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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 5 PM
Sunday 8 AM + 11 AM**
Traditional Latin 2 PM
Monday + Friday 12 PM
(except First Friday)
Tuesday-Thursday 7 AM

Tuesday-Thursday 7 AM
First Friday 6 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

Monday-Friday 9 AM-4 PM

**We livestream our 11AM Sunday Mass on our Facebook page: facebook.com/holycomfortercville



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Uganda Theresa Lynch
Ushers Dennis Dougherty

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-NOVEMBER 6, 2022

(NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK)

For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, that young people will be open to God's call in their lives and respond generously to give their lives to Him in the service of the Church, we pray to the Lord.

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 (11/5)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (11/6) THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

Altar Flowers Donations Appreciated

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

MONDAY (11/7)

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (11/8)

7 AM Mass

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

5:30 PM Pastoral Council Meeting

6:30 PM Youth Group

WEDNESDAY (11/9)

7 AM Mass

10:30 AM-1:30 PM Food Pantry

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

6:30 PM -8:30 PM Youth Group (LL)

7 PM Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY (11/10)

7 AM Mass

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6:30 PM Confession

7-8 PM Holy Hour

FRIDAY (11/11)

9 AM Regina Caeli Homeschool Co-op

12 PM Mass

5-6 PM Wedding Rehearsal

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

SATURDAY (11/12)

8 AM Mass

1:00-3:30 PM Wedding

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (11/13) THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Altar Flowers Donations Appreciated

8 AM Mass

9:15-10:15 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass

SAINTS OF GOD

Blessed are You

11/5 Saint Peter Chrysologus

11/6 Saint Nicholas Tavelic and Companions

11/7 Saint Didacus

12:30 PM RCIA (LL)

1:30 PM Confession

2 PM Latin Mass

4 PM Vespers

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 ⁵ PM Holy Souls in Purgatory (Lauren O'Neill) 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)

Act of Spiritual Communion

Adopted from Pope Francis

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire 7 AM † Alice Ferry (Mel Crews) 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.

11/8 Blessed John Duns Scotus

11/9 Dedication of Saint John Lateran

Basilica

11/10 Saint Leo the Great

11/11 Saint Martin of Tours

11/12 Saint Josaphat

11/13 Saint Francis Xavier Cabrini

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

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (11/5)

8 AM Rev. Joseph Nasser S. J.

SUNDAY (11/6)

8 AM Members of the Parish 11 AM Neil and Lia Price and Family 2 PM Laurie Ellen Fitzsimmons (Kimberly Keller)

MONDAY (11/7)

12 PM Simon Ospina (Martha Ospina † Deceased Member of the Smith Family (Patricia McAdams)

TUESDAY (11/8)

WEDNESDAY (11/9)

7 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory (Lauren O'Neill)

THURSDAY (11/10)

7 AM Gilbert Family

FRIDAY (11/11)

12 PM Paul R. Marsh (Margaret Marsh) Simon Ospina (Martha Ospina)

SATURDAY (11/12)

8 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory (Lauren O'Neill) **5 PM** † Gerald Lilly (Mary Frances Lilly)

SUNDAY (11/13)

8 AM † Peter Colo (Marlene Wood)

11 AM † Deceased Veterans (Lauren O'Neill)

2 PM Members of the Parish

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 30, 2022

Offertory \$6,498
Weekly Offertory Budget (\$8,500)
Below Weekly Budget (\$2,002)

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

ALL MONTH Catholic Virginian + Christian

Formation + Justice and Peace

11/13/2022 Outreach

11/20/2022 Archdiocese for the Military Services

eGIVING

Online Giving allows you to support our parish and our ministries even if you can't attend Mass. When you choose to make recurring gifts, you provide us with

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LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance: Let my prayer enter into your presence; incline your ear to my supplication, O Lord.

Offertory: Guide my footsteps, O Lord, according to your word, so that no iniquity may ever gain the upper hand, O Lord.

