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

ADORATION

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

CONFESSION

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

Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9AM-4PM

Please Send Bulletin Submissions
by 3PM Mondays to
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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 2, 2023

For an increase in laborers to the Lord of the Harvest in response to our prayers for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and the consecrated life, and for the holiness of all those now serving the people of our diocese in these vocations, 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 (7/8)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

6-8 PM Vocations Ministry

SUNDAY (7/9) Fourteenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Second Collection-Outreach

Altar Flowers Donated by Erin & Joe

Ferguson, in Honor of their Wedding Anniversary.

8:30 AM Mass

9:45-10:45 AM Bible Basics for Catholics

11 AM Mass

4 PM Vespers

MONDAY (7/10)

10:30-12:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (7/11)

7 AM Mass

9 AM VBS Meeting (LL)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (7/12)

7 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (7/13)

7 AM Mass

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6:30-8 PM Confession/Adoration

FRIDAY (7/14)

12 PM Mass

7-8 PM Confession and Adoration

SATURDAY (7/15)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (7/16) Fifteenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Altar Flowers Donated by Deacon Henry

and Alicia Vinklarek, in Honor of Father Joseph Mary's Birthday

8:30 AM Mass

9:45-10:45 AM Bible Basics for Catholics

11 AM 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 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

7/10 Saint Veronica Giuliani

7/11 Saint Benedict

7/12 Saints John Jones and John Wall

7/13 Saint Henry

7/14 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

7/15 Saint Bonaventure

7/16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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 (7/8)

8 AM † Steven Roy French

5 PM David and Alix Paget-Brown and Family

SUNDAY (7/9)

8:30 AM Members of the Parish

11 AM Lee and Dominique Faust & Family

MONDAY (7/10)

12 PM David Marinaccio and Elizabeth Marinaccio (Barnes Family)

TUESDAY (7/11)

7 AM † Alfred M. Goodison III (Michele Skarvelis)

David and Alix Paget-Brown and Family

WEDNESDAY (7/12)

7 AM All Priests and Seminarians

THURSDAY (7/13)

7 AM † Mable P. Dodaro (Michele Skarvelis)

FRIDAY (7/14)

12 PM † Mildred J. Chrzastek (Michele Skarvelis)

SATURDAY (7/15)

8 AM Military Police Personnel

5 PM Members of the Parish

SUNDAY (7/16)

8:30 AM † Peggy Lynn Cox

11 AM Mark and Ladean Barnes

SAINTS OF GOD

Blessed are You

7/8 Saint Gregory Grassi and Companions

7/9 Saint Augustin Zhao Rong and Companions

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

Due to our publication deadline, the Offertory report for **Week Ending July 2, 2023** will appear in next week's bulletin.

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR JULY

ALL MONTH Christian Formation + Christian Formation + Justice and Peace

7/9/2023 Outreach

7/23/2023 Maintenance Fund

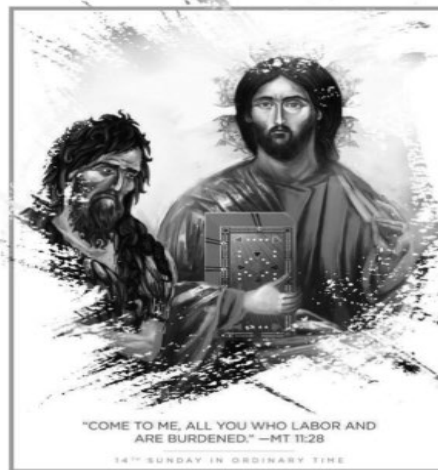
PLEASE KEEP HOLY COMFORTER IN MIND DURING YOUR SUMMER TRAVELS

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. Please visit:

<https://holycomforterparish.org/online-giving/> for the **Online Giving** link, or **scan this QR code** to support Holy Comforter Parish! **THANK YOU!!**



LITURGICAL NOTES



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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HOLY COMFORTER VBS

July 31-August 4, 9 AM-12 PM

Charlottesville Catholic School

Holy Comforter's Vacation Bible School is coming soon! **Volunteers are Needed!** Please sign up to volunteer at the RE Table in the Commons. Registration is July 1-16. Registration forms are on the RE Table.

VBS PLANNING MEETING

Tuesday, July 11, 9 AM

Please plan on attending this very important VBS meeting if you are interested in helping in any capacity. In keeping with the Church's three year "Eucharistic Revival," this year's Vacation Bible School theme will be "The Holy Eucharist." Please see Melinda Wells, DRE For more info.

HC Family Afternoon Movie!

Friday, July 21 at 2 PM (LL) Movie: Prince of Egypt

Dreading the hot humid days of July and having nothing to do? Then come to Holy Comforter for a free movie, popcorn, drinks AND air conditioning! *Such a deal!* Invite your friends and bring your own additional snacks. Fun is sure to had by all! Join us!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Isaiah 55:10-11

The Word of the Lord shall achieve its purpose.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 65:10-14

A prayer of praise to God for his abundance.

Second Reading

Romans 8:18-23

Together with all of creation, we await God's redemption.

Gospel

Matthew 13:1-23 Jesus teaches that the kingdom of heaven is like seed that has been sown on good soil.

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, 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 Bentejac, Maureen Bradley, Florence Cassidy, Tom Cassidy, B. Waugh Crigler, Roxanne Crittenden, Virginia Davis, Arthur Eddleston, 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.

