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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

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

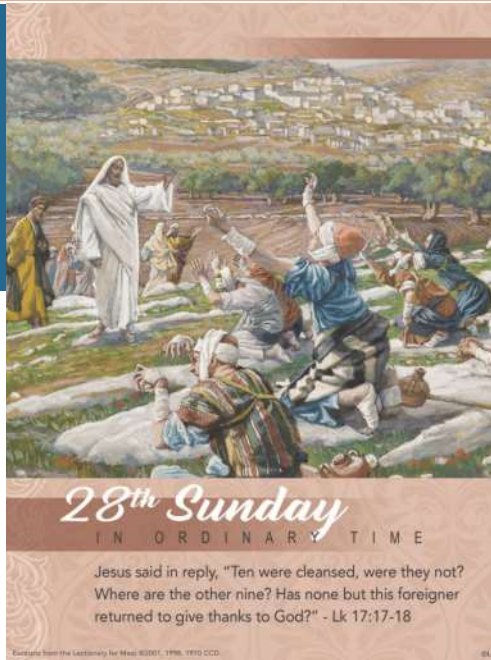
CONFESSION

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

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Monday-Friday 9 AM—4 PM

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by 1:30PM Monday
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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 (10/11)

7 AM THAT MAN IS YOU! (LL)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (10/12)

Altar Flowers donated by Neil and Sylvia James and Family in Honor of Jimmy Dominguez

8:30 AM Mass

9:45 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass

12:30 PM RCIA

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

MONDAY (10/13)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

No Confession

TUESDAY (10/14)

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (10/15)

8 AM Mass

10:30-12:30 PM Food Pantry

No Adoration and Confession

THURSDAY (10/16)

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6 PM Mass w/Adoration following

7 PM Confession

FRIDAY (10/17)

12 PM Mass

12:45-3 PM Adoration

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

7-8:30 PM Family Night Youth Group

SATURDAY (10/18)

7 AM THAT MAN IS YOU! (LL)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass *Ministry Fair follows*

Ministry Fair after all Weekend

Masses

SUNDAY (10/19)

Altar Flowers donated by Matthew Hanson and Jayla Crane in honor of their Wedding this past Saturday.

8:30 AM Mass

9:45 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass

12:30 PM Adult Initiation (RCIA)

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

4PM Swing Dance

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

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 (10/11)

8 AM Barbara and Hank Rainville
(Mary Frances Lilly)

5PM Dotty Lilly (Mary Frances Lilly)
† Therese Auger (Mary Frances Lilly)

SUNDAY (10/12)

8:30AM † Pedro Lavadia and Deceased Lavadia
Family Members (Patricia Cuadros)

11AM Members of the Parish

† Richard Nordin, Sr. (Richard Nordin, Jr.)

2PM Deceased Members of the James Smith
Family (Savino Family)

MONDAY (10/13)

12PM † Frank A. Dodaro (Michele Skarvelis)

TUESDAY (10/14)

8AM Lola Ospina (Martha Ospina)
Simon Ospina (Paula Ospina)

WEDNESDAY (10/15)

8AM Through the Holy Family of Nazareth
Zachary Smithley
(Michaela Reyes-Smithley)

THURSDAY (10/16)

6 PM Tim and Azin Dorss and Family (Timothy Dorss)

FRIDAY (10/17)

12PM Ruben and Victoria Engracia
(Maria Engracia)

SATURDAY (10/18)

8 AM Lilly and Emma Williams and their parents,
† Ashley and † Steve Williams (Erin Ferguson)

5PM † Dorene Walsh (John Walsh)

SUNDAY (10/19)

8:30AM Members of the Parish

11AM † Adelaida Predilla and Deceased Members
of the Predilla Family (Patricia Cuadros)

2PM Kathryn Young (Patricia McAdams)

SAINTS OF GOD

10/11 Saint John XXIII

10/12 Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

10/13 Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher

10/14 Saint Carlos Acutis

10/16 Saint Teresa of Avila

10/17 Saint Ignatius of Antioch

10/18 Sts. Isaac Jogues, Jean de Brebeuf,
And Companions

10/19 Saint Paul of the Cross

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 October 5, 2025

Offertory Contributions

- In Pew and By Mail \$2,520
- Online Giving \$6,690

Weekly Offertory Budget (\$9,500)

Below Weekly Budget (\$290)

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... Once a month we accept contributions to our **Justice and Peace** Ministry. Those funds are then distributed to our parish charities. Last year, you enabled us to send \$2,000 to support IMPACT (Interfaith Movement Promoting Action by Congregations Together), and \$1,740 to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Holy Trinity Conference. Thank you for your support!



