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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

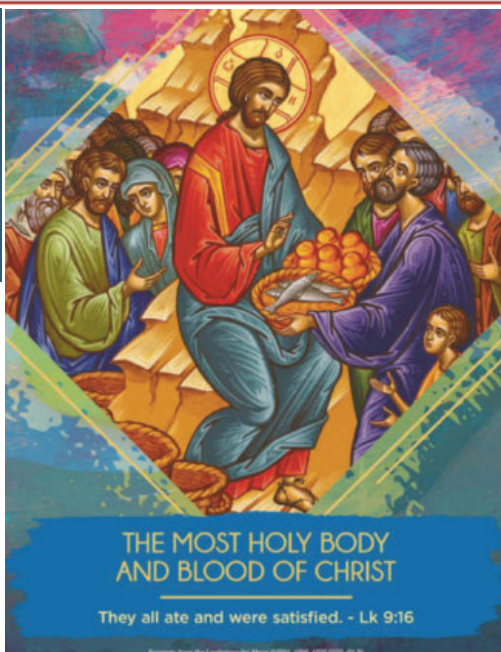
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Sunday	1 PM
Mon + Wed + Fri	6:30—7:30 PM
Thursday	7—8 PM

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 (6/21)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (6/22) Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood

Altar Flowers Donations Appreciated

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

12 PM Corpus Christi Procession

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

MONDAY (6/23)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

1-3 PM Adoration

6PM Mass St. John the Baptist Vigil
Bonfire and Reception following

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (6/24)

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (6/25)

8 AM Mass

10:30-12:30 PM Food Pantry

6 PM Choir

6-9 PM Adoration

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (6/26)

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6 PM Mass following

7 PM Confession

7-8 PM Adoration

FRIDAY (6/27)

12 PM Mass

1-3 PM Adoration

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

SATURDAY (6/28)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (6/29) Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

Altar Flowers Donated in Memory
of Adelard Riendeau and in Honor
of Minor Smith's Birthday.

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

PLEASE NOTE: The Department of
Public Works has notified us of
"street milling and paving" work
on 3rd Street NE, 6/23 – 6/27/2025.
Towing will be enforced.

Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful,
look favorably on your servant Leo,
whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd;
grant, we pray, that by word and example
he may be of service to those over whom he presides
so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care,
he may come to everlasting life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

6/25 Blessed Jutta of Thuringia

6/26 Blessed Raymond Lull

6/27 Saint Cyril of Alexandria

6/28 Saint Irenaeus

6/29 Saints Peter and Paul

WELCOME 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 (6/21)

8AM Mollie Adams in Honor of Her Becoming a Lay Dominican Novice
(Diane Auger Smith)

5PM Members of the Parish

SUNDAY (6/22)

8:30AM Father Gerard Timoner Master of the Dominican Order (Diane Auger Smith)

11AM Mary Benfante and Meghan Thoms
(Lia Thoms)

2PM † Geraldine Newton (Peter Zinman)

MONDAY (6/23)

6PM Brittaney Anderson in Honor of Her Becoming a Lay Dominican Novice
(Diane Auger Smith)

† Deacon Henry Vinklerek on the Anniversary of his Death (Father Joseph Mary)

TUESDAY (6/24)

8AM Renee Allison in Honor of Her Becoming a Lay Dominican Novice
(Diane Auger Smith)

WEDNESDAY (6/25)

8AM Sophia Baldys in Honor of Her Becoming a Lay Dominican Novice
(Diane Auger Smith)

THURSDAY (6/26)

6 PM † Normand Auger (Therese Auger)

FRIDAY (6/27)

12PM Deceased Members of the Parish and Benefactors of Holy Comforter

SATURDAY (6/28)

8AM The Ill and Homebound

5PM † Lloyd Thomas Smith, Jr (Diane Auger Smith)

SUNDAY (6/29)

8:30AM Members of the Parish

11AM Stephen Crews (Mel Crews)

2PM Grace Marie DiPaolo (Silvia DiPaolo)

SAINTS OF GOD

6/21 Saint Aloysius of Gonzaga

6/22 Saint Thomas Moore

6/23 Saint John Fisher

6/24 Nativity of St John the Baptist

PARISH NEWS



GIFTS FROM GOD

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Week Ending June 15, 2025

Offertory \$9,777

Weekly Offertory Budget (\$9,100)

Above Weekly Budget \$677

IS IT TIME TO REVIEW YOUR LEVEL OF OFFERTORY GIVING?



Our operating costs have been steadily rising over the last several years, which has required us to withdraw \$100,000 from our savings this year to meet our obligations.

