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MASS TIMES

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

ADORATION

Monday	1—3PM
Wednesday	6—9 PM
Thursday	7—8 PM
Friday	1—3PM

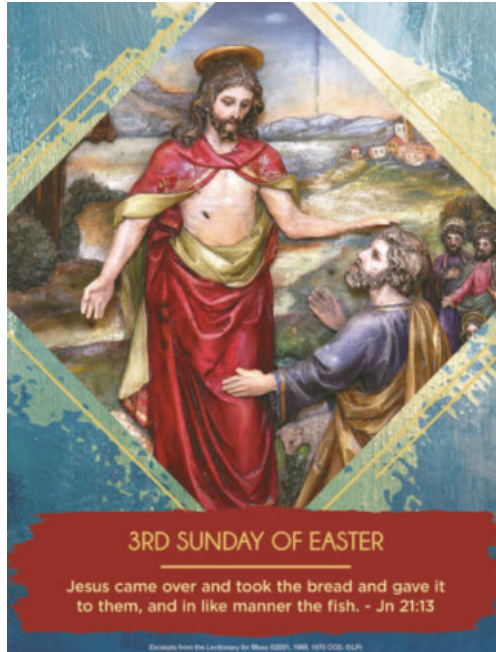
CONFESSION

Sunday	1 PM
Mon + Wed + Fri	6:30—7:30 PM
Thursday	7—8 PM

Office Hours

Monday-Friday	9 AM—4 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 (5/3)

8 AM No Mass
2:30-4PM Vatican II Talk (LL)
5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (5/4) Third Sunday in Easter

Altar Flower Donations are Appreciated
8:30 AM Mass
9:45-10:45 AM Christian Formation
11 AM Mass
12:30 PM RCIA
1 PM Confession
2 PM Gregorian Mass

MONDAY (5/5)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry
12 PM Mass
1-3 PM Adoration
6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (5/6)

8 AM Mass
10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry
WEDNESDAY (5/7)

8 AM Mass
10:30-12:30 PM Food Pantry
6 PM Choir
6-9 PM Adoration
6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (5/8)

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen
6:00 PM Mass
7-8 PM Adoration
7 PM Confession

FRIDAY (5/9)

12 PM Mass
1-3 PM Adoration
6:30-7:30 PM Confession

SATURDAY (5/10)

8 AM Mass
5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (5/11) Fourth Sunday in Easter

Altar Flower Donations are Appreciated
8:30 AM Mass
11 AM Mass May Crowning and First Holy Communion
12:30 PM RCIA
1 PM Confession
2 PM Mass

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

5/7 Saint Rose Venerini
5/8 Saint Peter of Tarentaise
5/9 Saint John of Avila
5/10 Saint Damien de Veuster of Moloka'i
5/11 Saint Ignatius of Laconi

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONER

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

SATURDAY (5/3)

8AM No Mass
5 PM Simon Ospina (Martha Ospina)

SUNDAY (5/4)

8:30AM Mark and Kathy Linkswiler (Glenn Showalter)
11AM Members of the Parish
2PM Norm, Joshua & Phil Jablocki Edward "Sandy" McAdams (Patricia McAdams)

MONDAY (5/5)

12PM Matthew Schnur (Elisa Schnur)

TUESDAY (5/6)

8AM Matthew Schnur (Elisa Schnur) Simon Ospina (Martha Ospina)

WEDNESDAY (5/7)

8AM Matthew Schnur (Elisa Schnur)

THURSDAY (5/8)

6 PM Matthew Schnur (Elisa Schnur)

FRIDAY (5/9)

12PM Matthew Schnur (Elisa Schnur)

SATURDAY (5/10)

8AM Matthew Schnur (Elisa Schnur)
5 PM † Jane Til Danilek

SUNDAY (5/11)

8:30AM Members of the Parish
11AM † Sabina Di Sante (Silvia de Paolo)
† Pam Heron (Cindy Reedy)
2PM Manuel O. Calderon (Mona Peglow)

SAINTS OF GOD

5/3 Saints Philip and James
5/4 Blessed Michael Giedroyc
5/5 Saint Hilary of Arles
5/6 Saints Marian and James

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

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Week Ending April 27, 2025

Offertory \$6,189

Weekly Offertory Budget (\$9,100)

Below Weekly Budget (\$2,911)

PARISH SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT Copies are available in the Commons, in Flocknote, and on our Website.

GENEROSITY IS AN EXPRESSION OF LOVE



For 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 (John 3:16).

