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 Director of Religious Education —Karel Bailey Director of Campus Ministry—Dan Holland 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.

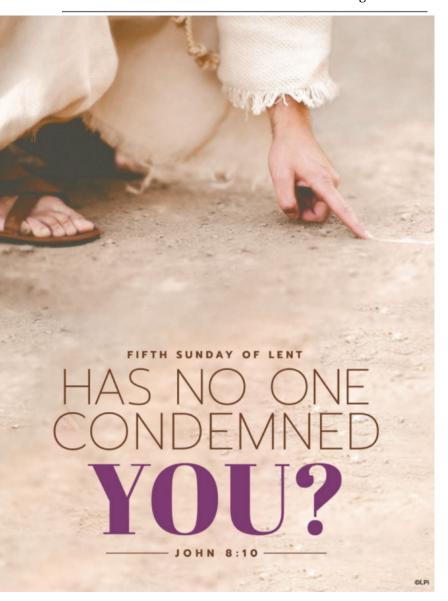
CATHOLIC INQUIRY

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.

April 6, 2025

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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 Derflinger, Scott Crawford, Mary McKay (Chair, Finance Council)

<u>St. Theresa</u>

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 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 April 6, 2025

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/ Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45 Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-Monday: 62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20 Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42 Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59 Thursday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn Friday: 10:31-42 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56 Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/

April 6, 2025

"The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle" (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community's identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you'll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is **"left alone before him."** A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ's forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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 <u>if needed:</u> Tom Neal, Deacon Peter Menting, Diane 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 Hemetec, Sally Augustine, Maribel Arandisorski, Darrell & Joyce Harney, Tina & Christina Van Wart, Naleen Cordle, Margaret Brooks, Alex Ruiz,Jocelyn Garcia, Barbara & Ronnie McKenna, Jeannie Peters, Renard McCrary-Ortiz, Paul Semtner, Jasan Marie Dewitt

IHM STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

January	lanuary, 2025	
Monthly Regular Collection::	\$ 5,877.25	
YTD Collected Sep. 2024:	\$51,292.95	
YTD Collection Budget:	\$39,302.40	
Overage or (Shortage):	\$11,990.55	

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



Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Explained

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is an intercessory prayer invoking God's mercy on the world, utilizing words drawn from the text of The Diary of St. Faustina Maria Kowalska. St. Faustina was a Polish nun who received visions of Christ imploring her to spread the message of his Divine Mercy, specifically through the recitation of this chaplet.

Prayed with an ordinary five-decade Rosary, the chaplet opens with a recitation of the Our Father, the Hail Mary and the Apostle's Creed. The beads usually used for the Our Father are used to recite this prayer: "Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world," followed by ten Hail Marys and the words "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

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, 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, Jim Guy, Edward Metcalf, Jean Watts, The Gregory Family, Delores Francini, Tim Grey, Dan Bailey, Dewayne Bailey, Terry & Tiffany Reynolds, Dalton Barksdale, Judy Tanner, Fred & Lillian Jones, Scott Crawford, Commander Justin Liffick, Karen Price, Wendy Rapole

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected Jan, 2025	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$2,861.00	\$24,647.55	\$25,297.50	(\$649.95)

Sacred Heart Finance/Parish Council:

Lori Derflinger, Scott Crawford, Tammy Hinchey, Chair Parish Council

SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS – April 13

Reader–Jim Guy/Pat Irvine Ushers–Dennis Queensbury/Bernard Marquis EM– Judy Guy Altar–Pat Irvine m/Counters--Bernard Marquis/Tammy Hinchey

'CLUSTER NEWS

Passion of the Lord - Regular Mass Schedule **Distribution of Palms Easter Triduum Services**

April 17th Holy Thursday St. Theresa – 7:00pm - Mass of the

Lord's Supper IHM – 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper April 18th Good Friday The Lord's Passion St. Theresa – 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross St. Theresa - 7:00pm The Lord's Passion IHM – 6:00pm Stations of the Cross and The Lord's Passion Sacred Heart – 3:00pm Stations of the Cross and The Lord's Passion **April 19th Holy Saturday** St. Theresa - 8:00pm - The Easter Vigil in the Holy night **Immaculate Heart of Mary –** 8:00pm – The Easter Vigil of the Holy Night **April 20th-Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord** St. Theresa – Mass at 8:00am and 10:30am

IHM – 9:00am **Sacred Heart** – 11:00

The Parish Office will be closed Bread, and Drink from April 18-22 There will be no daily Masses that week

Easter Food Blessing

Were you raised in an Eastern European Home?

Do you remember taking food to church on Easter Saturday to be blessed? Fr. Chris will bless the Easter food on Saturday, April 19th at noon.

