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Saturday Vigil* 5 PM
*Masks Required

Sunday 8 AM + 11 AM
Traditional Latin 2 PM

Monday + Friday 12 PM
(except First Friday)

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

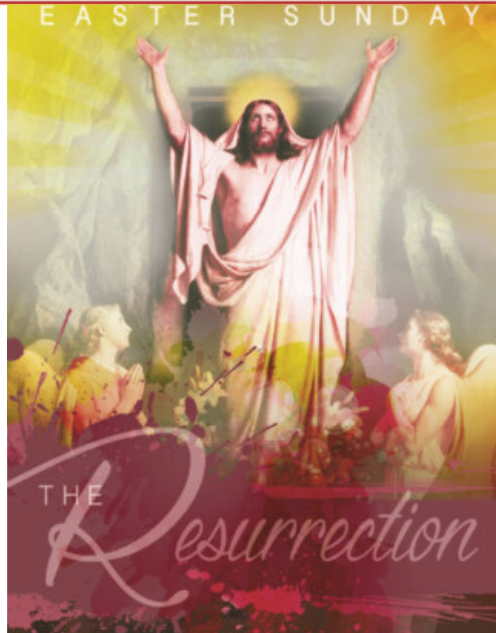
CONFESSION

Monday, Wednesday, Friday~ 6:30-7:30 PM
Thursday 6:30-7 PM
~First Friday & Holy Hour 7 PM-8 PM

Office Hours Mon-Fri 9 AM-3 PM

For those in a vulnerable category or who feel insecure, we invite you to attend Saturdays at 5 PM or to take advantage of the opportunity to view the 11 AM Sunday Mass via livestream on our Facebook page: facebook.com/holycomforterville

*Please Send Bulletin Submissions by 3 PM Mondays
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Uganda Theresa Lynch

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Director of Information and Webmaster Matt Blumenfeld

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Is your marriage bearing fruit? Don't wait until it is too late, take time for your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on May 6-8, 2022 in Hickory, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at:
<https://renewmarriagevasouth.org/>

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 (4/16)

8:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (4/17) EASTER SUNDAY

7 AM Latin Mass

9 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

MONDAY (4/18)

Office Closed

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (4/19)

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

7-8:30 PM HS Youth Group (LL)

WEDNESDAY (4/20)

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (4/21)

12 PM Mass

12 PM Soup Kitchen-Bag lunch

6:30-7 PM Confession

7 PM-8 PM Holy Hour

FRIDAY (4/22)

9-12 PM Regina Caeli Homeschool Co-op

12 PM Mass

2:45 PM-4 PM Penitential Psalms
and Rosary

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

SATURDAY (4/23)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks required)

SUNDAY (4/24) SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

8 AM Mass

9:15-10:15 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass

1:30 PM Confession

2 PM Latin Mass

3:15 PM Holy Hour

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* begins at 2:45 PM with *Rosary of Reparation* at 3 PM. For more information, please email Tina Blumenfeld, tmsblum@gmail.com

4/19 Saint Gianna Beretta Mollo

4/20 Saint Conrad of Parzham

4/21 Saint Anselm

4/22 Saint Adalbert of Prague

4/23 Saint George

4/24 Saint Fidelis of Singmaringen

Welcome

New Parishioners

We welcome you to join our Holy Comforter Parish Family. Registration forms are 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 (4/16)

No Morning Mass

8:30 PM Members of the Parish

SUNDAY (4/17)

7 AM Ann Ripley and Kim Fontecchio

9 AM † Anne O'Neill

11 AM † William Beard (Beard Family)

MONDAY (4/18)

12 PM Catie Claire Smith In Honor of the Anniversary of Her Baptism (Diane and Garrett Smith)

TUESDAY (4/19)

12 PM Lucy and Jane Conaway/Bette Simons

WEDNESDAY (4/20)

12 PM † Anne O'Neill

THURSDAY (4/21)

12 PM Anne Boyle

FRIDAY (4/22)

12 PM The Family

SATURDAY (4/23)

8 AM In Honor of the Holy Family of Nazareth
5 PM Thomas Bondor

SUNDAY (4/24)

8 AM MEMBERS OF THE PARISH

11 AM † Anne O'Neill

2 PM Ellie Bahirai

SAINTS OF GOD

Blessed are You

4/16 Saint Bernadette Soubirous

4/17 Saint Benedict Joseph Labre

4/18 Blessed James Oldo

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

WEEK ENDING APRIL 3, 2022

Offertory	\$6,223
Weekly Offertory Budget	(\$8,300)
<i>Below Weekly Budget</i>	<i>(\$2,077)</i>

Due to publication deadlines, the offertory report for Week Ending April 10, 2022 will be made next weekend.

