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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil* 5 PM

*Masks Required

Sunday 8 AM + 11 AM 2 PM **Traditional Latin**

Monday + Friday 12 PM

(except First Friday)

Tuesday-Thursday 7 AM First Friday 6:00 PM

Saturday 8 AM

HOLY HOUR

Thursday 7 PM First Friday **7 PM**

CONFESSION

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6:30-7:30 PM Thursday 6:30-8 PM 7:30 PM First Friday Sunday 1:30 PM

Office Hours Mon-Fri 9 AM-4 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/holycomfortercville



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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Attend and come back with a marriage that is refreshed! September 23-25, 2022 at the Crowne Plaza in Reston VA. Only 20 spots available. To register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search on Virginia. Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Strangler at 703-378-4150 or mstang1987@aol.com

> Please Send Bulletin Submissions by 3 PM Mondays dre@holycomforterparish.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 (7/16) OUR LADY OF **MOUNT CARMEL**

8 AM Mass and Scapular Enrollment 5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks Required)

SUNDAY (7/17) SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

1:30 PM Confession

2 PM Latin Mass

MONDAY (7/18)

12 PM Mass

TUESDAY (7/19)

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

7-8:30 PM HS Youth Group

WEDNESDAY (7/20)

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

THURSDAY (7/21)

12 PM Mass

7-8 PM Holy Hour

FRIDAY (7/22)

12 PM Mass

SATURDAY (7/23)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks Required)

SUNDAY (7/24) VOTIVE MASS

OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

142 ANNIVERSARY

8 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

1:30 PM Confession

2 PM Latin Mass

4 PM Anniversary Potluck

SAINTS OF GOD Blessed are You

7/16 Our Lady of Mt. Carmel 7/17 Saint Francis Solano 7/18 Saint Camillus de Lellis

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. SATURDAY (7/16) Amen. Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we SUNDAY (7/17) 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 THURSDAY (7/21) already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

7/19 Saint Mary MacKillop

7/20 Saint Apollinaris

7/21 Saint Lawrence of Brindisi

7/22 Saint Mary Magdalene

7/23 Saint Bridget of Sweden

7/24 Saint Sharbel Makhlouf

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

8 AM Wilkins Family

5 PM † Peggy Lynn Cox (Her Husband)

8 AM Members of the Parish 11 AM Intentions of Lauren O'Neill

2 PM Blumenfeld Family

(Secular Community of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity)

MONDAY (7/18)

12 PM Stephanie Crews (Mel Crews)

TUESDAY (7/19)

12 PM † John Luterman

WEDNESDAY (7/20)

12 PM † Alfred M. Goodison (Michelle Skarvelis)

12 PM † Helen Hall (Colette Hall)

FRIDAY (7/22)

12 PM Sam Kinard

SATURDAY (7/23)

8 AM Erminia Janabio (Mary Woloski)

5 PM Members of the Parish

SUNDAY (7/24)

8 AM Levi and Lena Anderson and Children 11 AM Sam and Nicole Miller and Children 2 PM Intentions of Lauren O'Neill

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

| WEEK ENDING JULY 10, 2022 | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Offertory | \$1,982 |
| Weekly Offertory Budget | (\$8,300) |
| Below Weekly Budget | (\$6,318) |

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR JULY

ALL MONTH Catholic Virginian + Christian Formation + Justice and Peace 7/10/2022 Outreach

HELP NEEDED

Offertory Collection Consider joining our collection counter team! We love our parish and are dedicated to our service. Plenty of street parking is available when we meet at 8 AM on alternating Mondays. Please contact Mary Frances Lilly 434.295.7185 or office@holycomforterparish.org with questions or to volunteer.

PLEASE KEEP HOLY COMFORTER IN MIND DURING YOUR SUMMER TRAVELS

If you will be away this summer, you can make your offertory contributions with Online Giving from wherever you are! And, when you do so, it helps us to meet our regular financial obligations. All Second Collections are accepted online, as well. For the **Online Giving** link, please visit,

https://holycomforterparish.org/online-giving/

LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance: Behold, God is my helper, and the Lord is the upholder of my soul; turn back all the evil against my enemies, destroy them in your fidelity, O Lord, the Protector of my life.

Offertory: The ordinances of the Lord are right, bringing joy to all hearts, sweeter than honey or the honeycomb. Therefore your servant will observe them.

