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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil*

Sunday 8 AM + 11 AM

Traditional Latin 2 PM

DAILY

Monday* + Friday 12 PM

(except First Friday)

Tuesday-Thursday 7 AM 6:30 PM First Friday Saturday 8 AM

*Mass for the Vulnerable Population

Thursday Holy Hour 7 PM

CONFESSION

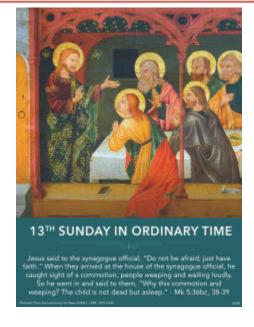
Sunday 1:30-2 PM Monday, Wednesday, Friday * 6:30-7:30 PM *First Friday & Holy hour 7:00-8:00 PM Thursday 6:30-7PM and by appointment **Office Hours** Mon-Fri 9 AM-3 PM

The Bishop's dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass remains in effect until June 26.

For those in a vulnerable category or who feel insecure, we invite you to attend Saturdays at 5 PM and Mondays at Noon, or to take advantage of the opportunity to view the Mass via livestream on our Facebook page:

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT -We, the members of Holy Comforter Parish, united in faith by God, nourished by Jesus through the Word and the Eucharist, and guided by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, believe that we are called to worship, formation, service, and evangelization within our parish, our local communities, and all those in need.

PRAYER & WORSHIP



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (6/26)

8 AM Mass of Thanksgiving

(Fr. Tom Lawrence)

9 AM Altar Server Incense Workshop

5 PM Vigil Mass (Vulnerable Population)

(livestream) Masks & distancing required for all.

SUNDAY (6/27) Thirteenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Altar Flowers donated by the Mackey Family in Honor of Maeve Wolthus' 5th Birthday.

8 AM Mass

11 AM Mass (livestream)

1:30-2 PM Confession

2 PM Latin Mass

MONDAY (6/28)

12 PM Mass (Vulnerable Population) (livestream)

Masks & distancing required for all.

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

7:30 PM High School Catholic Reading Group (LL)

TUESDAY (6/29)

7 AM Mass

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (6/30)

7 AM Mass

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (7/1)

7 AM Mass

12 PM-1 PM Soup Kitchen-Bag lunch

6:30 PM-7 PM Confession

7 PM-8 PM Holy Hour

FRIDAY (7/2) First Friday

2:45-4 PM Penitential Psalms and Rosary of Reparation

6:30 Mass

7 PM-8 PM Adoration & Confession

SATURDAY (7/3) First Saturday

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass (Vulnerable Population)

(livestream) Masks & distancing required for all.

SAINTS OF GOD

6/26 Blessed Raymond Lull

6/27 Saint Cyril of Alexandria

Blessed are You

SUNDAY (7/4) Fourteenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Independence Day

8 AM Mass

11 AM Mass (livestream)

1:30-2 PM Confession

2 PM Latin Mass

Prayer for Protection

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of the American People, and all people, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen. Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Hail Mary(x3)

Adopted from Pope Francis.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Rosary of Reparation

Join us at Holy Comforter every Friday. The Penitential Psalms begin at 2:45 PM 7 AM † Dorothy S. Littley (Dotty and George Lilly) with the powerful 20-decade Rosary of Reparation at 3 PM. Please contact Tina Blumenfeld at tmsblum@gmail.com for more information.

6/28 Saint Irenaeus

6/29 Saints Peter and Paul

6/30 First Martyrs of the Church of Rome

7/1 Saint Junipero Sera

7/2 Saint Oliver Plunkett

7/3 Saint Thomas

7/4 Saint Elizabeth of Portugal

Welcome New **Parishioners**

We welcome you to join our Holy Comforter Parish Family. Registration forms are available in the office and on the Commons Credenza.

TO REQUEST MASS INTENTIONS Contact the Parish Office (434) 295-7185 reception@holycomforterparish.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (6/26)

8 AM Meade Family (Deacon Henry and Alicia Vinklarek)

5 PM Members of the Parish

SUNDAY (6/27)

8 AM Rachael Stewart and Family

11 AM Danny Meade

(Deacon Henry and Alicia Vinklarek)

2 PM † Joseph and † Mary Smith (Patricia McAdams)

MONDAY (6/28)

12 PM † Wanda Johenning

TUESDAY (6/29)

7 AM † Jack and † Margaret Kirkland

WEDNESDAY (6/30)

7 AM † Matilda Tinsler, OCDS (Patricia McAdams)

THURSDAY (7/1)

and In Honor of the Precious Blood of Jesus

FRIDAY (7/2)

6:30 PM Randy Saathoff for Healing

SATURDAY (7/3)

8 AM For the Conversion of Unbelievers **5 PM** For the Consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

SUNDAY (7/4)

8 AM Members of the Parish

11 AM † Lester Kennedy, II

2 PM † Robert Savino (Patricia McAdams)

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GIFTS FROM GOD

GIFTS FROM GOD Offertory Report for Week Ending June 20, 2021 will appear next month.

