ST. THERESA
CATHOLIC CHURCH



21371 St. Theresa Lane, Ashburn, Virginia 20147

NOVEMBER 1, 2026

ALL SAINTS

Masses for the Week

Mon, Nov 2	6:15–All Souls Novena 8:30–Khale & Minh Nguyen+ 12:15–Deceased Members of Legion of Mary+
Tues, Nov 3	6:15–Rachel Marlowe 8:30–All Souls Novena
Wed, Nov 4	6:15–All Souls Novena 8:30–Christina Badovinao 12:15–Kelly Eignor+
Thurs, Nov 5	6:15–All Souls Novena 8:30–Dr. Peter Ficaldra+
Fri, Nov 6	6:15–All Souls Novena 8:30–Earl & Amanda Wong 12:15–Carol & Theresa McGuire+
Sat, Nov 7	8:30–All Souls Novena 5:30–Christopher Miles
Sun, Nov 8	7:30–Matthew Miles 8:45–All Souls Novena 10:30–Philip Carrescia 12:30–Miriam Massimiliano Landolina+ 5:00–St. Theresa Parishioners

PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS
Saturday Vigil | 5:30pm
Sunday | 7:30, 8:45, & 10:30am and 12:30 & 5:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS
Monday through Friday | 6:15 and 8:30am
Monday and Wednesday | 12:15pm (except for Federal Holidays)
Saturday | 8:30am

HOLY DAYS
As Announced

HOLY HOUR
Wednesdays | 7pm

CONFESSIONS
Wednesdays | 9am and 7pm (during Holy Hour) until the line ends
Saturdays | 4pm, until the line ends
or 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: Dennis Duquette, John W. Hulburt , Cathy Bayly, Kevin Maher, Stephen Stahl ,Caleb Heffern, Jack Jenkins, Sandra Maria Kovacev, Randy Eubank, Samuel Russo, Sr., 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, Patricia LeMay, Megan Brown, John Forbes, Ronald Lewis Cricks, Tom Poerstel, Mary Broderick, Mary Giebel, Esther Yager.

Prayers For Our Military: Alexander Thissell, F. Rakotoarivony, Owen Hall, 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.

Memento Mori

Christ came to this world to offer himself as a ransom for our sins. He did so, perfectly, by his death on the cross. But just because Jesus offers us his grace does not mean that all people accept it. Some accept it fully. Sadly, many reject God entirely. However, many people accept God's grace in their lives—but only partially. What happens to these people when they die? Many of our friends and relatives lived their lives in God's grace, but died still clinging to venial sins—what happens to them? Before such souls can enter into the perfection of Heaven, they must be cleansed of their defects in Purgatory—a place of temporary purification for those who have died in God's grace, but still stained by sin and attachment to sin.

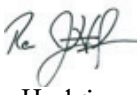
We're all conscious of sins for which we're not very repentant, or which we would commit again if the opportunity arose. This is the state in which many live, also the state in which many die. We're weak creatures, and we like our faults. But heaven is a place of perfect love, with no selfishness whatsoever. Certainly it is possible to die in a state of perfect love for God and others, but for those whose love is partial, there must be purification. By God's grace, our prayers can help.

St. Ambrose addressed this matter beautifully and succinctly—"Those whom we have loved in this life we must not abandon in death, until by the help of our prayers, we have carried them safely to the house of the Lord." The greatest prayer of all is the Mass, and we should have Mass said for our deceased relatives and friends. Let's remember what the Mass is: no less than the event of Christ's suffering and death on Calvary, made a present reality to us by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Each Mass here at St. Theresa is offered for an intention announced just before Mass. I keep that name in mind as I pray, remembering that that soul in particular was saved by Christ on the cross, and asking God's mercy for all the sins of their lifetime. I myself offer several Masses each month for the souls of my own relatives and friends too. My father died when I was three years old. I offered my very first Mass for his soul, and I continue to offer Mass for his soul two or three times each month. What if he has already gone to heaven and does not need my prayers anymore? Then God, in his goodness, will use the value of the Mass to help someone else in need. No prayer is ever wasted. But since I do not know, I keep praying.

Please remember that one Mass prayed well during your life is more powerful than one said for you after your death. So join me in each Mass, please, with all your heart. But nonetheless, never forget the spiritual value of prayer for the deceased, especially during this month of November. One day, we hope to be with them in the heavenly kingdom, where there will be no more death, and every tear will be wiped away.

