

# CENTRAL VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CLUSTER



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*July 14, 2024*

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## **EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Every First Friday immediately following 9 am Mass at St. Theresa, Farmville, every Tuesday after 5:30pm Mass .

## **RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays at 4:00 pm until 4:45pm and Tuesday after 5:00pm 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.



## **15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

*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 Closed*

**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

**Sacred Heart**

2597 Bruceville Road

Meherrin, VA 23954

Mass:

Sunday— 11:00 a.m.

**Sacred Heart Parish/Finance Council:**

Tammy Hinchey (Chair, Parish Council), Lori Der-

flinger, Scott Crawford, Mary McKay

(Chair, Finance Council)

**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, Tracy Carilli, Victor Cruz,

Michelle Varga, Lynn Skakum, Pat Brandt,

Mike Biase, Gene Donovan, Victor Adaniel

**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 July 14, 2024**

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

**What We Carry from Town to Town**

In my experience, there are two kinds of people: the folks who kick off their shoes the second they walk through the door, and the ones who don't.

People can feel strongly about this on both sides. The main thrust of the Shoes-Off Brigade seems to be this: we track a lot of weird stuff on the soles of our feet. Little reminders of all the places we've been — whether it's a private home or a public bathroom — cling to our shoes long after we leave.

This same theory applies to our spiritual lives. As human beings and as disciples, we visit a lot of figurative towns and pick up a lot of figurative dust. Sinfulness. Shame. Defeat. Anger. Fear. Doubt. No matter how hard we try to keep free of it, these things have a way of attaching themselves to us, sometimes without us even noticing. We need to take a good look at what unhelpful and unconstructive baggage from our past we're tracking into our present and future encounters.

What is the "town" God is asking you to visit today in His name? Is it a tough conversation with a friend, a brief witness to a stranger in the checkout line, a call to be present to someone in your family? Before you go, remember, shake off the dust. Don't let a past disappointment constrain you. Don't allow yesterday's failures or burdens to keep you from the joy of today's witness, whatever form it might take.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**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, Halle Jackson, Leigh Kelly, Susie Hampton, Charlie Jones, Mary Hind, Elizabeth Nelson, Robert Batts, Claude McKinney, Jody DiLullo, Janet Royster, Joy Crawford, 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, Jim Guy, Edward Metcalf, Jean Watts, The Gregory Family, Delores Francini, Tim Grey, Dan Bailey, Dewayne Bailey, Barbara Nannery

**IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY BLACKSTONE**  
**Please pray for sick and infirmed for whom prayers have been requested : Names will appear for a month after notification . Resubmit if needed:** Tom Neal, Deacon Peter Menting, Jose Luis Ruiz, Jr, Nancy Ortega, Michael Blevins, John Paul Parson, Shirley Boelte, Mae Luedtke, Carmen Lawrence, Cristina Castellanos, Patricia Webb, Phyllis Hernandez, Albert Cruz, Eleanor Drebeck, Richard Preston, Maria M. Fuentes, Robert Joyner, Angel R. Velez-Ortiz, Josef K. Sablan, Matthew Smith, Marion Constante, Pam Blevins, Tom Blankenship, Rita Flowers, Eileen Lane, Jerry Smith, Gus Mitchell, Rose Gratton, Richard Whitmore, Libby Smith, Barbara Miller, Helen Spain, Helen Hemetec, Sally Augustine, Maribel Arandea, Benny Borja, Rachael Kearney, Debbie Misorski, Darrell & Joyce Harney, Tina & Christina Van Wart

**SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS –July 21**

Reader—Dana Borum  
 EM—Pat Irving  
 Altar—Dona Selig  
 Ushers—Richard Hinchey/Dennis Queensbury  
 m/Counters—Bernard Marquis/Tammy Hinchey

**IHM STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected May 2024	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$5,586.11	\$68,403.58	\$65,600.16	\$2,803.42

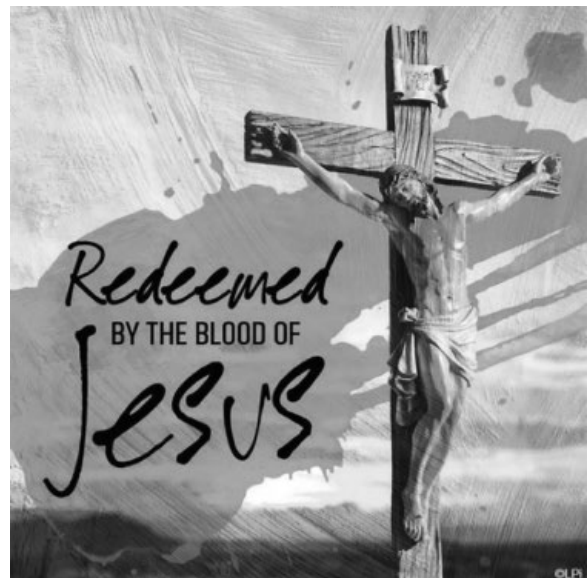
**IHM Finance Council**  
 Paul Semtner, Chair, Norma Ruiz, Patty York, Grace McDonald

**SACRED HEART~STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected May 2024	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$3,693.00	42,162.40	\$41,509.92	\$652.48

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

Please notify the office if under special circumstances, you or a family member are in need of a priest or deacon’s visitation



***'CLUSTER NEWS'*****MARRIED COUPLES****Jubilee 2025**

Examples of family prayer:

At the table before and after meals –

One of the main places where families gather is definitely sharing at least one meal a day. This time could be a short but meaningful opportunity to pray together as a family, thanking the Lord for what we have received and praying for those most in need. Children can thus learn that the daily bread, which we ask for with the Lord's Prayer, is not just an abstract concept, but a very concrete request that we make as children to our Heavenly Father. The meal that we eat together is a providential blessing received from the Lord, which accompanies us throughout our lives. Here are suggestions for prayer that each family can adapt according to their own perspective.