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL

Annual Diocesan Appeal (Make checks payable to Catholic Diocese of Richmond and include your address for proper credit)

ALL MONTH Christian Formation + Haiti + Justice and Peace

4/10/2022 Outreach

4/15/2022 Good Friday (for Holy Land)

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

The Easter season is a time to allow the joy of Christ's resurrection to shape our everyday lives. Please consider supporting our **Annual Diocesan Appeal** as a way of growing in freedom and generosity. Contributions can be made at the Parish or by scanning the QR Code. We have met 59% of our \$26,170 parish goal so far! Thank you!!

EASTER LITTLE BOOKS

Thanks to the generosity of a parishioner, we have a supply of devotional "Little Books" for Easter. Daily reflections are based on the parables of Jesus that begin Easter Monday and end on Pentecost Sunday. One per family, please.



Your contributions can be made at the Parish or by scanning the QR Code. Thank you for your support!

LITURGICAL NOTES

Easter Sequence: Christians, to the Paschal Victim | Offer your thankful praises! | A Lamb the sheep redeems; | Christ, who only is sinless, | Reconciles sinners to the Father. | Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous: | The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal. | Speak, Mary, declaring What you saw, wayfaring. | "The tomb of Christ, who is living, | The glory of Jesus' resurrection; | bright angels attesting, | The shroud and napkin resting. | Yes, Christ my hope is arisen; | to Galilee he goes before you." | Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. | Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! Amen. Alleluia.

*Sequences are chants that traditionally followed the Alleluia verse (and are now before it) and were rich in poetry and theology. They were quite common in the Medieval Church until the Council of Trent in the 1500s, which streamlined the liturgy in the wake of the Protestant Revolution. Now only four sequences are left – this one, the **Victimae Paschali Laudes**, among them. It is strikingly bard-like in its tone, calling on all to sing ("Offer your thankful praises!"), to listen to the grand adventure ("Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous"), and calls on witnesses ("Tell us, Mary!"). The Offertory Antiphon complements the highly epic ethos of the sequence nicely, recalling from Psalm 75 that "The earth trembled and was still when God arose in judgment", and the Communion Antiphon beautifully summarizes our response to the Paschal Mystery: "Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; therefore let us keep the east with the unleavened bread of purity and truth." Christ is risen! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Melinda Wells, Director of Religious Education
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Calendar

- ◆ April 17, Sunday: NO Christian Formation/Sacraments/RCIA
- ◆ April 19, Tuesday 7-8:30 PM: HS Youth Group Meeting (LL)

He is Risen! He is Risen, Indeed! Easter is the pivotal point of our Catholic Faith and hope! May this Easter Season bring you the joy of Christ's Resurrection...because of His Divine Mercy

Wishing you and yours, a very blessed Easter!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading *First Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16* Peter and the apostles perform many signs and wonders.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24
A song of praise to the Lord.

Second Reading *Revelation 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19* John describes the instruction he received to write down his vision. .

