

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

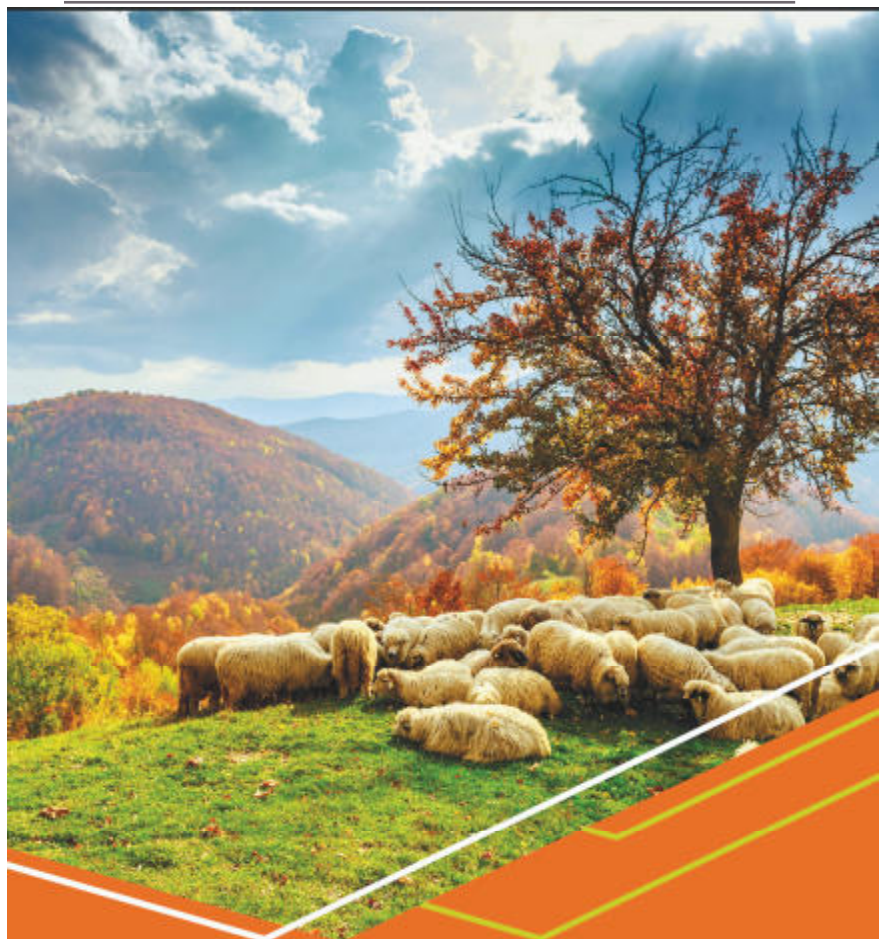
Contact the office and make an appointment with a priest at least six months before the wedding date.

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.



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34

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

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 18, 2021

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc,-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Ex 14:21—15:1/Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17 [1b]/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28 [24b]/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [cf. Jn 6:68c]/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [14a]/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

The Steward's Work Is Never Done

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock! When you hear these strong words from the Old Testament, you're probably thinking, thank goodness I don't have any sheep — dodged that bullet. Nobody misled here! No flock scattered on my watch! However, we are all shepherds of a kind, called to tend our own sheep: our families, our parishes, our communities.

But it's exhausting. Don't we all sometimes just want to take a break from being a steward? The excuses are so familiar: we're tired, we've done enough, we've given all we can, what more does the parish (or my spouse, or my kids, or my boss, or my friends, or my community) want? We give ourselves permission to be selfish. So, what if the flock scatters just a little?

Jesus gets that. We can just imagine him weary with exhaustion, can't we? We see him on his boat, attempting to sneak away for a quick break — maybe just a chance to eat a bite of food in peace. He is God, but he was still human, after all. Even the most dedicated shepherds need to sleep. But people couldn't leave him alone. They were hungry for him. They needed what he could offer, and they needed it now.