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 reception@holycomforterparish.org



We need new members who can return phone calls or visit our neighbors in need. If you would like to help, please join us at 7 pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month at the Church of the Incarnation. Please note that we will not be meeting on July 4th. For 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. Thank you! **SVDPHT Stuff-the-Truck donation collection: The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Holy Trinity Conference will conduct a "Stuff-the-Truck" donation collection 9-11 am Saturday, July 15th in the St. Thomas Aquinas Church parking lot. We will collect "gently used" clothes only and then transport them to the new SVDP Thrift Store in Richmond (<https://svdp-rvacouncil.org/thrift-store>). Your donations will support the SVDP Richmond Council who help friends in need in Virginia. Thank you for your generosity.**

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: During the month of June, we handed out **153** food bags to **410** individuals in Food Pantry. We appreciate your generous support of Outreach through your contributions and donations. Many thanks and God Bless! This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

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: There will be a Haiti Craft Fair table at "**Finally Home Animal Haven**," 7251 Blenheim Rd, Scottsville on Saturday, July 8th from 9-p.m. The rain date is July 9th. We have had many accomplishments this past year that we should all be proud of. We had a complete school year with eighteen graduates and over 650 students being fed and educated. The medical team had over 3,000 patients, a plethora of healthy newborn and a vaccination program for the school and village youth. We had solar batteries replaced in the clinic and a complete solar grid for rectory and church providing 24/7 power. We repaired a quarter mile of two major Saltadare water lines and moved them in the process to prevent future damage. The list goes on. *ALL OF THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY THE KINDNESS AND GOODNESS of the Tri-Parish parishioners through student sponsorship, and donations.* You have fed the hungry, cared for the sick, and provided hope. The antithesis of this is that the school and clinic programs will cease this fall. We need your financial support. The anticipated enrollment is double our current sponsorship of around 350 students, the financial foundation of the ministry. Please remember to keep St. Michel, Saltadare, and Haiti in your prayers. **To donate, send a check, memo line 'Haiti Sponsorship,' to Holy Comforter. Full sponsorship of a child is \$150. Thank you, God Bless.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RICHMOND IS SEEKING TO FILL THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS: a Full Time Information Technology Specialist for the Office of Information Technology to work in the Virginia Beach/Norfolk Area and Full Time Coordinator for the Offices of Human Resources and Safe Environment. For the full ad and how to apply, please click here <https://bit.ly/3PvbLPB>. For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist/Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.org.

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

FROM THE PASTOR



IMMERSED IN THE LIFE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Part V

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

"Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

2 Corinthians. 1:21-22

We have been anointed to love and serve the living God – the Savior who liberated us from the slavery of sin, death, and Satan. Jesus was anointed with the Holy Spirit to fulfill the mission his Father sent him to accomplish. We are called Christians, which means "those who belong to the Anointed One." God has anointed us with the same Holy Spirit who came upon Jesus when he was baptized by John in the Jordan River. We have been anointed for the King's service, to live for his pleasure and glory. This is the noblest of callings – to serve the living God and to offer our lives to him as a living sacrifice of praise. But how do we go about this serving the living God? That is where the gifts of the Holy Spirit are needed for us to carry out this noble duty.

One of the many benefits of being a Catholic is that you gain the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit when you undergo the Sacrament of Confirmation. You may have heard of these seven gifts before, but what exactly are they and how do they manifest in our lives?

Receiving the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit not only improves our spiritual life, but they may also improve our overall living if we make them part of our character. If you are a confirmed Catholic, pondering whether to proceed with your Confirmation, or curious about the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, here is how you can apply the seven gifts in your daily life.

Wisdom: Be as wise as Solomon when you receive the gift of wisdom. This gift manifests by making us more capable of making choices based on our Christian faith and virtues. With the Holy Spirit's wisdom, we are able to decide, speak, think, act, and pray like Christ. ***"Gold and glass cannot equal wisdom, nor can it be exchanged for jewels or vessels of fine gold."*** - Job 28:17. **Understanding:** Next to wisdom, the Holy Spirit also gives us understanding as a valuable gift. "But aren't wisdom and understanding the same thing?"

While they may be closely related etymologically, wisdom and understanding manifest in different ways. Wisdom is a process that occurs entirely in thought; understanding, on the other hand, is a gift of the Holy Spirit that dwells in your heart. When you 'understand' a situation the same way Christ would, you 'think' with the goodness of your heart. The manifestations of understanding do not end there. The gift of understanding also grants you the ability to further understand miracles, verses, signs sent by God that may not be immediately obvious to someone who has not received Christ, the mysteries of our faith, and many others. There is so much to understand in the environment that God has given us-- and we will easily understand them when we accept the second gift of the Holy Spirit. ***"But there is a spirit in man; and the inspiration of the Almighty gives them understanding."*** - Job 32:8.

Counsel/Right Judgement: The gifts of the Holy Spirit do not manifest only in our hearts and minds: the third gift encourages us to discern based on our Christian faith and to consistently choose good over evil. The gift of counsel or right judgment manifests in the ability to do what is right, and to make decisions that would benefit the Lord. ***"And they said unto him, "ask counsel". We pray to you, oh God, that we may know whether our way shall be prosperous."*** - Judges 18:5.

To be continued...

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