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Saturday Vigil (Masks Required) 5 PM 8 AM + 11 AM Sunday

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(except First Friday)

Tuesday-Thursday 7 AM First Friday 6 PM Saturday **8 AM**

HOLY HOUR

Thursday 7 PM 7 PM First Friday

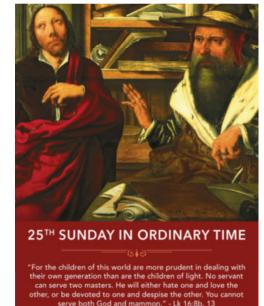
CONFESSION

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

Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9 AM-4 PM

For those who are vulnerable or feel insecure, we invite you to attend Saturdays at 5 PM or 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 (9/17)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks Required) Birthday and Anniversary Blessings following every Mass

SUNDAY (9/18) TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Altar Flowers Donated Anonymously

8 AM Mass

9:15-10:15 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass followed by Birthday and

Anniversary Celebration w/cake

12:30 PM RCIA (LL)

1:30 PM Confession

2 PM Latin Mass

4 PM Vespers

MONDAY (9/19)

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (9/20)

7 AM Mass

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (9/21)

7 AM Mass

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

6:30 PM Youth Group (LL)

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (9/22)

7 AM Mass

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6:30 PM Confession

7-8 PM Holy Hour

FRIDAY (9/23)

9 AM Regina Caeli Homeschool Co-op

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

SATURDAY (9/24)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass (Masks Required)

SUNDAY (9/25) TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Altar Flowers Donated in Thanksgiving of Joanne and Peter MacKey's Wedding Anniversary

8 AM Mass

9:15-10:15 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass

12:30 PM RCIA (LL)

1:30 PM Confession

2 PM Latin Mass

4 PM Vespers

SAINTS OF GOD Blessed are You

9/17 Saint Robert Bellarmine

9/18 Saint Joseph of Cupertino

9/19 Saint Januarius

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. 8 AM Randy Saathoff Amen. Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we SUNDAY (9/18) who are in trial, but deliver us from 11 AM Members of the Parish 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, THURSDAY (9/22) 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 12 PM † Antoine Norris (Margaret) be separated from you. Amen.

9/20 Sts Andrew, Kim Taegon, Paul **Chong Hasang and Companions**

9/21 Saint Matthew

9/22 Saint Lorenzo Ruiz and Companions

9/23 Saint Pio of Pietrelcina

9/24 Saint Robert Bellarmine

9/25 Saint Joseph of Cupertino

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 (9/17)

5 PM † Harry Dannals (Glenn Showalter)

8 AM Holy Comforter Catechists 2 PM Jon Schnur

MONDAY (9/19)

12 PM † Toni Esposito

TUESDAY (9/20)

7 AM Giacomo Cenni

WEDNESDAY (9/21)

7 AM Giacomo Cenni

7 AM Karol Solomon

FRIDAY (9/23)

SATURDAY (9/24)

8 AM Theresa Lynch

5 PM Deacon Henry and Alicia Vinklarek

SUNDAY (9/25)

8 AM Members of the Parish

11 AM In Thanksgiving for Father Joseph

Marv's Safe Return

2 PM † Mykolas Lengle (Patricia McAdams)

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

Offertory	\$11,370
Weekly Offertory Budget	(\$8,500)
Above Weekly Budget	\$2,870

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

ALL MONTH Catholic Virginia + Christian Formation

+ Justice and Peace

9/11/2022 Outreach

9/25/2022 Retired Religious

BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

Simplify with Online Giving

Looking for ways to simplify your busy back-to-school schedule? Try Online Giving. It's a secure and easy way to tithe and make other contributions. You can even set up automatic payments that will occur periodically, so you don't have to worry about remembering when to give. Please visit https://holycomforterparish.org/online-giving/ for the Online Giving link.

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LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance: I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord; from whatever tribulations they cry out to me, I will give heed to them; and I will be their Lord for ever.

Offertory: If I walk in the midst of tribulation you shall preserve my life, O Lord; you shall stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand has delivered me.

