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- Saturday Vigil 5 PM
- Sunday 8 AM + 11 AM
- Traditional Latin 2 PM
- DAILY**
- Monday + Friday 12 PM
(except First Friday)
- Tuesday-Thursday 7 AM
- First Friday 6:30 PM
- Saturday 8 AM
- 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

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29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"But it shall not be so among you: Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mt. 10:43-45

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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.

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PRAYER & WORSHIP



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (10/16)

8 AM Mass
2-4:30 PM Wedding
5 PM Vigil Mass (*Masks & distancing required*)
Ministry Fair After Mass

SUNDAY (10/17) Twenty-Ninth Sunday in

Ordinary Time Altar Flowers Donated
Anonymously
Ministry Fair After Each Mass

8 AM Mass
9:15 AM-10:15 AM Christian Formation (LL)
9:45-10:45 AM RCIA (DRE Office)
11 AM Mass (*livestream*)
1:30-2 PM Confession
2 PM Latin Mass

MONDAY (10/18)

12 PM Mass
6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (10/19)

7 AM Mass
10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (10/20)

7 AM Mass
10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry
6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (10/21)

7 AM Mass
12 PM-1 PM Soup Kitchen-Bag lunch
6:30-7:30 PM Confession
7-8 PM Holy Hour

Friday (10/22)

9 AM-12 PM Regina Caeli Homeschool Co-op LL
12 PM Mass
2:45 PM Penitential Psalms & Rosary of Reparation
5-6 PM Wedding Rehearsal
6:30-7:30 PM Confession

SATURDAY (10/23)

8 AM Mass
1:30-4 PM Wedding
5 PM Vigil Mass (*Masks & distancing required*)

SUNDAY (10/24) Thirtieth Sunday in

Ordinary Time
Second Collection: *World Mission Sunday*
Altar Flowers in Honor of Steve and Carol Ham's 50th Wedding Anniversary
8 AM Mass

9:15 AM-10:15 AM Christian Formation (LL)
9:45-10:45 AM RCIA (DRE Office)
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 with *Rosary of Reparation* at 3 PM. Please email Tina Blumenfeld, at tmsblum@gmail.com

10/19 Saints Isaac Jogues, Jean de Brebeuf, and Companions
10/20 Saint Paul of the Cross
10/21 Saint Hilarion
10/22 Saint John Paul II
10/23 Saint John of Capistrano
10/24 Saint Anthony Mary Claret

Welcome New Parishioners

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

TO REQUEST MASS INTENTIONS
Contact the Parish Office (434) 295-7185

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (10/16)

8 AM The Gilbert Family
5 PM † Jack and † Margaret Kirkland

SUNDAY (10/17)

8 AM Members of the Parish
11 AM Charlie Anne Xavier
2 PM Michael McAdams (Patricia McAdams)

MONDAY (10/18)

12 PM LaDean Barnes (Martha Cassell)

TUESDAY(10/19)

7 AM Isaak Pyatetsky (Blumenfeld Family)

Wednesday (10/20)

7 AM † Raymond Melcancon, Sr (Alicia Vinklarek)

THURSDAY (10/20)

7 AM † Lillian Vinklarek (Deacon Henry Vinklarek)

FRIDAY (10/21)

12 PM Paul Lannon (Matt and Tina Blumenfeld)

SATURDAY (10/22)

8 AM † Mykolas Lengel (Kathleen Thompson)
5 PM Special Intention (Mary Frances Lilly)

SUNDAY (10/23)

8 AM Molly Adams (Patricia McAdams)
11 AM Members of the Parish
2 PM † Bruce and † Anne Jolly

SAINTS OF GOD *Blessed are You*

10/16 Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque
10/17 Saint Ignatius of Antioch
10/18 Saint Luke

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 10, 2021	
OFFERTORY	\$13,673
WEEKLY OFFERTORY BUDGET	(\$8,300)
ABOVE WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,373

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR OCTOBER

ALL MONTH Christian Formation + Haiti + Justice and Peace

10/10/2021 Outreach

10/24/2021 World Mission Sunday
The Society for the Propagation of the Faith

MAKE A DIFFERENCE THROUGH YOUR IRA

As the end of the year draws near, please consider making a charitable donation from your IRA to benefit our parish. If you are age 72 or older, you can make your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) directly from your IRA to our parish, and the distribution is excluded from your gross taxable income. To learn how you can make an impact through your IRA right now, contact your financial advisor or Maggie Keenan at the Catholic Community Foundation - 804-622-5221 or mkeen@richmonddiocese.org.

IMPORTANT: Please make your gift as soon as possible so you can ensure it is received by December 31st, 2021!

LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance: I have called out because you answer me, O God; incline your ear and hear my words; keep me, O Lord, like the apple of your eye; protect me under the shadow of your wings.

Offertory: I shall meditate upon your commandments which I greatly love; I will extend my hands towards your commandments which I love.

