

# CENTRAL VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CLUSTER



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## **EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Every first Friday immediately following 9 am mass at St. Theresa, Farmville, Concluded with Benediction at 12 pm and every Tuesday after 5:30pm mass.

## **RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays at 4:30 pm until 5:15pm at St. Theresa, Farmville and before the weekend masses at the cluster parishes. Also by appt.

## **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

Parents are required to attend a Baptism class prior to scheduling to have your child Baptized. Contact the office to make arrangements to attend the class. Baptisms will be done every first weekend of the month.

## **MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

Contact the office and make an appointment with a priest at least six months before the wedding date.

## **MINISTRY TO THE SICK**

In case of illness or hospitalization please contact the office so arrangements can be made to receive the Holy Eucharist, and Anointing of the Sick if necessary.

## **CATHOLIC INQUIRY**

Welcome to all new parishioners, please register in the church office. If you know of anyone interested in becoming a Catholic contact the office to talk to Father and learn about the RCIA classes.



## **15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

*The Cluster office is located at St. Theresa Parish Center*

**700 Buffalo Street, Farmville, VA.**

**Office Hours**

**Tuesday—Thursday**

**9:00a.m.—3:00p.m.**

**Friday 9:00a.m.—12:00p.m.**

**Nativity Catholic Cemetery**

15896 James Anderson Hwy W

Buckingham, VA 23921

**Immaculate Heart of Mary**

903 S Main Street

Blackstone, VA 23824

Mass:

Saturday—5:00p.m.

Sunday—9:00 a.m.

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Council:**

David McKenna, (Chair), Esther Sablan

Dr. Tracey Jones, Naleen Cordle, Norma Ruiz,

Eduardo Perez, Rita Parsons

**Sacred Heart**

2597 Bruceville Road

Meherrin, VA 23954

Mass:

Sunday— 11:00 a.m.

**Sacred Heart Parish/Finance Council:**

Lori Derflinger (Co-Chair), Sherry Kingsbury

(Co-chair), Scott Crawford,

Tammy Hinchey

**St. Theresa**

709 Buffalo Street

Farmville, VA 23901

Mass:

Saturday—5:30 p.m.

Sunday—8:00 a.m.

Sunday—11:00 a.m.

**St. Theresa Parish Council**

**Email: [sttheresascc@gmail.com](mailto:sttheresascc@gmail.com)**

Pat Brandt, Eniko Swanick, Dr. Rodrigo Roldan,

Doreen Hines, Karen Schinabeck, Ann Marie

Howard, Adam Blincoe, Dottie Zimalong,

Lisa Haertel

#### MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of God, gathered in worship in the Central Virginia Catholic Cluster of churches are a diverse community of Catholics striving to live the message of the Gospel by evangelizing Christ's Word through our worship, prayer, and outreach work, to the community.

#### Readings for the week of July 11, 2021

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/

Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt

10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf.

33]/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt

11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27

[8a]/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc,

17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-

15/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-

18/Mk 6:30-34

#### What We Carry from Town to Town

In my experience, there are two kinds of people: the folks who kick off their shoes the second they walk through the door, and the ones who don't.

People can feel strongly about this on both sides. The main thrust of the Shoes-Off Brigade seems to be this: we track a lot of weird stuff on the soles of our feet. Little reminders of all the places we've been — whether it's a private home or a public bathroom — cling to our shoes long after we leave.

This same theory applies to our spiritual lives. As human beings and as disciples, we visit a lot of figurative towns and pick up a lot of figurative dust. Sinfulness. Shame. Defeat. Anger. Fear. Doubt. No matter how hard we try to keep free of it, these things have a way of attaching themselves to us, sometimes without us even noticing. We need to take a good look at what unhelpful and unconstructive baggage from our past we're tracking into our present and future encounters.

What is the "town" God is asking you to visit today in His name? Is it a tough conversation with a friend, a brief witness to a stranger in the checkout line, a call to be present to someone in your family? Before you go, remember, shake off the dust. Don't let a past disappointment constrain you. Don't allow yesterday's failures or burdens to keep you from the joy of today's witness, whatever form it might take.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Blackstone**

*Please pray for the sick and infirmed for whom prayers have been requested: Names will appear for a month after notification; Resubmit if needed:*

Don Hill, Rita Parsons, C.B. Cordle, Eleanor Drebeck, Peter and Diane Menting, Trish and Richard Whitmore

IHM—Stewardship of Finance

**Sacred Heart ~ Meherrin**

*Prayer List - Reminder: List is updated once a month. If someone needs to be added, please call the office.* Chrissy Dix, Wanda Bailey, Helen Truskoski, Sean Presley, Halle Jackson, Lesleigh Kelly, Susie Hampton, Denise Miller, Charlie Jones, Mary Hind, Kennis Crawford, The Simpson Family, Elizabeth Nelson

**SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, July 18**

The Lectors for Liturgy will be  
 1st Reading & Psalm - Pat Irvine  
 Eucharistic Minister will be—  
 Ushers: Richard Hinchey, Peggy Dunegan  
 Altar—Nancy Fothergill  
 Money Counters: Scott Crawford, Mary McKay

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**SACRED HEART~STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

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**IHM Finance Council**  
 Paul Semtner (Chair) , CB Cordle, Rita Parsons

**Sacred Heart Finance/Parish Council:**  
 Lori Derflinger (Co-chair) Scott Crawford,  
 Sherry Kingsbury (Co-chair), Tammy Hinchey



**REMINDER**

Saturday evening—5:00p.m.  
 Readings and Music in Spanish  
 Sunday morning—9:00a.m.