As tough as it is, that's the example we are tasked with imitating. Everyday Stewardship demands accountability. It demands our showing up even when we are tired. It demands that we look at our lives, our time, our energies, our talents, our hearts, our bank accounts and think: where do I still have more to give?

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, 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 25

The Lectors for Liturgy will be
 1st Reading & Psalm - Nancy Fothergill
 Eucharistic Minister will be—
 Ushers: Bernard Marquis, Scott Crawford
 Altar—Pat Irvine
 Money Counters: Lori Derflinger, Beth Gregory

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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'

MASS CHANGES AT ST. THERESA

**BEGINNING
SUNDAY AUGUST 1, 2021 11:00 SUN-
DAY MASS WILL RETURN TO
10:30AM.**

**THE LAST MASS TO HAVE LIVE
STREAMING WILL BE ON
AUGUST 29,2021**

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

5 THINGS TO DO IN ADORATION

Whether you are new to adoration or a have been before, the idea of sitting at the Lord's feet can seem quite intimidating. What do you do as you sit in silence before the Lord? Are there specific prayers to recite? How can you make the most of this time with God?

LECTIO DIVINA
Being in the presence of God is the perfect place to read and meditate on the word of God.

INTERCEDE FOR OTHERS
It's easy to stick to our personal intentions during prayer. Adoration is the perfect time to offer up your prayers and time for your friends, family, and the holy souls in purgatory.

PRAY THE ROSARY
The Rosary is perfect for those looking for a more structured way to pray during adoration.

JOURNAL
Use a prayer journal to keep track of your prayer intentions, write letters to God, or to focus your thoughts during prayer.

SIT QUIETLY
Instead of talking to the Lord, try listening to what He wants to tell you.



Reminder From The Office

Any announcements for the pulpit on Sunday have to be in writing in the office by Wednesday morning at 10:00.a.m. Any flyers need to be in the office by Wednesday prior to the Sunday. Any information for the bulletin itself has to be in the office by the Monday by 10:00 a.m. prior to the Sunday bulletin. Any questions, please call the office. 434-392-3934. Thanks.

ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF

JULY 20—JULY 25

TUESDAY, JULY 20

- 5:30pm Mass offered for Gabriela T.
- Followed by Adoration

THURSDAY, JULY 22

9:00am Mass offered for †Ron DePalm

FRIDAY, JULY 23

- 9:00a.m. Mass offered for †Dan Donovan

SATURDAY, JULY 24

- 5:30 p.m. Mass offered for †Jean Murphy

SUNDAY, JULY 25

- 8:00a.m. Mass offered for †Jack and Sue Donovan
- 11:00a.m. Mass offered for Parishioners of the Clus.

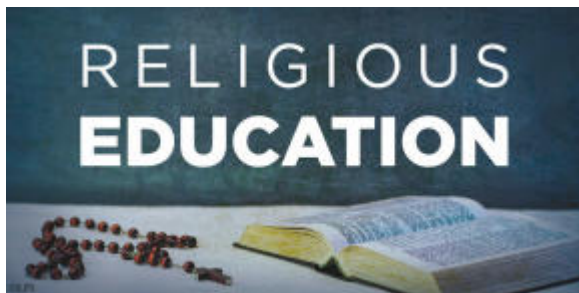
ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 19—JULY 25

MONDAY, JULY 19

- 7:00pm Boy Scouts—Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21

- 10:00a.m. Food Pantry



CHRISTIAN FORMATION

REGISTRATION WILL BE HELD
ALL WEEKENDS IN AUGUST
FOLLOWING ALL MASSES.

CLASSES WILL RESUME
SEPTEMBER 12TH.

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***Our Parishioners:** Jeff Howard, Marilyn Reid, Pat O'Halloran, Peter Menting, John Jamieson, Sharon Hamby, George Gehrlein, Bill Phillips, 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 Wunnenberg, 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 Levinson, 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 Blaszkiwicz, Michael Irvine, Troy Howard*

ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

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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 July 7 we served 52 families.

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