Communion: O Lord our governor, how admirable is your name in all the earth! *It is interesting that the Communion Antiphon today refers to the Lord as "governor" since Jesus directed the apostles to govern through service, not "lording" their authority over others as the Gentiles do. Hence His name is admirable "in all the earth" because of the astonishing reversal of nature. Both Isaiah and St. Paul highlight this reversal in pointing out that Christ's way was to overcome suffering in His own suffering that we might not be alone in our suffering. The Pagan world ruled according to the maxim "might is right," and our Lord toppled that order in the establishment of His holy Church to lead mankind to salvation through that same example of service through suffering. Our brokenness will not be fully overcome, however, until the end of time when all things will be renewed. Our weaknesses and the weaknesses of others will stand as obstacles between us and the perfection Christ wants of us. Staying the course will require grace, and so we pray: "protect me under the shadow of your wings."*

Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Christian Formation and Sacramental Preparation (First Sacraments and Confirmation) Registrations Forms and Calendars, are on the RE Table in the Commons and on the Holy Comforter Church Website.

- ◆ **UVa Theologian Kevin Hart Zoom Talk "Versions of the Bible"**
Please see Flocknote and Bulletin Announcements to register
- ◆ **Thriving in the College Years:** Presentation on Christendom College, Sunday, October 24 after the 11 AM Mass. Refreshments provided. (LL)
- ◆ **All Saints Celebration:** Sunday, October 31, 9:15-10:15 AM, (LL)
Dress as your favorite saint! All are invited!

Catechist or Junior Catechist needed for 2-3 and 4-5, grades. Substitute Catechists are also needed! If interested, please contact: **Melinda Wells, Director of Religious Education**, dre@holycorforterparish.org or call (434) 295-6559.

Parish Life

Holy Comforter's St. Augustine Young Adult Group is taking a trip to the Liberty Mills Farm corn maze on Saturday, October 23 at 1 pm. Come join us for fellowship and pumpkin ice cream! Please *RSVP in Flocknote* to confirm you're coming or contact **Emily Pierson** at parishlife@holycorforterparish.org.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord declares himself to be the Father of Israel

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 126:1-2,2-3,4-5,6

A song of praise to God who does great things

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

Christ was made high priest by God.

Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

Jesus restores sight to the blind man, Bartimaeus

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Parishioners (includes ill, injured, homebound, and caregivers) Erin Horn Ferguson & Family, Jolene Green, Pam Heron, Barbara Isaac, Victoria Lannon, James Leitch, Michael Ludgate, Scarlett Makielski, Kitty Moore, Marian Ortmann, Mary Polce, Shawn Simpson-Smith, Deacon Henry Vinklerek, Mary Wheeler, and Charlie Anne and Andre Xavier and their two children.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Blandine Attey, Christine Bentejac, Maureen Bradley, Mary Caretti, Steven D'Arca, Joe Ferguson, Andrew Hunt & Family, Susan Murphy Harlow, Anthony Kapeluch, Steve Kirchmeyer, Coty Lockett, Frank McClendon, Melodie Mougeolle, Marie and Joe Murray, Josephine Nampijja, Aimee Nyriamugisha, Isaak & Ada Pyatetsky, Randall Saathoff, Julia Savona, David Shrank, Jonathan Shrank, Aiden Smith, Lisa Wells, Henry Francis Wojtala, and Andrew Wood

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Joey Smith, Matthew Schrank, Benjamin Schrank, Jonathan Schrank, Elijah Schrank, Nick Bruno, Nathaniel Byrd, Jeffrey Jaeger, Pete Bakke, Michael Eiermann, Tom Logan, Trey Linebrink, Charles G. Ellison, and Matthew Mickiewicz

PLEASE NOTE: If you would like a name added or removed, please call the Office 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

Holy Comforter Parishioners, Francis & Erminia Olimpio-Poni Janabio are fundraising to adopt their orphaned niece, Sarafina, in South Sudan. *Please use this link for more information;*
<https://www.gofundme.com/f/a-better-life-for-sarafina>

MINISTRIES

Outreach: We appreciate your continued contributions and donations to Outreach! **During the 3rd Quarter of 2021, Food Pantry distributed food bags to 215 households (547 individuals) and Soup Kitchen served 596 bagged lunches.** We distribute food bags during Food Pantry on Tues & Wed, 10:30am-1:30pm. And give out bagged lunches during Soup Kitchen on Thurs, 12-1pm. 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 & God Bless!
The Works of Mercy Ministry is offering our prayers and services for the caretakers of our ill and homebound parishioners. Email mercy@holycomforterparish.org for info.
Religious Education: UVa Theologian Kevin Hart "Versions of the Bible" Please join UVa Theologian Kevin Hart at 4:30, Sunday, October 17 for an online talk on the important and complicated question on the different versions in which the Bible has come down to us. The one hour event is free but advance registration is required. Contact the host at inquisit@virginia.edu

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ministry Fair: There will be a ministry Fair the weekend of the October 17 after each Mass in the Commons. Come and learn about new opportunities to become involved in Holy Comforter's Parish Family!

