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Saturday Vigil 5 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM & 11 AM

Monday + Friday 12 PM
(except First Friday)

Tuesday + Wednesday 8 AM

Thursday + First Friday 6 PM

Saturday 8 AM

ADORATION

Thursday 7-8 PM

First Friday 7-8 PM

CONFESSION

Mon, Weds, Fri 6:30-7:30 PM

Thursday 7-8 PM

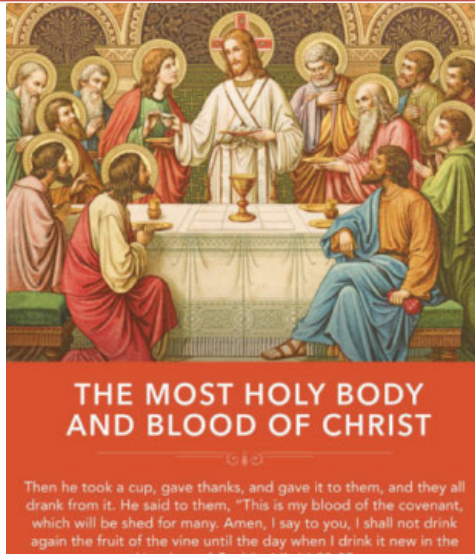
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Sunday 1:30 PM

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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 (6/1)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (6/2) CORPUS CHRISTI

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

Corpus Christi Procession
immediately Following Mass

1 PM Confession

MONDAY (6/3)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (6/4)

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (6/5)

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

Choir On Summer Break

THURSDAY (6/6)

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6 PM Mass

7-8 PM Adoration and Confession

FRIDAY (6/7) FIRST FRIDAY

6 PM Mass

7-8 PM Adoration and Confession

8:30 Musica Sacra VA Concert

SATURDAY (6/8)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (6/9) Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

1 PM Confession

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(3x) 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

6/4 Blessed Angelina of Marsciano

6/5 Saint Boniface

6/6 Blessed Jolenta of Poland

6/7 Saint Anthony of Padua

6/8 Saint Albert Chmielowski

6/9 Saint Marguerite d'Youville

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 (6/1)

8 AM Jordan Family (Fr. Joseph Mary)

5 PM Members of the Parish

SUNDAY (6/2)

8:30 AM † Jane Till Danilek

11 AM † Donald E. Jones

MONDAY (6/3)

12 PM Stephanie and Mark Crews
(Melinda Crews)

TUESDAY (6/4)

8 AM † Daniel Philip Terrico
(Michele Skarvelis)

WEDNESDAY (6/5)

8 AM Brian and Barb Cassidy

THURSDAY (6/6)

6 PM Thelma Goris
(Brian and Darlene Beard)

FRIDAY (6/7)

6 PM Ed Walendowski and family
(Fr. Joseph Mary)

SATURDAY (6/8)

8 AM Hilton Beard Family (Fr. Joseph Mary)

5 PM In Thanksgiving for Many Blessings
(Ed Walendowski)

SUNDAY (6/9)

8:30 AM Members of the Parish

11 AM Christopher Cofer
(Brian and Darlene Beard)

SAINTS OF GOD

6/1 Saint Justin Martyr

6/2 Saints Marcellinus and Peter

6/3 Saint Charles Lwanga and
Companions

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

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Week Ending May 26, 2024

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| Offertory | \$11,934 |
| Weekly Offertory Budget | (\$8,750) |
| Above Weekly Budget | \$3,184 |

Week Ending May 19, 2024

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| Offertory | \$4,269 |
| Weekly Offertory Budget | (\$8,750) |
| Below Weekly Budget | (\$4,481) |

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE

ALL MONTH Christian Formation + Haiti + Justice and Peace

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| 6/9/2024 | Outreach |
| 6/23/2024 | Maintenance Fund |
| 6/30/2024 | Peter's Pence |

PLEASE KEEP HOLY COMFORTER IN MIND DURING YOUR SUMMER TRAVELS

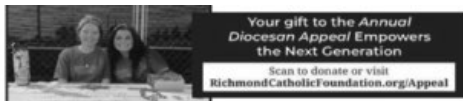
If you will be away this summer, you can make your offertory contributions with Online Giving from wherever you are! And, when you do so, it helps us to meet our regular financial obligations. All Second Collections are accepted online, as well. Please visit this site for the Online link <https://holycomforterparish.org/online-giving/>

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Through our secure **Online Giving** program, you can set up recurring or one-time gifts for our Offertory, our parish ministries, and for all Diocesan and National collections. Please **click or scan the Online Giving QR code** to be directed to our giving portal. Thank you for your support of Holy Comforter!

2024 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: *Sharing His Love with Others* We are pleased to share we have reached our goal of **\$25,200!** Contributions are still being accepted, brochures are available in the Commons, and you can scan the QR code here to contribute now. Thank you for your support!!



LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance: He fed them with the finest of wheat, alleluia; and with honey from the rock he satisfied them, alleluia, alleluia.