Communion: You have ordered that your commandments be kept diligently; O that my ways may be guided towards the keeping of your statutes. Today's Entrance and Offertory Antiphons complement the stark warning from God in the first reading. Amos chastises Israel for mistreating the poor and depriving them of their just wages; the Antiphons, on the other hand, promise God's protection to those who follow His ways. Remarkably, the Entrance and Offertory elegantly bookend all the readings after the manner of a dialog. God speaks to us in the Entrance Antiphon, promising deliverance when we cry out. The Offertory Antiphon is our response to that promise - a prayer of confidence and trust: "your right hand has delivered me." An interesting change in direction then occurs in the Communion Antiphon with the Psalmist begging for the grace to remain steadfast in keeping God's laws, which also illuminates the Entrance Antiphon. There is a profound thirsting in the plea to keep His statues. This thirsting hearkens back to a text from the same chapter as the first reading, though it is not actually included. God said that Israel, as punishment, would suffer a famine of hunger and thirst for "hearing the word of the Lord". When we turn away from God as a society, we cease to treat each other with dignity, and it becomes difficult to encounter God in the example of our neighbor. We begin to thirst for mercy and compassion but can find none among our confreres. Authentic preaching and living of the Word becomes scarce. How beautiful, then is God's promise in the Entrance that He will deliver us from tribulation! Give thanks to God, for He is good; His mercy endures forever!

Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

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RCIA BEGINS THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 12:30-1:30 PM (LL)

Volunteers needed for the new RCIA Hospitality Team! If you would like to host dinners for the RCIA Participants, introducing them to Parishioners from our amazing Holy Comforter Parish Family, sign up at the RE Table in the Commons. Please contact Victoria Lannon (Head Catechist) at 434-465-5623 greenbuk@gmail.com or Melinda Wells, DRE for more info!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Amos 6:1,4-7

God will judge the complacency of the people and their leaders.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146:7-10

Happy are those who find solace in God, the help of the poor.

Second Reading

1 Timothy 6:11-16

Paul exhorts Timothy to stay faithful to God in all things.

Gospel Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells the parable of the reversal of fortunes between the rich man and the poor man, Lazarus.

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, 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, Joseph 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

In today's Gospel, we see that prudent decisiveness means that we recognize that all our choices in daily living are choices for



eternal life. Our neighbors in need are messengers of God, sent to prove our justice and charity, and to save us by our works. St. Vincent de Paul learned that Christian love must weave together deep affection and hard work, a love that takes flesh in works of charity. Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Holy Trinity

Conference invite you to share in our ministry of experiencing God in serving your neighbors-in-need. Please email us at info@svdp-ht.org. Sign up for our **Friends of the Poor Walk** Sept. 27, 2022, 6pm after the 5:15pm Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas. Please sign up at

fopwalk.org/eventlisting/eventdetail/?event-2755

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: We appreciate your generous support to Outreach through your contributions and donations! During the month of August, we distributed pantry bags to 111 households/273 individuals and served 273 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: A parishioner at Westminster Canterbury, would like a ride to the 5PM Saturday Vigil Mass or the 11 AM Sunday Mass 2x a month. Please email Mercy@holycomforterparish.org PARISH LIFE MINISTRY: Our Annual Ministry Fair will be after all Masses, the weekend of October 1st & 2nd. Please stop by the Ministry tables to see how you could use your God given talents and gifts with others. Happy birthday and Anniversary to all celebrating in September. Father will give blessings after all Mass times on 9/17 & 9/18. Parish Life will have a cake at their Ministry table after the 11 am Mass to celebrate

HOLY COMFORTER HS YOUTH GROUP: NEW MEETING DAY & TIME! Wednesday Evenings 6:30-8:30 PM (LL). Starts with Spaghetti Dinner! NEW EVENGELIZATION MINISTRY: The seven-week Discovering Christ course begins on Thursday, September 29. Following Christ & Sharing Christ courses will be in winter & spring. As the course names imply, the program is designed to help you form a better relationship with your Savior, to progress to discipleship, and finally, to become an apostle. It works! Additional information & the registration link can be found here: https://incarnationparish.org/es/discovering-christ/ For more information, contact Steve Ham @ steven-ham@comcast.net or (434) 466-9820.

