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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil	5 PM
Sunday	8:30 AM, 11 AM & 2 PM
Monday + Friday	12 PM
Tuesday + Wednesday	8 AM
Thursday	6 PM
Saturday	8 AM

ADORATION

Monday + Friday	1-3PM
Wednesday	6-9PM
Thursday	7-8 PM

CONFESSION

Mon, Weds, Fri	6:30-7:30 PM
Thursday	7-8 PM
Sunday	1 PM

Office Hours

Monday-Friday	9 AM - 4 PM
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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

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10:30AM -12:30PM
Soup Kitchen: Thurs 12PM-1PM

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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 (7/13)

8 AM Requiem Mass for Deacon Henry
Potluck Reception following Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (7/14) Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Altar Flowers Donated by Holy Comforter Parishioners in Memory of Deacon Henry Vinklarek

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

1 PM Confession

2PM Latin Mass

MONDAY (7/15)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

12:30-3PM Adoration

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (7/16)

8AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (7/17)

8AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

6-9PM Adoration

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (7/18)

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6 PM Mass

FRIDAY (7/19)

12 PM Mass

12:30-3PM Adoration

SATURDAY (7/20)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (7/21) Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Altar Flowers donated by an Anonymous Donor

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

1 PM Confession

2PM Latin Mass

SAINTS OF GOD

7/13 Saint Henry

7/14 Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

7/15 Saint Bonaventure

7/16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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

7/17 Saint Francis Solano

7/18 Saint Camillus de Lellis

7/19 Saint Mary MacKillop

7/20 Saint Apollinaris

7/21 Saint Lawrence of Brindisi

Our beloved Deacon Henry Felix Vinklarek, Jr. was called home by our Lord and Savior on Monday, June 24, 2024.

Please pray for the repose of his soul, remember his wife, Alicia, in your prayers and Rosaries.

A Requiem Mass will be celebrated on the Feast of Saint Henry, Saturday, July 13 at 8AM.

Please join us afterwards for a potluck Reception, celebrating Deacon Henry's life and service to our Parish.

TO REQUEST MASS INTENTIONS:

Contact the Parish Office 434-295-7185
Reception@holycomforterparish.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (7/13)

8 AM † Mabel P. Dodaro (Michele Skarvelis)
† Deacon Henry Vinklarek

5 PM Members of the Parish

SUNDAY (7/14)

8:30 AM Alicia Vinklarek in Honor of Her Birthday (Holy Comforter Parishioners)

11 AM † Mildred J. Chrzastek

2 PM † Laura McCaul (Shannon Lagarde)

MONDAY (7/15)

12 PM Father Joseph Mary
(Holy Comforter Parish)

TUESDAY (7/16)

8 AM † Peggy L. Cox

WEDNESDAY (7/17)

8 AM VBS Volunteers

THURSDAY (7/18)

6 PM Soup Kitchen Volunteers

FRIDAY (7/19)

12 PM Father David SSentamu

SATURDAY (7/20)

8 AM Homebound Parishioners

5 PM † Alfred M. Goodison III
(Michele Skarvelis)

SUNDAY (7/21)

8:30 AM Members of the Parish

11 AM † Helen Hall
(Colette Hall and Kelton Flinn)

2 PM William Yearout

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

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Week Ending June 30, 2024

Offertory \$9,254

Weekly Offertory Budget (\$8,750)

Above Weekly Budget \$504

Week Ending July 7, 2024

Offertory \$5,335

Weekly Offertory Budget (\$9,100)

Below Weekly Budget (\$3,765)

eGIVING

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!

“Consider this: WHOEVER SOWS SPARINGLY WILL ALSO REAP SPARINGLY, AND WHOEVER SOWS BOUNTIFULLY WILL ALSO REAP BOUNTIFULLY.” 2 Corinthians 9:6

To meet our parish annual operating expenses of \$473,200, it is necessary for our 226 registered and active families to contribute \$2,094 per year, or about \$40 per week. If you are already tithing \$40 or more per week, thank you. If you are not, but are able to, please know how much your support is needed, especially at this time. May God bless you abundantly.

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR JULY

ALL MONTH Catholic Virginian + Christian Formation + Justice and Peace

7/14/2024 Outreach

7/28/2024 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.

LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance: When I cried out to the Lord, he heeded my call against my assailants; he who is before the beginning of the world and who endures forever has humbled them. Cast your cares upon the Lord, and he will sustain you.

Offertory: Unto you, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul; O my God, I trust in you, let me not be put to shame; do not allow my enemies to laugh at me; for none of those who are awaiting you will be disappointed.

Communion: The sparrow has found herself a home, and the turtle dove a nest in which to lay her young: at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God! Blessed are they who dwell in your house, they shall praise you for ever and ever.

One of the things this weekend's readings point out is that God will take of those who abandon themselves to His will and the spreading of the Kingdom. This is especially evident in the Gospel where Our Lord instructs the disciples to travel lightly to the point of seeming humanly unprepared ("no food, no sack, no money in their belts"). The Offertory Antiphon echoes this sentiment, calling us to faithfulness amidst tribulation. The choice of antiphon is all the more interesting because it is the same chant from the first Sunday of Advent during which we find ourselves waiting confidently for the Second Coming. The Communion Antiphon reinforces this eschatological focus, reminding us that true happiness is found in Communion with God. That blissful communion in this life is a foretaste of the unfathomable joys that are to come in heaven. It is for our part to remain steadfast in doing good, nourished by the Sacraments, in order to attain to that end for which were specially created. Keep the Faith!

Daniel Kirkland, Director of Liturgy and Music

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Library Volunteers STILL Needed

Volunteers are needed to help maintain Holy Comforter's Library on the lower level. If interested, please contact Melinda Wells, DRE.

Thank you so much!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading *Jeremiah 23:1-6*

The Lord promises to shepherd his people Israel.

Responsorial Psalm *Psalm 23:1-3,3-4,5,6*

The Lord is our shepherd.

Second Reading *Ephesians 2:13-18*

Christ has reconciled us with God and united us in peace.

Gospel *Mark 6:30-34*

Jesus invites his disciples to rest after their ministry, and Jesus is moved with pity for the crowds who pursue them.

July 14, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

PARISHIONERS

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

Ann Carothers, 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, Nancy Joan Debiese, Jimmy Dominguez, Fr. Gerald Fogarty, Sue Gilbert, Genevieve Halfen, Mark Rowland Huckabe, Kajihara Family, Kelly Lembo and 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, Yulia Savona, Matthew Schrank and Family, David Shrank and Family, Joseph Schrank and Family, Tara Singh, Aiden Smith, Christopher Tomaselli, Paul and Meghan Thoms, Scotty Thoms, 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.

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



Reserve the date! Our 2024 Friends of the Poor Walk is scheduled for 12:30 on Saturday, September 21st at the Church of the Incarnation. We will walk together in fellowship to raise funds for our community in need during this nationwide annual event. You and family members of all ages are welcome to attend. There will be games for the kids and food for all. If you are not able to attend the walk this year you are always welcome to contribute financially! We regularly meet at 7 pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month in the Conference Room at the Church of the Incarnation. Note: In July we will meet on July 9th and July 23rd. You are welcome to attend a meeting and see if this ministry may be calling you. If you would like more information about our conference, or if you would like to donate, please visit our website at www.svdph-t.org or email us at info@svdp-ht.org

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: During the month of June, we handed out 160 food bags to 398 individuals at Food Pantry and served 336 meals at Soup Kitchen. We greatly appreciate your ongoing support to Outreach through your volunteer time, contributions, and donations! Thank you and God Bless! This USDA institution is an equal opportunity provider.

PARISH LIFE: Please join us Monday July 15th after the noon mass for a potluck lunch to celebrate Father Joseph Mary's Birthday. Sign up in flocknote and bring a lunch item to share! Would you like to be involved in the community life of Holy Comforter's Parish? Please email Elizabeth Gilbert, Elizgilbert@gmail.com

WORKS OF MERCY: We are looking for 2 individuals to bring communion to people in hospitals, nursing homes, or other residences. If interested, please contact the Works of Mercy ministry at mercy@holycomforterparish.org.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED MINISTRY: Meetings will begin again in September, on the First and Third Sundays at 10:00 between the Masses. Please contact Garrett Smith at 434-960-7775, for more information.

