

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

## **RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays at 4:00 pm until 4:45pm 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**

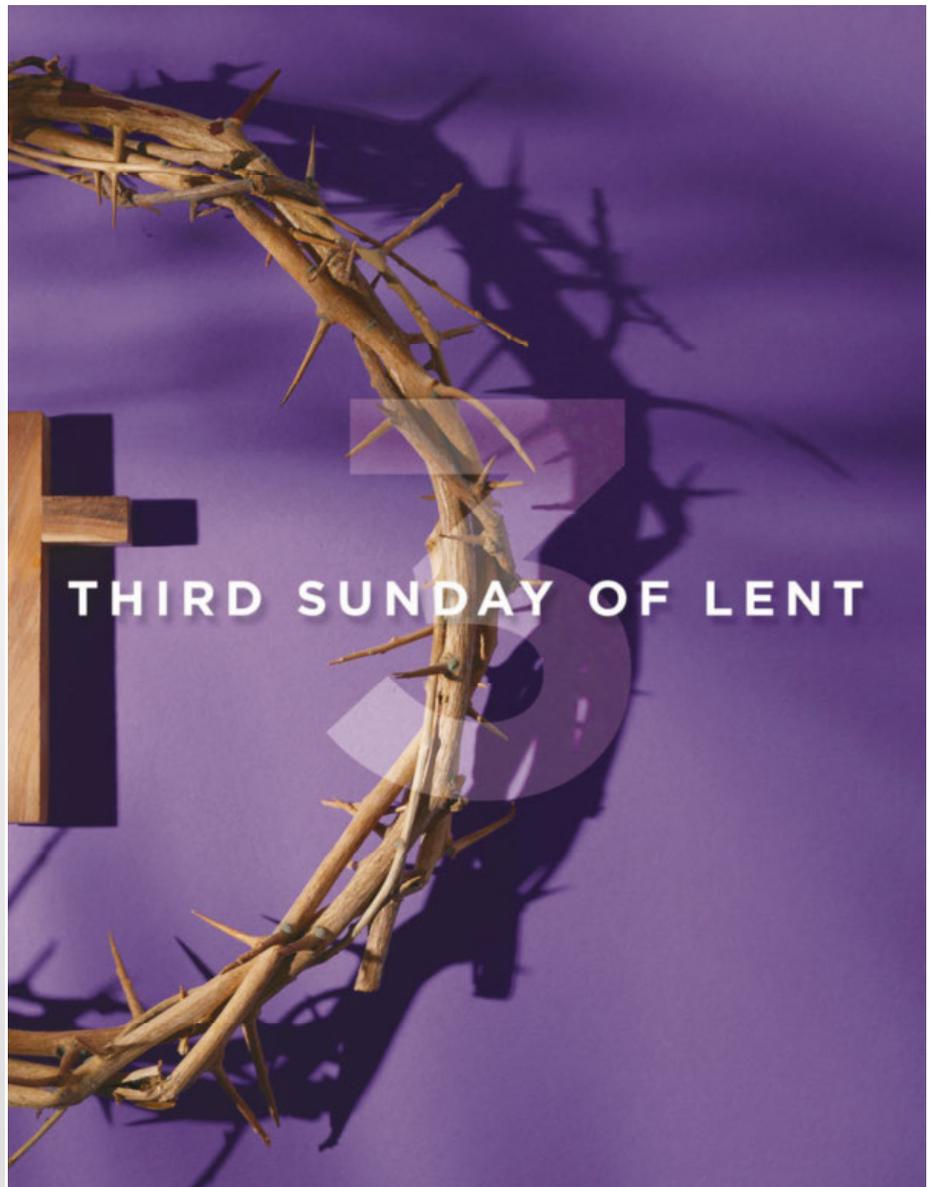
Contact the office and make an appointment with a priest at least six months before the wedding date.

## **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.



*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:**

Tammy Hinchey (Chair), Lori Derflinger, Sherry

Kingsbury, Scott Crawford,

**St. Theresa**

709 Buffalo Street

Farmville, VA 23901

Mass:

Saturday—5:00 p.m.