Offertory: The Lord opened the doors of heaven and rained down manna upon them to eat; he gave them bread from heaven; man ate the bread of angels, alleluia.

Communion: He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood, abides in me, and I in him, says the Lord.

The solemnity of the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ is a celebration of both the sacramental treasure entrusted to the Church and of holy orders, which makes that treasure readily available to us. Jesus' Body and Blood, soul and divinity, fully present within the bread and wine consecrated by the priest/bishop, is the source and summit of our glorious Catholic Faith. The Second Person of the Trinity, God Incarnate, has chosen to dwell among us "until the end of the age" in this most vulnerable way in order that we might "abide" in Him and He in us, nourishing us as we navigate the desert of this life towards the Promised Land. It is abominable, then, that so many Catholics approach the altar for Communion every week with indifference. Just as we might be injured if a loved one ignores our signs of affection, even more so is Our Lord wounded by our lukewarmness in response to His complete outpouring of Himself to save us. Let us strive to be more intentional as we approach Communion; have we gone to confession in preparation for Communion? do we approach the Sacrament with reverence? do we take time to abide with Jesus after Mass? Let us also pray for our priests, whose own indifference or lackadaisical approach toward the Sacrament is more dangerous because it can affect the Faithful and can lead to misunderstanding about what Communion truly is. Make acts of Faith to strengthen your own conviction and atone for the lack of belief of others: "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." Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Are you an aspiring Librarian? Volunteers are needed to maintain Holy Comforter's Library on the lower level. If you are interested, please contact Melinda Wells, DRE, at 434-295-6559 (office) or email at dre@holycomforterparish.org. Thank you so much!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading *Genesis 3:9-15*
Adam and Eve eat the fruit of the forbidden tree.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 130:1-2,3-4,5-6,7-8 (7bc)
Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Second Reading
2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
We believe and so we speak.

Gospel *Mark 3:20-35*
Whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me.

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

PARISHIONERS

(Includes ill, injured, homebound, and caregivers.)

Ann Carothers, Sharon Dudley, Kelton Flinn, Erin Ferguson, Jolene Green, Colette Hall, Jim and Bobbie Hoskins, Ann Jackson, Mary Nguyen, Ed Shaffrey, Shawn Simpson-Smith, Mae Trentanove, Mary Wheeler, Denise Wilcox, Sara Winter, Charlie Anne Xavier and family, and Mary Ann Ziminski.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Blanding Attey, Ben and Katherine Barahona, Mary Benfante, Christine Bentejac, Hope Brown, Max and Hadley Burch, Cora, Mary Caretti, Stephanie Crews, Jimmy Dominguez, Fr. Gerald Fogarty, Sue Gilbert, Genevieve Halfen, Kajihara Family, Joan Lincks, Mike & Sibylle Llewellyn, Shannon and Coty Lockett, Michael McNeil, Melodie Mougeolle and Children, Robert Maute, Lia Thoms Price and Family, Lawrence Randolph, Randall Saathoff and Family, Matthew Schrank and Family, David Shrank and Family, Joseph Schrank and Family, Yulia Savona, Aiden Smith, Paul and Meghan Thoms, Scotty Thoms, Deacon Henry and Alicia Vinklarek, Brendan and Maria Walsh, Don and Lisa Wells, and Mary Ann Uzzo, Residents and Staff of Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention.

MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY

Matthew Mickiewicz, Benjamin Schrank, Elijah Schrank, Jonathan Schrank, and Joey Smith.

HOLY COMFORTER BULLETIN PRAYER LIST: *In an effort to maintain the prayer lists and ensure they are current, the lists will be cleared once per quarter.* If you would like your family member, or fellow parishioner added (back) to the prayer list, please email the Works of Mercy ministry at mercy@holycomforterparish.org or please call the church office at 434-295-7185.

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



On this day we pay homage to the transforming power of the Most Holy Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ. We meet at 7 pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in the Conference Room at the Church of the Incarnation. Our next meeting is June 4th and you are welcome to attend a meeting. For information about our conference, visit our website at www.svdp-ht.org or email us at info@svdp-ht.org. To donate, you may donate online, by PayPal, by visiting www.svdp-ht.org and clicking on the "Donate" button; You may drop a check payable to St. Vincent de Paul Holy Trinity Conference in Sunday's collection basket or in the Poor Box or you may mail a check to The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Holy Trinity Conference, 401 Alderman Road, Charlottesville, VA 22903. bills. Thank you & God bless you.

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: During the month of April, we handed out food bags to 180 families/471 individuals in Food Pantry and 336 lunches in Soup Kitchen. We thank you for your continued support to Outreach through contributions, donations and volunteering. It is all greatly appreciated. Thank you and God Bless! The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

PARISH LIFE: Would you like to be more involved in the community life of Holy Comforter's Parish? Consider joining Holy Comforter's Parish Life Ministry! Email Elizabeth Gilbert, Elizgilbert@gmail.com

WORKS OF MERCY: The Works of Mercy Ministry has received a ride request for either the 5PM or 11AM Mass from a woman who lives in the Pantops area. She does use a walker. If you are able to help with this request, please contact the church office or email the Works of Mercy Ministry: mercy@holycomforterparish.org We are looking for 2 individuals to bring communion to people in hospitals, nursing homes, or other residences. If interested, please email the ministry at mercy@holycomforterparish.org.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED MINISTRY: *The next Walking with Mom's In Need Meeting has been moved to June 9, 2024 at 10AM.* Meetings are on First and Third Sundays at 10:00 between the Masses. For more info, please contact Garrett Smith at 434-960-7775.

