



# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMFORTER

## AUGUST 10, 2025

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Saturday Vigil	5 PM
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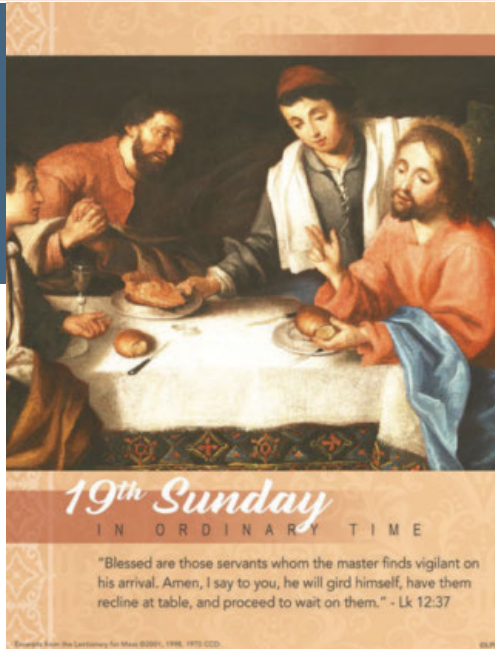
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# PRAYER & WORSHIP



## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### SATURDAY (8/9)

8 AM Mass  
5 PM Vigil Mass

### SUNDAY (8/10) Nineteenth

#### Sunday in Ordinary Time

Altar Flower Donations Appreciated

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

### MONDAY (8/11)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

12PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

### TUESDAY (8/12)

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

### WEDNESDAY (8/13)

8 AM Mass

10:30-12:30 PM Food Pantry

6 PM Choir (on summer break)

6-8 PM Adoration

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

### THURSDAY (8/14)

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6 PM Mass with Adoration

following

7 PM Confession

### FRIDAY (8/15) - ASSUMPTION OF

#### BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

12 PM Mass

1-3 PM Adoration

6 PM Gregorian Mass, Glorious Procession and Dessert Reception

### SATURDAY (8/16)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

### SUNDAY (8/17) Twentieth

#### Sunday in Ordinary Time

Altar Flower Donations Appreciated

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

#### **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

8/13 Blessed Michael J. McGivney

8/14 Saint Maximillian Kolbe

8/15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8/16 Saint Stephen of Hungary

8/17 Saint Joan of the Cross

## 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@holycomforterparish.org**

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **SATURDAY (8/9)**

8AM Joshua and Sandra Jordon  
(Fr. Joseph Mary)

5PM † Jane Till Danilek

#### **SUNDAY (8/10)**

8:30AM Simon Patrick Hennig (Heidi Hess)

11AM Elaine Cone (Melinda Crews)

2PM Members of the Parish

#### **MONDAY (8/11)**

12PM Kathryn Savona (Alicia Vinklarek)

#### **TUESDAY (8/12)**

8AM Nelly and Helena Jaurequi  
(Martha Ospina)

#### **WEDNESDAY (8/13)**

8AM The Lannon Family

#### **THURSDAY (8/14)**

6 PM Coby Savona, Jr. (Alicia Vinklarek)

#### **FRIDAY (8/15)**

12PM Travis & Lauren Cole (Alicia Vinklarek)

6 PM Lena Anderson and family

#### **SATURDAY (8/16)**

8AM The Melancon Family  
(Alicia Vinklarek)

5PM The McAdams Family

#### **SUNDAY (8/17)**

8:30AM † Jean Andrus (Heidi Hess)

11AM Members of the Parish

2PM The deceased members of the Savino family (Patricia McAdams)

## SAINTS OF GOD

8/9 Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

8/10 Saint Lawrence

8/11 Saint Clare of Assisi

8/12 Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

# PARISH NEWS



## PARISH SUPPORT

**“How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?” (Psalm 116:12)**

### WEEK ENDING, August 3, 2025

Offertory Contributions In Pew and By Mail	\$4,353
Online Giving	\$2,660
Weekly Offertory Budget	(\$9,500)
Below Weekly Budget	(\$2,487)

### WEEKLY OFFERTORY BUDGET

Our parish operating budget for the new fiscal year is \$494,000 which requires us to receive offertory contributions of **\$9,500 per week**. In order to meet our obligations, it is necessary for our 225 registered and active families to contribute \$2,200 per year, or about \$42 per week. Thank you for your support and may God bless you abundantly.

### SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR AUGUST

#### ALL MONTH

Christian Formation + Haiti + Justice and Peace

- 8/10/2025** Outreach
- 8/15/2025** Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 8/24/2025** Maintenance Fund

#### MONEY MINUTE

Every week we plan to share details about how your financial contributions are being put to use in the parish, our local community, and elsewhere throughout the world... Your donations to our Uganda Ministry recently provided over \$9,000 in funding for the purchase of two jitneys that will transport water: one to benefit elderly women there, and the other for a rural farming project. Thank you for your support!

#### 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. Please visit <https://holycomforterparish.org/online-giving/> for Online Giving. Thank you!



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**SCAN HERE** to support Holy Comforter!

## LITURGICAL NOTES

Happy 19th Sunday of Ordinary time! I have had a recommendation from a Parishioner to use this Liturgical Note section to share information on parts of the Mass. Father also thought it was a good idea. However, I will use his column while he is away in Uganda. This way I can cover more material. But let me begin today with... Why do we attend Mass, and why is it important? First and foremost, going to Mass is our opportunity to encounter God in a very profound way. Through the Eucharist, we Catholics truly believe that we receive the true body and blood of Christ, which strengthens our faith and spiritual life. By attending Mass, we receive grace and spiritual nourishment through the Word of God, the Homily and the Body and Blood of Christ. Also, through the Mass we develop a sense of belonging as we build community and actively participate in a communal celebration where everyone has a role, whether it be a Lector, choir member, Altar server, Eucharistic minister or as a member of our congregation. This active participation enhances our worship experience and reinforces our being a part of the Body of Christ. *God Bless, Alicia Vinklerek, LMC, Liturgy Coordinator*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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### **A SPECIAL DAY WITH THE ANGELS-Sept. 27**

**At HOLY COMFORTER! Save The Date!**

A wonderful way to learn about the angels and the role they play in God's plan! It's also 2 days before the Feast of the Archangels Angels, 9/29, and 4 days before the Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels, 10/2! The retreat will be based on the theme **"A Special Day with the Angels!"** **It will be at Holy Comforter from 8AM, beginning with Mass, and will end promptly at 12PM. A light breakfast will be served.** It promises to be a fun-filled time of catechesis for the children! **Registration begins August 16!**

Christian Initiation of Adults program for those wishing to explore or enter the Catholic Church begins soon! If someone you know is drawn to Catholicism or is an adult Catholic who has never been confirmed, please tell them about this. Initiated Catholics who wish to deepen the knowledge of their faith are also welcome to attend sessions. A Welcome and Orientation session will be held Sunday, August 24th at 12:30 PM in the lower level of the Holy Comforter. Meetings thereafter will take place almost every Sunday at 12:30-1:45 PM starting September 7th and going through May 24, 2026, in the downstairs in the Conference Room.

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### **First Reading** *Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10*

Jeremiah is punished for criticizing the wealthy for their corruption and their injustice to the poor.

### **Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 40:2-4,18*

A prayer for God's help

### **Second Reading** *Hebrews 12:1-4*

Let us persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus.

### **Gospel Reading** *Luke 12:49-53*

Jesus has come not only to bring peace but also division.

**August 10, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

# 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, Patricia McAdams, Mary Nguyen, Mae Trentanove, Mary Wheeler, and Mary Ann Ziminski.