Communion: The Lord is my shepherd and I shall want nothing; he has set me in a land of abundant pastures; he has led me to liferenewing waters.

The readings this weekend focus on the resurrection of the dead at the end of time and living life based on this truth, i.e., persevering in faith against the temporary sufferings in this life, even to the point of martyrdom if necessary. Because of the importance of eternity and the realization that this life is short, the Entrance Antiphon seems to cast aside all distracting thoughts, very simply and earnestly begging God to hear our prayers as we begin Mass. What is our prayer today? The Offertory Antiphon articulates the perfect prayer of love, which is fear of displeasing God: "Guide my footsteps[...]so that no iniquity may ever gain the upper hand, O Lord." ...so that no iniquity may ever gain the upper hand – what zeal! Spiritual fervor then settles into quiet confidence in God's Providence with the beautiful Psalm 23 (22). Specifically, there is an elegant parallel between the language of the Offertory and Communion, linking them together. "Guide my footsteps" finds its fulfillment in "he has led me to liferenewing waters" Let us consider the brevity of this life and the perpetuity of the next, committing ourselves anew to faithfulness in doing the will of God with devotion and punctuality. Come, Lord Jesus!

Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Christian Formation Parent Meeting

There will be a mandatory CHRISTIAN FORMATION PARENT MEETING

THIS Sunday, November 6, at 9:15 AM (LL). Attendance is
imperative as there will be an important Diocesan program to
discuss and parental feedback is necessary.

See you there!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Malachi 3:19-20

The day of justice is coming, says the

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 98:5-6,7-8,9

Sing praise to God, who rules with justice.

Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 Paul urges the community to follow his example and to earn their keep.

Gospel Luke 21:5-19

Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and warns his followers that persecution will come before the end time.

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, Ed Shaffrey, 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, Sonia Bell, 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, Melodie Mougeolle and Children, Mary Mullen, Josephine Nampijja, Aimee Nyriamugisha, Isaak & Ada Pyatetsky, David Rathburn, 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.

MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY

Pete Bakke, Nick Bruno, Nathaniel Byrd, Michael Eiermann, Charles G. Ellison, Katharine 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 find that God is a God of the living, and this is indeed the core of our hope. Give hope to your neighbors who have nothing. Thank you for your generous donations. Your donations offer hope in a future with less need, hope in a life with less stress, and true hope in the kindness and

good of all. We see Christ in our neighbors in need and, when we see Christ, we experience God. You are invited to join us in our journey. We meet at 7 pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month at the Church of the Incarnation. If you would like more information about our conference, or if you would like to donate, please visit our website at www.svdp-ht.org or email us at info@svdp-ht.org

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: Schedule Change! Food Pantry schedule is open Mon, Tues, Wed from 10:30am-12:30pm. We appreciate your generous support to Outreach through your contributions and donations! During the month of October, we distributed pantry bags to 195 individuals/80 households and served 256 lunches during Soup Kitchen. Please leave your donations in the basket in the Commons. Thank you and God Bless! (This USDA food pantry institution is an equal opportunity provider). Giant Food Bloomin' 4 Good Program: Holy Comforter's Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen was selected as the November beneficiary by local store leadership at the Giant Food located at 1900 Abbey Rd. Charlottesville. Holy Comforter Outreach will receive a \$1 donation for every Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet with a purple hanging tag purchased at this Giant Food location in November.

ADULT FORMATION: Prof. Kevin Hart on Prayer: TODAY! Sunday, Nov. 6, the Adult Formation program hosts theologian Kevin Hart, the Kyle Professor of Christian Studies at U.Va., for an online talk titled "Prayer: What It Is and How to Do It." The 40-minte lecture begins at 4:30 and a 20-minute Q&A period will follow. Free, but advance registration is required; https://thetreasures.org/harttalk to register or call the meeting host at 434-227-1590.

