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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/holycomforterville



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus said to his disciples:] "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." - Jn 14:26-27a

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

That the Holy Spirit will guide and comfort men and women discerning their vocations, 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 (5/21)

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

MONDAY (5/23)

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (5/24)

7 AM Mass

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

7-8:30 PM HS Youth Group

WEDNESDAY (5/25)

7 AM Mass

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

6:30-7:30 PM NO CONFESSION

THURSDAY (5/26)

7 AM NO MASS

12 PM Soup Kitchen-Bag lunch

6:00 PM Ascension Mass (Latin)

7:15 PM Adoration

FRIDAY (5/27)

12 PM Mass

6:30 PM Confession

SATURDAY (5/28)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks required)

SUNDAY (5/29) ASSENSON

(TRANSFERRED)

SECOND COLLECTION DIOCESAN HOME MISSIONS

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

5/23 Saint Gergory VII
5/24 Saint Mary Magdalene de Pazzi
5/25 Saint Bede the Venerable
5/26 Saint Philip Neri
5/27 Saint Augustine of Canterbury
5/28 Venerable Pierre Toussaint
5/29 Saint Madeleine Sophie Barat

Welcome

New Parishioners

Madeline "Mae" Trentanove

Emma Trist

Nicole & Sam Miller and

Family

Mona Peglow

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 (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)

MONDAY (5/23)

12 PM † Scarlett Makielski (Mary Frances Lilly)

TUESDAY (5/24)

7 AM † Al Bracuti

WEDNESDAY (5/25)

7 AM Mary and John Simonette

THURSDAY (5/26)

6 PM Intentions of RCIA Sponsors

FRIDAY (5/27)

12 PM For Ill and Homebound Parishioners

SATURDAY (5/28)

8 AM Families in Ukraine

5 PM † David W. Prewitt
(Mary Frances Lilly and Family)

SUNDAY (5/29)

8 AM † Patricia Conaway
(Petroni and Conaway Family)

11 AM † Jane Till Danilek

2 PM Members of the Parish

SAINTS OF GOD *Blessed are You*

5/21 Saint Cristobal Magallanes and Companions

5/22 Saint Rita of Cascia

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

WEEK ENDING MAY 15, 2022

Offertory	\$3,394
Weekly Offertory Budget	(\$8,300)
<i>Below Weekly Budget</i>	<i>(\$4,906)</i>

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

Jesus explains He is “going away,” and that God will send The Holy Spirit in His name. Ask the Holy Spirit for guidance in how you will support the **Annual Diocesan Appeal**. 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 98% of our \$26,170 parish goal so far! Thank you!

LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance: Spread the news with a voice of joy; let it be heard, alleluia; speak it out to the very ends of the earth; the Lord has liberated his people, alleluia, alleluia.

Offertory: O nations, bless the Lord our God, let the voice of his praises resound; he has restored my soul to life and he has not suffered my feet to stumble; blessed be the Lord who has neither rejected my prayer nor turned his mercy away from me, alleluia.

Communion: The Holy Spirit will teach you, alleluia; all the things that I have said unto you, alleluia, alleluia.

*With the Easter season nearly spent, the Church begins turning her gaze toward Pentecost. The focus shifts from pure joy and praise to exhortations to share the Good News of Jesus' triumph over sin and death through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. In the Offertory we see the use of “nations”, which comes from the Latin **gentes**, which is where we get the English word **gentiles**, or non-Jews. The message of salvation is now for all peoples, as we note in the first reading where circumcision, a practice of the Old Covenant, is not required of converts to Christianity. The outward practices of the Old Law are fading away as the diversity of converts increases. We see this in the Gospel and Communion Antiphon, which have personal undertones (“The Holy Spirit will teach **you**”) that indicate a personal relationship with God. The Offertory Antiphon most beautifully expresses this by declaring “he has restored my soul to life”. We who were dead in sin now have life through Baptism and, through the mercy of God, can have it restored to us through Confession should we stumble. Evangelization begins with the experience of God's love for us individually, which translates to wanting to share the peace and happiness we feel with others. May the Holy Spirit find a welcome place in our hearts and communicate to us the Love of God that never grows tired of pursuing us and never stales in the delights it produces in the soul.*

Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

PARISH LIFE

HOLY COMFORTER ANNUAL PENTECOST PARISH PICNIC

Everyone welcome! Bring a dish!

Join us at Forest Hills Park for our Annual Pentecost Parish picnic on Sunday, June 5! We'll begin the celebration of our patronal feast around 4:30. Please see the fliers for more information! See you there!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS ASCENSION SUNDAY

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

Jesus is taken up to heaven in the presence of the Apostles.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 47:2-3,6-9

Sing praise to God as he mounts his throne.

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:17-23 God raised Jesus from the dead and seated him at his right hand.

Gospel

Luke 24:46-53

Jesus is taken to heaven and the disciples remain in Jerusalem awaiting his sending of the 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, 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, Richard Harmer, 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.