Communion: Mary has chosen for herself the best portion, which shall never be taken away from her. People often misconstrue today's Gospel and its accompanying Communion Antiphon as a rebuke against works of charity. Christ is simply reminding Martha that all works must be the fruit of a fervent relationship with God, which is cultivated in a life of prayer. The Offertory Antiphon, which we have seen at other times throughout the year, suddenly becomes strikingly clear in the light of Christ's words. For the ordinances of the Lord to "bring joy to hearts", a burning desire to please God must animate the soul; otherwise, they end up becoming a list of rules to follow. It is like the difference between a child who, wanting to play, accomplishes required chores in a mechanical fashion and the child who, out of a desire to please and be loved, accomplishes those same chores with attention, even doing more than what is required. We need to remember that "God is [our] helper" and always desires our happiness. Let this knowledge console us and become the starting point for cultivating a relationship with Him in the depths of our souls, spurring us on to acts of charity towards our neighbor. Start with Eucharistic adoration! Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Melínda Wells, Dírector of Religious Education dre@holycomforterparish.org

<u>Mother Mary's Apparitions</u>
Holy Comforter's Vacation Bible School-Ages 5-13
Charlottesville Catholic School
August 1-5, 9:00 AM-12:00 AM, Monday-Friday

VBS Registration forms are in the Commons on the Religious Education Table. **Volunteers are welcome!**

Parish Life

Our Anniversary Potluck is July 24! Celebrated at the church (LL) at 4:00 PM. See the Flocknote for signups. Starting this weekend, we will have a blessing after each Mass on the third weekend of the month for parishioners celebrating birthdays or anniversaries. Parish Life will bring cake to share after the 11:00 Mass. Celebration sweet treat donations are welcome!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDNARY TIME

First Reading

Genesis 18:20-32

Abraham pleads with God to save the innocent people of Sodom and Gomorrah.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 138:1-3,6-8

Lord, on the day I cried for help, you answered me.

Second Reading

Colossians 2:12-14

You were buried with Christ in Baptism and also raised with him.

Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

Jesus teaches the disciples about prayer.

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

<u>PARISHIONERS</u> (includes ill, injured, homebound, and caregivers) Brittney Anderson, Charlotte Anderson, Normand Auger, Emmett Dudley, Dominique Faust, Eileen Foster, Jolene Green, Colette Hall, Barbara Isak, Victoria Lannon, Kitty Moore, Mary Nguyen, Mary Polce, Hank Rainville, Shawn Simpson-Smith, Deacon Henry Vinklarek, Mary Wheeler, Denise Wilcox, Charlie Anne and Andre Xavier and their two children.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Charlotte, Kent and Brittney Anderson, Blandine Attey, Christine Benteejac, 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, 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, Katherine Ernst, Jeffrey Jaeger, Trey Linebrink, Tom Logan, Matthew Mickiewicz, S. Proffitt, M. 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 TRINITY CONFERENCE: St. Vincent de Paul taught that it is



only in prayer that we can give selfless loving service to those who are poor. This week, please say a special prayer each day for the poor and forgotten in our parish. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Holy Trinity Conference bring your gift directly to the poor and suffering. 25 neighbors in

need reached out for assistance this past week. Thank you for your generous, continued support. **Donate at www.svdp-ht.org** *You are invited to share in our ministry.*

MINISTRIES

<u>OUTREACH:</u> We appreciate your support to Outreach through your contributions and donations! **Attn. Gardeners:** If you have extra veggies consider donating them to the soup kitchen. Please leave donations in the basket in the Commons. Thank you and God Bless! (Our USDA Food Pantry does not discriminate against any person because of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA)