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



Fr. Hudgins

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

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:4 am

Thursday: 12am

Saturday: 12:30 & 2:30pm

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://saintttheresa.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.



Youth Education and News

YOUTH MINISTRY

ymoffice@saintttheresaparish.com

November

Sun, 1st–Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

Sun, 8th–Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

Sun, 15th–Parish Food Drive (after 8:45am Mass & 5pm Mass)

Mon, 16th–Food Sort by Expiration Dates, 7-8:30pm

Tues, 17th–Load food for transport, 6:15-7pm

Sun, 22nd–Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

December

Sun, 6th–Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

Mon, 7th–Work Camp Interest Meeting, 7-8:30pm, School Cafeteria

Sun, 13th–Work Camp Interest Meeting, 1:30-3pm, Louie Martin Room, Admin Building

Sun, 13th–Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

Sun, 20th–Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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@saintttheresaparish.com or call 703.729.3714.

Saint Theresa Catholic School

Educating Tomorrow's Catholic Leaders

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Veterans Day Program & Reception – Join Us November 11! Please join us in the school gym after the 8:30am Mass on Wednesday, November 11th for a special tribute to Veterans featuring a short program followed by a light reception. This event is sponsored by St. Theresa Catholic School's 5th & 8th Grade Classes. Veterans and active-duty military are encouraged to wear their uniforms. This is a beautiful opportunity to recognize those that serve(d) our country. We hope you'll join us!

STCS Families, be on the lookout this week for your *Thursday Thunder* email for details on all the upcoming events for the school year:

- St. Faustina Crochet Ministry for Souls
- All Saints Day/Dress Like a Saint
- Movie Night
- Veterans Day Reception & Program
- After school clubs, including: Thunder Runners, Chess Club, Young Rembrandts, Battle of the Books, Rosary Club, Cooking Club, Cheerleading, & Basketball
- Weekly Parents Rosary Group

Come See What Makes Saint Theresa Catholic School Special!—We invite prospective families to visit Saint Theresa Catholic School and experience our faith-filled learning community firsthand! **Scan the QR code to schedule a private school tour** and discover all that STCS has to offer students in Kindergarten through 7th grade.

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.

Wanting to hear Fr. Hudgins' homilies?

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

News from our Parish

Scouts for Sight—Do you have an old pair of eyeglasses that you would like to donate? David Cohen, a scout with Troop 997, is working on his Eagle Scout Project with Lions Club International to collect eyeglasses to be donated to people who don't have access to eyeglasses.
- **November 1st** - scouts will be in the vestibule at the end of each mass to hand out fliers and collection bags for your used eyeglasses
- **November 8th** - scouts will be in the vestibule at the end of each mass to collect donated eyeglasses

Festival of Trees Pre-sale Tickets—Divine Mercy Outreach will be preselling tickets for the Festival of Trees after all Masses, **November 7 & 8**, and **November 21 & 22**. Tickets will also be available to purchase through November 22 on our parish website: https://saintttheresaparish.com/news/festival-of-trees-save-the-date/ or using the QR code Take advantage of the pre-sale prices and get more raffle tickets for extra chances to win. There are some wonderful trees already pledged. he Festival will be on December 5 and 6this year. If you have any questions or wish to donate, email Cathy Branly at festivaloftrees@saintttheresaparish.com.

November 11th—Make note, due to the Federal Holiday, there will be no 12:15 Mass, and no Holy hour and no confessions that evening.

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Young At Heart Social Club (Men and women 55 and over) we meet in the Adm. Bldg. after attending the 12:15 pm Mass. On Wed. **Nov. 18th** we will have our annual "Thanksgiving Luncheon" with Fresh Roasted Turkeys and all the trimmings, delicious desserts, and beer, wine, apple cider and our other usual .beverages. Our St. Theresa School Art Students will join us for a fun project , that you will NOT want to miss. Members will bring a side vegetable to share. Non members pay $15. **Please RSVP by Sunday, Nov. 15th** to Grace Breighner email gracejb18@aol.com or cell phone 410.967.8888.