Before Meals

“Heavenly Father, we thank you for this food, may we make your will our daily nourishment.

We pray to you for the poor who have none: give them what they need to live according to your will. AMEN”

After Meals

“We thank you, Lord, for all your blessings” may we always use them for good. Through Christ our Lord. AMEN”

Cont'd

**MARRIED COUPLES.** Give your marriage a well deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! We love to have priests on our experiences as well, so invite your favorite priest and give their vocation some new vitality!

For more information or to register, go to [WWME.org](http://WWME.org), click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or [mstang1987@aol.com](mailto:mstang1987@aol.com) with any questions. Here are a few upcoming experiences:

September 27-29, 2024 - Herndon, VA (only 15 slots left!)

October 11-13, 2024 - College Park, MD

November 15-17, 2024 - Virginia Beach, VA

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS**

Knights of Columbus are happy to report that during this fraternal year we were actively supporting the external activities of our Church with our stands in the Heart of Virginia Festival and the 5 County Fair.

We also supported our internal activities, like the Christmas Bazaar, The Spring Sale and the maintenance of the Nativity Cemetery.

With our fundraisers we provided funds for our Food Pantry, Coats for Kids, help for some families of the Cluster and 1 Eagle Scout project.

Please welcome our new officers: Warren Wade, Grand Knight, Mark Ferguson, Deputy Grand Knight and Alexander Kaneklides, Chancellor.

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

**JULY 16—JULY 21**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 16**

- 5:30pm Mass offered for †Sharon Hamby  
Adoration to follow

**THURSDAY, JULY 18**

- 9:00am Mass offered for †Rick Cardinal

**FRIDAY, JULY 19**

- 9:00am Mass offered for †Souls in Purgatory  
Adoration to follow

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

- 5:00pm Mass offered for †Jim Dummer

**SUNDAY, JULY 21**

- 8:00am Mass offered for †Vinnie Bianco
- 10:30am Mass offered for Parishioners of Cluster

**ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE**

**WEEK OF July 15—July 21**

**WEDNESDAY, July 17**

- 10:00am Food Pantry & Clothes Ministry

Please do not leave anything for the Food Pantry or Clothes Ministry at the outside door. There has been items left outside that have been left in the rain.

The office is open Tues—Thurs from 9am to 3pm and the Food Pantry is open on Wednesday Morning. Please try to bring items during those times .

Thank you.

**Parish Council**

Parishioners are encouraged to share any questions, concerns, etc. with the Parish Council. 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.

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

*Our Parishioners: Marilyn Reid, Pat O'Halloran, George Ghrelin, Bill Phillips, Tina Ehman, Edwin Sebolt, Shirley Ehman, Ann Marie Howard, Eniko Swanick, Pat Ely, Anna Marie Nolan, Bill Neu, Jim Croushorn*

*Friends & Relatives of Parishioners—Louis Wunnenberg Jr, Leise Wells, Kyler Latta, Kimberly Pope, 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, Greg Spencer, Noreen Quinlan Celeste, Patrick & Caitlin Duggan, Ashley Redd, Megan Smart, Shan Biron, Jenny Bobko, Ashley Wallace, Chuck Gendrow, Kayia DeVivo, Alice Moser, Kerry John Matthews, Bruce Long, Donna Moon, Carly, Michelle Reynolds, Karen Kulla, Joyce Spencer, Julia Shields, Chris Johnson, Russell Baker, Carroll Gillespie, Christopher Biron, Eliza Reynolds, Jan & Randy Dagenhart, Marq-"Bubba" Webb, Judy Biron, John Wunnenberg, Rich Eshelman, Howard Arthur, Zach Ranson, Carolyn Craft, Jason Kneeland, Joan Varga, Brenda Korrow, Taylor Armstrong, Tiffany King, Evangeline King*

*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, Captain Christopher Selig*

**ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE**

Regular Collection	YTD Collected May2024	YTD Coll20ection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$17,764.00	\$222,816.81	\$251,385.60	(\$28,568.79)

**St. Theresa Finance Council**  
Mike Wolyniak (Chair), Nancy Pempel,  
Steve Barber, Karen Schinabeck

**FOOD PANTRY**

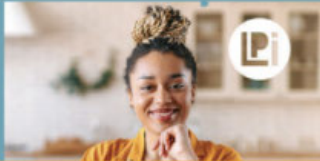
The Food Pantry can always use food, Many thanks to those of you who have given generously. **Please make sure to check expiration on packages.** It is truly appreciated. We served 54 people on June 26.

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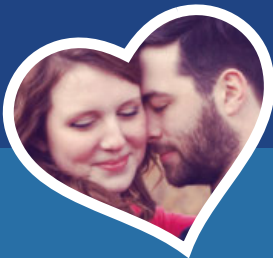
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