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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

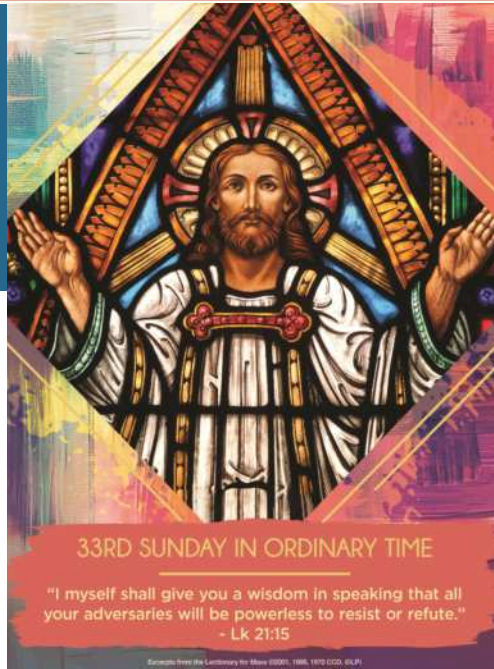
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Sunday	1 PM
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Thursday	7—8 PM

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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 (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

MONDAY (11/17)

12 PM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

TUESDAY (11/18)

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (11/19)

8 AM Mass

10:30-12:30 PM Food Pantry

6-8 PM Adoration

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

THURSDAY (11/20)

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6 PM Mass w/Adoration following

7 PM Confession

FRIDAY (11/21)

12 PM Mass with Adoration following

6:30 PM Confession

7-8:30 PM Youth Group

SATURDAY (11/22)

7 AM THAT MAN IS YOU! (LL)

8 AM Mass

5 PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 11/23 Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Altar Flowers donated Anonymously

8:30 AM Mass

9:45 AM Christian Formation

11 AM Mass

12:30 PM Christian Initiation of Adults

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

4-6 pm Sacred Heart Swing Dance (LL)

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@holycomforterparish.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (11/15)

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

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

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)

MONDAY (11/17)

12PM † Clare Riendeau and † Terese Auger † Robert Ross and † Laurie Thomas (Ed and Anna Stelow)

TUESDAY (11/18)

8AM † Jeff Smith (Richard Nordin Jr) Sharon Dudley (Holy Comforter Parish) † Phyllis Thomas (Ed and Anna Stelow)

WEDNESDAY (11/19)

8AM Through the Holy Family of Nazareth † Matilda Tinsler and † Scarlett Makielski (Ed and Anna Stelow)

THURSDAY (11/20)

6 PM † Reynaldo Perdomo Manresa † Maria Teresa Ospina (Martha Ospina) † Joseph Smith (Patricia McAdams)

FRIDAY (11/21)

12PM † Maria Teresa Ospina (Martha Ospina) † Stephen McAdams and † Sandy McAdams (Patricia McAdams)

SATURDAY (11/22)

8AM † Maria Teresa Ospina (Martha Ospina) † Stephen McAdams (Patricia McAdams) † Molly McAdams (Patricia McAdams)

5PM Members of the Parish (Mr and Mrs Brian Cassidy) Souls in Purgatory (Kevin Haag) Souls in Purgatory (Mr and Mrs Colavincenzo)

SUNDAY (11/23)

8:30AM † Mickiewicz Family (Ed Mickiewicz) Souls in Purgatory (Mr and Mrs Tam Nguyen) Souls in Purgatory (Mrs Floyd Artrip)

11AM † Joseph Cannone (Mr and Mrs Peter Zinman) Souls in Purgatory (Jennifer Strong) Souls in Purgatory (Mr and Mrs Michael Deighan)

2PM † Maria Teresa Ospina (Martha Ospina) † Joseph Smith and † Douglas McAdams (Patricia McAdams)

SAINTS OF GOD

11/15 Saint Albert the Great
11/16 Saint Margaret of Scotland
11/17 Saint Elizabeth of Hungary
11/18 Dedication of Churches
Of Sts. Peter and Paul

11/19 Saint Agnes of Assisi
11/20 Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne
11/21 Presentation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
11/22 Saint Cecilia
11/23 Blessed Miguel Augustin Pro

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 \$2,486
- Online Giving \$4,086

Weekly Offertory Budget (\$9,500)

Below Weekly Budget (\$2,928)

MONEY MINUTE

During November, our Money Minute is focused on our **Outreach Ministry**. Contributions are accepted online, or you may use the gold envelopes in the Commons to donate. Thank you!

