

# CENTRAL VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CLUSTER



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

*Rev. Tochi Iwuji, Administrator*  
*Rev. Policarpo Lugco, 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*

**MAY 8, 2022**

**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, every Tuesday after 5:30pm Mass and every Thursday after 9:00am 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.



## **4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." - Jn 10:27-28b**

*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, 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)**

Adam Blincoe, Dottie Zimalong,

Lisa Haertel, Tracy Carilli, Victor Cruz, Michelle

Varga, Terri Harris, Dean Lord and

Mary Gail Roldan.

**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 May 08, 2022**

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17

Next Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

“Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start.” (Pope Francis) We have a difficult time figuring out what is true and best for us. There are many voices talking and so many trying to get our attention. We wrongly convince ourselves that the true voice is the voice of progress, the one that speaks of contemporary wants and desires, enticing us with the latest trends and causes. We are taught, by listening to the voices around us, that truth is found in feelings and thought, and ideals must match current and popular human wants. Because we feel a particular way it must be true. Then, we find a shepherd who empathizes with us and affirms us. We follow that voice even though listening to that voice will render us powerless and lead us to harm. There are many with me in this procession to this pasture. I must be on the right path and listening to the right voice.

We are very confused. What can keep us safe and from harm? Where do we go to find life, love, and happiness? Jesus tells us that he is the way, the truth, and the life. The only way to get to Truth, who is God, is through him. There is no other way. The Church, the gate around God's pasture of life, is charged with the mission of directing us where God desires that we go. In the midst of all of the conflicting voices around us, the voice of truth is often muffled in all of the noise, but it beckons us to a life of virtue and grace. Helping us understand who we are and where we have to be, it discerns the voice of God, providing us with the safety net we need to stay straight on our path to life eternal.

We have to trust the voice of God, the true Shepherd, even when it does not mirror what we want and what others may believe. Faith goes way beyond feeling and involves a radical trust in Someone who can lead us and form us. At day's end, if we do not know to find our way home, we will be truly lost.

### **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: Paul Semtner, Diane Menting, Deacon Peter Menting, Jose Luis Ruiz, Jr., Juan Daniel Ramirez, Patricia Simmons. Nancy Ortega, Michael Blevins, John Paul Parson, Shirley Boelte, Mae Luedtke, Carmen Lawrence, Cristina Castellanos, Patricia Webb, John & Ellen Thompson, Dr. Donald Hill, Phyllis, Hernandez, Albert Cruz, Eleanor Drebeck, Frankie Leon Guerroero, Richard Preston, C. B. Cordle**

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected Mar. 2021	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$5,025.26	\$50,305.54	\$42,749.85	\$7,555.69

#### **IHM Finance Council**

Paul Semtner (Chair), Rita Parsons, Patty York, Norma Ruiz, Juan Ramirez

## **Youth Ministry**

El Ministerio de Jovenes invita a la platica "Viejas religiones, nuevos retos" Jovenes y sus padres están invitados Conozca acerca de lo que otras religiones creen, cuales son sus valores y como nos están influenciando. Para Inmaculado Corazon de María: Mayo 28, 3:30 p.m. en Bethany House. (En español).

### **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, Elizabeth Nelson, Robert Batts, Claude McKinney, Sheryl McKinney, Mary Beth Shortt, Beth Gregory, Jody DiLullo, Janet Royster, Joy Crawford, Sid Smyth

#### **SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS FOR MAY 15**

The Lectors for Liturgy will be  
Reader — Mike Kingsbury  
Ushers—Scott Crawford, Dan Derflinger  
Altar—Peggy Dunegan  
m/Counters—Lori Derflinger, Scott Crawford

#### **SACRED HEART~STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected Mar. 2021	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$2,845.00	\$27,023.87	\$31,874.70	(\$4,580.83)

#### **Sacred Heart Finance/Parish Council:**

Tammy Hinchey, Chairman  
Lori Derflinger, Scott Crawford, Sherry Kingsbury

#### **A Prayer to Be Open to God's Will**

Good and gracious God,  
I know that life can be unpredictable.  
Sometimes I know what is good and right,  
but I don't have the courage to do it.  
Sometimes I am so busy with my own affairs,  
I forget to see the needs of people in front of me.  
Sometimes I am set in my own ways,  
and I resist growing and learning.  
Help me, Lord, to be open to Your will.  
When You prompt me to do the right thing,  
give me the courage to do it.  
When those around me need my help,  
give me Your heart to love them.  
When I'm stuck in my own ways,  
give me the grace to grow closer to You every day.  
Give me the trust and confidence of Mary.  
Let it be done unto me according to Your word!  
Amen.

*'CLUSTER NEWS'*

## ADULT EDUCATION Classes

ADULT EDUCATION NEXT CLASS WILL BE  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY May 18th

FROM  
6:00 to 7:00PM  
At the Parish Center



## FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry is in dire need of meat and canned goods. We appreciate all the donations both in food and monetarily. Our inventory is very low at this time and any help would be appreciated.. Again, thank all of you for all of



Please join the Knights of Columbus for a breakfast buffet as we honor the mothers who chose to give us life! Breakfast will be held directly after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 8 in the St. Theresa Parish Center. All members of the Cluster and their guests are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!



