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MASS TIMES

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

HOLY HOUR

Thursday 7 PM

First Friday 7:15 PM

First Saturday 8:45 AM

CONFESSION

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6:30-7:30 PM

Thursday 6:30-8 PM

First Friday 7:15 PM

First Saturday 8:45-10 AM

Sunday 1:30 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/holycomfortercharlottesville



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus said,] "My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another."
- Jn 13:33a, 34a

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Fifth Sunday of Easter -- May 15, 2022

That the coming of the new heaven and new earth will be hastened though the holy lives and faithful witness of all those called to serve the Lord as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord

*Please Send Bulletin Submissions by 3 PM Mondays
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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 (5/14)

8 AM Mass
10 AM Musica Sacra Virginia Set-up
12:30-3:30 PM Musica Sacra Virginia Concert
5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks required)

SUNDAY (5/15) FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8 AM Mass
9:15-10:15 AM *Last day of Christian Formation*
9:45 AM-10:45 AM RCIA
11 AM Mass
1:30 PM Confession

MONDAY (5/16)

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

TUESDAY (5/17)

7 AM Mass
10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry
7-8:30 PM HS Youth Group (Reading Grp)

WEDNESDAY (5/18)

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

THURSDAY (5/19)

7 AM Mass
12 PM Soup Kitchen-Bag lunch
6:30 PM-7 PM Confession

FRIDAY (5/20)

7 PM Confession

SATURDAY (5/21)

8 AM Mass
9 AM Pierson Baby Shower (LL)
5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks required)

SUNDAY (5/22) SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8 AM Mass
9:45 AM-10:45 AM RCIA
11 AM Mass
1:30 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* begins at 2:45 PM with *Rosary of Reparation* at 3 PM. For more information, please email Tina Blumenfeld, tmsblum@gmail.com

5/17 Saint Paschal Baylon
5/18 Saint John I
5/19 Saint Theophilus of Corte
5/20 Saint Bernardine of Siena
5/21 Saint Cristobal Magallanes and Companions
5/22 Saint Rita of Cascia

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@holyccomforterparish.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (5/14)

8 AM † George Delon, OCDS (Anna Stelow)
5 PM † Rev. Msgr. John F. Porter (Mary Frances Lilly)

SUNDAY (5/15)

8 AM Members of the Parish
11 AM † Nancy Masada (Nancy Vilar)
2 PM † Joseph and Maryann Masci (Melinda Wells)

MONDAY (5/16)

12 PM † Coby Savona, Sr (Deacon Henry and Alicia Vinklerek)

TUESDAY (5/17)

7 AM The Schrank Children and their Families

WEDNESDAY (5/18)

7 AM † John Joseph Valloric (Sylvia D. Valloric)

THURSDAY (5/19)

7 AM † Fr. Paul Ward

FRIDAY (5/20)

12 PM † Albert J. Lilly, Sr (Dotty and George Lilly)

SATURDAY (5/21)

8 AM † Andrew Selfridge
5 PM Members of the Parish

SUNDAY (5/22)

8 AM † Renzo Petroni (Petroni and Conaway Family)
11 AM † Audrey Coffman (Erin Johnson)
2 PM † Patricia Cabe (Richard and Linda Halpern)

SAINTS OF GOD *Blessed are You*

5/14 Saint Matthias
5/15 Saint Isidore the Farmer
5/16 Saint Margaret of Cortona

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

WEEK ENDING MAY 8, 2022

Offertory	\$11,452
Weekly Offertory Budget	(\$8,300)
Above Weekly Budget	\$3,152

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR MAY

ALL MONTH Annual Diocesan Appeal + Catholic Virginian + Christian Formation + Justice and Peace

5/8/2022 Outreach

5/29/2022 Catholic Home Missions Appeal

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

We glorify God when we offer ourselves for the sake of another. One important way we can do this in our local community is by supporting our **Annual Diocesan Appeal**. Please pray about how God might be asking you to support the ministries of our Church, and contribute today.



Pledge Cards can be found in the Commons and returned during the Offertory collection or mailed directly. To contribute online simply scan the QR code. We have met 78% of our \$26,170 parish goal so far! Thank you!!

LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance: Sing to the Lord a new song, alleluia; for the Lord has accomplished wondrous deeds, alleluia; he has revealed his justice in the sight of the Gentiles, alleluia, alleluia.

