburg, VA (first floor). Please text or call Stephen with questions, 703.297.6329.

Splish Splash! Catholic homeschoolers (and those contemplating homeschooling this fall)—you are cordially invited to some fun in the sun with Mayflower Homeschoolers at Lake Anna! Come meet other Catholic homeschoolers on Thursday, July 16th. Bring friends! For event details & to RSVP, see: <https://www.mayflowerhomeschoolers.org/2323/events/register?eventid=3839588&private=0>

Mayflower Homeschoolers is a Roman Catholic multi-chapter homeschool support group under the patronage of Our Lady of Fatima.

Spanish Interpreters Needed—Please consider volunteering as an Interpreter for the Catholic Charities Mother of Mercy Free Medical Clinics. You can volunteer remotely or in-person at the Manassas or Woodbridge locations. The clinics provide free, quality healthcare to low-income individuals who are uninsured or under-insured. If interested, follow this link to start the onboarding process: <https://ccda.net/give-help/volunteer/medical-mental-healthcare/> Send questions to volunteer.clinic@ccda.net



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 7pm. 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://saintthereseparish.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 legionofmarystthere-sa@gmail.com or scan the QR code to send us your prayer request.



Parish Offices

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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** 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 parish must be contacted at least six (6) months prior to the wedding date.

Before contacting the Parish Office, visit the Parish Website under Faith, Sacraments, Marriage. **You must be registered at least 3 months** prior to filling out the Marriage Preparation Questionnaire. A priest will contact you.

OCIA

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

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Claudia Lewis at 703.431.8670 or email her at clewis825@gmail.com.

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Do you have furniture items to donate? Consider donating to help families in need that are moving out of the shelter. Your donation makes a difference. 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 Myriam Perez 703.729.2334 or dmoutreach@sainttheresaparish.com

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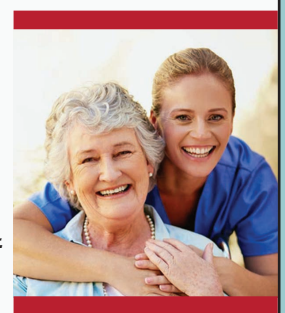
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