

# CENTRAL VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CLUSTER



**CLUSTER OFFICE: 709 BUFFALO STREET • FARMVILLE, VA 23901**

*Rev. Tochi Iwuji, Pastor*  
*Rev. Policarpio Lagco, Parochial Vicar*  
*Deacon Peter Menting*  
*Deacon Emmett McLane*  
*Business Manager—Carol Beattie*  
*Director of Religious Education*  
*—Karel Bailey*  
*Director of Campus Ministry*  
*Monica Cronin*  
*434-394-0586*

*August 15, 2021*

**PHONE:** 434-392-3934  
**RECTORY:** 434-315-0311  
**FOR EMERGENCIES** —434-288-0184  
**EMAIL:** [sttheresafarmville@gmail.com](mailto:sttheresafarmville@gmail.com)  
**WEBSITE:** [centralvacatholiccluster.org](http://centralvacatholiccluster.org)

## **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**

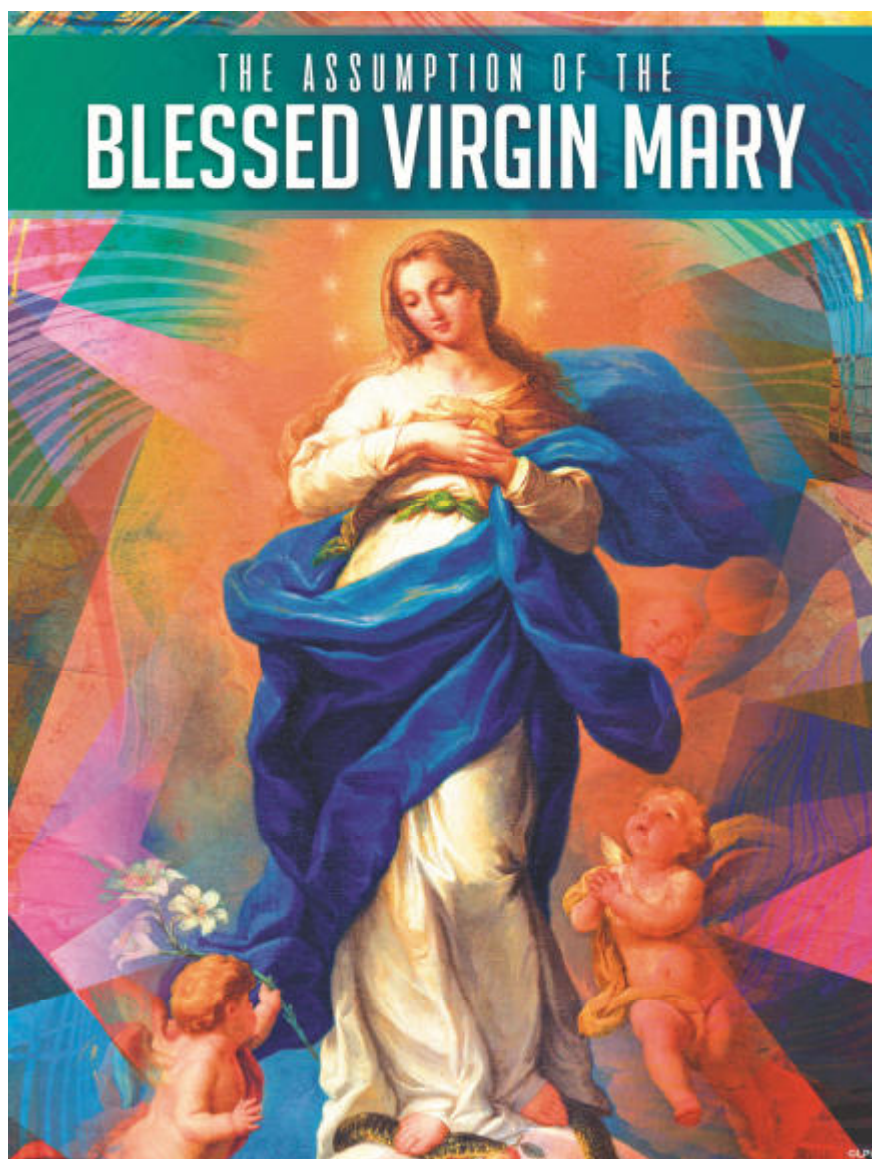
Contact the office and make an appointment with a priest at least six months before the wedding date.