### **FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Leroy and Felicia Anderson, Blanding Attey, Ben and Katherine Barahona, Christine Bentejac, Ken Brunk, Max and Hadley Burch, Stephen Crews, Kaylee Carter, Petra Vera Chavez, Molly Clarke, Lauren Rundall, Elaine Cone, Stephanie Crews, Roxanne Crittenden, Nancy Joan Debiese, Jimmy Dominguez, Linda Doyle, Gene Flamm, Fr. Gerald Fogarty, Brad and Debbie Ferguson, Sue Gilbert, Paula Goodburn, Dan Grogan, Genevieve Halfen, Margaret Heritage, Maddie Hermack, Liana Haseltine, Mark Rowland Huckabe, Betty Kapeluch, Kelly Lembo and Family, Joan Lincks, Mike & Sibylle Llewellyn, Shannon and Coty Lockett, Chelsea Massey, Dot McAllister, Michael McNeil, Fr. Richard Mooney, Robert Maute, Vince Newton, Lia Thoms Price and Family, Lawrence Randolph, Saathoff Family, Maya Sanchez, Coby Savona, Kathryn Savona, Schrank Family, Tara Singh, Aiden Smith, Christopher Tomaselli, Brendan and Maria Walsh, and Residents and Staff of Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention

### **MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY**

Matthew Mickiewicz, Elijah Schrank, and Joey Smith.

*If you would like your family member/fellow parishioner added, email to Works of Mercy Ministry [mercy@holycorforterparish.org](mailto:mercy@holycorforterparish.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@holycorforterparish.org](mailto:reception@holycorforterparish.org)**

**The Catholic Diocese of Richmond, Office of Development – the Catholic Community Foundation**, is seeking to fill the following positions: for **Administrative Coordinator** – Executive and Board Affairs. Please go to <https://bit.ly/46fv47S>. For **Marketing and Communications Manager**, please go to <https://bit.ly/3Ukw8Qk>. For **Parish Fundraising and Stewardship Officer**, please go to <https://bit.ly/46N1wyu>. Also seeking a full time **Program and Marriage Preparation Coordinator** for Office for Evangelization, in Richmond, Virginia. Please go to <https://bit.ly/4cNBz2S>. For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist / Recruiter at [jobs@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:jobs@richmonddiocese.org).

**Charlottesville Catholic School**, is accepting applications for Junior Kindergarten through 8th Grade for the 2025–2026 school year! For more information, contact [admissions@cvillecatholic.org](mailto:admissions@cvillecatholic.org)

**Chesterton Academy of St. John the Evangelist** is accepting applications for the 2025-26 school year. CASJE is a classical high school in the Catholic tradition with a higher purpose. For more information, email [info@chestertonsje.org](mailto:info@chestertonsje.org)

## MINISTRIES

**OUTREACH:** In the month of July, during Food Pantry, we handed out 209 food bags to 611 individuals. Thank you all for your ongoing support to Outreach through your donations, contributions and time. For the month of August, we are asking for donations of peanut butter. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and leader. God Bless!



### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, HOLY TRINITY CONFERENCE:**

We regularly meet at 7pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. The 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday meeting is held at the Church of the Incarnation Conference Room and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday meeting is via Zoom. Our next meeting is on Aug 5 at the Church of the Incarnation. You are welcome to attend any meeting to see if this ministry may be calling you. If you would like to donate, please visit our website at [www.svdp-ht.org](http://www.svdp-ht.org) or email us at [info@svdp-ht.org](mailto:info@svdp-ht.org). Looking ahead, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Friends of the Poor Walk will be held on Thursday, September 25, 2025, at St. Thomas Aquinas Church. Details to follow.

**WALKING WITH MOMS:** Walking with Mom's in need will have a meeting to review a plan for our ministry for the Fall including training opportunities for volunteers. The meeting will be on August 10 at 10 AM in the stairwell library below the Commons.

### **FAITH. FAMILY. ADVENTURE. Your family is invited to join a Catholic Scouting Community here at Holy Comforter!**

Catholic Scouting builds on the time-honored structure and programs of Scouting America (formerly the Boy Scouts of America) and is a great way to encourage your kids to engage in real-life activities that develop a wide range of skills, strengthen their values, teach them how to serve and lead in our community – and help them grow in their Catholic faith! Catholic Scouting is a proven—and fun—way to support you in raising your children to become responsible, well-rounded adults who are good citizens and faithful Catholics. We invite you to learn more about this opportunity for your family by contacting Audrey Storm at 434.989.2411 or [cvillecatholicscouting@gmail.com](mailto:cvillecatholicscouting@gmail.com).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Is God calling you to go deeper?** Have you felt that God is asking you to go deeper with your faith? Your prayer life? Your ministry? You might be called to be a Lay Dominican! To learn more about this unique vocation, visit <https://stauva.org/dominican-laity/>. Consider visiting us for a monthly meeting (the first Saturday of each month), or attending our annual Come & See meeting, Saturday, September 6th. Contact Diane Auger Smith, [oplaity511@gmail.com](mailto:oplaity511@gmail.com)

