## CENTRAL VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CLUSTER



## CLUSTER OFFICE: 700 BUFFALO STREET • FARMVILLE, VA 23901

Rev. Christopher Hess, Pastor Rev. Ronnie Dolosa, Parochial Vicar

**Deacon Peter Menting Deacon Emmett McLane** Business Manager—Carol Beattie

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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**

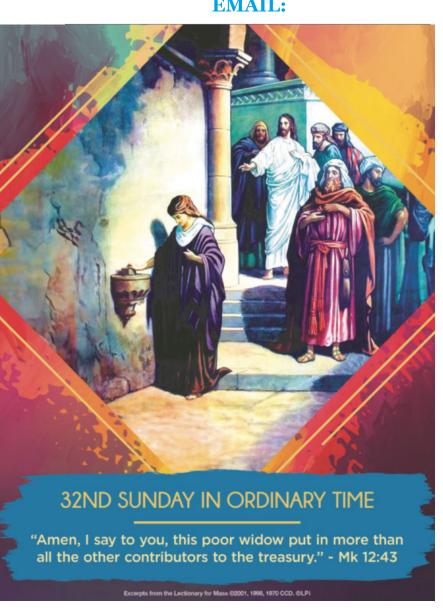
Contact the office and make an appointment with a priest at least six months before the wedding date.

November 10, 2024

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**FOR EMERGENCIES** —(434) 414-1493

**EMAIL:** 



The Cluster office is located at St. Theresa Parish
Center
700 Buffalo Street, Farmville, VA.
Office Hours
Tuesday—Thursday

1 uesday—1 nursday 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 Derflinger, 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.

## St. Theresa Parish Council Email: sttheresascc@gmail.com

Sunday—10:30 a.m.

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

## Readings for the week of November 10, 2024

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 17:1

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Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23,

27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk

17:11-19

Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk

17:20-25

Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17,

18/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8 Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb

10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

## **Giving From Abundance**

If you're like me, and you're far, far below the "having buildings named after you" tax bracket, you might just think that today's Gospel has nothing to do with you.

You might kick back and relax, thinking of all the poor, rich suckers sitting in the pews, shifting uncomfortably as Jesus praises the meager gift of the widow and disdains those who only give from abundance, those whose charity results in admiration and praise and all manner of temporal reward.

"In this economy, every gift I give is from my poverty," you might think to yourself with a chuckle.

But you — and let me be clear, I'm talking mostly to myself here — would be wrong. Because we all have an abundance of something, even if it isn't money.

What I've come to realize about myself is that I find plenty of ways to give *only* from my abundance. For instance, if I answer any request with the words, "Sure, I can, but..." chances are high that I'm about to work out a way to give, but only in a way that doesn't really impact me.

I'm willing to help. I just don't want to feel it.

But here's the thing about Jesus: he cares what's in our hearts as well as what's in our hands. A good deed, an act of charity? That's great! But what's the story behind it? Because a world full of moral actions and selfish hearts doesn't do anyone any good.

When we give from our poverty — our poverty of money, our poverty of time, our poverty of patience — we are giving the gift of the widow.

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#### 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 Drebick, 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 Arandisorski, Darrell & Joyce Harney, Tina & Christina Van Wart, Naleen Cordle, Sharon Watson Margaret Brooks, Alex Ruiz, Jocelyn Garcia,

### IHM STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

Monthly Regular Collection:: \$ 6,990.60 YTD Collected Sep. 2024: \$18,424.45 YTD Collection Budget: \$17,031.04 Overage or (Shortage): \$1,393.41

> IHM Finance Council Grace McDonald, Chair Paul Semtner, 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, Halle Jackson, Lesleigh 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, Terry & Tiffany Reynolds, Dalton Barksdale, Judy Tanner, Fred & Lillian Jones, Scott Crawford, Margaret Brooks. Commander Justin Liffick

## <u>SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS – Nov 17</u>

Reader-Jim Guy EM-Scott Crawford Altar –Nancy Fothergill Ushers-Bernard Marquis/Wade Warren m/Counter-Scott Crawford/Beth Gregory

## SACRED HEART~STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

Monthly	YTD	YTD	Overage or (Shortage)
Regular	Collected	Collection	
Collection	Sep 2024	Budget	
\$4,307.40	\$10,610.40	\$10,962.25	(\$351.85)

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

Mary McKay, Chairman Lori Derflinger, Scott Crawford, Tammy Hinchey, Chair Parish Council

#### A Prayer for Veterans

We pray especially for those who have suffered in mind and body from the ravages of war.