Festival of Trees—December 5th & 6th Last year was such a success, with wonderful tree donations and great parish support. We raised $25,000 for our Divine Mercy Outreach, which helps families in need right here in Loudoun County. Once again, we will be in the school gym and will have cookies, punch, and music. The Knights of Columbus will also be hosting the pancake breakfast, so mark your calendars. For more information about the Festival of Trees, check out our parish website: saintttheresaparish.com/divine-mercy/divine-mercy-outreach/festival-of-trees/.

Contact Cathy Branly for tree/wreath donations or to volunteer to help: festivaloftrees@saintttheresaparish.com

Contact Danielle Zuccaro for cookie & punch donations: danielle.a.zuccaro@gmail.com



WorkCamp 2027—WorkCamp 2027 will take place from Saturday, June 19th through Friday, June 25th, 2027. We will once again be serving the residents in the Shenandoah Valley region of Virginia.

High School Freshman through Seniors, having completed 9th grade through 12th grade, are eligible to participate. Interest meetings are scheduled at the following dates and times: Monday, **December 7th** at 7pm in the school cafeteria or Sunday, **December 13th** at 2pm in the Saint Louis Martin room of the parish admin building.

Interested teens and their parents are encouraged to attend to learn about this diocesan program. Contact Michael Dunne at workcamp@saintttheresaparish.com for more info or visit the parish website.

The annual Advent Calendar and Candle Sale will take place after all Masses the weekends of **November 21st/22nd** and November **28th/29th**. Proceeds benefit the WorkCamp program.

To protect St. Theresa's future, we've started an endowment with The Catholic Foundation -Diocese of Arlington. Your gift helps us grow a steady, lasting source of support for our church's daily needs. Please prayerfully consider making a gift to our Parish Endowment today.

St. Theresa, Ashburn Endowment

2026 Bishop's Lenten Appeal: "In Christ We Are One" – 94% to Parish Goal—Thank you to all the Saint Theresa families who have given to the 2026 BLA! If you have yet to participate in this year's BLA, will you join the 861 families who have made a gift? Your support, no matter the size, will steward over 40 ministries caring for seminarians, youth, families and many more across the diocese. Thank you, and please consider making your gift at www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA or by scanning the QR code:

Scan Me

More News from our Parish







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://saintttheresaparish.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 legionofmarysttheresa@gmail.com or scan the QR code to send us your prayer request.

Upcoming Early Bulletin Deadlines

Due to the upcoming holidays, please make note of the upcoming early deadlines.

November 22—due by noon, November 10
November 29–due by noon, November 16
December 6–due by noon, November 24
December 13–due by noon, December 1
December 20–due by noon, December 9
December 27–due by noon, December 15
January 3–due by noon, December 18

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.

Knights of Columbus

K of C Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, 8 November 2026:



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, 8 November in the St. Theresa school cafeteria. Back by popular demand are our delicious PUMPKIN PANCAKES! Stop by after the morning Masses or at any time between 8 am and 12 noon, and enjoy a delicious breakfast and the fellowship of our parish community with pancakes (pumpkin, regular, chocolate chip, and blueberry), scrambled eggs, sausage, breakfast potatoes, and tater tots, along with coffee, orange juice, and assorted Dunkin' Munchkins! Profits from this breakfast will benefit the VA Special Olympics.

You can purchase your Breakfast Tickets and make a donation in advance by using this QR code.

Adults: $10, Children (ages 3–11): $5, Children under 3: Free.
Even if you're not able to attend, you can make a donation—every contribution helps!

Become a Foster Parent in Loudoun County! Loudoun County's Department of Family Services (DFS) is seeking caring individuals and families who are interested in making a meaningful difference in the life of a child. DFS is hosting virtual foster care information sessions for anyone interested in learning more about becoming a foster parent:

Monday, November 16: 6:00pm-7:30pm
Monday, December 14: 6:00pm-7:30pm

During each session, DFS staff will discuss the current need for foster families, eligibility requirements, the process of becoming a foster parent, and the support available to foster families. Participants will also have the opportunity to ask questions and learn about next steps.

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 community. 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.