**'CLUSTER NEWS'**



**NEW ADDRESSES**

Fr. Stefan Migač, Pastor  
St. Patrick's Catholic Church  
221W. Nelson Street  
Lexington, VA 24450

Fr. Patricio Alcantara  
Holy Spirit Catholic Church  
355 Independence Blvd.  
Christiansburg, VA 24073



**PLEASE WELCOME TO**

**OUR**

**CLUSTER**

**FAMILY**

**REV. FR. TOCHI IWUJI**

**AND**

**REV. FR. POLICARPO LAGCO**

**Q&A**

**Spiritual Communion**

Question:

What is spiritual communion, and do you need to be in a state of grace to receive it?

Answer:

The practice of making a "spiritual communion" dates back several centuries and St. Thomas Aquinas described it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him." Traditionally, a prayer of spiritual communion has been used by those who are unable to receive sacramental communion because of health, inability to attend Mass, or who cannot receive communion because of grave sin. This practice has been encouraged by many saints and spiritual writers and most recently Pope Francis encouraged the practice when the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic prevented so many Catholics from taking part in the Mass or receiving sacramental communion.

Although the graces offered in spiritual communion are not the same as those offered in the sacramental communion of the Mass, this practice is still a powerful opportunity to express our desire for union with the Lord and to be united with Christ and the Church, even in an imperfect way.



**ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF  
JULY 13—JULY 18  
TUESDAY, JULY 13**

- 5:30pm Mass offered for †Patrick Mooney
- Followed by Adoration

**THURSDAY, JULY 15**

- ◆ 9:00am Mass offered for †Pat Donovan

**FRIDAY, JULY 16**

- 9:00a.m. Mass offered for Dayna Stanley

**SATURDAY, JULY 17**

- 5:30 p.m. Mass offered for †Art & Brenda Audley

**SUNDAY, JULY 18**

- 8:00a.m. Mass offered for †John Gager
- 11:00a.m. Mass offered for †Charles Phillips

**ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE  
WEEK OF JULY 12—JULY 18**

**MONDAY, JULY 12**

- 7:00pm Boy Scouts—Parish Center

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 14**

- 10:00a.m. Food Pantry

**CHURCH HOURS DURING THE  
WEEK**

**St. Theresa will be open during the week**

**the following hours for**

**anyone interested in coming to pray**

**Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from**

**10:00a.m. until 1:00p.m.**

**Friday 10:00a.m. until 12:00p.m.**

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***Our Parishioners:** Jeff Howard, Marilyn Reid, Pat O’Hal-loran, Peter Menting, John Jamieson, Sharon Hamby, George Gehrlein, Bill Phillips, Mary Ryan, Tina Ehman, Edwin Sebolt, Barbara Stimpson, Shirley Ehman, Ann Marie Howard, David Pope, Harriet Carter*

***Friends & Relatives of Parishioners—** Geoff & Bentley Denham, Carrie Jamieson, Dave Gillison, Louis Wunnen-berg, Louis Wunnenberg, Jr, Leise Wells, Peter Biron, Beth Biron Herubin, Kyler Latta, John Greene, Kimberly Pope, Julia Joyce Horn, Danielle Luckraft, Helanna Shaw, Davis Bonar, Dan Senger, Jackson Barnes, Bucky, Don Glasson, Hal Colvin, Anne Loveless, The Cozza family, Pam Levin-son, Alma Smith, Evelyn Litchford, Emily Barnes, Julia Easter, Daniel Spada, Ben Colvin, Mitzi B.,Shaunna Smith, Mike and Carol Fauci*

***Our friends and relatives serving in the military—** Donnie Dionisio, Rylan Charlton, Katie Abston, Joe Bridge, Melanie Faircloth, Jefferson Page, Sean Burns, Steve Hind, Jr., Ben Croushorn, Taylor Anttil, Petty Officer 3rd Class Andrew Michael Collins, Aran McMurtray, Fritz Julian, Brian Blaszkievicz, Michael Irvine, Troy Howard*

**ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

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**St. Theresa Finance Council**  
Mike Wolyniak (Chair)  
Susie Hemler, Noel Encarnacion,  
Nancy Pempel, Steve Barber

**FOOD PANTRY**

The Food Pantry can always use food, Many thanks to those of you who have given so generously. It is truly appreciated. On June 30 we served 32 families.



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