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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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THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

To those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me. - Jn 2:16-17

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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 (11/8)

7 AM THAT MAN IS YOU! (LL)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (11/9) Feast Of The Dedication Of The Lateran Basilica

in Rome

Altar Flowers donated by Betty Phillips in memory of

John William (Bill) Phillips

8:30 AM Mass

9:45 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass

12:30 PM Adult Initiation (RCIA)

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

MONDAY (11/10)

12 PM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

TUESDAY (11/11)

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (11/12)

8 AM Mass

10:30-12:30 PM Food Pantry

6-8 PM Adoration

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (11/13)

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6 PM Mass w/Adoration following

7 PM Confession

FRIDAY (11/14)

12 PM Mass with Adoration following

6:30 PM Confession

4:30 PM Chesterton Choir Concert

7-8:30 PM Youth Group

SATURDAY (11/15)

7 AM THAT MAN IS YOU! (LL)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (11/16) Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Altar Flowers donated by

Michael Sullivan in Memory of Delores

Sullivan and Nancy Maseda

8:30 AM Mass

9:45 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass

12:30 PM Adult Initiation (RCIA)

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

4-6 PM Sacred Heart 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

WELCOME

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to join our Holy Comforter Parish Family. Registration Forms are in the Office and on the Commons Credenza.

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

TO REQUEST MASS INTENTIONS:

Contact the Parish Office 434-295-7185

Reception@holyccomforterparish.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (11/8)

8AM † Francis Deighan, † Francis Newton, and † Geraldine Newton (Colin Deighan)

5PM † Tim McKeon, † Kevin Platt, and † Brendan McGuire (Colin Deighan)

SUNDAY (11/9)

8:30AM † John William "Bill" Phillips (Betty Phillips) † David Newton (Colin Deighan) Souls in Purgatory (Mr & Mrs Joseph Ferguson)

11AM Members of the Parish † James and † Helen Hall, and † Ellis Flinn (Kelton Flinn and Colette Hall)

2PM Askeesh Vu and Stephen S (Kelton Flinn and Colette Hall) † Edith Zinman (Peter Zinman)

MONDAY (11/10)

12PM † Florance and † John Cassidy (Mr and Mrs Brian Cassidy) † Charlie Kirk (Melinda Wells) † Angelina Akulow (Marlene Wood)

TUESDAY (11/11)

8AM Simon Ospina (Paula Ospina) † Michael and † Barbara Zdrojewski (Greg Lannon) Nick Ryan (Lannon Family)

WEDNESDAY (11/12)

8AM Through the Holy Family of Nazareth † Gertrude and † Lewis Caretti (Mr and Mrs Brian Cassidy) † Mary Caretti (Mr & Mrs Brian Cassidy)

THURSDAY (11/13)

6 PM Eric and Laura Auger and † Therese Auger Tim and Azin Dorss and Family (Tim Dorss) † Jessie Caretti (Mr and Mrs Brian Cassidy)

FRIDAY (11/14)

12PM † Norma and † Renzo Petroni, † Pat and † Jack Conaway, Jeff McMullen (Petroni and Conaway Families)

SATURDAY (11/15)

8AM † Madeline and † Freeman Carettii, † Athony Kapeluch, † Lorena & † Carl Miller and † Randy (Mr and Mrs Brian Cassidy)

5PM † Pauline and † Jack Mann (Mr and Mrs Brian Cassidy) † Maria Teresa Gerling (Donna Gerling) † Don Birch (Ester Birch)

SUNDAY (11/16)

8:30AM Members of the Parish † Victor Reinhart and the † Caracho's (Ester Birch) 11AM For the Deceased Members of the Agbati and Agbotounou Families (Fr. Joseph Mary) † Alicia, † Bibi, † Betty, † Carlos & † Bill (Ester Birch) 2PM † Molly McAdams (Patricia McAdams) † Gregory J. Pease and † Stewart Stelow (Ed and Anna Stelow)

