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(Please see the weekly calendar for August and early September temporary changes)

Saturday Vigil* 5 PM

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Sunday 8 AM + 11 AM
Traditional Latin 2 PM
Monday + Friday 12 PM

(except First Friday)

Tuesday-Thursday 7 AM
First Friday 6:00 PM
Saturday 8 AM

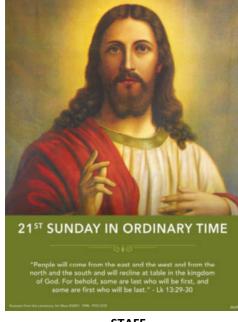
HOLY HOUR

Thursday 7 PM First Friday 7 PM

CONFESSION

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

Office Hours Mon-Fri 9 AM-4 PM
For those who are vulnerable or feel
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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 (8/20)

3 PM Confession

5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks Required)

SUNDAY (8/21)

8 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

Following Mass, Parish Birthdays Celebrated w/cake.

2 PM Latin Mass

4 PM Vespers

MONDAY (8/22)

12 PM Mass

TUESDAY (8/23)

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

WEDNESDAY (8/24)

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

THURSDAY (8/25)

12 PM Mass

12-1 PM Bagged Lunches

7-8 PM Holy Hour

FRIDAY (8/26)

12 PM Mass

SATURDAY (8/27)

9 AM RCIA Inquirers Meeting (LL)

10 AM RCIA Catechists Meeting (LL)

3 PM Confession

5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks Required)

SUNDAY (8/28)

8 AM Mass

9:30 AM CF Catechists Meeting (LL)

11 AM Mass

2 PM Latin Mass

4 PM Vespers

SAINTS OF GOD Blessed are You

8/20 Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

8/21 Saint Pius X

8/22 Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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. 5 PM Father Gerald Fogarty 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 12 PM David Schrank already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

8/23 Saint Rose of Lima

8/24 Saint Bartholomew

8/25 Saint Louis of France

8/26 Saint Joseph Calasanz

8/27 Saint Monica

8/28 Saint Augustine of Hippo

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 (8/20)

SUNDAY (8/21)

8 AM † Catherine and † Peter Colo (Marlene Wood)

11 AM Members of the Parish 2 PM John Schnur

MONDAY (8/22)

12 PM † Margarite C. Lilly (Dotty and George Lilly)

TUESDAY (8/23)

12 PM † Carrie Harper (Margaret Marsh)

WEDNESDAY (8/24)

12 PM Dotty Lilly (Holy Comforter Staff)

THURSDAY (8/25)

FRIDAY (8/26)

12 PM Holy Comforter III and Homebound (Works of Mercy Ministry)

SATURDAY (8/27)

5 PM Elijah Schrank

SUNDAY (8/28)

8 AM Members of the Parish

11 AM Charlie and Andre Xavier and Family

2 PM † Anne Kaplan (Patricia McAdams)

PARISH NEWS

GIFTS FROM GOD

The Offertory Report for Week Ending August 14, 2022 will be published in two weeks.

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR AUGUST

ALL MONTH Christian
Formation + Haiti + Justice and Peace
8/14/2022 Outreach

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: Incline your ear to me, O Lord, and hear me; O God, save your servant who trusts in you; have mercy on me, O Lord, for unto you do I cry all the day.

Offertory: With expectation I have waited for the Lord, and he has cast his look upon me; he has heard my supplication and he has put a new canticle into my mouth, a song to our God.

Communion: The earth will be satisfied by the work of your hands, O lord, as you bring forth bread from the land and wine to gladden the heart of man; oil to make his face shine, and bread to strengthen man's heart. The Antiphons for today's Mass provide a nice counterbalance to the somber message of the Gospel. Isaiah prophesies that all the nations will come to Jerusalem through the proclamation of the Kingdom, and then we see this fulfilled with St. Paul exhorting the early Christians to remain steadfast in godly living, culminating with Christ's warning that the way to heaven is difficult - too difficult for many. Both the Entrance and Offertory Antiphons give us the correct response to Our Lord's dire warning: place our trust in God and ask Him for everything we need. We then see a consoling ray of sunshine in the Communion Antiphon, which promises God's PRovidence for all our needs. He will provide "bread to strengthen man's heart", which is the Eucharist - the greatest consolation of all 1 Wine shall "gladden the heart" and oil shall "make his face shine"; in all our trials, not only will God give us the strength to persevere, but HE shall also satiate our hearts with the peace that is a foretaste of the everlasting delights of heaven. Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on!

Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

RCIA IS BEGINNING SOON! The program is for those who wish to explore or enter the Catholic Church. If someone you know is drawn to Catholicism, or is a Catholic adult who has never been Confirmed, please let them know. The Inquirer's Meeting will be August 27 at 9 a.m. (LL). For more information please contact Melinda Wells, dre@holycomforterparish.org or Victoria Lannon (Lead Catechist) at 434-465-5623 or gregnbuk@gmail.com.

Recruiting Catechists!

Catechists are needed for 2022-2023 Children & HS Christian Formation grades K-1, 3-4, 5-6, Middle School and HS Confirmation. Sign-up sheet is on the RE Table in the Commons.

Substitute Catechists also needed!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDNARY TIME

First Reading

Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29
Humble yourself and you will find favor with God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 68:4-7,10-11

The just rejoice and exult before God.

Second Reading Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24 You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem.

Gospel Luke 14:1,7-14

When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

<u>PARISHIONERS</u> (includes ill, injured, homebound, and caregivers) Normand Auger, Emmett Dudley, 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 children. **FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Charlotte, Kent and Brittney Anderson, Blandine Attey, Christine Benteejac, Maureen Bradley, Tom Cassidy, Joseph Checkler, Roxanne Crittenden, Steven D'Arca, Virginia Davis, Father Gerald Fogarty, Joe Ferguson, Richard Harmer, Sallie Harris, Beth Howard, Andrew Hunt & Family, Kajihara Family, Steve Kirchmeyer, Coty Lockett, Eduardo Mendes and family, Mary Morrisard-Larkin, 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



Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Holy Trinity Conference invite you to share in our ministry of experiencing God in serving our neighbors-in-need. Please email us at info@svdp-ht.org. SAVE THE DATE: Friends of the Poor Walk September 27, 2022, 6 pm after

the 5:15 pm mass at St.Thomas Aquinas University Parish! Please help us help others by signing up for the walk: fopwalk.org/eventlisting/eventdetail/?eventid=2755

ST. ZELIE WOMEN'S GROUP: A monthly group for women carrying the invisible cross of miscarriage, stillbirth and infertility. Next meeting is **August 28**th, **6:30-8:00pm** in the St. Thomas Aquinas Church Library.

"We shall find our little ones again, up above." St. Zelie

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: We appreciate your generous support to Outreach through your contributions and donations! During the month of July, we gave out pantry bags to 97 households/269 individuals and served 290 lunches during 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: Parishioner who lives on Wilder Drive would like a ride to 11 am mass on Sundays. A parishioner at Westminster Canterbury, would like a ride to the 5PM Saturday or the 11 AM Sunday Mass 1x a month. Please email Mercy@holycomforterparish.org Thank you so much!

HAITI MINISTRY: The "Hope for Haiti" golf tournament is now three weeks away! https://dmw9v9.wixsite.com/hopeforhaiti/home. Prizes are amazing this year. This is a once-a-year opportunity to play a great course. The Haiti trip is 8-18 September if anyone wishes to go, please let me know. We will have another trip in the November-December timeframe, and the first in 2023 will be during UVA Spring break. The next Haiti committee meeting is planned for 14 September at 7 PM.. This will be a virtual meeting and I will be in Haiti for it.

PARISH LIFE MINISTRY will be celebrating the birthdays of Parishioners on the 3rd Sunday of every month after the 11 AM Mass. If your birthday is in August, please come, treat yourself to cake and celebrate your birthday with your Parish Family! Happy Birthday!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY COMFORTER LOST & FOUND: It's official! Holy Comforter has a Lost & Found space in the piano room (LL). Please take a look if you are missing something. If you find what was lost, please remember to thank St. Anthony! Expensive items will be in the care of the front desk. Please contact the receptionist if you are missing such items. Currently, there is a Kindle that is waiting for it's owner.

<u>PROROME TOURS:</u> a parishioner owned company, seeking to hire a PT Administrative Assistant. Email Joe Long, jlong@prorome.com. <u>TREASURES OF THE TRADITION:</u> Join the Adult Formation program for

lively discussion groups beginning in September:

- 1. **Dante's** *Inferno* a rollicking adventure story with profound theology behind it. Moves on to *Purgatory* and *Paradise* afterward for those who wish!
- 2. Trinity and Incarnation from the Origins Learn the practical meaning of Christianity's two central mysteries from church "doctors" and "fathers," for example St. Irenaeus, Origen, St. Gregory of Nyssa, St. Maximus Confessor, St. Hildegard of Bingen, St. Bonaventure and St. Thomas Aquinas.