HAITI MINISTRY: The Haiti Arts and Crafts Fair this past weekend was a huge success. Thank you to the committee members and to the those that supported the ministry through their purchases. Father Asmith writes, "...the needs are real. The people cannot afford their own needs. As a pastor this situation is heartbreaking to me. Many families are really starving. The food supply situation is perilous, the gangs control the ports of entry. Cholera is here and medical supplies are in short supply. This past week we had about 200 pupils coming to school. Most schools are closed in Haiti due to the unrest and violence. The batteries for the clinic haven't arrived and and the lack of electricity is a limiting factor for the clinic operations, we do not have a generator backup. Please keep Fr. Asmith, Fr. Millien, Isador, and Saltadare, as well as the families of St. Michel, our twin, in your prayers. Thank you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE: The month of November we will be remembering our dearly departed loved ones. There is a table in the Commons to display photos of our dearly departed loved ones. Please be sure to join us in this beautiful remembrance.

PLEASE NOTE: Father Joseph Mary will bless your holy objects after the Rosary following the Saturday 8 AM Mass. This will be offered every First Saturday!

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—NOVEMBER 6, 2022 (NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK): "May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God." Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart as a priest? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

FROM THE PASTOR





KEEPING DEATH BEFORE OUR EYES IN THIS MONTH FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY (& BEYOND)

Part I

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour." Matthew 25:13

Did you know that each month has a traditional Catholic devotion? This month of November is devoted to the souls in Purgatory. We know for certain that canonized saints are in Heaven, but we do not know about the rest of humanity, so we must make sure that we do all we can for our brothers and sisters who have passed, especially those in most need, by praying that they, too, get into Heaven.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us about the state of purification called Purgatory (paragraph 1031). Nothing unholy is allowed in Heaven. Jesus' sacrifice actually transforms us and is not just a "cover-up." What I mean by this is that we believe that Christ's sacrifice is not just making us appear to be pure (what Martin Luther believed), but we truly become purified when we really accept Him wholly. We just need to receive Him. As imperfect, fallen humans, we likely might not enter eternal life completely spotless, though, and that is why His love continues to purify us in the state of Purgatory. What's left of sin is taken away. Traditionally, people ask for 40 Masses to be said for a person who has passed. Forty represents a long time biblically, so people were

aiming to help someone even if that person was said to be in Purgatory for a long time.

November, as an occasion to remember and pray for the deceased, is also an invitation for us to keep in mind that we could die at any time. In the Rule of Saint Benedict, there is one instruction given in chapter 4 under the heading, The Instruments of Good Works, which simply says, "Keep death daily before your eyes". Why would an ancient spiritual master remind us to "keep death daily before our eyes"? Some might think this is a gloomy, dark, and depressing way to live. After all, didn't Jesus come so that we may have life and life in abundance (John 10:10)? The spiritual wisdom in being mindful that we could die anytime allows one to see each breath for the gift it is, the miracle of awakening each morning, and the magic of eating, drinking, walking, dancing, singing, and all the other small joys that are easy to take for granted. Fostering a healthy awareness of death encourages us to be fully present and fully awake to the preciousness of this moment, this year, this person, this experience, and this place, because you never know when it will be the "last".

When we live with this awareness, it empowers us to live with arms, hearts, and spirits wide open to one another, which leads to *less* suffering, loneliness, depression, bitterness, anger, and fear, and to *more* hugs, joys, celebrating, sharing, caring, dancing, contentment, and love. One spiritual writer said that one thing he appreciates about the Christian tradition is that it shuns reincarnation by naming death as the end of this chapter. "The finality of death is meant to challenge us to decision, the decision to be fully present here and now, and so begin eternal life. For eternity, rightly understood is not the perpetuation of time, on and on, but rather the overcoming of time by the now that does not pass away."

As a lover of Jesus and follower of Christ, I think one could truthfully say the most Christian way of being and living in the world is to live in the present moment in love. St. Paul ih writing to the Corinthians says: "Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends" (1 Cor. 13:7). So, live as if there's no tomorrow! Live the afterlife NOW!

To be continued...



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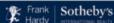
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