Adult Education and Spiritual Enrichment

Young Adults (ages 18-35)—

Mon, Nov. 2nd - Fr. Vaccaro Talk: "The Habits of Holiness (Part I)"

Mon, Nov. 9th - YA Bible Study

Sat, Nov 14th - Country Swing Dancing w/ Lessons (7-9 PM in the school cafeteria; country-themed clothing encouraged)

Mon, Nov. 16th - Fr. Vaccaro Talk: "The Habits of Holiness (Part II)"

Sun, Nov 22nd - Brunch (Meet in narthex after 10:30am mass. More details available in the GroupMe)

Mon, Nov 23rd - YA Bible Study

Fr. Vaccaro's talks are held in the school cafeteria from 6:15-7:30pm, and are followed by pizza. College students eat for free.

The Bible Study meets from 6:30-8 PM in the school cafeteria.
For more information, visit https://tinyurl.com/AshburnCatholicYA, including a link to our GroupMe.

That Man is You (TMIY)—Looking for Christian fellowship and growing your faith? TMIY's year 4 is full swing! Scan the QR Code below to register or contact Jack Hayes at: jack.hayes422@aol.com or 703.537.6418

Women's Discipleship Group—Welcome all women of St Theresa Catholic Church. Meets every Wednesday, 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. We are currently reading "Trusting God in the Present" by Fr. Jacques Philippe. For more info contact Dawn Garabito 862.812.0039 or dmarie213@aol.com

Women please join us for an Ignation prayer group: Lord Teach Me To Pray (LTMTP) Series, Praying Christian Virtues, Thursdays through Nov. 19, 7:15-9:15pm in Zelle Room 2. For more information and to register, go to St. Theresa's website under Parish News or contact Dawn Garabito at 862.812.0039 with any questions.

THE CAR MINISTRY

If you have a used car you are considering trading in or selling, please consider donating it to The Car Ministry instead and also be eligible for a tax break. The Car Ministry is one of the very few that gives donated cars directly to families in desperate need of transportation help. Click on the "Donate your Car" link on The Car Ministry's website, www.carministry.org.

News from the Diocese

Spiritual Combat - The Battle of Prayer Men's Silent Retreat November 13 - 15
Deep and powerful prayer is much more than a matter of kneeling, folding your hands, and asking for things. In the Gospels we have the exhortations and example of Jesus as He prayerfully engaged "the World, the Flesh, and the devil," and the Catechism of the Catholic Church describes prayer as a "Battle." (#2725). Retreat to San Damiano with a Band of Brothers to consider how to seek and find Christ in prayer by diving into the Gospels, with a little help from St. Paul, and by employing military strategies devised by St. Ignatius of Loyola, the "Soldier Saint." Retreat cost is $299 and financial assistance may be available. For further information or to register for this retreat, please contact Father John Riley.

JP Shadow Days - Sign Up Today!
Schedule a shadow day at Saint John Paul the Great! Shadow days give prospective students the chance to see life at JP firsthand! Shadow guests are paired with a current JP student for an entire school day. They attend classes, meet teachers, and enjoy a complimentary lunch from the cafeteria. This is a great way for prospective students to envision themselves as JP students! Sign up here! Link: https://jpthegreat.fsenrollment.com/portal/new_inquiry

The 34th International Week of Prayer and Fasting coalition—in collaboration with the Legion of Mary, Marian Fathers, Defend Life, and others are asking members of parishes to unite for nine days of prayer and fasting from **November 14 – 22, 2026.**

The Opening Day of Prayer for the 34th International Week of Prayer and Fasting will be held on **Saturday, November 14th**, from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm 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.

This Year's theme is: "God's Influencers" Saint Francis of Assisi - 800th Anniversary of his death in 1226 & Saint Carlo Acutis The Official Relic of Saint Carlo Acutis Heart will be available for veneration.

The Virtual Conference on **Nov. 16, 17**, & 18 will feature additional speakers, please visit our website www.IWOPF.org for details. Talks are FREE during the actual day of the presentation, or are available for purchase online for future viewing. Please register for both of these at www.iwopf.org or call 703.707.0799. This is a FREE event; however, online DONATIONS are welcomed to help support our ministry.

Together in Holiness Marriage Conference – Married and engaged couples are invited to the first annual Together in Holiness marriage conference on **November 14**, 2026 from 10:15am – 5:15pm at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC. This one-day conference will help you strengthen your relationship with your spouse and discover God's plan for your family. Registration: $64/couple and $5/child for on-site childcare. An Early Bird discount is available through October 5 as well as scholarships upon request. This conference is presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. For more info, visit togetherinholiness.org/washington or email nancy@forlifeandfamily.org.

