

# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMFORTER

# JUNE 4, 2023

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### 📃 MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil	5 PM
Sunday	8 :30 AM & 11 AM*
Monday + Friday	12 PM
(except First Friday)	
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	

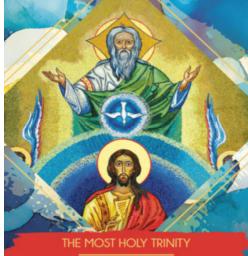
#### Office Hours

Monday-Friday

9 AM-4 PM

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

> Please Send Bulletin Submissions by 3 PM Mondays to <u>dre@holycomforterparish.org</u>



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16-17

#### Pastor

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#### PARISH VOLUNTEERS

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	Heather Burns
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Offertory Counters	Lee Faust
Sacristans	Suzanne Bailey
Uganda	Theresa Lynch
Ushers	Dennis Dougherty

#### The Most Holy Trinity June 4, 2023

That those chosen to share the mercy of God as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers will be faithful to the Spirit of Truth who has called them and guides them,

**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.

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### SATURDAY (6/3)

8 AM Mass 5 PM Vigil Mass SUNDAY (6/4) Trinity Sunday 8:30 AM Mass 11 AM Mass RCIA Rite of Welcome 4 PM Vespers **MONDAY (6/5)** 10:30-12:30 PM Food Pantry 12 PM Mass 6:30-7:30 PM Confession TUESDAY (6/6) 7 AM Mass 10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry WEDNESDAY (6/7) 7 AM Mass 10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry 6:30-7:30 PM Confession 6:30-8:30 PM Youth Group Summer Send-off Party THURSDAY (6/8) 7 AM Mass 12-1 PM Soup Kitchen 6:30-8 PM Confession/Adoration FRIDAY (6/9) FIRST FRIDAY 6:30 Mass 7-8 PM Confession & Adoration SATURDAY (6/10) 8 AM Mass 12 PM Wedding 5 PM Vigil Mass SUNDAY (6/11) Corpus Christi 8:30 AM Mass 11 AM Mass Eucharistic Procession following Mass 4 PM Vespers

### SAINTS OF GOD Blessed are You

6/3 Saint Charles of Lwanga and Companions 6/4 Blessed Angelina of Marsciano

#### **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 (6/3) 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 **SUNDAY (6/4)** 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, 7 AM Lee Faust Family 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.

6/5 Saint Boniface 6/6 Saint Norbert 6/7 Blessed Franz Jagerstatter 6/8 Saint William of York 6/9 Saint Ephrem 6/10 Saint Joachima 6/11 Saint Barnabas

## **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 Agbati Family for Safe Travels 5 PM † Jane Till Danilek

Lee Faust Family

8:30 AM Agbati Family 11 AM Members of the Parish Woojin Park

#### **MONDAY (6/5)**

12 PM Agbati Family Peter Lavadia (Pat Cuardros)

TUESDAY (6/6) 7 AM Lee Faust Family

WEDNESDAY (6/7)

THURSDAY (6/8) 7 AM Mary Stelow and Chris Hays Stelow Family)

FRIDAY (6/9) 12 PM Mary Stelow and Chris Hays Stelow Family)

#### SATURDAY (6/10)

8 AM Mary Stelow and Chris Hays (Stelow Family) 5 PM Lee Faust Family

SUNDAY (6/11) 8:30 AM Members of the Parish 11 AM Daniel Kirkland

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### PARISH NEWS

### **GIFTS FROM GOD**

#### WEEK ENDING MAY 28, 2023

Offertory (Online Giving)	\$2,893.40
Weekly Offertory Budget	(\$8,500.00)
Below Weekly Budget	(\$5,606.60)

Maintenance Fund Receipts

\$5,741.40

#### SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE

ALL MONTH Christian Formation + Haiti +

Justice and Peace

6/11/2023 Peter's Pence 6/18/2023 Outreach

6/25/2023 Maintenance Fund

#### MESSAGE FROM OUR FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR

Over the next three weekends you will hear from the chairs of our Finance and Pastoral Councils, as well as our Pastor, Father Joseph Mary, regarding the parish budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Please see the report from Gary Krutul inserted in today's bulletin.

### PLEASE SCAN THIS QR CODE TO SUPPORT HOLY COMFORTER PARISH

And, contributions may be made *anytime* in pew, by mail, or online at:

https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/PS-1665 Thank you!

### LITURGICAL NOTES

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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

Holy Comforter's Parish Family

Welcomes Woojin Park

in the

RCIA Rite of Welcome. (This Sunday, June 4, at the 11 AM Mass.)

Please reach out to Woojin and say hello!

### Coming soon to Holy Comforter!

**Bible Basic for Catholics** 

Author Dr John Bergsma

*Our Seminarians, Carl Baumann and Max McHugh will be teaching this Bible study. Please join us!* 

*"It's an authentically Catholic introduction to the "big picture" of salvation history." Date and Time to be announced!* 

#### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

CORPUS CHRISTI

#### First Reading

Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14b-16a Moses tells the people to remember how God delivered them from slavery in Egypt. **Responsorial Psalm** Psalm 147:12-15,19-20 Praise God, Jerusalem!

#### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:16-17 Though many, we are one body when we partake of the Body and Blood of Christ. **Gospel** John 6:51-58 Jesus says, "I am the living bread."

#### June 4, Trinity Sunday



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

<u>PARISHIONERS</u> (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 Vinklarek, Mary Wheeler, Denise Wilcox, Sara Winter, and Charlie Anne Xavier.

#### FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Charlotte, Kent and Brittney Anderson, Blandine Attey, Fr. Dan Bain, Christine Benteejac, Maureen Bradley, Florence Cassidy, Tom Cassidy, B. Waugh Crigler, Roxanne Crittenden, Virginia Davis, Father Gerald Fogarty, Richard Harmer, Cindy Harris, Sallie Harris, Beth Howard, Andrew Hunt & Family, Julie Kajihara & Family, Steve Kirchmeyer, Teena and Raymond Klein, Chris Irwin Krupka, Mike & Sibylle Llewellyn, Shannon and Coty Lockett, Eduardo Mendes and family, Melodie Mougeolle and Children, Mary Mullen, Josephine Nampijja, Aimee Nyriamugisha, Sally Paget-Brown, 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.

#### **MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY**

Pete Bakke, Nick Bruno, Nathaniel Byrd, Michael Eiermann, Charles G. Ellison, Katharine Ernst, Jeffrey Jaeger, Tom Logan, Matthew Mickiewicz, S. Proffitt, M. Rankin, Benjamin Schrank, Elijah Schrank, Jonathan Schrank, and Joey Smith.

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 <u>reception@holycomforterparish.org</u>

MISSING CHILDREN'S BIBLE...A CHILDREN'S BIBLE is missing as of May 6 or 7, Sat/Sun. from Catechist Sherry Schemmel's classroom, 2nd/ First Sacraments, LL. *If you* found it or borrowed it, please return to Sherry Schemmel or Melinda Wells, DRE. <u>It was a Holy Communion gift to</u> one of her children and is a very special family Heirloom.

#### MINISTRIES

**<u>OUTREACH</u>**: During the month of April, we handed out **133** food bags to **386** individuals in Food Pantry and served **358** lunches in Soup Kitchen. We appreciate your generous support to Outreach through your contributions and donations. Many thanks and God Bless you!

THE WORKS OF MERCY MINISTRY: Our mission is to strengthen our parish community through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. For more information about joining our mission to visit/ pray for the ill & recovering, as well as the parish homebound, email Sharon Dudley mercy@holycomforterparish.org. HAITI: Father Asmithe was delayed on his return from Hinche recently because the locals had to rebuild a portion of the roadThe UN has announced that malnutrition and starvation for the Haitian children is inevitable. UN Secretary General is continuing to request an external force to intercede and help Haiti. Father Asmithe mentioned that he may use the old clinic and storage building, inside the rectory compound, as a parish hall. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual "Hope for Haiti" golf tournament is Tuesday, September 26, at Wintergreen Resort's Stoney Creek golf course. Keep Haiti, Saltadare, and St. Michel in your prayers. Our Lord does listen to our prayers.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 For more information.

**CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL** is hiring for the 2023-2024 school year. Currently, we are seeking an Elementary Teacher (JK-5th), a full-time Spanish Teacher (capable of teaching Spanish I and II), and a School Counselor. Teacher applicants should have a current Virginia state Teaching License. If you are interested, send resume, Diocesan Application, three letters of reference, and a copy of your teaching license to Charlottesville Catholic School, Attn: Vada Fallica, Principal; 1205 Pen Park Road, Charlottesville, VA 22901 or email her at v.fallica@cvillecatholic.org.

This past week Vincentians were busy returning calls and visiting our neighbors in need. Your donations help to bring Hope to our neighbors in need whose lives are defined by their struggles. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need. We are in urgent need of members who can return phone calls or visit our friends in need. If you would like to help us by joining the Society, please contact us at info@svdp-ht.org or call (434) 226-8022,. Thank you and God bless you!

### FROM THE PASTOR



#### FINDING JOY IN SUFFERINGS, IS STRENGTH FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

Part I

### "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance " James 1:2-3

The question: How can we live in JOY each day while facing the daily challenges of life? As we read through the New Testament, we encounter a unique connection between the Holy Spirit and joy. I'll give you a few examples. Luke tells us how at one point Jesus "*rejoiced in the Holy Spirit* (Lk.10:21)." And St. Paul tells us how the Thessalonian Christians had "received the word in much affliction, with *the joy of the Holy Spirit* (1Thes. 1:6-7)." In Romans, Paul instructs us that "the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and *joy in the Holy Spirit* (Rm. 14:17)."

When we experience the joy of the Holy Spirit, we taste the joy that is at the core of ultimate reality. For when we are born again

by the Spirit as the gospel of John say in the story of Nicodemus (Jn. 3:6-7), we receive the astounding, incredible, empowering, priceless gift of the Holy Spirit who resides in us, just as Jesus promised: **"I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you** (Jn. 14: 16-17)."

From what we know, the Holy Spirt comes with joy in all circumstances of our lives as he dwells within us. The book of Job says: "....Shall we indeed accept good from God, and shall we not accept adversity?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips(Job. **2:10).'** Therefore, I believe that the joy we are to have that comes from God is not the kind that comes only from good circumstances but from what God grows in our lives. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law (Gal. 5:22-23)." Joy, then, is not a magical feeling that comes out of nowhere. Joy is a fruit that God grows in the lives of those who set their hearts on seeking God diligently in all they do, through Word and prayer. "For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit (Rm. 14:17)." In addition, because of that growth, we can have joy despite problems when we follow God because we are confident in His love. "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds (James 1:2)."

Of course, we can have joy because of the salvation that God has provided as a gift to us. "Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation (Psalm 95:1)." We can also have joy because we can find safety with God. "But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exalt in you (Ps. 5:11)." Let us seek, then, to live lives of joy in the Lord so that those who do not know Him will be attracted to the joy that flows from all He has done and for who He is.

"Now to Him who can keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority before all time and now and forever. Amen (Jude 1:24-25)."

To be Continued...