WORKS OF MERCY MINISTRY: A parishioner who lives at Westminster Canterbury, would like a ride to the 5PM Saturday or the 11AM Sunday Mass once a month. For more information, please email mercy@holycomforterparish.org. Thank you so much!



This Easter, how many of your neighbors will struggle to afford rent and utilities?

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2022 EASTER CAMPAIGN

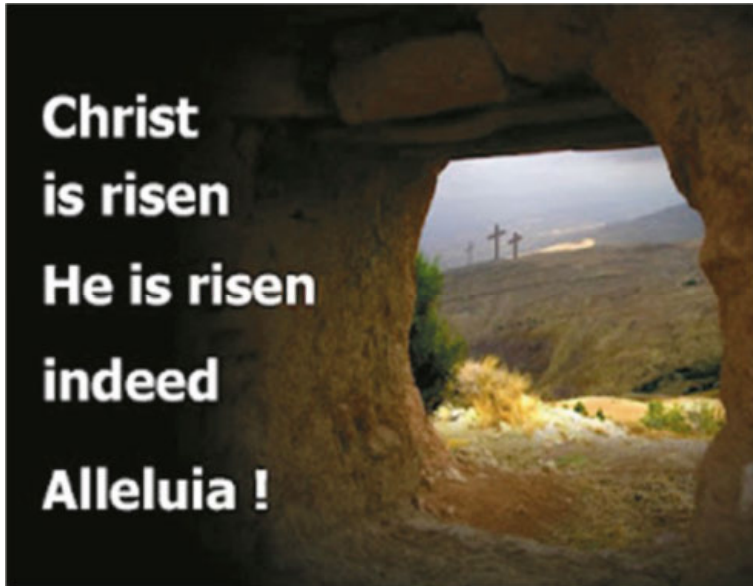
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THE SECULAR ORDER OF DISCALCED CARMELITE COMMUNITY of Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity meets at St. Francis in Staunton, the 2nd Sunday each month from 11:30-4:00PM. Please see the flyers in the Commons or contact Patricia McAdams 286-4055 or email pamcadams@yahoo.com.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER-MAY 22, 2022 "Whoever loves me will keep my word." Are you called to bring the word of Christ to his flock? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Father Brian Capuano; or email vocations@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 RT 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 VI

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

“Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.” Romans. 6:4

In the last week's episode, we noted that *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*. We believe that Jesus' new life begins for us even now. We walk no longer in darkness but have the light of life. Jesus has laid out a path for us, showing what will truly give us joy and happiness. When Jesus said that he has overcome the world, he meant that he has given us a true freedom in him that delivers us from the anxiety of the world. He doesn't promise us a perfect world, but rather union with him as we journey through it. If we put our hope in security or present pleasures, we will be miserable! The freedom of new life in Christ is knowing that we belong with Jesus, who is now sitting at the right hand of the Father as our king. It is knowing that our lives have meaning and purpose and that this cannot be taken away.

The Resurrection should give us joy, knowing that Jesus has

won the victory over sin and death and has given his own life to us. This victory is not something that only happened many years ago, as it is made present to us every Sunday, the day of the Resurrection. Jesus gives us his own living flesh to make the Resurrection real within us. The Eucharist makes us more than mortal: **“I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever” John 6:50**. The Eucharist changes us from the inside out, giving us Christ's own life and joy, and even guarantees that our own flesh will live forever with him. Through the Eucharist, we can say with Paul that **“it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me” Galatians 2:20**.

We know that we are celebrating Easter properly if we experience the joy of Jesus's gift of life to us. After dying to ourselves during Lent, we should be ready to celebrate — not by going back to our old ways but by living differently with the new heaven that transforms everything that we do. A life in the Resurrection is centered on Christ, relying on him for everything and giving him glory in all that we do. Even if the world is falling apart around us, we are not living for this world. Even if we are suffering, we should not fear because, through the Resurrection, there is a place for us, *forever*. Our lives have a purpose that will bear fruit in eternal life. The devil wants to hold us back, trapping us with anxiety and fear, but Jesus says, **“have no fear!” Matthew 14:27**. The Resurrection is our ultimate hope, knowing that Jesus has won the victory for us and that he is with us every step of the way.

We need to engage in conversation with Jesus and ask him in prayer: *Help me to keep my eyes fixed on you, Jesus, and prevent me from falling into anxiety and a life that seeks comfort. Please transform me from the inside out and make me into your likeness. Help me to live differently right now and to have confidence in the place you have prepared for me in heaven.*

To be continued...

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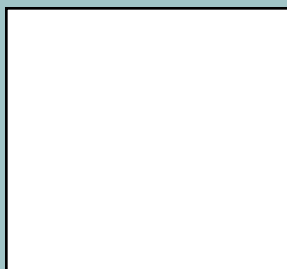
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