All are welcome to the PVI Sip & Shop holiday vendor open house on Wednesday, **November 18**, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Paul VI Catholic High School, 42341 Braddock Rd, Chantilly, VA. Start your Christmas shopping early! Various hand-crafted wood crafts, jewelry, greeting cards, candles, embroidered gifts, and more will be for sale. We ask all attendees to bring a non-perishable food item for the St. Lucy Food Project. More details about the event can be found at www.paulvi.net/sip-and-shop.

Why Catholics vote No on the Abortion Amendment: Reason #1

The amendment proposes a dangerously vague change to the Virginia Constitution that would create a legal right to *unregulated* and *unlimited* abortions at any time, up to birth, by unlicensed abortion practitioners. This threatens the health and safety of mothers and even allows for abortions targeting healthy babies all the way up to birth.



Parish Offices

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

SACRAMENTS

Sponsor Certificates

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

Baptisms

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a class (preferably before the child's birth) held the first Thursday of each month at **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.

Hospitalized/Homebound

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

St. Theresa Catholic Church
DIVINE MERCY OUTREACH

Learn more, visit
www.saintttheresaparish.com

Advent Giving Tree (AGT)—A great way to help those in need! The weekend of Nov 7th & 8th starts AGT. Take a bulb(s) to help a family in need or an organization helping families in need. Return item (s) on the weekends of Nov 14th & 21st. Follow the instructions on the tag. Questions? Contact Myriam Perez at 703.729.2334.

Donations needed. Festival of Trees- December 5th & 6th—The Festival of Trees is a fundraiser raffle of 3-to-4-foot themed Christmas Trees, wreaths, and gift baskets. This event is fun for all. The proceeds from the event helps families in need through Divine Mercy Outreach. Those who would like to donate a tree or wreath or basket or if you'd like to volunteer, contact Cathy Branly at festivaloftrees@saintttheresaparish.com. Not sure of theme- no worries, let us know later. Thank you to those who have already reached out! See photos from last year on the parish website under Outreach- Festival of Trees.

Did you know?—99 percent of the funds you donate go directly to families in need! Your donation makes a difference in the lives of struggling families by preventing evictions and keeping utilities on! We assist struggling veterans, individuals and families due to domestic violence, disabilities, layoffs, medical issues and unforeseen circumstances. The families are so grateful! Donations accepted online, by mail or dropping off to the parish office. Indicate DMO in the memo line or on the envelope. Online: parish website http://www.saintttheresaparish.com and click on "Donate" tab to make a monetary donation online! Thank you for helping us to bring Christ's love to others.

Bed Ministry needs pillows and gift cards—We are in need of new pillows and Walmart or Amazon gift cards to help us purchase bedding in a bag. Drop off to the parish office or place in the Outreach boxes at church.

Friends in Need—Provides meals on a short-term basis for those families or individuals in the parish who are unable to cook for themselves due to arrival of a new baby, illness or a medical situation in the immediate family...Contact Emily Wilsey at emwilsey@aol.com or 703.585.5435 to volunteer to make meals or if you or a loved one need of help with meals.

The Visitation Ministry—Are you HOMEBOUND? We have wonderful parishioners who would love to visit you or if you are not comfortable with a home visit at this time, they will call you! If you need help with an errand or would like someone to pray with you, let us know. If you are looking to volunteer, please contact us as well. Claudia Lewis at 703.431.8670 or email her at visitation@saintttheresaparish.com.

Bed Ministry—Volunteers! We need extra helpers to assist in delivering new beds, bedding and household items from our storage facility to families transitioning out of shelters, as well as other local families and children in need. **Interested in helping**? Please contact **Brian Dwinnell at beds@saintttheresaparish.com**.

Do you have furniture items to donate?—Consider donating to help families in need that are moving out of the shelter. 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

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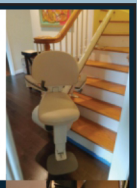
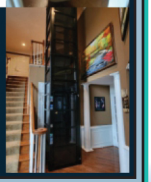
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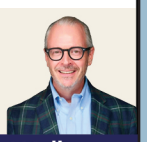


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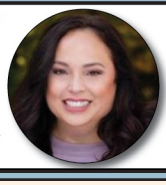
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