<u>HAITI MINISTRY:</u> *The next Haiti meeting will be in October.* We are hoping to have a Zoom Meet and Greet with our Haiti committee September 15, 7 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATES! Charlottesville Catholic School's first two community events of the year are coming up soon! The Annual All-Terrain 5K and Kids Fun Run will be held on Saturday, October 1; the Charlottesville Catholic Golf Tournament at Glenmore will be on Monday, October 3. Please visit our website (cvillecatholic.org) for more info and register. **SYNOD ON SYDONALITY:** The Diocese has synthesized responses from the listening sessions we hosted in March and here's the report. Copies are available in the Commons. Thank you for your participation! https://richmonddiocese.org/diocesan-synodal-synthesis-report/ ST. THOMAS AQUINAS UNIVERSITY PARISH is hosting a marriage retreat on September 24th & 25th, Sat. 8am-9pm & Sun. 10am-4pm. \$150 per couple, breakfasts & Saturday "Date Night" dinner included. It is a marriage retreat for any and all married couples and is by EverMore in Love (a sister to World Wide Marriage Encounter and Engaged Encounter. For more information please Contact Weddings@stauva.org STS. PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH, PALMYRA: Seeking to hire a 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 PASTOR





OUR LIFE AND STRENGTH IN THE EUCHARISTIC JESUS

Part I

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

"Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you" John 6:53

In June 2022, the bishops of the United States invited all dioceses to begin a three-year plan to revive and foster Eucharistic devotion in parishes and in the hearts of the faithful. In response to that invitation, I would like to share with you the power and the strength we can experience in the Eucharistic Jesus.

Fr. Lawrence in his book, *The Basic Book of the Eucharist*, says, "The Eucharist, as a sacrament, produces in you an increase of habitual, or sanctifying, grace by its own power. Its effects are like those of food: it maintains, increases, and repairs your spiritual forces, also causing a joy that is not necessarily felt, yet it is real". Holy Communion not only preserves the life of your soul, but increases it, just as the body is not only supported by means of natural food but grows stronger.

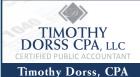
Jesus, Whom we receive in Holy Communion, preserves and increases all the various virtues which are bestowed upon our souls together with sanctify-ing grace. By increasing the theological virtues (faith, hope, and charity), Holy Communion enables you to enter into closer union with God, and by strengthening the moral virtues (prudence, temperance, justice,

and fortitude), Holy Communion enables us to regulate better our whole attitude toward God, our neighbors, and ourselves. By rendering the seven gifts and the twelve fruits of the Holy Spirit more abundant, Holy Communion opens our understanding and will to the inspirations and promptings of the same Holy Spirit.

The Gospels frequently speak of Jesus' feelings for others, especially sinners and those who suffer (cf. Matthew 20:34, Mark 6:34, Luke 19:41). Through a profoundly human sensibility, he expresses God's saving will for all people – that they may have true life. Each celebration of the Eucharist makes sacramentally present the gift that the crucified Lord made of His life, for us and for the whole world. In the Eucharist, Jesus also makes us witnesses of God's compassion towards all our brothers and sisters. The Eucharistic mystery consequently gives rise to a service of charity towards neighbor, which consists in the very fact that, in God and with God, I love even the person whom I do not like or even know. This is a new way of living my life with courage which does not come from me but from the One I receive in the Eucharist – Jesus my Lord. This can only take place based on an intimate encounter with God, an encounter which has become a communion of will, affecting even my feelings. Then I learn to look on this other person not simply with my eyes and my feelings, but from the perspective of Jesus Christ.

The Eucharistic Jesus compels all who believe in him to become "bread that is broken" for others and to work for the building of a more just and fraternal world. Keeping in mind the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes, we need to realize that Christ continues today to exhort us, his disciples, to become personally engaged: "You yourselves, give them something to eat" (Matthew 14:16). How can we manage to do this? The Lord answers in these words: "Remain in Me, and I will remain in you. Just as no branch can bear fruit by itself unless it remains in the vine, neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in Me. I am the vine and you are the branches. The one who remains in Me, and I in him, will bear much fruit. For without me you can do nothing" (John 15:4-5).

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