Sunday—8:00 a.m.

Sunday—10:30 a.m.

**St. Theresa Parish Council**

**Email: [sttheresascc@gmail.com](mailto:sttheresascc@gmail.com)**

Dottie Zimolong, Chair, Adam Blincoe,

Tracy Carilli, Victor Cruz, Michelle Varga, Teri Har-

ris, Dean Lord, Kelly Nolan and

Lynn Skakum

#### 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 March 12, 2023**

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or

4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/

When I became the pastor of a large parish, I soon found myself, for the first time in my life, riddled with anxiety, headaches, difficulty making decisions, and fatigue. I called a therapist friend and told her my symptoms and asked if she thought I needed a serious medical exam. She said, "How much water do you drink?" I told her, "I haven't had time to drink water lately." She responded, "You're chronically dehydrated. Drink eighty-five ounces a day and call me in a week." I started guzzling water and in a week all my symptoms went away. I felt great.

Like me, the people in the Exodus wanderings were dehydrated. But unlike me, they knew it. Their symptoms were bad. They fight with each other. They accuse God of being a monster who wants them and their children to die of thirst. Their thirst drives them to plot the bloody assassination of the man who rescued them. God responds by using Moses to strike a rock from which rivers of living waters flow to quench their thirst for years to come.

The Holy Spirit is the living water of love which flows from the pierced side of Jesus, the new Moses. What symptoms in your life suggest you're spiritually dehydrated? Anger at God? Cynicism at your leaders? Bitter rivalry and bickering with others? Don't panic. *Of course* we have those symptoms. Ask God to provide his water to quench your spiritual thirst, and he will. And all those symptoms will soon disappear.

— *Father John Muir*

**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; 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, Richard Preston, C. B. Cordle, Maria M. Fuentes, Robert Joyner, Carina A. Ortiz, Angel R. Velez-Ortiz, Josef K. Sablan, Matthew Smith, Marion Constante, Esther Sablan*

**IHM—STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected Jan 2023	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$7,115.35	\$39,584.51	\$39,823.22	(\$238.71)

**IHM Finance Council**  
Paul Semtner (Chair), Patty York, Norma Ruiz, Juan Ramirez



Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday at 6pm during Lent, followed by soup and bread suppers. Sign up lists are available to determine interest and for planning. The schedule for Fri, March 10 is as follows:  
6:00 pm - Stations of the Cross  
Soup and bread supper to follow.

**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, Elizabeth Nelson, Robert Batts, Claude McKinney, Sheryl McKinney, Jody DiLullo, Janet Royster, Joy Crawford, Sid Smyth, The Shortt Family, Ray Lewis, Tom Baldwin, Wanda Bowen, Troy Powell, B.J. & Clarence Cannaday, Julia West and Kenneth Palmer, Nelson Marshall, Sophia Hind, Lynn Duffer, George Thack

**SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS FOR Mar. 19**

The Lectors for Liturgy will be  
Reader—Jim Guy  
Ushers—Peggy Dunegan/Scott Crawford  
Altar—Tammy Hinchey  
m/Counters—Tammy Hinchey/Beth Gregory

**SACRED HEART~STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected Jan, 2023	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$3,945.25	\$22,018.80	\$24,323.22	(\$2,304.42)

**Sacred Heart Finance/Parish Council:**  
Tammy Hinchey, Chairman  
Lori Derflinger, Scott Crawford, Sherry Kingsbury



Sacred Heart will be holding  
Stations of the Cross  
every Friday during Lent at 11a.m. All  
are invited.