SAINTS OF GOD

11/8 Blessed John Dun Scotus

11/9 Dedication of St. John Lateran Basilica

11/10 Saint Leo the Great

11/11 Saint Martin of Tours

11/12 Saint Josaphat

11/13 Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

11/14 Saint Gertrude the Great

11/15 Saint Albert the Great

11/16 Saint Margaret of Scotland

PARISH NEWS



PARISH SUPPORT

“Consider this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Week Ending November 2, 2025

Offertory Contributions

- In Pew and By Mail \$3,881
 - Online Giving \$1,725
- Weekly Offertory Budget (\$9,500)
Below Weekly Budget (\$3,894)

MONEY MINUTE

During November, our Money Minute is focused on our **Outreach Ministry**. On the first of this month, mothers, babies, and the most vulnerable among us, lost critical nutrition assistance when SNAP and WIC Benefits were interrupted. As a result, our **Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen** are expecting an increase in requests for food assistance. Your financial support will enable us to meet this need. Please use the gold envelopes in the Commons to donate to **Outreach**, and contributions are also accepted online. Thank you!



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SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

- ALL MONTH** Catholic Virginian + Christian Formation + Justice and Peace
- 11/1/2025** Solemnity of All Saints
- 11/2/2025** All Souls' Day
- 11/9/2025** Outreach
- 11/16/2025** Archdiocese for the Military Services
- 11/23/2025** Maintenance Fund
- 11/30/2025** Christmas Flowers

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 to contribute about \$42 per week per family. Thank you for your support and may God bless you abundantly.

LITURGICAL NOTES

For the month of November, we will be incorporating “Evening Prayer for the Dead” in our Thursday evening celebration, with the exception of Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27th. Our evening will start with 6:00 pm Mass followed by Exposition. We will begin our “Evening prayer for the Dead”. Then Father will be available for confessions until Benediction. We pray that you will be able to join us in our prayer for those who have gone before us. On Thanksgiving Day, our Mass will be at 9:00 am

God bless, *Alicia Vinklerek, LMC Liturgy Coordinator*

A Meal, A Blessing

Thanksgiving 2025 Outreach Campaign

This fall, Holy Comforter is launching a special fundraising effort, “**A Meal, A Blessing**,” to support our **Outreach Ministry’s food pantry and soup kitchen**.

Our goal is to raise **\$30,000 by Thanksgiving 2025** to help provide meals and groceries for families in need within our community. Every month, our **soup kitchen serves 350–375 meals**, and our **food pantry supports around 160 households** with groceries—offering nourishment, compassion, and hope to those who rely on us.

Every dollar we raise allows the ministry to purchase food at reduced costs and reach more families than individual donations could.

Parishioners and Well Wishers are invited to take part in one of two ways:

- **Adopt-A-Lunch** – Provide the cost of a single meal for a neighbor in need (approximately *\$20 per meal*).
- **Sponsor-Groceries** – Cover the cost of groceries for a local household (approximately *\$90 per household*).

Together, let’s prepare a **harvest of hope**—ensuring that every family has a **meal to share and a blessing to celebrate** this Thanksgiving.

PS: Please use the Gold Envelopes to make the donation for this campaign to ensure that we can track it against our goal.

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

Thirty-Third Sunday
in
Ordinary Time

First Reading *Malachi 3:19-20*

The day of justice is coming, says the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9

Sing praise to God, who rules with justice

Second *2 Thessalonians 3:7-12*

Paul urges the community to follow his example and to earn their keep.

Gospel *Luke 21:5-19* Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and warns his followers that persecution will come before the end 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 or email reception@holycomforterparish.org


HOLY COMFORTER PARISH 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 office@holycomforterparish.org

MINISTRIES

OUTREACH: Thank you for your donations of canned vegetables in October. For the month of November donations of boxes of stuffing are appreciated. Thank you all for your donations, contributions and time. God Bless! The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer & leader.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, HOLY TRINITY CONFERENCE:

 Thanks to your generosity, we raised **\$22,043.66** from our recent walk. Our neighbors are appreciative! We won't be meeting on Nov 4th due to election day. Our next meeting will be held on Nov 18 at 7pm via Zoom. For more info or to donate, please see our website at www.svdp-ht.org or email us at info@svdp-ht.org.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will hold a drive to fund COATS FOR KIDS on Saturday, November 15, and Sunday, November 16. We have already ordered 120 coats, at a cost of nearly \$3000 so your support is needed! Bring cash or checks made out to Knights of Columbus to Mass. The Knights will be grateful.