Let Your Kingdom come!

May Your peace that surpasses all understanding reign in our hearts and in our world.

Amen.

## 'CLUSTER NEWS'

#### Jubilee 2025

Pope Francis' Notes on Prayers Catechesis on Prayer Catechesis, as a key step in the process of evangelization, promotes growth and maturation in the faith (Cf. Directory for Catechesis (DfC) no. 56) and 'has the task of educating for prayer and in prayer, developing the contemplative dimensions of Christian experience (DfC, no. 86). "Whenever Moses held up his hands (Ex 17:11) the shepherd's exhortation prayer ... The year of prayer is a special opportunity for bishops to encourage diocesan communities, first of all by praying for each of the faithful entrusted to them, because, like Moses they are called to invoke the Lord by interceding for the people, secondly, by calling attention to and preaching on the value of prayer in the different aspects that the rich tradition of the Church preserves; and finally, by providing the most appropriate means for this catechesis to take place in their dioceses. The following are some practical suggestions for catecheses on prayer: Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter: Time for Eucharistic Adoration: Short prayer exercises with the Word of God, such as Lection Divina: Prayer the Rosary, meditating on the mysteries being contemplated: Recitation of the Liturgy of the Hours.

Parents should encourage prayer in their homes in daily life, such as in thanksgiving and blessing of food, praying in the morning and before going to bed, to acquire the habit of blessing their children with a short prayer in the evening, or when they leave the house, to entrust themselves to God when going on a trip, to make the sign of the cross when passing by a church, to thank God for his blessings, etc.

### **Basket of Cheer!**

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Office Will Be Closed For Thanksgiving From Wednesday, November 27th Through Tuesday December 3.

Mass Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 AM At ST. Theresa.

No Other Daily Mass This Week For Emergencies Call 434-414-1493



The whole province of Sorsogon in the Philippines was placed under a state of emergency on Wednesday, October 22, due to severe flooding caused by Typhoon Trami. Many houses, businesses, schools, and churches were submerged in flood water, including those belonging to some of Fr. Ronnie's family. Residents described the flooding as the worst to hit the province in a decade. Please pray for the province. Our wonderful Philippino priests have been coming from this province. Thank you!

## ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF-NOV.11-17

## TUESDAY, NOV. 12

- 5:30 pm Mass offered for Philip Fenaux THURSDAY, NOV. 14
- 9:00 am Mass offered for William Brandt FRIDAY, NOV. 15
- 9:00am Mass offered for †Teresa Keller Adoration to follow

## **SATURDAY, NOV.16**

- 5:00pm Mass offered for † Philip Fenaux SUNDAY, NOV. 17
- 8:00am Mass offered for †Elizabeth McKinney
- 10:30am Mass offered for †Verla & Willard Lutz& Bolivar & Teresa Alvarez

## ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF Nov. 11-Nov. 17

## WEDNESDAY, November 13

- 10:00am Food Pantry & Clothes Ministry SUNDAY, November 17
- 9:00am CCD—Parish Center
- 9:00am RCIA—Parish Center



## Thanksgiving Bags!

Please pick up the paper bags in the Commons Area of the church to fill up with Thanksgiving food from November 3rd on, and bring them back to the church by November 17-20.

Thank you for blessing our neighbors!!

## New St. Theresa Parish Directory

- Thurs. Dec. 12, 2-8:30 pm
- Friday, Dec. 13, 2-8:30 pm
- Saturday, Dec. 14, 10-4 pm

To register: www.ucdir.com

Church code: VA278

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, Peg Giordano

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, Julia Shields, Chris Johnson, 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, Maddox Cox, John Hardman

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 Pempel, Captain Christopher Selig

#### ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected Sep. 2024	YTD Coll20ection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$19,261.08	\$63,389.59	\$65,156.78	(\$1,767.19)

#### St. Theresa Finance Council

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

## **CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS**

"Campus Ministry is looking for cooks and speakers for its Wednesday Night Dinners with the college students for the Fall Semester. If you have any questions or are interested email Dan Holland at farmvilleccm@gmail.com

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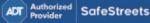
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