Traditional baskets include: white napkin to line the basket, unsliced loaf of bread, Babka or sweet rolls, ham or bacon, Kielbasa, butter, decorated hard boiled eggs, horse radish, wine or vinegar, small shaker of salt, and a new white candle. Please plan to join us in the Commons area of St. Theresa church.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

Friday—April 11, 4-7 pm

St. Theresa Parish Center, 700 Buffalo St.

Fish, Coleslaw, Beans, Hush Puppies,

\$12 per plate, eat in or carry out

*Funds benefit the Knights' charitable works

ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 6

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

- 5:30 pm Mass offered for Fr. Chris & Fr. Ronnie
- Adoration to follow.
 THURSDAY, APRIL 10
- 9:00 am Mass offered for Pope Francis FRIDAY, APRIL 11
- 9:00am Mass offered for †Ed Deregibus
- <u>SATURDAY, APRIL 12</u>
- 5:00 pm Mass offered for †Theresa Miller <u>SUNDAY , APRIL 13</u>
- 8:00am Mass offered for Deacon Pete and Diane Menting
- 10:30am Mass offered for †Marilyn Reid

<u>ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE</u> <u>WEEK OF APRIL 6-APRIL 13</u> <u>WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9</u>

- 10:00am Food Pantry and Clothes Ministry SUNDAY, APRIL 13
- 9:00am CCD

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

There will be First Saturday Mass at St. Theresa at 9:00am every month. Next Mass will be May 4.

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Education is being held at 9:00am—10:00am every other week at the Parish Center at St. Theresa. Subject will be a short video review of the weekends readings with discussion to follow. Next Sessions are April 20 and May 4.

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 56 people on March 26.

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

Our Parishioners: Pat O'Halloran, George Ghrelin, Tina Ehman, Edwin Sebolt, Shirley Ehman, Ann Marie Howard, Eniko Swanick, Pat Ely ,Anna Marie Nolan, Bill Neu, Peg Giordano, Nancy Pempel, Sydney Stafford, Cecily Hill

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, 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, Dennis Maglione

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, Matthew Lepalm

ST. THERESA ~ STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected Jan. 25	YTD Coll20ection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$18,638.04	\$144,838.83	\$150,361.80	(\$5,522.97)

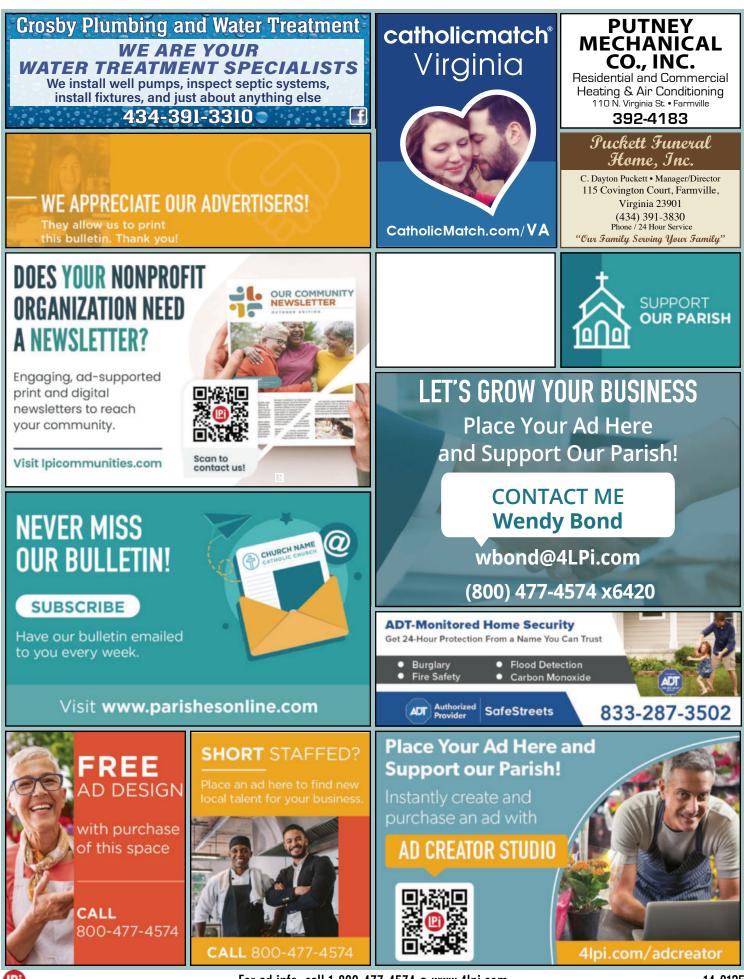
St. Theresa Finance Council Mike Wolyniak (Chair), Nancy Pempel, Steve Barber, Karen Schinabeck



Food Pantry Needs!

Pancake Mix, Syrup, White Rice, Canned Corn, Cereal, Instant Potato Packets, 16 oz Peanut butter, 2 qt Juice (any kind)

Thank you!!!



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