Church of the Incarnation is sponsoring a Training Day and Retreat...**Discovering Christ**...on August 23rd from 9am - 4:45pm. It is open to anyone, and lunch will be provided. English and Spanish sessions will be available. Discovering Christ is a 7-week course open to anyone and designed to help participants answer important questions like “what is the meaning of my life?” The training is for Catholics who would like to assist in this well organized and successful ministry of evangelization.

# FROM THE PASTOR



## WHY HONOR THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY?

Part II

Rev. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi

*“O Mary, Virgin most powerful and Mother of mercy, Queen of Heaven and Refuge of sinners, we consecrate ourselves to thine Immaculate Heart”*

Cardinal Larrona, the papal legate to Pope St. John XXIII, said at Fatima on May 13, 1962, “It is urgent for us to establish in the world devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. God wishes it! Our Lady told us!

Our efforts must therefore multiply; we must be assiduous in practicing the First Five Saturdays of Reparation, not just once, but continually, for those who do not or will not heed Our Lady’s plea!”

While the Sacred Heart of Jesus is the source of Christ's burning love for humanity and is largely rejected by the indifference of mankind towards Him, the Immaculate Heart of Mary is the source of Our Lady's burning love for God and her desire to bring souls to her Son, and is so often outraged by the offenses of mankind committed against her love.

Over the centuries, as the saints and theologians reflected on what it means for Our Lady to have pondered and treasured the sacred events from the life of Jesus in her heart, as attested in Scripture, Mary's heart began to be recognized as something to be imitated in daily practice. Devotion to Mary's holy heart then developed, in much the same way as it did for the Sacred Heart, which was physically pierced by the lance on the Cross to give Eternal Life to men. So also does Mary's heart, which was also pierced (as prophesied by Simeon- Lk. 2:34-35) in union with her Son, give life—that is, grace—to the Christian soul.

Honoring Mary's Immaculate Heart is just another way of honoring Mary as the person who was chosen to be the Mother of God, recognizing her extraordinary holiness and the immense love she bestowed on Jesus as his mother, the person who was called to share in and co-operate in his redemptive sufferings. The aim of the devotion is to unite mankind to God through Mary's heart, and this process involves the ideas of consecration and reparation. A person is consecrated to Mary's Immaculate Heart as a way of being completely devoted to God. This involves a total gift of self, something only ultimately possible with reference to God; but Mary is our intermediary in this process of consecration. Because of the strong analogy between Jesus and Mary, the consecration to Mary's Immaculate Heart is closely linked to the consecration to Jesus' Sacred Heart, although it is subordinate and dependent on it. That is, although the act of consecration is ultimately addressed to God, it is an act that is made through Mary.

To be continued...

*Should you have any questions about our Catholic Faith, please contact Melinda Wells, DRE, [dre@holyccomforterparish.org](mailto:dre@holyccomforterparish.org)*

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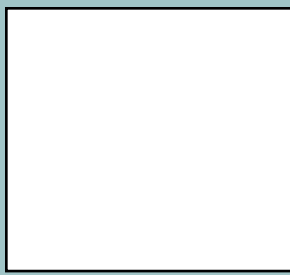
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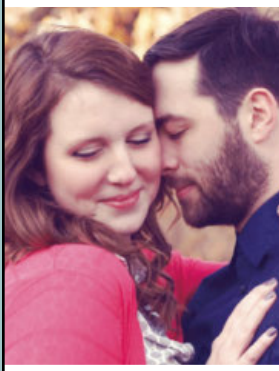
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