Thriving In the College Years: Discover how students at Christendom College learn the Truth, live the Faith, and Thrive as Catholics. **Admissions Counselor Ben Marsh, will be giving a brief presentation and Q&A session after the 11 AM Mass on Sunday, October 24th.** This event is ideal for anyone with high-school-aged children/anyone interested in Christendom College. Refreshments will be provided.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Holy Trinity Conference, held its first in-person Friends of the Poor Walk at Incarnation Parish on Saturday, October 9. Nearly fifty people participated in the walk, 111 individual donations were received, and over \$25,000 was raised. Our Lady of the Rosary held a walk the same day at Mint Springs and raised \$1,845. The generosity of participants, as well as of individual and corporate donors, allows the Society to help meet some of the deep needs in our Community. Thanks to all who contributed to this event, to the pastors who supported us, and to the Vincentians who made it happen.

Dorothy Day Guild Holy Comforter members offer opportunities to build a relationship between our parish community and Casa Alma; to learn more about the life and cause for canonization of Dorothy Day, the founder of the Catholic Worker movement. Prayer cards are available in The Commons. Email Christine Hitchins, christinemarie.hitchins@gmail.com for information.

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Thank you!

FROM THE PASTOR



God, are you really here or what? Where is my God when I am in sorrow! Part V

“Casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.” 1 Peter 5:7

I remember my mother taking me with her to buy some foods at a huge market in Uganda. All I wanted to do was look for some items to play with. My mother was not interested in my interests – I least I thought so! She was interested in looking for foods and vegetables. Needless to say, I was bored to death. To alleviate my boredom, I would wander off on my own to find what I wanted. The next thing you know my mother would not know where I was. I did not tell her where I wanted to go; I assumed she would just know where I was. Of course, my mother panicked as she began looking all over the place for me. When she could not find me, she would go to the management of the market to announce over the public microphone, **“Would Joseph please come to the entrance of the market immediately. Mom is looking for you.”** After hearing my name broadcasted for all to hear, I would take my time in finding my way to the entrance. My mother caught sight of me as I walked toward the gate of the market. Immediately, her fear turned into relief. But then one second later, her relief turned into anger, and the lecture began: “Where have you been? Do you know what you put me through? Don’t you ever leave my sight again!” I tried to defend myself but to no avail. Needless to say, I was disciplined when I got home.

For Parents, If you’ve ever lost sight of a child, I’m sure you can relate to Mary and Joseph when they had lost Jesus in the temple. Scripture begins with the family of Mary, Joseph, and Jesus travelling to Jerusalem from Nazareth to celebrate Passover (Lk. 2:41). Jesus is 12 years old at the time of this particular journey. This is the age that a Jewish male moves from boyhood to manhood. He and his family would celebrate this passage to adulthood in a ceremony called *Bar Mitzvah* (**Son of the Law**). Being a Son of the Law meant that Jesus would be expected to know the difference between right and wrong. Jesus is eager to share his understanding of the Law with the teachers of the Law, so he stays at the Temple without informing his parents – in much the same way that I wandered around the market without the knowledge of my mother. In the meantime, his parents have already packed up and begun the journey back to Nazareth. During their journey they notice that Jesus is missing! Mary and Joseph immediately went into a panic and rushed back to Jerusalem to search for Jesus.

Wasn’t that incident painful to Mary? Of course! Our Blessed Mother in all these moments of pains kept Her silence, never a word of complaint. However, in this instance of great pain She exclaimed: **Son, why have you done this to us?** Certainly, She did not mean to reproach Jesus, but to make a loving grievance, not knowing the purpose of what had happened. What the Virgin suffered during those three long days of search we cannot fully understand. In Her other sorrows there was the presence of Jesus; in this particular sorrow, though, this presence was missing. One theologian said that perhaps the pain of Mary was intensified by this thought: **Is it my fault that Jesus has been lost?** There is no greater pain for a soul that loves than the fear of having displeased the person you love.

The Lord gave us Our Lady as a model of perfection and willed Her to suffer – indeed, to suffer very much – to make us understand that suffering is necessary and that it brings with it many spiritual goods. Patience is indispensable for following Jesus carrying the Cross. Mary’s anguish gives us a lesson for our spiritual life. Jesus has many souls who truly love Him, serving Him with loyalty and willing nothing else than to please Him. From time to time, Jesus hides Himself from them; that is, He does not make His presence felt and leaves them **in spiritual aridity**. Often these souls are troubled, not feeling their initial fervor. In this they are mistaken! Jesus allows dryness even to the most chosen souls, so that one can be detached from consolation and so that they will learn from suffering. So, we say: *We grieve with you, O Mary most sorrowful. Your heart was pierced by losing your beloved son for three days.*

To be continued...

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