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Saturday Vigil	5 PM
Sunday	8 :30 AM & 11 AM*
Monday + Friday	12 PM
<i>(except First Friday)</i>	
Tuesday-Thursday	7 AM
First Friday	6 PM
Saturday	8 AM

ADORATION

Thursday	7 PM-8 PM
First Friday	7 PM-8 AM

CONFESSION

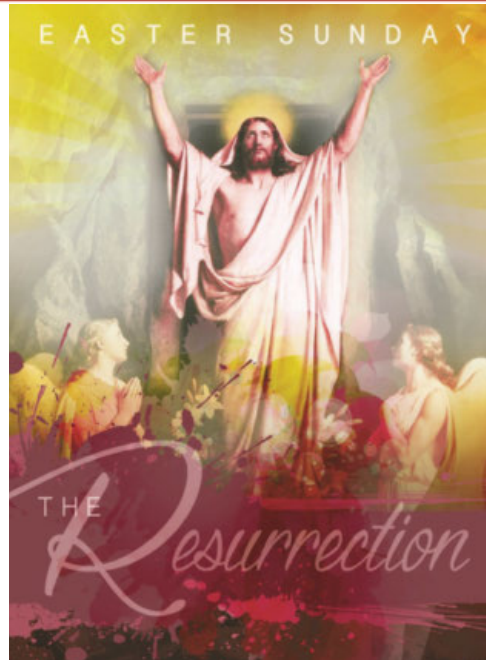
Monday, Wednesday, Friday	6:30-7:30 PM
Thursday	6:30-8 PM
First Friday	7:30 PM
Sunday	1:30 PM

Office Hours

Monday-Friday	9 AM-4 PM
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*We livestream our 11AM Sunday Mass on our Facebook page:
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Uganda	Theresa Lynch
Ushers	Dennis Dougherty

The Resurrection of the Lord Easter Sunday April 9, 2023

That the Risen Lord, made known to us through apostolic witness, will bestow upon us more men and women to answer the call to proclaim His life, death and resurrection as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

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 (4/8) HOLY SATURDAY

8 AM Office of Readings/Morning Prayer

8:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass
(Reception following-LL)

SUNDAY (4/9) EASTER SUNDAY

9 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

MONDAY (4/10) EASTER MONDAY

Office Closed

10:30-12:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession TBD

TUESDAY (4/11)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

WEDNESDAY (4/12)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession TBD

6:30-8:30 PM Youth Group

THURSDAY (4/13)

12 PM Mass

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6:30 PM Confession

7 PM Adoration

FRIDAY (4/14)

9 AM-12 PM Regina Caeli Homeschool Co-op

12 PM Mass

6:30 PM Confession

SATURDAY (4/15)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (4/16) DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Second Collection-Outreach

8:30 AM Mass

9:45 AM-10:45 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass

12 PM RCIA

3 PM Divine Mercy Holy Hour

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.

4/11 Saint Stanislaus
4/12 Saint Teresa of Los Andes
4/13 Saint Martin I
4/14 Blessed Peter Gonzales
4/15 Saint Caesar de Bus
4/16 Saint Bernadette Soubirous

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@holyccomforterparish.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (4/8)

8:30 PM Michelle Morlen
Aaron Wissinger
James Wyant

SUNDAY (4/9)

9 AM Hannah Gentry
Josephine Dougherty
† Scarlett Makielski (Stelow Family)
11 AM Members of the Parish

MONDAY (4/10)

12 PM For American Families
US Military and Veterans
Salvatore Kastrinos (Carole Kastrinos)

TUESDAY (4/11)

12 PM For American Families
The Sick and Dying

WEDNESDAY (4/12)

12 PM For American Leadership

THURSDAY (4/13)

12 PM For American Families

FRIDAY (4/14)

12 PM Raymond F. Littley
(Dotty and George Lilly)
The Sick and Dying

SATURDAY (4/15)