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 MAY

ALL MONTH Catholic Virginian + Christian Formation + Justice and Peace

5/11/2025 Outreach

5/25/2025 Maintenance Fund

2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal: *Sharing His Love with Others*

The 2025 Appeal will provide critical funding to three key areas of our Diocesan

Church: *Empowering the Next Generation, Providing for Those in Need, and Strengthening Catholic Communities.* Brochures and return envelopes are available in the pews and in the Commons. **We have reached our \$27,280 parish goal! Thank you for your support!!**



LITURGICAL NOTES

Entrance (*lubilate Deo*): Shout joyfully to God, all the earth, alleluia; sing a psalm to his name, alleluia; praise him with magnificence, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Offertory (*Lauda, anima mea*): Praise the Lord, O my soul; I will praise the Lord throughout my life; I will sing to my God for as long as I live, alleluia.

Communion (*Simon Ioannis*): Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these? Lord, you know all things, you know, O Lord, that I love you, alleluia.

Here we have this week two different psalms of praise at the Entrance and Offertory, and the modes or scales chosen for them reflect different aspects of that praise. The Entrance is set to a mode that settles on Sol (the fifth note of the Do Re Mi scale), which is described as both "angelic" and "perfection". It is the most contented and joyful of the Gregorian modes, pivoting back and forth between Sol and Do in an upward motion reminiscent of brass signaling the beginning of a festival or the arrival of royalty. The Offertory on the other hand, is set to a mode grounded in Mi (third note of the Do Re Mi scale), which features a half step at the beginning of the scale, giving it sometimes a mournful quality, sometimes a mystical quality. I think the particular chant brings out some of the more major (i.e., happier) sounds of the scale, creating a sense of sober yet ecstatic wonder at the goodness of God. A perfect choice for an Offertory chant, which generally calls us to offer our prayers, petitions, and lauds to the Father in union with the Sacrifice of the Son. May the joyful and mystical selections of the Church for this Sunday transport us into a state of gladdened gratefulness for what Jesus wrought for our salvation, undeserving as we are. How great is His Mercy and Love

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May Crowning and First Holy Communion

May Crowning and First Holy Communion will be next Sunday morning, May 11, at the 11PM Mass. There will be a pew reserved (A banner will be on each pew) for each of the nine families.

Please pray for our 9 First Holy Communion Candidates as they prepare for this very intimate and holy Sacrament of receiving the Real Presence of Christ and entering into a deeper relationship with Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

FOURTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

First Reading *Acts of the Apostles 13:14,43-52* Paul and Barnabas preach the good news among the Gentiles and are expelled by the Jews.

Responsorial Psalm *Psalms 100:1-2,3,5*
A song in praise of God who shepherds us.

Second Reading

Revelation 7:9,14b-17

John describes his vision of the praises that the holy ones sing to the Lamb.

Gospel Reading

John 10:27-30

Jesus describes his care for his sheep.

May 4, Third Sunday in Easter

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

PARISHIONERS

(Includes ill, injured, homebound, and caregivers)
Ann Carothers, Phil Carr, Teresa Cook, Connie Flamm, Kelton Flinn, Jolene Green, Colette Hall, Jim and Bobbie Hoskins, Ann Jackson, Mary Nguyen, Mae Trentanove, Alicia Vinklerek, Mary Wheeler, Denise Wilcox, and Mary Ann Ziminski.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Leroy and Felicia Anderson, Blanding Attey, Ben and Katherine Barahona, Mary Benfante, Christine Bentejac, Hope Brown, Stephen Crews, Brad and Debbie Ferguson, Max and Hadley Burch, Kaylee Carter, Petra Vera Chavez, Molly Clarke, Stephanie Crews, Nancy Joan Debiese, Jimmy Dominguez, Linda Doyle, Gene Flamm, Fr. Gerald Fogarty, Sue Gilbert, Paula Goodburn, Genevieve Halfen, Margaret Heritage, Maddie Hermack, Liana Haseltine, Mark Rowland Huckabe, Kajihara Family, Betty Kapeluch, Kelly Lembo and Family, Joan Lincks, Mike & Sibylle Llewellyn, Shannon and Coty Lockett, Chelsea Massey, Dot McAllister, Michael McNeil, Geraldine Newton, Fr. Richard Mooney, Melodie Mougelle and Children, Robert Maute, Lia Thoms Price and Family, Lawrence Randolph, Randall Saathoff and Family, Maya Sanchez, Coby Savona, Matthew Schrank and Family, David Schrank and Family, Joseph Schrank and Family, Tara Singh, Aiden Smith, Christopher Tomaselli, Paul and Meghan Thoms, Scotty Thoms, Alicia Vinklerek, Brendan and Maria Walsh, Don and Lisa Wells, and 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/fellow parishioner added, email to Works of Mercy Ministry mercy@holycomforterparish.org or call the church office at 434-295-7185.