WORKS OF MERCY MINISTRY: A parishioner who lives at Westminster Canterbury, would like a ride to the 5PM Saturday or the 11 AM Sunday Mass once a month. Also, a young man in the military needs a ride to church from July 15-Aug. 4. Please email mercy@holycomforterparish.org if you can help. Thank you! JOIN THE DIOCESAN SEMINARIANS AT QUO VADIS, a discernment opportunity for rising 10th -12th graders, from Thursday-Sunday, July 21-24, 2022 at the Edge Christian Camp, 702 Eastover Drive, Spring Grove, VA 23881. The young men are asked to arrive on Thursday evening at 7:00 PM. Finished by 12:00 PM on Sunday. Family members are welcome to join their teens for Mass at the camp at 10:30 AM Sunday morning. Requirements: 1. Send in a completed recommendation letter (submitted by his pastor or youth minister): https://forms.gle/9fawYkDvEAvFQj7HA 2. Complete a registration form: https://ofe.regfox.com/2022-quo-vadis Cost for Quo Vadis is \$50. For more info, please contact Office of Vocations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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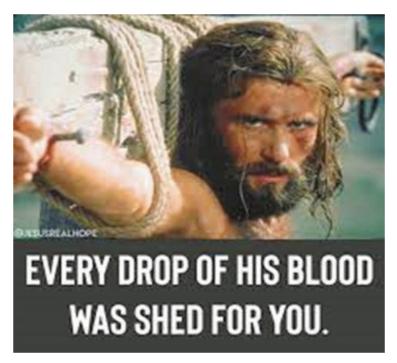
JOB OPPORTUNITY AT ST. MARY'S IN LOVINGSTON is seeking a full time Secretary to begin immediately who is bilingual (English/Spanish) and has general computer skills. Please contact Fr Roger Abadano (757-709-5717) to apply.

JOB OPPORTUNITY AT INCARNATION for a FT bilingual Facilities Manager. Requirements; handyman skills, experience with service contracts, and basic computer skills. Salary based on experience, \$46,000 to \$52,000 per year plus benefits. Please send a resume to office@incarnationparish.org or call the office, 434-973-4381 for more information.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time-July 17, 2022 "It is He whom we proclaim." Are you being called to proclaim Christ and the word of God? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

FROM THE PASTOR





HIS BLOOD IS PROOF OF HIS LOVE Part I

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

"But he was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed" Isaiah 53:5

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. The early Church Fathers say that the Church was born from the pierced side of Christ and that the sacraments were brought forth through Jesus' blood and water. Two substances came out of the Lord's pierced side: blood and water. Blood is for redemption, to deal with sins (Hebrews 9:22) for the purchasing of the church (Acts 20:28). Water is for imparting life, to deal with death, for the producing of the church (Ephesians 5:29-30). The Lord's death, on the negative side, takes away our sins and, on the positive side, imparts life unto us. So, it has two aspects: the redemptive aspect and the life-imparting aspect.

The redemptive aspect is for the life-imparting aspect. While three Gospels (Mathew, Mark, and Luke) portrays only the redemptive aspect of the Lord's death, John's gospel portrays not only the redemptive aspect but also the life-imparting aspect. So, the blood and water show us two important aspects of the Lord's death: the redemptive aspect (blood) and the life-imparting aspect (water). Just as sacrifices were made in the Old Testament, Jesus gave His life and shed His blood to reconcile us from sin if we believe in Him. "But if we walk in the light, as he is

in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin" (1 John 1:7). Jesus demonstrated the significance of His blood as part of the Last Supper with His disciples. "As the disciples sat together, Jesus said, 'Take it and eat it, for this is my body'. He then gave thanks and offered them the cup and said, 'Each of you drink from it, for this is my blood, which seals the covenant between God and his people. It is poured out to forgive the sins of many'" (Matthew 26:26-28).

Recalling these words of Jesus, the Catholic Church professes that, in the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. Jesus said: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world...For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink" (John 6:51-55). The whole Christ is truly present body, blood, soul, and divinity—under the appearances of bread and wine—the glorified Christ who rose from the dead after dying for our sins. This is what the Church means when she speaks of the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist. This presence of Christ in the Eucharist is called "real" not to exclude other types of his presence as if they could not be understood as real (cf. Catechism, no. 1374). The risen Christ is present to his Church in many ways, but most especially through the sacrament of his Body and Blood.

What does it mean that Jesus Christ is present in the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine? How does this happen? The presence of the risen Christ in the Eucharist is an inexhaustible mystery that the Church can never fully explain in words. We must remember that the triune God is the creator of all that exists and has the power to do more than we can possibly imagine. As St. Ambrose said: "If the word of the Lord Jesus is so powerful as to bring into existence things which were not, then a fortiori those things which already exist can be changed into something else" (De Sacramentis, IV, 5-16). God created the world in order to share his life with persons who are not God. This great plan of salvation reveals a wisdom that surpasses our understanding. But we are not left in ignorance, for out of his love for us God reveals his truth to us in ways that we can understand through the gift of faith and the grace of the Holy Spirit dwelling in us. We are therefore enabled to understand at least in some measure what would otherwise remain unknown to us, though we can never completely comprehend the mystery of God. Behind the shed blood is the Savior's love.

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