SUMMER VACATION HAS RETURNED!

If you will be away from Holy Comforter on a Sunday, you can still participate in the offertory process through Online Giving. Contributions can be made from wherever you are... you can even set up payments in advance! And when you give online, it helps us to meet our operating expenses, even when attendance is low. Please visit holycomforterparish.org for the Online Giving link!!

2021 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



Building Our Family of Faith Contributions are gladly accepted. Please scan this QR

code to get started. **Thank you** to those who have already responded!



SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE

ALL MONTH Haiti + Christian Formation + Justice and Peace 6/6/2021 Peter's Pence 6/13/2021 Outreach Donations may be made at Mass, in the office, by mail and online. Please follow the link on our website: holycomforterparish.org

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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LITURGICAL NOTES

Wisdom's opening statement in the first reading offers a striking meditation for Mass: "God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living." Our God is the living God and God of the living. He created us for Himself, to live forever. It is because of the Devil that death has entered the world, both death of the body and the soul. Christ destroyed the latter death by His propitiatory Death, winning for us a superabundance of grace, the life of the soul, through baptism and the life-sustaining sacraments of Confession and Communion. The former death (of the body) will be overcome at the end of time when He will come to judge the world. Mother Church responds to this great mystery in two ways: joy, as in the case of the Entrance Antiphon ("All nations [...] shout unto God with a voice of joy."), and trust, as in the case of the Communion Antiphon ("Lend your ear and make haste to res-cue us."). The Offertory Antiphon is beautifully situated between these two sentiments, drawing on the confidence from the Entrance and the prayerful trust from the Communion and creating a total offering of ourselves to God. In dying to self, we are consumed as the holocaust offerings and are freed to love God wholly. This total selfgift is a death that paradoxically undoes the two deaths brought into this world by Satan. May God grant us the strength to persevere in doing good! Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MELINDA WELLS, DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

HOLY COMFORTER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!!

YES, we will be having VBS July 26-30!!!

PLACE: Catholic Church of the Holy Comforter

TIMES: Monday and Friday 9 AM-12 PM

Tuesday-Thursday 2 PM-4 PM

COST: \$25 person/\$50 Family

(scholarships available)

AGES: 5-13 years old

In this year of Saint Joseph, take a journey with us as we follow godly Saint Joseph with the Holy Family.

See the map of the Holy Family's travels and learn more of Saint Joseph's virtues! Experience sacred art depicting Saint Joseph's adventures. Listen to stories of his miracles! He is the loving father and *Protector of the Holy Family*.

The ORIGINAL **Terror of Demons...He is Saint Joseph!** Sign up sheets will be on the VBS Sign-up Table in the Commons. **Space is limited so please sign up soon!**

Volunteers are welcome and appreciated!

First Reading

Ezekiel 2:2-5

The Lord sends the prophet Ezekiel to the Israelites.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 123:1-2,3-4
A prayer to God for mercy

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Paul bears insults and weakness for the sake of Christ.

Gospel

Mark 6:1-6

Jesus is rejected in his hometown.

June 27, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

OUR PARISHIONERS (Includes the ill and homebound)

Jolene Green, Pam Heron, Barbara Isaac, James Leitch, Michael Ludgate, Scarlett Makielski, Kitty Moore, Marie & Joe Murray, Marian Ortmann, Mary Polce, Yulia Savona, Shawn Simpson-Smith, Deacon Henry Vinklarek, Mary Wheeler

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Maureen Bradley, Kathleen Gough, Julie Kajihara, Meghan Kajihara, Lisa Karen, Steve Kirchmeyer, Coty Lockett, Melodie Mougeolle, Josephine Nampijja, Aimee Nyriamugisha, Randall Saathoff, David Shrank, Jonathan Shrank, Aiden Smith, Lisa Wells,

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PLEASE NOTE: We are updating the prayer list for family and friends. If you would like a name added or removed, please call 434.295.7185 or email reception@holycomforterparish.org



To arrange to receive Holy Communion or a visit from Father Joseph Mary, please call the office 434.295.7185

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

Outreach: We appreciate your contributions and donations to Outreach! We are distributing food bags to those in need during Food Pantry on Tues & Wed, 10:30am-1:30pm. And giving bagged lunches to those needing a mid-day meal during Soup Kitchen on Thurs, 12-1pm. Both the Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen are safely taking place outside the 3rd Street door. Please leave any food donations in the basket by the stairs in the Commons. Thank you and God Bless!

St. Michel Parish: Father Petina sends word that Covid deaths are impacting prominent Haitians outside Saltadere. A bishop, several priests and doctors have died. The community cannot obtain food and goods from the Dominican Republic so must pay the inflated prices in the nearby towns. Please keep our twin parish in your prayers.

Haiti Ministry Needs: Plans for an Autumn charity golf outing are underway. See contacts below to learn how you can help.

