

# 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.

*26<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

“There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me.” - Mk 9:39b

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

*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. (Spanish)

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 September 26, 2021**

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas

5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-

23 [17]/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/

Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-

2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11

[9ab]/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk

10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 [34]/

Mt 18:1-5, 10

Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/Heb

2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

What are the little ones? They are the poor, the marginalized, the women and men at the well, the Zacchaeus' looking for Jesus from a tree, those mired in sin, the blind who want to see, and the lame who want to walk. They are the lepers and the different ones who have been told that they are unclean, and the ones who suffer from abuse and grave injustices and oppression. They are children who want nothing more than to be loved and enjoy celebrating their innocence. These are all the little ones and they are all vulnerable. Life already brings them burdens, we don't need to add to them.

St. Oscar Romero said, "When the church hears the cry of the oppressed it cannot but denounce the social structures that give rise to and perpetuate the misery from which the cry arises." Why are so many people still so gravely hurting? We have the resources and the means to make things better. We choose not to. There are still those things called greed, pride, lust, apathy, jealousy, gluttony, and anger that prevent us from seeing each other and people to be loved and not objects to be used. Is this how God intended things to be?

God loves what is good and upright. It doesn't matter who did it or where it came from. In God's eyes, the end result is always faith, hope, and love. Those will always unite a person with God. We fill our lives with many things that are not good either for ourselves or for others. All of us have to work to discover what it is, exactly, that leads to the world's brokenness. There are people, systems, and ideologies in place that foster oppression and injustice rather than equity and fairness. Sadly, our complacency can be the greatest evil. Turning a blind eye, ignoring the truth, and believing that we are helpless to fix so great a problem, does little to move us closer to the kingdom of God. As members of the Body of Christ, we cannot condone anything that keeps people in misery.

As it is said, charity begins at home. Perhaps a good place to start is with our own households and making sure their foundations are properly laid.

**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 Hankins, Jeanne Peters, Shirley Tapp, Amber Tanner, Tommy Blankinship

IHM—Stewardship of Finance

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected Aug. 2021	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$5,636	\$10554.38	\$9,865.35	\$689.03

**IHM Finance Council**

Paul Semtner (Chair) , CB Cordle, Rita Parsons, Patty York

**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, October 3—Ron and Deb Misorski**

**IHM NEWS**

The IHM yard and bake sale was a huge success with help from lots of folks... donors, sorters, movers, bakers, buyers, etc.! Over \$1,700 was raised to help support continued maintenance needs for IHM.

The event not only helped our little parish, but also luggage donations were sent to help Afghan refugees at Ft. Pickett.

Thanks to all for your support!

Our Hospitality Team needs additional help for continued maintenance of both Bethany House and the church. Your talents and just a few hours of time on your schedule will help. Contact Patty York or Esther Sablan for more info on how your service can help our parish. Thank you.

**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, October 3**

The Lectors for Liturgy will be  
 1st Reading & Psalm - Mike Kingsbury  
 Eucharistic Minister will be—  
 Ushers: Richard Hinchey, Dan Derflinger  
 Altar: Tammy Hinchey  
 Money Counters: Lori Derflinger, Tammy Hinchey

**SACRED HEART~STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected Aug. 2021	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$3,312.00	\$6,682.25	\$7,355.70	(\$673.45)

**Sacred Heart Finance/Parish Council:**

Lori Derflinger (Co-chair) Tammy Hinchey (Co-chair)  
 Scott Crawford, Sherry Kingsbury

**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday October 3 - Genevieve Trunko**

- ◆ Sacred Heart will be collecting items for Piedmont Geriatric Hospitals discharge bags. Items needed are **mini/travel** size: deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrush, lotion, tissues, and chapstick. Please see Tammy Hinchey after Mass to donate. Last day for donating will be October 3rd. Other parishes are encouraged to donate as well. Tammy Hinchey can be contacted at 804-712-6104.
- ◆ Sacred Heart will be participating in the angel tree for Piedmont Geriatric, due to covid and other restrictions, the deadline for donating will be earlier then usual. Updated information will be provided in September.
- ◆ Sacred Heart celebrates monthly birthdays and anniversaries on the Second Sunday of every month. Refreshments will be provided.