## **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.



*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—10:30 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 August 15, 2021**

Sunday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/

1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 *Day:* Rv

11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/

Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/

Lk 1:39-56

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [4]/Mt 23:1-12

**WWMD?**

WWJD bracelets were all the rage about 25 years ago in Christian circles. I've always wondered if a WWMD bracelet might not make just as much sense, and maybe more. What Would Mary Do?

I would argue that Mary was the most exemplary steward who ever lived. Her answer was always "Yes." Yes, Lord, I am Your handmaiden. Yes, I will visit Elizabeth, and help her in the last difficult months of pregnancy. Yes, I will bring my son up in the Mosaic law and present him at the Temple of Jerusalem. Yes, I will give him to the crowds and to public ministry. Yes, I will offer him on this Cross, if it is Your will.

Yes, yes, yes.

Well, I can't be like Mary, we think to ourselves. There's an intimidation factor with the Blessed Mother and Catholics sometimes — one that almost exceeds that of Christ. Perhaps it's because we are in awe of the fact that she was not divine in any way — she was a mere creation, like us — but somehow, she always had the courage to say yes. How could she do it, when we find it so hard?

Well, God certainly lavished on Mary extraordinary graces. Her lack of original sin liberated her to conform her will to God's.

But God is impatient to give us, too, all the graces we need to be a steward in the example of Mary. He's waiting for us simply to ask. Just as in Adam we died, so in Christ — through Mary — we live.

What can we say yes to today, in Mary's example?

**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, Deborah Hangins, Jamie Peters, Shirley Papp, Amber Tanner, Tommy Blankinship

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, Wade Harding, Tommy Powell

**SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, August 22**

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

**SACRED HEART~STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Regular Collection	YTD Collected July 2021	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
		\$57,000.00	

Regular Collection	YTD Collected July 2021	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
		\$42,500.00	

**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

**New Addition to IHM Schedule**

Beginning **Thursday, August 19th**, Fr. Tochi and Fr. Paul will be in Blackstone every third Thursday with the following schedule:

**1:00pm**—Visits to homebound and nursing home parishioners.

**5:00pm**—Mass

**5:30pm—6:30pm** —Adoration and confession.

***BIBLE STUDY/DISCUSSION*** to begin on Friday, September 24 at 10:30. If you are interested please contact Pat Irvine [pirvine38@gmail.com](mailto:pirvine38@gmail.com). Material and place are still to be decided.

**'CLUSTER NEWS'**



O Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
refuge of sinners,  
I beg of you by the infinite merits of the Sacred  
Heart of Jesus,  
and by the graces God has granted to you since  
your Immaculate Conception,  
the grace of never going astray again.

Mother, keep me, a sinner,  
constantly bathed in the light of your Immaculate  
Heart.  
Amen.

**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.**

**Those who are interested in possibly joining  
the Catholic Church, The Rite of Christian  
Initiation for Adults will begin on Septem-  
ber 12th at 9:00a.m. in the Parish Center.  
Please call the office for an application or for  
more information**

**Pregnancy Support Center**

**If you are interested in supporting the Preg-  
nancy Support Center you can do so by con-  
tacting them directly at:**

**Pregnancy Support Center**

**1101 3rd Street**

**Farmville, VA 23901**

**434-392-8483**

**[www.pscfarmville.org](http://www.pscfarmville.org)**

**THE LAST MASS TO HAVE LIVE  
STREAMING WILL BE ON  
AUGUST 29, 2021 at 10:30**



**ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF  
AUGUST 17—AUGUST 22  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 17**

- 5:30pm Mass offered for †Ralph Wubben
  - Followed by Adoration
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 19**
- 9:00am Mass offered for †Christopher Neu
  - Adoration to Follow
- FRIDAY, AUGUST 20**
- 9:00a.m. Mass offered for LeRoy Hilby
- SATURDAY, AUGUST 21**
- 5:30 p.m. Mass offered for †Theresa Capezza
- SUNDAY, AUGUST 22**
- 8:00a.m. Mass offered for †Renata Roldan
  - 10:30a.m. Mass offered for New & returning Catholic Students at Longwood and Hampden Sydney

**ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE  
WEEK OF AUGUST 16—AUGUST 22**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 16**

- 7:00pm Boy Scouts—Parish Center

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18**

- 10:00a.m. Food Pantry

**Parishioners**

Do you love to sing our liturgical hymns?  
Can you carry a tune?  
Have you ever thought that you could be a leader of songs at Mass?  
If the answer to all three of these questions is “Yes”, then please email Brenda Meshejian: [bjmesh@icloud.com](mailto:bjmesh@icloud.com) so that we might plan a training workshop for cantors in September of this year. One focus of the workshop will be “Building Your Confidence” .