Offertory: Shout joyfully to God, all the earth; shout with joy to God, all the earth; sing a psalm in honor of his name; come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell you what great things the Lord has done for my soul, alleluia.

Communion: I am the true vine, and you are the branches; he who abides in me and I in him, he it is who bears much fruit, alleluia, alleluia.

The Offertory Antiphon this weekend is a rare and stunning example of unbridled joy in the chant repertoire. In the English setting, the melody is a little truncated, but it still preserves the some of the sweeping gestures in the original Latin. The melody has a large compass, spanning an octave (8 notes) and a half, which is highly unusual for the generally understated style of chanting. It is positively bard-like in its telling of God's mercy towards the Psalmist with the invitation, "come and hear"! As with all the Psalms, our Lord would have prayed this text during His time on earth. How fitting to think that He might have prayed this after the resurrection. It is an invitation to us to beg for and experience the mercy of God in our broken lives and to share the transformative fruits of that experience with those around us. Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His mercy endures for ever!

Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

Melinda Wells, Director of Religious Education
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- ♦ May 15, Sunday, 9:15-10:15 AM: Last Day of Christian Formation
- ♦ May 15, Sunday, 9:45-10:45 AM: RCIA
- ♦ May 17, Tuesday, 7-8:30 PM: HS Youth Group Meeting (Reading Group Night)

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2,22-29 The early Church community determines, with the help of the Holy Spirit, not to impose the requirement of circumcision on Gentile Christians.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 67:2-3,5,6,8 A prayer that all the nations sing praise to God.

Second Reading Revelation 21:10-14,22-23 The vision of the splendor of the heavenly Jerusalem is described.

Gospel John 14:23-29 Jesus promises his disciples that the Father will send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit.

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, 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, Sallie Harris, 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, David Shrank, Joseph Schrank, Julia Savona, Daniel and Shirley Shifflett, 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

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

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! Both Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen are safely taking place by the 3rd Street door. Food Pantry days/times are: Tues and Wed from 10:30am-1:30pm. And Soup Kitchen is Thurs from Noon-1pm. Please leave any food donations in the basket by the stairs in the Commons. Thank you for helping those in need and have a blessed Easter Season.

SACRISTAN MINISTRY: Altar Cloth Sacristans are needed. They 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

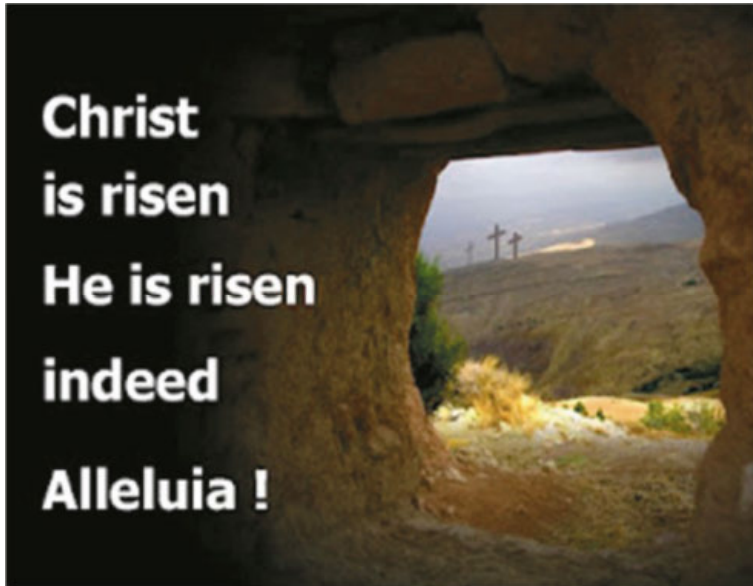
THE SECULAR ORDER OF DISCALCED CARMELITE COMMUNITY of Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity meets at St. Francis in Staunton on the 2nd Sunday each month from 11:30-4:00PM. If you are interested or feel called to a Carmelite way of life, the next Carmelite meeting is May 15, 2022 at 11:30 at St. Francis of Assisi, Staunton. See the flyers in the Commons or contact Patricia McAdams 286-4055 or email pamcadams@yahoo.com.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER-MAY 15, 2022 "Love one another." "By this everyone will know that you are My disciples." How will you manifest your discipleship? Consider living the Lord's new commandment of love as a priest. Call the Vocations Office, Father Brian Capuano (804) 359-5661, vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

OUTREACH COORDINATOR/ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RICHMOND (WILLIAMSBURG) The Office of Cemetery and Funeral Services (OCFS) of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond seeks an Outreach Coordinator/Administrative Assistant at the OCFS office located in Williamsburg, VA. Candidates should please send a cover letter, resume, and Diocesan Application to Kelly Shumate, HR Coordinator, at jobs@richmonddiocese.org.