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 information, please contact the Middle School Youth Ministers, Anna Sisman or Tristan Majweski at youthgroup@holycomforterparish.org

TROOPS OF ST. GEORGE If you've considered starting a Troops of St George Apostolate for priests, men, and young men, please reach out to Steven Sisman @ Steven.Sisman@gmail.com or speak to him after the 11 am or 2 pm Mass.

Announcements

SACRED HEART SWING DANCE! Sunday, November 16. Families are invited for informal swing dance with lessons on alternate Sundays from 4 pm to 6 pm in the lower level of Holy Comforter. Boys are encouraged to wear pants with a button-down shirt. Girls are encouraged to wear a skirt or dress at or below the knee (with shorts). Under 18 must be accompanied by parent. No dance experienced needed! All are welcome!

Discover Charlottesville Catholic School! Applications are now open for JK-8 for the 2026-2027 school year. Please visit the website at www.cvillecatholic.org/admissions or call 434-964-0400.

MARRIED COUPLES: Just as we celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering together with family, why not celebrate your Marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? It's a positive, simple, common sense, private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes your marriage. Space is limited so make your reservation now! Upcoming experiences are: December 5-7, 2025. - Ocean City, NJ...February 13-15, 2026 - Waynesboro VA and March 6-8, 2026 - Hampton VA For more information please call 757-690-1369 or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for your desired location.

FROM THE LITURGY COORDINATOR



Today's Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. Why do we celebrate this Basilica?

By

Alicia Vinklerek, LMC Liturgy Coordinator

The feast emphasizes the Basilica's role as a sacred space where the faithful gather to worship and connect with God. It symbolizes the Church as the "House of God" and the community of believers as living stones of this spiritual edifice. The readings and prayers associated with the feast often reflect themes of dedication, community, and the presence of God among His people.

The second Scripture reading in the liturgy for the feast is drawn from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. It is not about the building. However, we must be reverent toward the building. It is the House of God. As we celebrate the great feast of this great Basilica, we are reminded that we too are temples of God. We are striving to be holy, for we are made in the image and likeness of God inspired by the Holy Spirit.

St. John Lateran Basilica is also known as the Basilica of the Most Holy Savior and of Saints John the Baptist and John the Evangelist in the Lateran, was dedicated in 324 AD by Pope Sylvester I. It has always been considered the mother church of all churches worldwide and serves as the

cathedral of the Bishop of Rome, making it the highest-ranking church in the Catholic Church. The basilica was built on land donated to the Church by Emperor Constantine, marking a significant moment in the history of Christianity as it transitioned from persecution to prominence.

Today's Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica allows us to remember the journey of the people and God's constant and faithful care. And, just as we care for our own bodies, we must care for the Church building and those around us.

The Church as a house of prayer must be a tranquil place conducive for prayer. It is not the proper place to make chit-chats with an acquaintance or friends. We must not forget that we are to be present in the Church as we celebrate our Liturgies. We must listen with attention.

This Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica is not only a celebration of a historic church but also a reflection on the broader themes of faith, community, and the sacredness of worship spaces in the Catholic tradition. It invites the faithful to recognize their own role as part of the living Church and to appreciate the rich history and significance of their places of worship.



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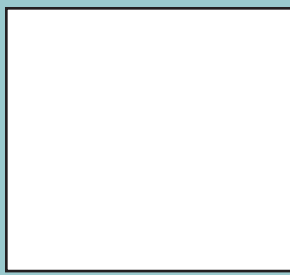
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