HAITI: The "Hope for Haiti" Golf tournament was an immense success, raising over \$8,000. The Haiti committee and Parish of St. Michel expressed gratitude to the players and those who contributed, especially Dan and Maria Wassilchalk. We hope to see more players next May for the fifth anniversary of the event. Paul's letters to the Corinthians, written almost two thousand years ago, remain relevant today. These letters emphasize timeless principles such as humility, love, and faithfulness in a diverse and morally complex world. Just as Paul addressed challenges faced by early Christians, the Haitian context also calls for humility, love, and faithfulness. Similarly, the Kenyan police effort aligns with these principles, aiming to restore security house by house and neighborhood by neighborhood. [Both the Haitian NGO and the Kenyan police effort intersect with Paul's teachings, emphasizing compassion, justice, and resilience in the face of adversity.](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHESTERTON ACADEMY Open House: Sat., July 27th, 10 am - 12 pm
Come see Charlottesville's **new classical high school** joyfully rooted in the Catholic tradition! Opening **this August**, *Chesterton Academy of St. John the Evangelist* offers a proven and rigorous curriculum, daily Mass, Socratic seminar, Rome pilgrimage, and affordable tuition. We're located across from Holy Comforter at 256 E High St. We are **accepting applications** for this school year! **RSVP** at ChestertonSJE.org/events. Can't make this date? To schedule an appointment for a tour, go to 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, to Vada Fallica, Principal; 1205 Pen Park Road, Charlottesville, VA 22901 or 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/434-964-0400.

FROM THE PASTOR



THE HOLY SPIRIT AT WORK IN OUR DAILY LIVES

Part VIII

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

God wants you to embrace the power of the Holy Spirit, which will help you walk in a more victorious, fruitful life as a disciple of Jesus. What we continue to learn is that each encounter with the Holy Spirit is unique and powerful in its own right. After Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River, he received the Holy Spirit as it descended on him as gently as a dove (Matt. 3:16). On the Day of Pentecost, the disciples received the Holy Spirit with amazing manifestations: **“...all at once a pillar of fire appeared before their eyes. It separated into tongues of fire that engulfed each one of them. They were all filled and equipped with the Holy Spirit and were inspired to speak in tongues — empowered by the Spirit to speak in languages they had never learned” (Acts 2:3-4).** Later in Acts, as the Church experienced persecution but responded by coming together in unified prayer, we see the believers again being filled with the Holy Spirit. **“At that moment the earth shook beneath them, causing the building they were in to**

tremble. Each one of them was filled with the Holy Spirit, and they proclaimed the word of God with unrestrained boldness” (Acts 3:31).

Which unique way do you expect to be filled with the Holy Spirit? Most likely you may not have any clue how this might happen. The most important thing one needs to have is the proper disposition to receive the Holy Spirit. Every day, I must decide intentionally to walk in obedience to God. Scripture tells us that God freely gives the Holy Spirit **“to those who hear and obey Him” (Acts 5:32).**

Now you must walk with Him, following His promptings and heeding His warnings. When you do something that the Spirit is warning you not to do, you grieve the Spirit (1 Thess. 5:19). When you don't do something that the Spirit is prompting you to do, you quench the Spirit, (Eph. 4:30). When you do what the Spirit is leading you to do, though, you are walking in the Spirit (Gal. 5:25). Then you are “filled with the Holy Spirit” (Eph. 5:18), and the power of the Spirit is released in your life—and of course, released for a purpose.

Being filled with the Spirit will make you a blessing to those who do not yet have knowledge of Jesus. Some describe the Holy Spirit's promptings as a small voice in the heart, an impression, a nudge, or a knowing. When the Holy Spirit is guiding someone toward something helpful, they may feel a sense of peace, joy, or eagerness. When the Holy Spirit is guiding someone away from something harmful, they may feel a sense of heaviness, intuition, or uneasiness. The communication from the Holy Spirit, who doesn't have a body, is with our spirit. So, while we may not usually hear a voice, we sense His prompting, though some would say that they hear a voice. While the manifestations of the Spirit are as varied as each of us is unique, we can all agree on this: let obedience to God's word guide our hearts to do what the Spirit prompts us to do.

To be continued...

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