Gospel
John 20:19-31
Thomas believes because he sees Jesus

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

PARISHIONERS (includes ill, injured, homebound, and caregivers) Normand Auger, Emmett Dudley, Dominique Faust, Eileen Foster, Jolene Green, Colette Hall, Pam Heron, Barbara Isak, Victoria Lannon, Scarlett Makielski, Kitty Moore, Mary Nguyen, Marian Ortmann, Mary Polce, Shawn Simpson-Smith, Deacon Henry Vinklerek, Mary Wheeler, Denise Wilcox, Charlie Anne and Andre Xavier and their two children.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Charlotte, Kent and Brittney Anderson, Blandine Attey, Christine Bentejac, Maureen Bradley, Tom Cassidy, Roxanne Crittenden, Steven D'Arca, Virginia Davis, Joe Ferguson, Grant Foley, Beth Howard, Andrew Hunt & Family, Dave Ibbeken, Kajihara Family, Steve Kirchmeyer, Coty Lockett, Frank McClendon, Melodie Mougeolle and Children, Mary Mullen, Josephine Nampijja, Aimee Nyriamugisha, Isaak & Ada Pyatetsky, Kathy Robinson, Residents and Staff of the Blue Ridge Detention Center, Randall Saathoff, Julia Savona, Daniel and Shirley Shifflett, David Shrank, Jonathan Shrank, Aiden Smith, The Sullivan Family, Brendan and Maria Walsh, B. Waugh Crigler, Lisa Wells, Henry Francis Wojtala, Andrew Wood, and Carol Wood.

MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY

Joey Smith, Benjamin Schrank, Elijah Schrank, Matthew 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*

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: We appreciate your continued contributions and donations to Outreach! During the first quarter of 2022, our Food Pantry, distributed **206** bags for groceries to **553** individuals. Both Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen are safely taking place by the 3rd Street door. Please leave any food donations in the basket by the stairs in the Commons. Food Pantry is open Tues and Wed from 10:30am-1:30pm. Thank you for helping those in need and have a blessed Easter!

JOIN FATHER DAVID MOTT, OP AND PILGRIMS from Saint Thomas Aquinas University Parish on pilgrimage to Portugal and Spain this Oct. 3-17, 2022! This trip begins in Fátima, followed by six days walking nearly 100 kilometers along the Portuguese Way of Saint James. Upon completion of the Camino, the group will spend two days in Santiago de Compostela before returning to Portugal for a tour through the most magnificent places of Portugal; Porto, Lisbon and Coimbra. The cost is \$3740.00 and is roundtrip airfare from Washington Dulles. Everything included except daily lunch and dinner. For more info or to register, see <https://prorometours.com/portugal-camino/> or contact ProRome Tours at office@prorome.com or (434) 953 1112.

NEW EVANGELISM: *Sharing Christ* program is being offered by Incarnation Parish Wednesday April 20 for seven weeks. For details, to register, visit the Incarnation website. *"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you"* Matthew 28:19-20.

THE WORKS OF MERCY MINISTRY invites the entire parish in praying the Divine Mercy Novena, a 9-day prayer. It begins Good Friday and is for the salvation of souls. A novena pamphlet will be in this week's bulletin. More pamphlets will be available in the Commons, or email mercy@holycomforterparish.org and request one. *Jesus, I trust in you!*
SACRISTAN MINISTRY: Volunteers are needed to become altar cloth sacristans. These sacristans are responsible for maintaining the altar cloths and for changing the altar colors at appropriate times. Please contact Suzanne Bailey (slank@ntelos.net or 434-326-3166) for details.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

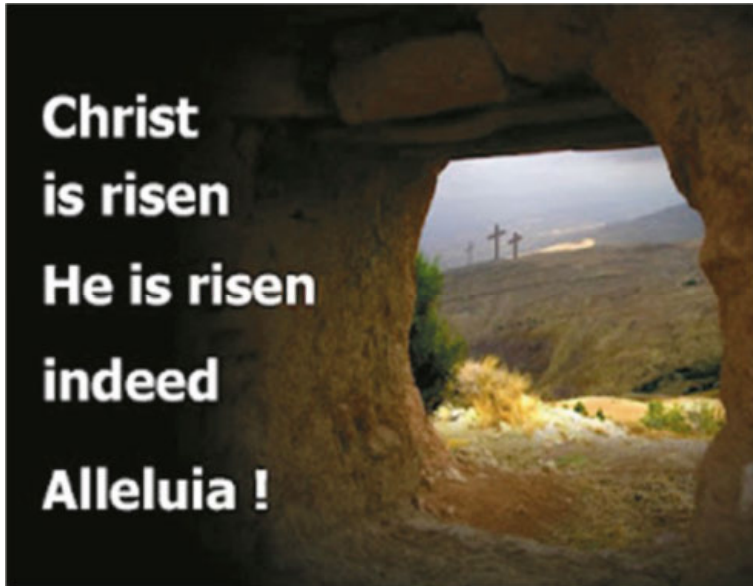
SUPPORT CENTRAL VA THRIVE WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE: This is **Holy Comforter's Lenten Family Project**. Please pick up a baby bottle in the Commons after Mass today. Help by *collecting change, dollar bills, or giving checks to support the Centers*. The faith based, pro-life work helps women with unplanned pregnancies by providing pregnancy testing, sonograms and more. *Return bottles to the church by Sunday, April 24th* where there will be a box for their deposit. Thank you!