HAITI: . The ministry and people of St. Michel deeply appreciate all that you are already doing, and we are profoundly grateful for your sacrifices. The Haitian saying, "Pa gen anyen ki fasil ann Ayiti" (nothing is easy in Haiti), holds true. Our twinning parishes share the responsibility of praying for each other—it's an essential part of our mission. We're three weeks away from the end of June. While we've made progress with twelve new sponsors, we've also lost some old ones. To maintain our count, we need approximately 118 additional sponsors. Starting July 1, sponsorship will increase to \$175 due to rising costs and inflation in Haiti. Please pray for Haiti.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHESTERTON ACADEMY OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST is a classical high school joyfully rooted in the Catholic tradition, opening this August in Charlottesville! Prospective students and their parents are invited to tour the school on Saturday, **June 8th** at its new location across from Holy Comforter Parish in downtown Charlottesville. **A two hour poetry student workshop led by faculty member Isak Bond will follow. June 24-28,** we'll be hosting a **"Dive Into Poetry" half-day camp for rising 8th-12th graders.** Please see the bulletin for details, or visit our website to sign up and get more info: ChestertonSJE.org.

CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL is seeking an **Elementary Teacher (JK-5)** 2024-2025 school year. Please 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 via email to v.fallica@cvillecatholic.org. Also, CCS is looking for **summer maintenance help.** Duties would include painting and moving classroom furniture. If interested, please contact Frank Murphy, Business Manager, f.murphy@cvillecatholic.org, or 434-964-0400.

FROM THE PASTOR



self-discipline. Power can be many things backed up by the Holy Spirit, such as boldness to preach the gospel, power to perform healing miracles, ability to instruct the ignorant, and firmness to live a moral, inspiring life. Love given by the Holy Spirit is obvious when we have the heart to love others the way Jesus would. The self-discipline that is given by the Holy Spirit allows a person to follow through on God's will and have wisdom throughout life.

One beautiful title that Jesus calls the Holy Spirit is "the spirit of truth." Take John 16:13 for example: **"When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future."** What Jesus is telling us here is that when we have the Holy Spirit in our lives, He will guide us in the direction we need to go. The Holy Spirit will not leave us in confusion but will reveal the truth to us. He illuminates the dark areas of our lives to give us a clear vision of God's purpose for us as indicated by 1 Corinthians 14:33: **"For God is not a God of confusion but of peace. As in all the churches of the saints."**

The Holy Spirit is our leader, and those who follow Him are His sons and daughters. Romans 8:14-16 says, **"For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful as slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when He adopted you as His own children."** What we really need to know is that as believers, the Holy Spirit longs to lead us and speak to us as we surrender to Him. We all can hear His voice. As we develop a relationship with Him, we will begin to hear Him more clearly and accurately. We will be able to recognize when He is speaking and when we are simply hearing our own thoughts or the voice of the Enemy. He is not asking for perfection but rather a faith that leads to action.

There is so much joy in hearing the Spirit speak and carrying out what He is asking of us. Sometimes, we will never know why He has asked us to do something, but we can still trust that He will reward us for our trust in Him. Other times, we will directly see the impact of our obedience when the glory of God is revealed.

To be continued...

Should you have any questions about our Catholic Faith, please contact Melinda Wells, DRE, at dre@holycorforterparish.org.

THE HOLY SPIRIT AT WORK IN OUR DAILY LIVES

Part II

Very Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi, V.F.

"And the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'"

Luke 3:22

Writing to the Corinthians, St. Paul said: **"all of us who reflect the Lord's glory with an unveiled face are being transformed into his own image, from one degree of glory to another. This too is from the Lord, who is the Spirit"** (2 Cor. 3:18). We can then confidently say that the goal of the Holy Spirit's work is to make us more like Jesus, but how does He do this? It's a process known as sanctification. Sanctification is the process of the Holy Spirit stripping away our sinful habits and bringing us into holiness. Think of it like peeling back an onion – there are layers. The Holy Spirit works in us by peeling away our sinful characteristics and replacing them with godly characteristics. His work in us makes us more and more like Jesus.

Having received such sanctification, just as Acts 1:8 mentions, the Holy Spirit then empowers Christians to be effective witnesses for Jesus Christ. He gives us the boldness to testify of the Lord Jesus Christ in situations where we would normally be fearful or timid. 2 Timothy 1:7 encourages us: **"For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline."** The power that the Holy Spirit gives us is something that is reflected in the natural as well as the supernatural order of our lives. He gives us power, love, and

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