

CENTRAL VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CLUSTER



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—Karel Bailey

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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.

August 10, 2025

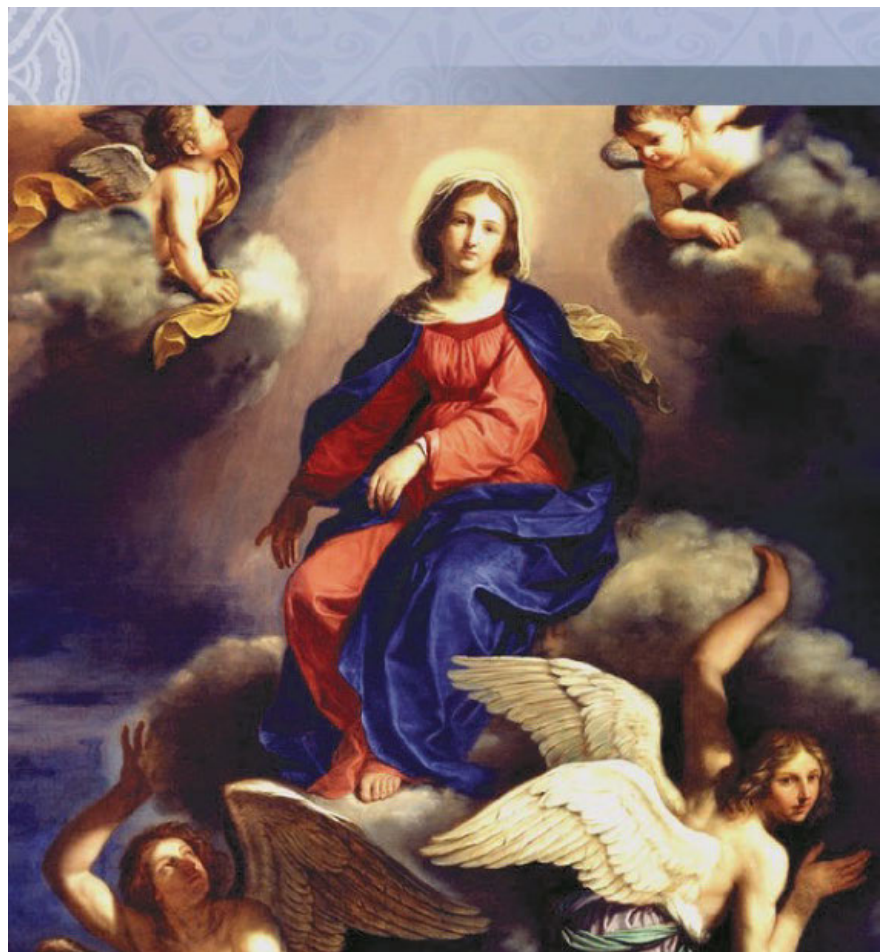
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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE
Blessed Virgin Mary

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)***

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

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 August 10, 2025

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)/
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/

Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt
17:22-27

Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12/Mt
18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt
18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-
7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/

Lk 11:27-28 *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/

Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/

Lk 1:39-56

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt
19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/Heb
12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

There was a young mother in my parish community who was depressed due to financial strain. She prayed for help. One morning before Mass, she placed on the counter a zip-lock bag filled with jewelry and old coins. Smiling, she explained she had been fixing an old cabinet and found the items hidden deep within the walls of her home. One particular coin could be worth as much as \$900,000. The contents of the bag—previously unknown to them—were now their prized possession. Their plans changed that week. They had to learn how much it was worth.

This week, the Lord tells us, “**For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be**” (Luke 12:34). Our lives revolve around what we treasure. When we discover the treasure the Father gives us—the kingdom of God—everything changes. We might not know its precise value, but we rearrange our lives around it. The joy of this discovery should never be far from our minds.

Sometimes we go through times when we can't find this treasure. It seems hidden. Or it appears like dirty old coins and worthless jewelry in a Ziploc bag. But how crazy would my parishioners be if they tossed it away without knowing the cash value? How much crazier are we if we center our hearts on any treasure except that of Jesus and his kingdom? Remember, the Father is pleased to give it to us. That's why we put our hearts there, even when it is hidden.

— *Father John Muir*

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: Diane Menting, Jose Luis Ruiz, Jr; Nancy Ortega, Michael Blevins, John Paul Parson,Mae Luedtke, Cristina Castellanos, Patricia Webb, Phyllis Hernandez, Albert Cruz, Eleanor Drebeck, Maria M. Fuentes, Angel R. Velez-Ortiz, Josef K. Sablan, Marion Constante, Pam Blevins, Jerry Smith, Gus Mitchell, Rose Gratton, Richard Whitmore, Helen Hemetec,, Tina & Christina Van Wart, Naleen Cordle, Margaret Brooks, Alex Ruiz,Jocelyn Garcia, Barbara & Ronnie McKenna, Jeannie Peters, Renard McCrary-Ortiz, Paul Semtner, Susan McKenna

IHM STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE	
Aril, 2025	
Monthly Regular Collection::	\$ 8,459.00
YTD Collected Sep. 2024:	\$73,909.37
YTD Collection Budget:	\$56,333.44
Overage or (Shortage):	\$17,575.93