8 AM For America's Leadership
5 PM † Nancy Masada (Nancy Vilar)

SUNDAY (4/16)

8:30 AM The Sick and Dying
11 AM Members of the Parish

SAINTS OF GOD

Blessed are You

4/8 Saint Julie Billiart

4/9 Saint Casilda

4/10 Saint Magdalene of Canossa

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

WEEK ENDING APRIL 2, 2023

Offertory (Online Giving)	\$3,890
Weekly Offertory Budget	(\$8,500)
<i>Below Weekly Budget</i>	<i>(\$4,610)</i>

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL

ALL MONTH Catholic Virginian + Christian Formation + Justice and Peace + Haiti

4/7/2023 Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land

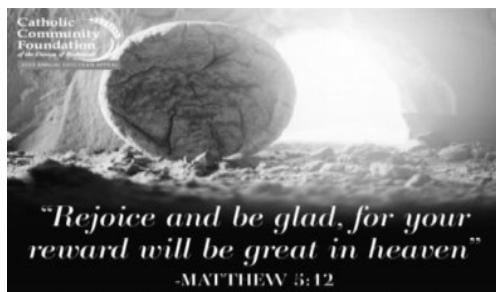
4/16/2023 Outreach

HOLY COMFORTER HAS EXCEEDED OUR ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL GOAL! THANK YOU!!

We are a people of hope because of today, the day God conquered death. There is no thought more preposterous or delightful than God becoming man, dying, and conquering death for us because we are given hope through his blood.

The only enemy left to fear now is sin. "The last enemy to be destroyed is death," said Paul in 1 Corinthians 15:26. Any person called "Christian" can shout: "Where, O death, is your sting?" (1 Corinthians 15:56).

Help our Annual Diocesan Appeal by taking your rest today. Rest with the victor after His long struggle. The king has taken his crown, and you are one of his faithful subjects. The good shepherd has gathered his sheep to himself, and you are in his fold. "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven" (Matthew 5:12). Today, as our Annual Appeal continues, we remember the goodness of our God. We rejoice in how the trials of Lent in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving have given way to an Easter feast. Let your feasting, too, give way to further self-gift. Help our Appeal soon and together, we can *increase* momentum this Easter season. Christ will be busy multiplying your gifts before he ascends. Spring will mirror our abundance of new life breaking forth. May we be fruitful with his Easter blessing. Peace be with you.



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance: I am risen, and I am always with you, alleluia; you have placed your hand upon me, alleluia; your wisdom has been shown to be most wonderful, alleluia, alleluia.

Offertory: The earth trembled and was still, when God arose in judgment, alleluia.

Communion: Christ, our Paschal Lamb, has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore, let us keep the feast by sharing the unleavened bread of uprightness and truth, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ is risen! The exuberance of the Easter Vigil gives way to the awed contemplation of the Entrance Antiphon on this happy Easter Day: "your wisdom has been shown to be most wonderful". Shock over the Resurrection has now turned into happy wonderment. The Wisdom of God is far beyond our comprehension and brings things to completion in a way more perfect than all the greatest minds in the world trying to solve a problem. This sense of awe is beautifully captured in the Offertory Antiphon, which speaks of the trembling of the earth descending into stillness "when God arose". The Scripture of God "passing by" Moses in silence, preceded by the storms, fire, etc., comes to mind. St. Paul brings our prayerful considerations to a close by calling us to reform our lives based on this new reality. The Passover has always been understood by the Church to be deeply symbolic of the drama of Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection. St. Paul, in the Communion Antiphon, delves into this and speaks of the unleavened bread as a symbol of our Christian living. In context, he says to put away the "old leaven" of wickedness and malice; even the smallest amount of a leavening agent can change the makeup of bread, so we are being called to simplicity, embracing truth, which will set us free, and uprightness, or good deeds among other things, in response to the newfound freedom that Truth has given us. Let us rejoice this sacred week and let our joy pour over into our interactions with others. The world is STARVED for joy – let your "chalice" overflow for others! Christ is risen – He is risen indeed!

Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Melinda Wells, Director of Religious Education

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Congratulations to Holy Comforter's newly Confirmed High Schoolers:
Josephine Dougherty and Hannah Gentry!

Welcome and Congratulations to Holy Comforter's RCIA newly Initiated:
Michelle Morlen, Aaron Wissinger, and James Wyant!

A very special thank you to Father Joseph Mary, and Catechists:
Joe Davis, Victoria Lannon, Carl Baumann, Heather Burns, Steve Ham, Daniel Kirkland, Garrett & Diane Smith, the parents of the Confirmed and all the sponsors!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

The first community of Christians grows as its members meet to pray and break bread.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24

God's love is everlasting.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

We have new hope because of Jesus' Resurrection.

Gospel

John 20:19-31

Thomas believes because he sees Jesus.

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

PARISHIONERS (includes ill, injured, homebound, and caregivers) Normand Auger, Eileen Bracuti, Stephanie Crews, Emmett Dudley, Kelton Flinn, Eileen Foster, Jolene Green, Colette Hall, Barbara Isak, Ann Jackson, Victoria Lannon, Mary Nguyen, Mary Polce, Ed Shaffrey, Shawn Simpson-Smith, Mae Trentanove, Deacon Henry and Alicia Vinklerek, Mary Wheeler, Denise Wilcox, Sara Winter, and Charlie Anne Xavier.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Charlotte, Kent and Brittney Anderson, Blandine Attey, Fr. Dan Bain, Christine Bentejac, Maureen Bradley, Tom Cassidy, B. Waugh Crigler, Roxanne Crittenden, Virginia Davis, Father Gerald Fogarty, Richard Harmer, Cindy Harris, Sallie Harris, Beth Howard, Andrew Hunt & Family, Anthony & Elizabeth Kapeluch, Kajihara Family, Steve Kirchmeyer, Teena and Raymond Klein, Chris Irwin Krupka, Shannon and 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, Matthew Schrank and Family, David Shrank and Family, Joseph Schrank, Yulia Savona, Daniel and Shirley Shifflett, Aiden Smith, The Sullivan Family, Mary Ann Uzzo, Brendan and Maria Walsh, Monica Wadium, Don and Lisa Wells, Henry Francis Wojtala, Andrew Wood.

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**To request Holy Communion or a visit from Father Joseph Mary, or to add or remove a name, please contact the office 434.295.7185
reception@holycomforterparish.org**

2023 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL (*Case for Support Overview*)

CASE ELEMENT	TARGET
<u>2023 Appeal Overall Target</u>	<u>\$3,989,235</u>
Empowering The Next Generation	\$817,056
Providing For Those in Need	\$1,405,000
Strengthening Catholic Communities	\$1,272,179
Building an Effective Annual Appeal	\$495,000



Holy Comforter Parish target is \$25,150 and we will receive 30% of contributions up to that goal and 50% of all contributions over it. All proceeds will be used here for church maintenance.
Please scan the QR code to contribute.

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: We appreciate your generous support to Outreach thought your contribution and donations, especially during Lent. Please leave your food donations in the basket in the Commons by the stairs. Thank you and God Bless! (This USDA pantry institution is an equal opportunity provider.)

THE WORKS OF MERCY MINISTRY invites Holy Comforter's parish in praying the Divine Mercy 9 Day Novena, beginning Good Friday. The Divine Mercy Chaplet is an act of Spiritual Communion and through this chaplet and novena, we obtain forgiveness and intercede for the salvation of souls through Our Lord's infinite mercy. An official Divine Mercy novena pamphlet was included in last week's bulletin and some may be available in the Commons. For a mailed pamphlet, please email with your address to mercy@holycomforterparish.org Please join us and thank you so much! Jesus, I trust in you!

ANNOUNCEMENT

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.



WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY EASTER SEASON!

Vincentians seek Christ in the face of our neighbors in need and walk with them in their trials. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness, and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need. Your almsgiving helps to prevent evictions, utility disconnections and relieve stress in the hearts of many struggling neighbors. Those we visit share in God's blessings from the charity of our Catholic Community. Thank you. If you would like to help us by joining the Society, please contact us at info@svdp-ht.org or call (434) 226-8022, and we will get back to you. Thank you! God bless you for your prayerful consideration.

JOIN US FOR THE 28TH ANNUAL CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL GALA AUCTION, which will be held on Saturday, April 29 at the Omni Hotel. The Gala Auction is a fabulous evening for the CCS community to come together and support the school! Featuring cocktail hour and a seated dinner, live and silent auctions, and a number of fun raffles, this is our school's biggest fundraising effort each year—you don't want to miss it!

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS would like to invite you to join us for Importance of Whole Life as Part of a Retirement Plan, during which you can learn more about the financial services that you can take advantage of. The event is scheduled for April 26th at 7:30 PM. Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/KofCEffnerApril26>

FROM THE PASTOR



THE JOY OF THE RESURRECTION

Part I

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

“When Jesus arose from the dead, he gave us reason to hope with complete assurance that we would have eternal life. He has become ‘the first fruits of those who are asleep’”
1 Corinthians 15:20

The news of Christ's resurrection should have come as no surprise to the people who knew Jesus because; **“He had said that he would rise from the dead” (Matt. 12:40, 16:21)**. In addition, Jesus had performed several miracles that should have left people expecting his own resurrection from the dead. For example...

- **He raised a man who was on his way to be buried (Lk. 7:11-17).**
- **He brought back to life a little girl who had died (Lk. 8:40-56).**
- **He called his friend Lazarus out of the tomb (Jn. 11:1-44).**

Having heard the good news of Christ's death for us and his resurrection, what should we do? Does it make sense to go through our lives in such a way that these facts seem irrelevant

traditions sentimentalized once a year, honored in a liturgy, but not the basis of our lives? How strange it is that Easter and Christmas are the only times many people celebrate and remember the Good News. Or, if we pay more than once-a-year lip service to the cross and the empty tomb, then how strange it is that this, in itself, seems strange to others! Believing in the death and resurrection of Christ in such a way that your daily life, all year long, is built upon it is one sure way to be regarded as eccentric—even by many who may go to church at "Easter" time.

Really, one should regard the death and resurrection of Christ in an equally high manner each day of one's life, and each Sunday at church. "Easter" should really be a daily observance, a way of life, providing us with constant blessed assurance. It should begin at our baptism (in which we are buried and raised with Christ according to Romans 6) and continue through our whole life until we die to await the voice of our Master to awaken us to our own resurrection and ascension into eternal glory. Yes, the Christian awakens to each new day, not just "Easter Sunday", with the precious and powerful thought: "He is risen, He is risen, Alleluia! indeed the Lord has risen."

This is a day of good news, the best news: that Jesus Christ rose from the dead and ever lives to make intercession for those who know Him and love Him. But frankly, we live in a world where most of the news is bad. A quick look at any newspaper, any news magazine, will reveal to us that the news in our world is not only bad, but seems to be getting worse. We find ourselves living in a culture that is negative, bitter, hostile, depressed, despairing. There is a pall of darkness that hangs over our enlightened heads. We seem to be on the back side, the downside of human history, progressively eliminating the once precious things that we hoped for a better world. But when with the risen Lord our hopes for a better future increase.

We just heard the story of Jesus' resurrection. It's remarkable, isn't it? But have you ever wondered why resurrection is so important? I mean, it's impressive to think that Jesus rose from the dead, but have you ever wondered why it really matters? Jesus paid for our sins on the cross, right? Our salvation comes from His dying in our place, doesn't it? The cross was enough, wasn't it?

To be continued...

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