*'CLUSTER NEWS'*



**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

**ST. THERESA RECONCILIATION WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22ND AT 6:00PM.**



**Sacred Heart invites you to a St. Patrick's day dinner \$10.00 per plate (Adult) \$5.00 per plate (Children)**

**Pay at the door.**

**Saturday, March 18th**

**4pm takeout**

**5pm dine in**

**Join us for live music, corned beef & cabbage, potatoes, carrots, rolls, dessert and drink**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL BE HOSTING FRIDAY LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS BEFORE STATIONS OF THE CROSS STARTING AT 4:30PM TO 5:55PM AT ST. THERESA PARISH CENTER FOLLOWED BY STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT 6PM**

**MARCH 17, 24**

**Knights of Columbus**

Looking for Good Catholic Men  
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At parish center 7pm to 8pm  
More info- Jim Kazmer, 757-897-0119



**THERE WILL BE ADORATION EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 9:00AM IN THE CHAPEL IN THE PARISH CENTER**

**ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF**  
**MARCH 14—MARCH 19**  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 14**

- 5:30pm Mass offered for Mary Margaret Frank
- Adoration to follow

**THURSDAY, MARCH 16**  
**(IN CHAPEL AT PARISH CENTER)**

- 9:00am Mass offered for †Ed Bailey  
Adoration following Mass until 10:30am

**FRIDAY, MARCH 17**

- 9:00am Mass offered for †Jim McKenney

**6:00pm Stations of the Cross**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 18**

- 5:00pm Mass offered for †Julie Biron

**SUNDAY, MARCH 19**

- 8:00a.m. Mass offered for †Harold Colvin, Jr.
- 10:30a.m. Mass offered for †Willard & Verla Lutz  
& Bolivar & Teresa Alvarez

**ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE**  
**WEEK OF MARCH 13—MARCH 19**

**MONDAY, MARCH 13**

- 7:00pm Boy Scouts—Parish Center

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15**

- 10:00am Food Pantry & Clothes Ministry

**FRIDAY, MARCH 17**

- 4:30pm Lenten Soup Supper prior to Stations of the Cross—PC

**SUNDAY, MARCH 19**

- 9:00am CCD—Parish Center
- 9:00am RCIA—Parish Center



**SAVE THE DATE**

**APRIL 1ST**

**ST. THERESA ANNUAL YARD SALE**  
**NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS THROUGH**  
**MARCH 31. BIG ITEMS CAN ONLY BE**  
**DELIVERED THE WEEK OF MARCH 28TH.**  
**PLEASE SEE MISS DOREEN FOR ANY**  
**QUESTIONS.**

*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, Olie Burger, Eniko Swanick, Jane Donovan, Pat Ely, George Thack, Pat Freudenthal*

*Friends & Relatives of Parishioners—Louis Wunnenberg Jr, Leise Wells, Kyler Latta, Kimberly Pope, Julia Joyce Horn, Danielle Luckraft, Helanna Shaw, Davis Bonar, Bucky, Anne Loveless, The Cozza family, Pam Levinson, Evelyn Litchford, Daniel Spada, Mitzi B., Shaunna Smith, Meagan Smart, Barbara Botts, Karen Korrow, Alice Moses, David Bennett, Rusty Carter, Bill Bradley, Austin & Dani, Greg Spencer, Noreen Quinlan Celeste, Patrick & Caitlin Duggan, Ashley Redd, Tina Kingsbury, Laura Cowhig, Meagan Smart, Shan Biron, Jenny Bobko, Ashley Wallace, Chuck Gendrow, Kayia DeVivo, Alice Moser, Kerry John Matthews, Paul Moneta, Tara, Mikea Family, Bruce Long, Donna Moon, The Korman Family, Carly, Michelle Reynolds*

*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, Michael Irvine, Troy Howard, Tyler Moore, Major Efren Aranzamendez, Army and CPT Ryan Aranzamendez, Air Force, Joshua Duggan, Zachary Varner, Jaimie Bliss*

**ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Regular Collection	YTD Collected Jan 2023	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$17,525.10	\$140,492.29	\$146,883.89	(\$6,391.60)

**St. Theresa Finance Council**

Mike Wolyniak (Chair)  
 Noel Encarnacion, Nancy Pempel,  
 Steve Barber, Karen Schinabeck

**Campus Ministry** is looking for cooks and discussion leaders for Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm during the Spring semes-

**FOOD PANTRY**

The Food Pantry can always use food, Many thanks to those of you who have given generously. It is truly appreciated. We served 68 people on March 1, 2023

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