If your weekly gift to Holy Comforter should be updated, please know how much that increase in support is needed, especially at this time. **Thank you and may God bless you abundantly.**

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE

ALL MONTH Christian Formation + Haiti + Justice and Peace

6/01/2025 Diocesan Home Missions

6/08/2025 Outreach

6/22/2025 Maintenance Fund

6/29/2025 Peter's Pence



SCAN HERE to support Holy Comforter! Thank You!!

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS
SOLEMNITY
OF
STS. PETER AND PAUL,
APOSTLES**

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11
Now I know it is indeed true: the Lord has saved me from the power of Herod.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 34:2-9

The angel of the Lord will rescue those who fear him.

Second Reading 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18
All that remains now is the crown of righteousness.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:13-19

You are Peter; and I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of heaven.

LITURGICAL NOTES

Thank you for the warm welcome last week. I was asked to take over the "Liturgical Notes" section of our bulletin. However, I am not quite sure what would be beneficial. Please feel free to send me your thoughts on what you would like to see in this section. My email is liturgy@holycorforterparish.org.

But for now, here is my thought. Today as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Also known as Corpus Christi. What a beautiful day to celebrate Jesus, our Lord and Redeemer. However, let us not forget that we celebrate this day at every Mass. He is the Living Bread. When we receive Him in the Eucharist, we become one body in Christ and are united with Him and each other. Corpus Christi is not just about the altar that we come to at each Mass to receive Him. It is also about how we live our lives after we receive Him at Mass. Our Lord Jesus Christ nourishes us in the Holy Eucharist, so that we can nourish others.

God bless, *Alicia Vinklarek, LMC, Liturgy Coordinator*

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HOLY COMFORTER'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Please contact Melinda Wells, DRE

- ◆ **THEME: ANGELS...WHO ARE THEY?**
- ◆ **PLACE: CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL**
- ◆ **DATES: JULY 28—AUGUST 1**
- ◆ **TIME: 9:00 AM—12:00 PM**
- ◆ **AGES: 5 Years—10 Years**
- ◆ **REGISTRATION BEGINS JUNE 14!**
- ◆ **COST: \$25 PER CHILD/\$50 PER FAMILY**

DIOCESAN MIDDLE SCHOOL "EPIC RALLY" AUGUST 9!

"Be Inspired by the lives of young saints at this epic day full of friendship, Faith, and fun!" Forms and details are on the RE Table in the Commons. Give forms to Anna Sisman or Melinda Wells, DRE. Registration is \$55 per participant and is open through June 27. Please contact Anna Sisman, anna.sisman@gmail.com or Melinda Wells, DRE for more information or any questions!

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

PARISHIONERS

(Includes ill, injured, homebound, and caregivers)

Ann Carothers, Teresa Cook, Connie Flamm, Kelton Flinn, Jolene Green, Colette Hall, Jim and Bobbie Hoskins, Ann Jackson, Mary Nguyen, Mae Trentanove, 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, Ken Brunk, 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, Fr. Richard Mooney, Melodie Mougeolle and Children, Robert Maute, Stephen McAdams, Sue Pfeffer, 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, Rachael Stewart and Family, Christopher Tomaselli, Paul and Meghan Thoms, Scotty Thoms, 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

THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RICHMOND Office of Catholic Schools, is seeking a Marketing & Social Media Coordinator...For the full ad & how to apply, see <https://bit.ly/44cpGQj> Also seeking full time Administrative Assistant for the Office of Real Estate, in Richmond, VA. For the full ad and how to apply, please go to link <https://bit.ly/3ZfpSws> Also, seeking a full time Internal Audit Manager for the Office of Finance, in Richmond, Virginia. For the full ad and how to apply, please click <https://bit.ly/4dfR0kq> For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist / Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.org **St. Mary the Mother of God, in Wytheville**, is seeking a part time Administrative Assistant (at least 20hrs) Wed.-Fri. Includes all clerical duties, including but not limited to, weekly bulletin, parish calendar, parish website and Pastoral duties. See Kim Street officemanager@stmaryswytheville.org for Info/to apply. (submit a cover letter, resume and [diocesan application](#))

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: In the month of May, we served 383 lunches in Soup Kitchen. Thank you all for support to Outreach through your donations, contributions and time. For the month of June, we are asking for donations of canned fruits. God bless! The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and leader.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, HOLY TRINITY CONFERENCE:

 We meet at 7pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. The 1st Tuesday meeting is held at the Church of the Incarnation Conference Room with our next meeting July 1, 2025. The 3rd Tuesday meeting is via Zoom. You are welcome to attend any meeting. See www.svdhp-ht.org or info@svdp-ht.org to donate.

PARISH LIFE: *Please join us for Mass at 6pm on Monday June 23rd for the Vigil of St. John the Baptist.* There will be a blessed bonfire after Mass and the burning of used sacramentals. A dessert reception will follow! Please join us for a potluck birthday dinner to celebrate Father's 70th birthday on Sunday July 13th at 4:30pm downstairs. Please bring a dish! Potluck sign up will be in flocknote!