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SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR OCTOBER


ALL MONTH Christian Formation + Haiti + Justice and Peace

10/12/2025 Outreach

10/19/2025 World Mission Sunday

10/26/2025 Maintenance Fund

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.

LITURGICAL NOTES

Happy 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time. My note this week is to focus on our Liturgical roles in our Church. We are in need of Ministers in all our roles. Next weekend, we will have a Ministry Fair and prayerfully all ministries of Holy Comforter will be represented. Please stop by and look into the ministries available. If God has given you a talent, we would greatly appreciate you sharing with our Holy Comforter family. In the meantime, we Adorers for to be with Jesus during Adoration. Take the time to be with Jesus. This is your personal time with Christ. Moreover, you don't have to "do" anything during Adoration. Just be present and receive the love of the Lord. You can also practice being thankful for everything in your life.

There is a beautiful story of Saint John Vianney who was amazed that one of his parishioners would spend such long hours in front of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. He asked the man, "What do you do in adoration?" The man simply responded, "I look at Him and He looks at me."

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Melinda Wells, Director of Religious Education
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!!!Save the Date for Holy Comforter's Ministry Fair!!!
October 18 & 19 after all Masses

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

- ◆ **Friday: 7-8:30PM Middle School Youth Group**
- ◆ **Sunday: 9:45AM-10:45AM Children's & HS Christian Formation**
- ◆ **Sunday: 9:45AM-10:45 AM First Sacraments and HS Confirmation**
- ◆ **Sunday: 12:30PM Adult Initiation (RCIA)**

Substitute catechists are needed. If God is calling you to serve Holy Comforter's Parish Families as a catechist, please contact Melinda Wells, DRE.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

**TWENTY-NINETH SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading Exodus 17:8-13

Joshua and the Israelites defeat Amalek with the help of God and his servant, Moses.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 121:1-2,3-4,5-6,7-8 The Lord is the Guardian of Israel.

Second Reading 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2

Paul exhorts Timothy to continue to preach the word Timothy received from his teachers.

Gospel Luke 18:1-8 Jesus urges his disciples to pray and not lose heart, for God hears and answers prayers.

October 12, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

PARISHIONERS

(Includes ill, injured, homebound, and caregivers) Eileen Bracuti, Ann Carothers, Teresa Cook, Connie Flamm, Kelton Flinn, Jolene Green, Colette Hall, Jim and Bobbie Hoskins, Ann Jackson, Patricia McAdams, Mae Trentanove, Mary Wheeler, and Mary Ann Ziminski.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Leroy and Felicia Anderson, Blandine 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, Mike and Donna Kerrigan, 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, Mary Nguyen, Lia Thoms Price and Family, Hank and Barbara Rainville, Lawrence Randolph, Saathoff Family, Maya Sanchez, Coby Savona, Kathryn Savona, Schrank Family, Tara Singh, Aiden Smith, Christopher Tomaselli, Brendan and Maria Walsh, and Residents, Staff of Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention, Williams Family and Napier Family

MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY

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

If you would like your family member/fellow parishioner added or removed from the lists, contact the Works of Mercy Ministry mercy@holycomforterparish.org or church office 434-295-7185.

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


HAITI: Come join us for the Hope For Haiti Donor

Appreciation and Fundraising Dinner! A catered Italian dinner with wine donated by Cardinal Point Winery on Saturday, October 25, 6 pm at St. Thomas Aquinas (St. Thomas Hall). All are invited the cost is FREE! This is an opportunity to thank all the donors and sponsors, past, present, and future for their support of St. Michel Parish, School, and Medical Clinic and to invite anyone who is interested in opportunities to help the people in Saltadere, Haiti. Tickets are required and space is limited. Tickets must be obtained by October, 19, 2025. Contact August Sanusi at asanusi7@gmail.com.