## CONGRATULATIONS

Eva Austin

Brentley Britton

Serena Lentini

Christina Bowman

Sabriel Scheu

## *Youth ministry*

Youth Ministry will have a talk. "Old religions, new challenges" Youth and Parents are invited. Learn about what other religions believe, which are their values and how are they influencing us. For St. Theresa: May 14th, 4:00 p.m. at the Community Center. (In English)

El Ministerio de Jovenes invita a la platica "Viejas religiones, nuevos retos" Jovenes y sus padres están invitados Conozca acerca de lo que otras religiones creen, cuales son sus valores y como nos están influenciando. Para Inmaculado Corazon de María: Mayo 28, 3:30 p.m. en Bethany House. (En español).

**ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF**

**MAY 10—MAY 15**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 10**

- 5:30p.m. Mass offered for †Godofredo Villeneuve  
Followed by Adoration and Reconciliation

**THURSDAY, MAY 12**

- 9:00am Mass offered for †Miriam McGarigal
- Followed by Adoration

**FRIDAY, MAY 13**

- 9:00am Mass offered for †Gary Walsh
- Followed by Adoration

**SATURDAY, MAY 14**

- 5:30pm Mass offered for Michael James

**SUNDAY, MAY 15**

- 8:00a.m. Mass offered for: †Daniel & Esther  
Donovan
- 10:30am Mass offered for †Willard Lutz, Teresa &  
Bolivar Alvarez

**ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE**  
**WEEK OF MAY 9—MAY 15**

**MONDAY, MAY 9**

- 7:00pm Boy Scouts—Parish Center

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 11**

- 10:00am Food Pantry—Parish Center



Time again for another sale of St. Theresa’s delicious baked goods. The sale will take place after each Mass the weekend of May 14 & 15. We would appreciate donations of baked goodies, which can be left in the church kitchen no later than 12 noon on Friday, May 13, or before any of the Masses that weekend. Items should be packaged and ready to sell. Thank you and, as always, we appreciate your help.



**The flowers on the altar this weekend are in memory of Helen McLane by Emmett and Robin McLane Family.**

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

*Our Parishioners: Marilyn Reid, Pat O’Halloran, John Jamieson, George Ghrelin, Bill Phillips, Tina Ehman, Edwin Sebolt, Shirley Ehman, Ann Marie Howard, David Pope, Jim McKenney, Ollie Burger*

**Friends & Relatives of Parishioners**— Louis Wunnenberg, Louis Wunnenberg, Jr, Leise Wells, Kyler Latta, Kimberly Pope, Julia Joyce Horn, Danielle Luckraft, Helanna Shaw, Davis Bonar, Jackson Barnes, Bucky, Don & Betsy Glasson, Anne Loveless, The Cozza family, Pam Levinson, Evelyn Litchford, Emily Barnes, Daniel Spada, 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, Tina Kingsbury, Laura Cowhig, Megan Smart, Shan Biron,

**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., Taylor Anctil, Petty Officer 3rd Class Andrew Michael Collins, Aran McMurtray, Fritz Julian, Brian Blaszkiewicz, Michael Irvine, Troy Howard, Tyler Moore, LTC Efen Aranzamendez, Army and 1LT Ryan Aranzamendez, Air Force, Joshua Duggan, Zachary Varner

**ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Regular Collection	YTD Collected Mar.. 2021	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$17,824.00	\$168,071.63	\$179,999.82	(\$11,928.19)

**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 April 27 we served 52 people.

**LONG & FOSTER**  
**PAUL DUERS**  
 REALTOR®



205 B N. Main Street  
 Farmville, Virginia 23901

Cell 434-607-5395  
 paul.duers@longandfooster.com  
 www.longandfooster.com

**SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL PARISH.**

Buy a bulletin ad space today!

**NEVER MISS A BULLETIN !**

Sign up to have our weekly parish bulletin emailed to you at [www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com)



**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**

**THIS SPACE IS AVAILABLE**

*Pino's*  
 Italian Restaurant & Pizzeria, LLC

404 South Main Street  
 Farmville, VA 23901 (434) 392-3135

LET US PLACE YOUR AD HERE.

**GROW YOUR BUSINESS BY PLACING AN AD HERE!**

**CONTACT US!**

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



**FREE AD DESIGN WITH PURCHASE OF THIS SPACE**

**CALL 800.477.4574**

**Linda Yoder, GRI**  
 Principal & Managing Broker

**434-547-7076**  
 lyoder@yoderproperties.net

**YODER PROPERTIES, INC.**  
 209 N. Main St. | Suite A  
 Farmville, VA 23901  
 www.yoderproperties.net

**CENTRA Hospice**

**Can hospice help? Ask.**

Patricia Pletke, MD  
 Medical Director

- 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

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

**Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!**

Instantly create and purchase an ad with

**AD CREATOR STUDIO**



[4lpi.com/adcreator](http://4lpi.com/adcreator)

**WE'RE HIRING AD SALES EXECUTIVES**

**BE YOURSELF. BRING YOUR PASSION. WORK WITH PURPOSE.**

- Work-Life Balance
- Full-Time with Benefits
- Serve Your Community
- Paid Training
- Some Travel

Contact us at: [careers@4lpi.com](mailto:careers@4lpi.com) | [www.4lpi.com/careers](http://www.4lpi.com/careers)