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: *How has Vatican II informed our roles as members of the Church?* Discuss Second Vatican Council with Fr. Nicholas Hartman, O.P. of St. Thomas Aquinas University Catholic Church at Holy Comforter (LL) Sat., June 22, 2:30-4pm (Lumen Gentium, sections 8-17; the curious may want to read sections 1-7, but they will not be discussed); Sat., June 28, 2:30-4pm (Lumen Gentium, sections 30-42). Please see https://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/index.htm for a free print-out or purchase from a variety of online sites. Contact Suzanne Bailey 434-326-3166/slank@ntelos.net. Copies for Saturday, 6/22, are also on the RE Table in the Commons.

"Band of Brothers" (BOB) is finishing up Year 1 of "That Man is You".

Starting in June, BOB will start meeting outdoors at Washington Park on Saturday mornings from 6:30-7:30 am, to read St Augustine's confessions alongside Custos, a 33 day consecration to St Joseph. Please text Steven Sisman 434-465-5783 if interested.

HAITI: Hope for Haiti Golf Tournament 5th Anniversary Fundraiser, Honoring Joan McDonald August 14, 2025 at Stoney Creek Golf Course Wintergreen Resort. Join us in supporting Haiti's future! Volunteers needed to help organize and assist on game day. Register or Sponsor: Hope for Haiti Website - <https://dmw9v9.wixsite.com/hopeforhaiti>. See Volunteer Dan Wassilchuk 410- 410-852-6126 or email him dmw9v@virginia.edu He is the heart behind this fundraiser.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND will be held Thurs., September 11th (7:00pm) through Sunday, September 14th (5:00pm), 2025, at the Blessings Lodge on the campus of Camp Overlook in Keezletown, VA. The Theme of the Weekend is "Here I Am, Lord". See Garrett Smith if needing a sponsor. For info Karen and Roy Norville at 540-246-2371. Application deadline 8/21 and limited to the first 28 applications received. Apply www.valleycursillo.com

CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL is now enrolling for the 2025-2026 school year! Junior Kindergarten through 8th Grade. For more info/to apply, please see admissions@cvillecatholic.org or go to www.cvillecatholic.org/admissions.

FROM THE PASTOR



LIVING IN THE JOY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Part III

Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi

**“For the kingdom of God is not a matter of food and drink, but of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit”
Romans 14:17**

Last Sunday was Trinity Sunday. The language of the trinity is as mysterious as the reality of the Trinity itself. God the Holy Spirit is the divine person who “originates” (eternally!) from the Father and the Son in their loving each other. And this love is not a “merciful” love as if they needed pity. It is an admiring, delightful, exulting love. It is Joy. **The Holy Spirit is God’s Joy in God.** To be sure, he is so full of all that the Father and Son are, that he is a divine person in his own right. But that means he is more, not less, than the Joy of God. When we desire to live in the Joy of the Holy Spirit, we are seeking the joy in God. Something the first disciple of Jesus received. Jesus had said in John 14:23, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him”. Also, John 15: 11, says; **“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete”**.

So how do we go about being filled with the Joy of the Holy Spirit in the way the disciples were? On the one hand, the Holy Spirit is not someone that men can control. We can’t make the Holy Spirit come to us. And yet Scripture calls us to seek the Spirit. Pentecost itself occurred at the end of a three-step process as some theologians point out: first there was the "obstinate disciples" stage, then there was the "prayerful waiters upon the Lord" stage. (Act. 1:14), tells us what they were doing in the ten days between the ascension of the Lord and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. **"These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer, along with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers."** And finally, as a result of Pentecost, the "Spirit-filled giants" stage.

All of those three stages, Prayer takes the center stage. In Luke 11:5-13, Jesus said to the disciples, **"Suppose one of you shall have a friend, and shall go to him at midnight, ...I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will get up and give him as much as he needs...And I say to you, ask, and it shall be given to you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you...For everyone who asks, receives; and he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks, it shall be opened. ...If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?"** And James 1:5-6 says, **“But if any of you lack wisdom, you should pray to God, who will give it to you, because God gives generously and graciously to all. But when you pray, you must believe and not doubt at all.”**

(To be continued...)

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

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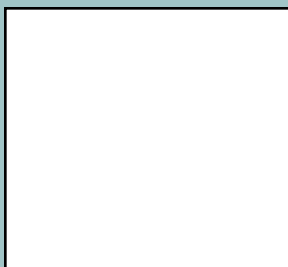
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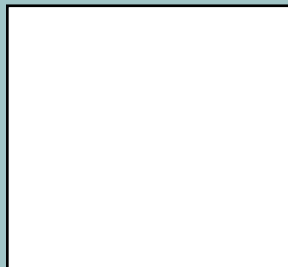
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