To request Holy Communion or a visit from Father Joseph Mary, please call the office 434-295-7185 or email reception@holycomforterparish.org

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: Thank you, parishioners, for your support during the Lenten season through your donations, time, and contributions to the Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen. For the month of May, donations of canned vegetables are appreciated. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and leader. Have a blessed Easter season!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, HOLY TRINITY CONFERENCE:



Please consider donating to SVdP to enable us to help others with their rent and utilities bills through our Eastertide Campaign. You can donate by check or online. For more information and to donate, please visit <https://www.svdhp-ht.org>. Thank you and Happy Easter!

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: *Learn about the Theology of the Body over eight sessions with Christopher West from Ascension Press.*

Discover how our creation as male and female helps us understand the meaning of human existence. Join to find out how our bodies make visible the invisible. *We will continue our study with episode 2 on Sunday, April 27th at 10 am, in the piano room (LL).* For more info, please email Steven Sisman, at steven.sisman@gmail.com

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED MINISTRY: If you have not yet returned your baby bottle for the LifeSpring Baby Bottle Campaign, please drop it off in the crate on the credenza in the Commons before or after Mass or in the Parish office.

HAITI: PRAY FOR HAITI AND HELP FUND HAITI EMERGENCY FOOD FUND (*From Bob Fromme*) The Gospel and Epistle readings for May 4 resonate with Haiti's struggles and my personal journey. In John 21:1-19, Jesus emphasizes renewal and mission, while Revelation 5:11-14 celebrates hope and redemption. Your assistance in the Haiti ministry support means the world. In northern Haiti, our twinning region, violence and food insecurity overwhelm communities. Diesel fuel costs \$5 per gallon in the Dominican Republic but \$50 in Haiti—if available. Food shipments often languish in ports, unable to reach those in need. Contingency funds are urgently needed to act on fleeting opportunities. Please help us provide food, staples, and support to our village, twin parish, families and children in need through our ecumenical mission.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL has job openings for the 25-26 school year: Librarian, Learning Specialist, & Director of Development. 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 to v.fallica@cvillecatholic.org.

33 Days to Eucharistic Glory is the first ever Eucharistic Consecration which is an initiative of your Parish Council. This unprecedented spiritual resource presents profound truths, astonishing historical facts, powerful practical examples, a daily virtue to adopt, extraordinary prayers, and inspiring stories—all in an easy-to-follow daily format. The second “cadre” will begin on May 6, engage for 33 days, and culminate with a public Consecration at Holy Mass on Pentecost Sunday, June 8. For more info, please email Steve Ham at Steven_ham@comcast.net

FROM THE PASTOR



WANT TO KNOW WHAT Vatican II REALLY SAID?

Come find out! Holy Comforter will have guided discussions of three vital Council Documents on the following dates/times:

Dei Verbum (revelation and Scripture) ~ May 3

Dignitatis Humanae (religious liberty) ~ May 17

Lumen Gentium (the nature of the Church) ~ Jun 21 & 28

Reading Print-outs available week before each session on Religious Education Table in Commons or Reading Materials are at: https://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/index.htm

Who: *Fr. Nicholas Hartman, O.P.*, facilitates

When: Four Saturday afternoons, 2:30–4PM

Where: Holy Comforter Catholic Church (LL)

Everyone is welcome: come to one session or all!

May 4, Third Sunday in Easter

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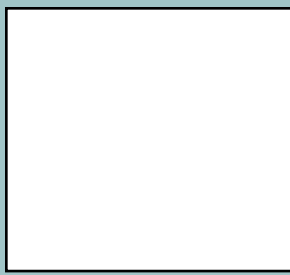
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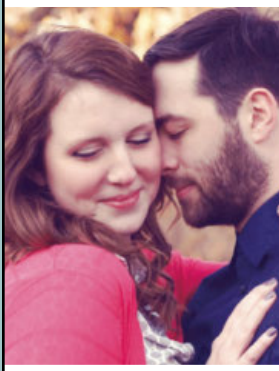
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