**'CLUSTER NEWS'**

**WALK FOR LIFE**

Please make any checks for Walk for Life out to the **Pregnancy Center**

**NOT to the churches.**

Thank you.



**KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS**  
**BASKET OF CHEER**

**Tickets for The Basket of Cheer**  
**Will be for sale after each Mass at all the**  
**Cluster Churches**

**Grand Prize—Basket of Cheer**  
**Assortment of Premium**  
**Liquors**

**Second Prize—Horn of Plenty**  
**Assortment of Quality Liquors and Wines**  
**Third Prize—Fruit of the Vine Basket**  
**Filled with an Assortment of Quality Wines**

**Drawing to be held after the 10:30am Mass**  
**on November 21st.**  
**(baskets not included)**



**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 September 15 we served 36 families.

**Join us for Ministry**  
**Workshop**

Lay ministers at the service of God  
and the Church

“Whatever you do, work heartily, as  
for the Lord and not for men” Col.  
3:23

All parishioners are invited to a Liturgical and Social ministry seminar on

**Date: Oct. 2, 2021**  
**10am—12pm**

Parish Center, 700 Buffalo Street,  
Farmville, VA. 23901

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

**ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF  
SEPTEMBER 28—OCTOBER 3  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

- 5:30pm Mass offered for †Rita Brandt
- Followed by Adoration
- **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**
- 9:00am Mass offered for †Joann Januszkiewicz
- Adoration to Follow
- **FIRST FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1  
ST. THERESA FEAST DAY**
- 9:00a.m. Mass offered for †Nancy Ferrara
- Followed by Adoration
- **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2**
- 5:30 p.m. Mass offered for †Jeff Howard
- **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3**
- 8:00a.m. Mass offered for †Jeff Howard
- 10:30a.m. Mass offered for Parish. Of Cluster

**ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE  
WEEK OF SEPT. 27—OCT. 3**

- **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts—Parish Center
- **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**
- 10:00a.m. Food Pantry

**VOLUNTEERS**

OCTOBER 2 - 3  
SIGN UPS FOR MINISTRIES NEXT WEEKEND. PLEASE SEE MARGARET KORROW IN THE COMMONS AREA AFTER MASS.

**BAKE SALE**

The proceeds from our bake sale last weekend amounted to \$481.00. The members of the Parish Events Committee would like to thank all of our bakers, purchasers, and members of our committee who helped make this sale a success. Your participation is always greatly appreciated. Thank you all!

*Please pray for the sick and infirmed for whom prayers have been requested*

*Our Parishioners: Marilyn Reid, Pat O'Halloran, John Jamieson, Sharon Hamby, George Ghrelin, Bill Phillips, Tina Ehman, Edwin Sebolt, Barbara Stimpson, Shirley Ehman, Ann Marie Howard, David Pope, Jim McKenney, Shirley Ehman*

*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, 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 Litchford, 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, Karen Korrow, Alice Moses*

**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 Anctil, Petty Officer 3rd Class Andrew Michael Collins, Aran McMurray, Fritz Julian, Brian Blaszkiewicz, Michael Irvine, Troy Howard, Tyler Moore

**ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

August Regular Collection	YTD Collected Aug 2021	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$22,625.25	\$36,295.00	\$41,538.42	(\$5,243.42)

**DESSERT OF THE MONTH RAFFLE**

It is time once again to begin selling tickets for the Dessert of the Month 2022 raffle. Ticket sales will begin after the 5:30 Mass on Saturday, October 2 and Sunday October 3 and after each weekend Mass until the drawing, which will take place after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, November 7. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Don't miss this opportunity to sample some of St. Theresa's finest baked goods. Thank you.

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