CENTRAL VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CLUISTER



CLUSTER OFFICE: 709 BUFFALO STREET • FARMVILLE, VA 23901

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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 and Tuesday after 5:30pm Mass 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 and to schedule Baptism.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

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

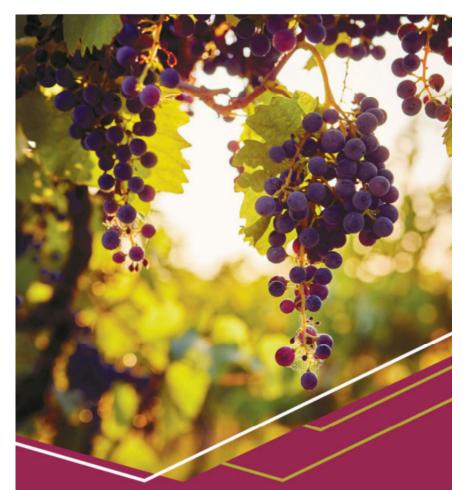
MINISTRY TO THE SICK

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. JANUARY 16, 2022

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2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3 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

<u>St. Theresa</u>

709 Buffalo Street Farmville, VA 23901 Mass: Saturday—5:30 p.m. Sunday—8:00 a.m. Sunday—10:30 a.m.

<u>St. Theresa Parish Council</u> 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 January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11 Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12 Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19 Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/ Mk 3:20-21 Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

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; <u>Resubmit if needed:</u>

Nancy Ortega, Pat Simmons, Gerard Smith, Michael Blevins, John Paul Parson, Shirley Boelte, Mae Luedtke, Carmen Lawrence, Cristina Castellanos, James McKenney, Patricia Webb, John, Ellen Thompson, Dr. Donald Hill

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IHM Finance Council

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

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, , Charlie Jones, Mary Hind, Kennis Crawford, The Simpson Family. Elizabeth Nelson, Wade Harding, Robert Batts, Claude McKinney, Sheryl McKinney, Mary Beth Shortt, Beth Gregory, Jody DiLullo

SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY, January 23

The Lectors for Liturgy will be 1st Reading & Psalm - Mike Kingsbury Ushers Peggy Dunegan, Dan Derflinger Altar: Tammy Hinchey Money Counters: Lori Derflinger, Scott Crawford

SACRED HEART~STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

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\$2,430.00	\$18,404.37	\$21,249.80	(\$2,845.43)

Sacred Heart Finance/Parish Council:

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

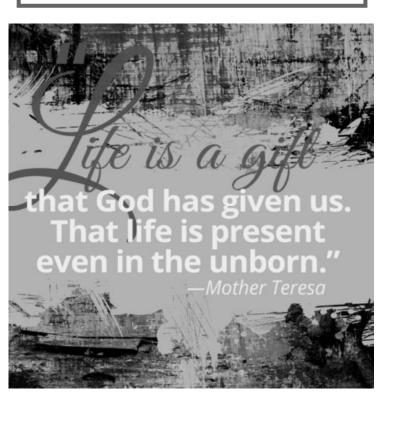
Fr. Tochi and Fr. Paul will be in Blackstone every third Thursday with the following schedule:

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

6:00pm—Mass

6:30pm—**7:30pm**—Adoration and confession.

Next Visit—January 20th.



CLUSTER NEWS



ADULT EDUCATION NEXT CLASS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY JANUARY 19TH FROM 6:00 to 7:00PM

Journey Together: Synod on Synodality 2021-2023

During the month of January, members of the Cluster will join with parishioners throughout the world by participating in the Synod on Synodality initiated by Pope Francis. The term "synod" is used by the Church to refer to a process of collaborative discernment where, through community input and prayer, feedback can be gathered to inform decisions about the Church. Beginning this weekend, the Cluster will distribute surveys after Mass to seek your thoughts about the Universal Church and about this parish. Surveys will be returned by February 6th and the parish will then meet in-person to discuss results and prepare for Lent.

Online Newsletter

The cluster's online newsletter is published each Saturday and sent directly to your cell phone or email address. To subscribe, please send an email

to <u>centralVAcatholic@gmail.com</u> or text SALVE to 84576.

New Year Reminder

CONTACT IN FORMATION FOR ALL MEDIA

If you need to send information via our media, this is the contact information.