Bi-Parish Haiti Committee: Next Meeting: July 11. Potluck at the Knasels at 4 pm. All are welcome. Contacts: Anne Knasel at anne@stagebridge.net, Ginny Zeller at ginnyannzeller@gmail.com.

Website: https://info941709.wixsite.com/haiti-committee-site/news

Holy Comforter High School Catholic Reading Group meets *Mondays from 7:30-8:30PM (LL)*. The book is Perelandra by C.S. Lewis and is led by HC Parishioner, Victoria Lannon. This a great opportunity to make new friends with like-minded kids and learn more about the Faith while becoming a saint though reading and sharing! For more information, please contact Victoria Lannon at gregnbuk@gmail.com

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound: Holy Comforter Eucharistic Ministers (EMs) can start visiting the homebound again. What a cherished gift to parishioners who have not received the Eucharist for over a year! EMs will follow current COVID guidelines. All involved must be vaccinated. If you know someone who is homebound who would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the office 434 295-7185. If you would like to join this ministry contact Barbara Rainville (consultrainville@aol.com).

Holy Comforter Altar Servers: Join the ranks of Holy Comforter Altar Servers! The Altar Servers Incense Training Workshop is this Saturday, June 26 at 9 AM. For more information email Seminarian William Yearout at intern@holycomforterparish.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Comforter's Parish Life Committee is looking for committee members! Did you help celebrate Father's anniversary? Did you attend our Pentecost picnic? Do you want to help make more of these events happen? Join the Parish Life Committee! Contact Emily Pierson at <a href="mailto:parish:

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Thank you!

FROM THE PASTOR





FINDING JOY IN THE LORD NOT IN THE WORLD Part IV

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

"| will go to the altar of God, to God, my joy and my delight" Psalms 43:4

People look for joy in all the wrong places. Real joy can be found only in the presence of God. The joy of the presence of God is a joy that lasts not just for certain moments, but forever. One of the problems is that people get happiness and joy all mixed up, yet they are quite different things. Happiness depends on circumstances while joy does not. Happiness is fleeting and often relies on "pleasure feelings" to fuel it. The pleasures of this world and the pleasures of sin last only for a moment, so a seeker of true joy cannot count on them. Sin wants you to believe that it is all flowers and sunshine. But if you are looking for real pleasure, you will find that sin may be fun but is always fleeting. The flowers and sunshine turn to cold winter very quickly.

God is a God of joy, so the secret to finding joy is to start by finding God and knowing Him. Keeping our joy means realizing that the pleasures found in wickedness are only temporary. We must choose to side with the people of God rather than those who enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin, even if it means suffering. We may have to put aside some pleasures to find true joy. We may have to become a very different person as we turn away from certain activities to obey God. We might not keep our friends, but we will certainly keep our joy!

Someone once told me that Joy is the badge of the believers. Paul, writing from his prison cell, emphasized the inability of circumstances to stifle his enjoyment of the Lord. "Be full of joy," he exhorted the beloved Philippian believers, "I say it again—rejoice!" Philippians. 4:4. When we cannot praise God

for what He has allowed, we can thank Him for who He is in the midst of what He has allowed! This does not mean that we do not mourn with those who mourn, but it does mean that we point discouraged people to Jesus—the source of joy.

So many people think joy is experiencing their own pleasure, but it does not work like that. When we bring joy and delight to God, He lets us know that joy deep down inside us, and our heart smiles. When Jesus sent the larger group of His disciples out to minister in His name for the first time, they returned full of excited stories of what had happened. They also "returned with joy" Luke 10:17. "Jesus, full of joy through the Holy Spirt, said, 'I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure" Luke 10:21. When we are doing the Father's good pleasure—the things He has called and gifted us to do— His joy is transferred to our hearts, strengthening us to please Him. After all, "the joy of the Lord is your strength" Nehemiah 8:10. Life is filled with detours and dead ends, trials, and challenges of every kind. Each of us has likely had times when distress, anguish, and despair almost consumed us. Yet we are here to have joy in the Lord! What must we do to claim the joy that the Heavenly Father has in store for us? The joy we feel has little to do with the circumstances of our lives and everything to do with the focus of our lives.

When the focus of our lives is on God's plan of salvation, and Jesus Christ and His gospel, we can feel joy regardless of what is happening—or not happening—in our lives. Joy comes from and because of Him. He is the source of all joy. We feel it at Christmastime when we sing, "Joy to the world, the Lord is come", and we can feel it all year round. For the Lord promised to be with us all year round.

How, then, can we claim that joy? We can start by "looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith" Hebrews 12:2. We can give thanks for Him in our prayers and by keeping covenants we have made with Him and our Heavenly Father. As our Savior becomes more and more real to us and as we plead for His joy to be given to us, our joy will increase.

Listen to these words of the Psalmist: "I have set the Lord always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved...In His presence is fulness of joy" Psalms 16: 8, 11.



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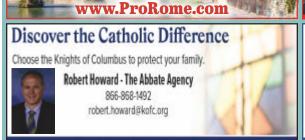




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