Reading burden is low (10-25 pp / week), and participants can come often or seldom. First meeting is a free trial to see what we do! Schedules TBD by your needs, so please contact us ASAP at https://thetreasures.org or email bugbee@thetreasures.org

STS. PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH, PALMYRA: Seeking Coordinator of Religious Education and Youth Ministry. A Bachelor's Degree in Religious Studies or related field. 35 hour per week position. Submit a Diocese of Richmond employment application with a cover letter/resume to: pastor@saintspeterpaul.org

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF LITURGY AND MUSIC



On the Liturgy

Part III

Daniel Kirkland

Last week I briefly discussed the overarching structure of Holy Mass. This week we will delve into music in the Liturgy. It is important that we have a deep appreciation of the role of music in the Liturgy and understand its various functions since music is capable of bypassing our intellects and speaking to the heart directly. Regarding the role of music, *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, the Vatican Council's Constitution on the Liturgy, says in paragraph 112: "The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. The main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as sacred song united to the words, it forms a necessary or integral part of the solemn liturgy." Music's importance derives from the fact that it places liturgical texts in our hearts and sometimes on our lips, inviting us into the mysteries unfolding before our eyes.

Musical style plays an important part in this process of communicating the meaning of liturgical texts. Since the Liturgy itself is a prayer (verily, the prayer of Christ to His Father!), the music itself should be prayerful and dignified. Paragraph 116 of the aforementioned Conciliar document says: "The Church acknowledges Gregorian chant as specially suited to the Roman liturgy: therefore, other things being equal, it should be given pride of place in liturgical services. But other kinds of sacred music, especially polyphony, are by no means excluded from liturgical celebrations, so long as they accord with the spirit of the liturgical action." Gregorian Chant, because of its unassuming character and irregular rhythm, is the music best suited to setting the prayerful and non-strophic texts of the Liturgy. Since not all parishes have access to resources to help them learn chant, the last bit of paragraph 116 is especially important: "so long as they accord with the spirit of the liturgical action." Music, whether it is old or contemporary, should feel like it is part of an uninterrupted prayer, not drawing attention to itself either by excessive ornamentation or showiness. Both of these qualities draw attention to the music and the performers, which then becomes a performance and no longer liturgical.

It is important to note that we are talking about texts that are *proper* to the Liturgy. Most music in our hymnals is devotional, chosen because it highlights themes that are

present in the readings or prayers of various Sundays. Hymns, especially those in our St. Jean de Brebeuf hymnal, are proper to the *Liturgy of the Hours* (morning prayer, evening prayer, etc.), which priests and deacons are obliged to pray daily and the faithful invited to pray in common or in private. There are only two genres of music that are *essential* to the Liturgy: the Ordinary and the Propers.

The Ordinary of the Mass consists of those texts that remain the same from week to week. These include the Kyrie (Lord have mercy), the Gloria (Glory to God), the Credo (I believe), the Sanctus (Holy Holy Holy), and the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God). After the liturgical reforms following Vatican II, the Mysterium Fidei (Memorial Acclamation) immediately after the consecration of the wine was added to the Ordinary. The Church desires for the faithful to sing these as much as possible, though choirs may sing more complex settings for the more solemn holydays. In these instances, the faithful are encouraged to "join their mind to what they[...]hear, and cooperate with heavenly grace" (Musicam Sacram, 15a). This quote aptly applies especially to the second set of liturgical texts - the Propers

The *Propers of the Mass* are those texts that change every week or even every day. These include the readings and the prayers of the priest. When we speak of Propers in a musical sense, they include the Introit (entrance chant), the Gradual (chant between the readings), the Alleluia, the Offertory, and the Communion Antiphons. Antiphons are short texts, primarily from the psalms, that either express a theme proper to the Sunday or a prayer of petition, thanksgiving, or praise depending on where in the Mass they are. These primarily belong to the choir and are offered for our contemplation. The Council did encourage them to be sung where possible, though; we at Holy Comforter have responded to that call by using Introits that fit famous hymn tunes!

Both C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien wrote stories about the creation of mythical worlds (Narnia and Middle Earth respectively).. They understood the power of music and described these worlds as emerging from heavenly melodies. Music that is beautiful is a foretaste of the delights of heaven, of being in the Presence of God (the "beatific vision"). Music in the liturgy must reflect these heavenly realities and take us out of ourselves and out of time itself, so that we might experience a foretaste of eternity. Let us all do our part to promote a greater love and understanding of beautiful liturgical music and beautiful music in general!

To be continued...



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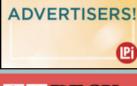


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