For our newsletter - Wade Edwards is the contact person. If you need to put anything in the newsletter, his email address is <u>stormgullus@yahoo.com</u>.

For our Facebook page - Jennifer Bolt is the contact person. Her email address is joshuahastenbolt@gmail.com

For the Website - Ron McPherson is our contact person. His email address is <u>ronbull@centurylink.net</u>

For the bulletin or pulpit announcements

The office is the contact at this email address <u>sttheresafarmville@gmail.com</u>. Anything for the bulletin needs to be sent to the office by 9pm on Sunday Evening prior to the following Sunday bulletin. For Pulpit Announcements, information needs to be to the office by 10:00a.m. Wednesday morning in writing before the Sunday of the announcements.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the office. If you need to get something approved, please email Fr. Tochi for approval.

Thank you.

Faithful Departed

Question:

How can we pray for the dead throughout the year?

Answer:

We commemorate the faithful departed on November 2nd each year. However, we can and should continue to pray for the dead. Our growth in Christian perfection takes a long time. At the time of our death, many of us might not be saints yet. But God, in His mercy, allows for those who love Him to experience purification after death. Our word for that state is Purgatory. It's the antechamber of heaven, so to speak. We know we're getting in the house, but we're not quite ready to go all the way in. There's rain to shake off our coats and dirt that's clogging our shoes.

ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 18—JANUARY 23 TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

- 5:30p.m. Mass offered for Michael James
- Followed by Adoration and Reconciliation THURSDAY, JANUARY 20
- 9:00am Mass offered for †Paul Brandt
- Followed by Adoration

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

 9:00a.m. Mass offered for †Bonnie Garrison <u>SATURDAY, JANUARY 22</u>

- 5:30 p.m. Mass offered for †Bob Brown <u>SUNDAY, JANUARY 23</u>
- 8:00a.m. Mass offered for Diane Ford
- 10:30a.m. Mass offered for *†*Kylie Marie Duggan

ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF JAN 17—JAN. 23 MONDAY, JANUARY 17

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

- 7:00pm Boy Scouts—Parish Center WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19
- 10:00am Food Pantry

Parish Council

Parishioners are encouraged to share any questions, concerns, etc. with the Parish Council by e-mail at <u>sttheresascc@gmail.com.</u> Or you can approach any council member. Council members are listed on the second page of the bulletin or on the bulletin board in the Commons Area.

Online Giving to St. Theresa's

The St. Theresa's Finance Council would like to encourage you to consider establishing an online giving account for your contributions to the Parish. It is easy

to set-up using the instructions below. <u>ONLINE GIVING INSTRUCTIONS</u> <u>Go to website:</u> <u>www.centralvacatholiccluster.org</u> <u>Go to St. Theresa Parish</u> <u>Go to Parish Page</u> <u>Click on blue button (Make Sunday Offerings online)</u> <u>Create an Account and follow instructions.</u> <u>Any Questions please call or email</u> <u>434-392-3934 or sttheresafarmville@gmail.com</u>

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, Ollie Burger

Friends & Relatives of Parishioners— 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 & Betsy Glasson, Hal Colvin, Anne Loveless, The Cozza family, Pam Levinson, Evelyn Litchford, Emily Barnes, Daniel Spada, Ben Colvin, Mitzi B., Shaunna Smith, Joan Long, Carole Byran, Meagan Smart, Jerry Smith, Barbara Botts, Karen Korrow, Alice Moses, David Bennett, Rusty Carter, Bill Bradley, Bob and Carole Byron, Austin & Dani, Joyce Spencer, Greg Spencer, Noreen Quinlan Celeste, Patrick & Caitlin Duggan, Ashley Redd

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 McMurtray, Fritz Julian, Brian Blaszkiewicz, Michael Irvine, Troy Howard, Tyler Moore, LTC Efren Aranzamendez, Army and 1LT Ryan Aranzamendez, Air Force, Joshua Duggan

ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

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\$9,085.25	\$106,747.98	\$119,999.88	(\$13,251.90)

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 generously. It is truly appreciated. On January 5 we served 22 families.

Outreach Ministry-St. Theresa's is here for you. Do you need a ride to mass, doctors, errands, meals or the Eucharist? If so, please call Karen Schinabeck at 434-390-0379.

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