HC PARISHIONER IS MISSING HOLY ITEMS FROM ST JOSEPH TABLE:
2 Third class relics: one of St. Teresa of Avila and one of St. Teresa of the Andes. Also, a small statue of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and a small, framed watercolor painting. The painting has great sentimental value. Please contact Melinda Wells dre@holycomforterparish.org ASAP. Thank you!

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION – APRIL 10, 2022 "... He opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled,..." Prayer and reflection are essential to discerning a vocation. Are you open to a vocation to the priesthood? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org

SAVE THE DATE! "27TH" ANNUAL GALA AUCTION" CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL Saturday, April 30, 2022. Sponsorships available, call 434-964-0400 or email c.smith@cvillecatholic.org

FROM THE PASTOR



**Christ
is risen
He is risen
indeed
Alleluia !**

THE POWER IN HIS RESURRECTION Part I

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

"For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his."

Romans 6:5

Alleluia! He is risen. We live in the power of Jesus' resurrection. St. Paul, writing to the Philippians, wanted them to know the power of Jesus' resurrection: **"that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead."** **Philippians 3:10-11.** According to Paul, this power is generally manifested in suffering, and Paul somehow reads his own life into Jesus' life. Or, he is reading Jesus' life into his life. He interprets his current life experience through the lens of what Jesus experienced. Somehow through suffering, Paul wants to become like Christ. You see, we can only know the same *resurrection power* if we've experienced the same kind of death. To put it in another way, you cannot know *resurrection power* if you are still alive with your pleasurable, worldly lifestyle.

Has this Lenten time helped you accept self-denial as a way to experience death in and with Jesus, so that you can share in his resurrection? *Resurrection power* is the work of God in the life to come that reaches into our present and brings us into union with Him. When Jesus ascended after being raised, for the first time ever a piece of earth entered heaven. But at

the same time, when Jesus was resurrected, there was a piece of heaven on earth too. Jesus joined heaven and earth.

Resurrection power is working in us now. We experience it as the effects of being born again in new life in Christ, and we also experience it in the sufferings that we face. We understand the *resurrection power* that raised Jesus from the dead in the past and also trust that it will happen with us! For that to happen, though, we need to be vigilant by the way we live in this present life! **What are we to seek intentionally now?**

The Christian life is not just about ceasing to do bad things. This would just be living according to the law. The Christian life is both a call for me to cease doing bad things and a call to detach myself from good things because everything about me is dead. Any good things I acquire should be according to Christ. He should be the center of all our desires, and anything in us that is not Christ should be put to death. We need to put our self to death and trust in Jesus every day. When we do that, He credits a righteousness that is not ours to us. St. Paul has this to say: ***"What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith"* Philippians 3:8-9.**

This changes our prayer. We will confess our sins, and our piety. We will lay aside our best intentions and ask that He live through us. We will seek Him living through us every single moment. What will it look like to have a heart that is dependent on His grace, that seeks all of Him and none of us? What will it look like if we all walked out saying we want more of Christ, that all we want is more of Calvary and to be raised in newness of life, that we might have His heart? That will look like the risen Christ manifesting the present and future glory of Christ in us.

YES, ALLELUIA. JESUS IS RISEN AND LIVES FOREVER.

To be continued...

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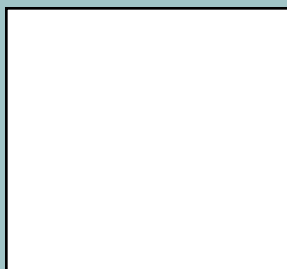
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