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

***Our Parishioners:** Jeff Howard, Marilyn Reid, Pat O’Hal-loran, 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, Jim McKenney*

***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, Kimberly Pope, Julia Joyce Horn, Danielle Luckraft, Helanna Shaw, Davis Bonar, Jackson Barnes, Bucky, Don Glasson, Hal Colvin, Anne Loveless, The Cozza family, Pam Levinson, Evelyn Litch-ford, Emily Barnes, Daniel Spada, Ben Colvin, Mitzi B.,Shaunna Smith, Mike and Carol Fauci, The family of Bill Schott, Joan Long, Carole Byran, Meagan Smart, Jerry Smith , Barbara Botts*

***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 Ancil, Petty Officer 3rd Class Andrew Michael Collins, Aran McMurtray, Fritz Julian, Brian Blaszkiewicz, Michael Irvine, Troy Howard*

**ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Regular Collection	YTD Collected July 2021	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
		\$240,000.00	

**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 August 4 we served 58 families.

## Puckett Funeral Home, Inc.

C. Dayton Puckett • Manager/Director  
 115 Covington Court, Farmville, Virginia 23901  
 (434) 391-3830 (434) 391-3832  
 Phone / 24 Hour Service Fax  
 "Our Family Sewing Your Family"



**SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL PARISH.**  
 Buy a bulletin ad space today!

# HAWTHORNE & HAWTHORNE, P.C.

Southside Virginia's Hometown Attorneys

Blackstone	115 S. Main Street	(434) 292-7676
Farmville	215 N. Main Street	(434) 392-9425
Kenbridge	110 S. Broad Street	(434) 676-3275
Keysville	191 King Street	(434) 736-8451
Victoria	1805 Main Street	(434) 696-2139

[www.hawthorne.law](http://www.hawthorne.law)

### ADT-Monitored Home Security

Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide



ADT Authorized Provider SafeStreets

1-855-225-4251

## PUTNEY MECHANICAL CO., INC.

Residential and Commercial  
 Heating & Air Conditioning  
 110 N. Virginia St. • Farmville  
**392-4183**



**Pino's**  
 Italian Restaurant & Pizzeria, LLC  
 404 South Main Street  
 Farmville, VA 23901  
 (434) 392-3135

LET US PLACE  
 YOUR AD HERE.



**WE'RE HIRING  
 AD SALES EXECUTIVES**

- Full Time Position with Benefits
- Sales Experience Preferred
- Paid Training
- Overnight Travel Required
- Expense Reimbursement

CONTACT US AT  
[careers@4LPi.com](mailto:careers@4LPi.com)  
[www.4LPi.com/careers](http://www.4LPi.com/careers)



**FREE  
 AD DESIGN  
 WITH PURCHASE  
 OF THIS SPACE.**  
 - 800-477-4574 -



**Linda Yoder, GRI**  
 Principal & Managing Broker  
**434-547-7076**  
[lyoder@yoderproperties.net](mailto:lyoder@yoderproperties.net)  
 209 N. Main St. | Suite A  
 Farmville, VA 23901  
[www.yoderproperties.net](http://www.yoderproperties.net)



**AVAILABLE  
 FOR A LIMITED TIME** **ADVERTISE YOUR  
 BUSINESS HERE**

Contact **Wendy Bond** to place an ad today!  
[wbond@4LPi.com](mailto:wbond@4LPi.com) or (800) 477-4574 x6420



**CENTRA Hospice** **Can hospice help? Ask.**

- Seeking comfort/relief when cure is not possible?
- We manage symptoms to live fully and without pain
- Care for up to 6 months or longer depending on illness

Patricia Pletke, MD  
 Medical Director

Visit [CentraHospice.com](http://CentraHospice.com) or call 434.315.5050



**Too Sick for Mass?**  
**SUPPORT OUR PARISH NO MATTER WHERE YOU ARE!**

Sign-up to get your bulletin delivered right to your inbox!  
[www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com)