JOIN FATHER DAVID MOTT, OP AND PILGRIMS from Saint Thomas Aquinas University Parish on pilgrimage to Portugal and Spain this Oct. 3-17, 2022! Begins in Fátima, followed by six days walking nearly 100 kilometers along the Portuguese Way of Saint James and 2 days in Santiago de Compostela ending in Portugal for a tour through Porto, Lisbon and Coimbra. The cost is \$3740.00 and is roundtrip from Dulles. See <https://prorometours.com/portugal-camino/> or contact ProRome Tours at office@prorome.com or call 434-953 1112.

FROM THE PASTOR



THE POWER IN HIS RESURRECTION Part V

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

“I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.” John 10:10

You and I have been born into victory. *You have been born to overcome the world. The resurrection really does change everything. Because Jesus lives, you also will live (Jn. 14:19). The Resurrection Brings New Life. Keep looking back at the empty tomb and see that you have been born into victory. Because Jesus lives, you already have victory over death. You will not stay in the ground forever – that chapter was closed. You and I will rise immortal. Scripture tells us that you who believe that Jesus is the Christ have been born of God. God has brought you into an entirely new way of life – not just a future life to look forward to, but a new way of life now. You have been born to overcome the world.*

“Are you saved?” This is something you might hear after the doorbell rings. **“What does that even mean?”**, you might wonder as you think of what to say in response. The door-to-door evangelist would tell you that Jesus died to forgive your sins, and if you believe the truth of that statement, you will be saved. That is an important part of salvation but by no means the full account. To be saved is not simply to have your sins forgiven or to be given a ticket to heaven; God wants more for you. Jesus gives the best explanation of

salvation: **“I came that they may have life and have it abundantly” John 10:10.** *The Incarnation was not the fullness of life, the Resurrection provides for this.*

Throughout Lent we journeyed with Christ, taking up our Cross each day through prayer, penance, and almsgiving. The goal of Lent is like the goal of salvation: to have life. Lent arose originally as a time of intense preparation for baptism for those catechumens preparing to enter the Church. The rest of the faithful began joining in to prepare to renew their baptismal promises at Easter alongside them. Lent is a time to embrace the Cross and set aside our sins so that we can enter the life of Easter with peace and joy.

The Cross certainly marks a turning point, removing the obstacle of sin that placed an infinite distance between us and God. The Cross reconciles us so that, as Paul says, we, who were once his enemies, might become friends with God. *St. Athanasius points out, however, that the Son of God came into the world for the Resurrection: “For by the sacrifice of His own body, He both put an end to the law, which was against us, and made a new beginning of life for us, by the hope of Resurrection which He has given us” (On the Incarnation).* In fact, the Resurrection initiates a whole new creation, raising us up from the life of the world to a life in the Spirit.

The Resurrection restored life not only to Jesus’ earthly body; it also marked the beginning of a new life for all those who believe in him and become members of his mystical body, the Church. The Resurrection goes beyond one moment in time, as Jesus says that he himself is the Resurrection. To those who believe, there is no more death, even if we still have to experience a temporary passage from this world to the next: **“I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he dies, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die” John 11:25-26.** The Resurrection should give us confidence that death no longer has the last word. We should not fear it, because we know that the best is yet to come! *You have been born to overcome the world—to fight against sinful desires. Better yet, you now live a Christian life, which means happiness forever! Hold on to that.*

To be continued...

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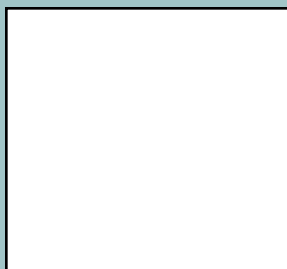
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