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: During the month of August, the need increased, we handed out 236 food bags to 642 individuals. We appreciate the support from parishioners through donations, contributions and time. For the month of September, small, canned soup donations are suggested. Thank you and God Bless! The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and leader.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, HOLY TRINITY CONFERENCE:

 Your support of the Friends of the Poor Walk this year was appreciated! Our next meeting is on October 21, 2025, at 7pm via Zoom. You are welcome to attend! Please email info@svdp-ht.org for info. To donate visit www.svdp-ht.org

HOLY COMFORTER'S MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP! All youth in grades 6 through 8 are invited to ***Middle School Youth Group on Fridays from 7-8:30pm***. There will be fun, fellowship, and faith-building! For more info. please contact Anna Sisman and Tristan Majweski at youthgroup@holycomforterparish.org
!!!Save the Dates!!! Next weekend, October 18 & 19th Holy Comforter Ministry Fair!!! ***After all Masses! Please stop by the Ministry tables in the Commons. Volunteers are needed! Is God calling you to be involved in a Ministry?***

Works of Mercy Ministry invites you to stop by their table during this month's Ministry Fair to sign a greeting card for the lonely!

Announcements

HOLY COMFORTER PARISH IS SEEKING A PART-TIME MUSIC

COORDINATOR: Bachelor's degree in music or equivalent education and experience, as well as instrumental and/or vocal skills. One-three years of related experience and strong knowledge and appreciation of Roman Catholic Liturgy is required. Please submit a Catholic Diocese of Richmond application for employment and send it along with a resume to Fr Joseph Mary, 208 E Jefferson Street, Charlottesville, VA 22902. or email office@holycomforterparish.org

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FROM THE LITURGY COORDINATOR



Minister and Laity Roles in the Church

Part II

By

Alicia Vinklarek, LMC Coordinator of Liturgy

The Ministry Role of the Instituted Acolyte, Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and Cantor.

In some dioceses, there are Instituted Acolytes. The instituted acolyte is the minister for service at the altar and to assist the Priest and Deacon. It is his place principally to prepare the altar and the sacred vessels and, if necessary, to distribute the Eucharist to the faithful as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

The lector role is to proclaim the readings from Sacred Scripture, with the exception of the Gospel. The lector is carefully vetted to carry out this function and should be carefully prepared, so that by their hearing the readings from the sacred texts the faithful may conceive in their hearts a sweet and living affection for Sacred Scripture. He/she may also announce the intentions for the prayers of the faithful and, in the absence of a psalmist, recite the Psalm between the readings.

In the absence of an instituted acolyte, deputed lay ministers may serve at the altar and assist the Priest, such as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. This minister also should be carefully vetted and prepared to assist in this Sacred function.

In both the Lector and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion role, they should receive sufficient spiritual, theological, and practical preparation to fulfill their role with knowledge and reverence. In all matters they should follow the guidance of the diocesan bishop.

All ministers of Holy Communion should show the greatest reverence for the Most Holy Eucharist by their demeanor, their attire, and the manner in which they handle the consecrated bread or wine. Should there be any mishap, for example, the consecrated wine is spilled from the chalice, *the affected area* should be washed and the water poured into the sacrarium.

It is the Cantor's role to sing the psalm or other biblical canticle to be found between the readings. To carry out this function correctly, it is necessary for the psalmist to be accomplished in the art of singing Psalms.

Among the faithful gathered, the schola or choir, exercises its own liturgical function, in keeping with the different genres of chant are properly carried out and to foster the active participation of the faithful by means of the singing.

It is fitting that there be a cantor or a choir director to direct and support the people's singing. Indeed, when there is no choir, it is up to the cantor to direct the different chants, with the people taking the part proper to them.

To be continued...

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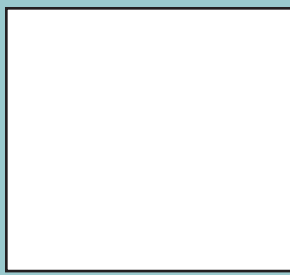
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