IHM Finance Council

Grace McDonald, Chair, Paul Semtner, Patty York, Norma Ruiz, Tito Perez

10 de agosto de 2025
XIX Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Todos tenemos algo bajo nuestro cuidado: la familia, un enfermo, los padres, los niños. Incluso el lugar en que vivimos, nuestra casa común, nuestro planeta. Dios cuenta con nosotros para dar respuesta al Evangelio de hoy. *"Estén preparados"*, nos dice. *"Tengan puesta la ropa de trabajo y sus lámparas encendidas"* (Lucas 12:33). Nos pide estar siempre en vela, alertas, preparados para su llegada. Por lo tanto, debemos estar atentos, trabajando en todo lo que nos acerca a Él. Ser fieles a su Palabra implica responsabilidad, implica avivar el fuego de Dios en el corazón de cada persona.

Pedro, como siempre, se anima a preguntar: *"Señor, esta parábola que has contado, ¿es sólo para nosotros o es para todos?"*. Gracias, Pedro, por preguntar. Así, el Señor Jesús afirma que el trabajo y la fidelidad son para todos sin excepción: *"Afortunado ese servidor si, al llegar su señor, lo encuentra cumpliendo su deber"* (Lucas 12:43). Esta respuesta es una invitación a cooperar en el crecimiento del Reino de Dios, a entusiasrnos en los proyectos comunitarios que llevan al bien común. *"El amor a la sociedad y el compromiso por el bien común son una forma excelente de la caridad, que no solo afecta a las relaciones entre los individuos, sino a las macro relaciones, como las relaciones sociales, económicas y políticas"* (Papa Francisco, *Laudato Si'*, 231, septiembre 21, 2023).

Sacred Heart ~ Meherrin
Prayer List - Reminder: List is updated once a month. If someone needs to be added, please call the office.
Mary Hind, Scott Crawford, Joy Crawford, Jean Watts, Evelyn Harland, John Ehman , Teresa Holdren, Terry and Tiffany Reynolds, Willie Selig, Shirley Ehman

Schedule of Ministers—August 17
Reader—Kathy Oliver
Ushers—Richard Hinchey/
Bernard Marquis
EM —Judy Guy
Altar—Dona Selig
M/Counters—Billy Brown/
Lori Derflinger

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected April, 2025	YTD Collection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$3,885.00	\$35,999.05	\$36,259.75	(\$260.20)

Sacred Heart Finance/Parish Council:
Lori Derflinger, Scott Crawford, Tammy Hinchey, Chair
Parish Council, Dana Borum, Kathy Oliver



'CLUSTER NEWS'



St. Theresa Parish Feast of the Assumption of Mary August 15

Mass at 9 am
Mass at 7 pm

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

August 15
Mass at 6 pm

Sacred Heart Parish

August 15
Mass at 11 am



CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Christian Initiation of Adults is the Catholic Church's process for welcoming new members to the faith. It is a period of learning about the faith by exploring our beliefs, traditions, and practices. We begin on Sunday, September 7, and following Sundays at 9 am at the Parish Center. For questions and information please contact the office, Fr. Chris or Fr. Ronnie, or Deacon Emmett.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Campus Ministry is looking for cooks and speakers for its Wednesday Night Dinners with the college students for the Fall semester. If you are interested in helping, or if you have any questions please contact:

Dan Holland
farmvilleccm@gmail.com



ST. THERESA MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 10

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

- 5:30 pm Mass offered for †Margaret Farnsworth

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13

- 5:30 pm Mass offered for †Todd Schinabeck

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

- 9:00 am Mass offered for †William Brandt

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

- 9:00 am Mass offered for †Deacon Peter Menting

SATURDAY AUGUST 16

- 5:00 pm Mass offered for †Theresa Capezza

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

- 8:00am Mass offered for †Leo Gighe
- 10:30am Mass offered for †Jim Croushorn

ST. THERESA ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 10—AUGUST 17 WEDNESDAY,

- 10:00am - Food Pantry and Clothes Ministry
- 9:00am No Adult Education

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

There will be a First Saturday Mass at St. Theresa at 9:00am every month. Next Mass will be September 2nd.

CLOTHING MINISTRY

Please—no more donations to the clothing ministry.

We are full!!

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, Cecily Hill, Ed Slate

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, Bill Krout, Harry Roman

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, LTC Efren Aranzamendez, Army and CPT Ryan Aranzamendez (retired), Air Force, Joshua Duggan, Zachary Varner, Jaimie Bliss Pempel, Captain Christopher Selig, Matthew Lepalm

St. Theresa Finance Council

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

Monthly Regular Collection	YTD Collected April. 25	YTD Coll20ection Budget	Overage or (Shortage)
\$24,172.89	\$206,338.99	\$215,518.58	(\$9,179.59)

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 66 people on 7-30.

*Please - if anyone has extra garden veggies—the Food Pantry will take any fresh extra veggies you might have. Please leave in the refrigerator at the church or bring to the pantry on Wednesday morning. Thank you!!!

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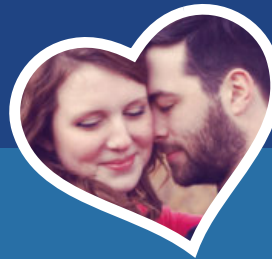
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