**SCAN HERE to Support
Holy Comforter!
Thank You!!**



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 Flower

WEEKLY OFFERTORY BUDGET



Our parish operating budget for the new fiscal year is \$494,000 which requires Holy Comforter to receive

offertory contributions of **\$9,500 per week**. In order to meet our obligations, it is necessary to contribute \$2,200 per year, or about \$42 per week. Thank you for your support and may God bless you abundantly.

LITURGICAL NOTES

Here we are halfway through November. Please know that we have incorporated “Evening Prayer for the Dead” in our Thursday evening celebration. On Thursday’s at 6 pm, we start with Mass, then exposition, evening prayer, adoration, confession and Benediction. It has been beautiful experience and hope to see you this Thursday evening.

Next weekend, we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Please join us for a procession after 11 am Sunday Mass. Hope to see you then.

God bless, *Alicia Vinklarek, LMC Liturgy Coordinator*

Double Your Blessing

We raised **\$2,851** so far through *A Meal, A Blessing* and moving steadily toward our **\$30,000 goal**. A generous parishioner has pledged a **\$15,000 matching challenge**—so every gift given is **doubled** to help twice as many neighbors.

Behind every number is gratitude: one guest recently told a volunteer through tears, “*You’ll never know how much you’ve helped me.*” Each act of giving reaches far beyond the plate or the grocery bag—it nourishes the spirit.

Help us unlock the full match and multiply blessings:

- \$1,000 → matched to \$2,000 — Funds one full Thursday meal (~90 guests) and groceries for ~5 families for a month
- \$200 → matched to \$400 — Provides ~20 lunches and 2 family pantry bags
- \$20 → matched to \$40 — Adopts two meals for neighbors in need

Give with the **gold envelopes** or online. **Twice the meals. Twice the hope.**

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NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

**Solemnity
of
Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

First Reading

2 Samuel 5:1-3

David is anointed king.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 122:1-2,3-4,4-5

Enter the house of the Lord rejoicing.

Second *Colossians 1:12-20*

Hymn to Jesus as the first-born of all creation.

Gospel *Luke 23:35-43*

Jesus is crucified under the title King of the Jews.

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR

MINISTRIES

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, 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 or 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

OUTREACH: During the month of November, the Food Pantry gave out food bags to 161 households (for a total of 448 individuals). And we served 373 meals in Soup Kitchen. For the month of November, boxes of stuffing are appreciated. Thank you all for your donations, contributions and time to Outreach. God Bless! The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, HOLY TRINITY CONFERENCE:



Our next meeting will be held on Nov 18 at 7pm via Zoom. Please join us if you are interested. For more information or to donate, please visit our website at www.svdhp-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 Holy Comforter's 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

HAITI: Haiti's recent devastation echoes this Gospel. Yet amid the rubble, God is near—in the mother who rebuilds, the priest who preaches peace, the silent prayers of the forgotten. We are that witness. We belong to a Church that walks with the persecuted, honors the martyred, and offers comfort where hope flickers. In Haiti, in our homes, in our hearts—this Gospel is alive. Let us live it in spirit and presence with our twin. We still have our matching \$10,000 dollar donor at St. Thomas, it would be helpful to have the full benefit of that offer whether with a sponsorship or small donation, it all makes a difference.

Announcements

SACRED HEART SWING DANCE! NOVEMBER 23! Families are invited for informal swing dance with lessons on alternate Sundays from 4pm to 6pm 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. Visit our website www.cvillecatholic.org or contact admissions@cvillecatholic.org.

FROM THE LITURGY COORDINATOR



Music and Song in the Liturgy

By

Alicia Vinklarek, LMC Liturgy Coordinator

There are many laws and rules governing the use of sacred music at Mass. They can be found in various Church documents such as Sacrosanctum Concilium, Musicam Sacram, and Tra Le Sollecitudini. As to whether the music should be strictly traditional or traditional with some contemporary music added in, it may be either, provided the contemporary compositions “have the qualities proper to genuine sacred music” (SC 121).

Saint John Paul II’s thoughts were that contemporary compositions often use a diversity of musical forms that have a certain dignity of their own. To the extent that they are helpful for the prayer of the Church, they can prove a precious enrichment. However, care must be taken to ensure that instruments are suitable for sacred use, that they are fitting for the dignity of the Church and can accompany the singing of the faithful and serve to edify them (Tra Le Sollecitudini 14).

Sacred music is for the glory of God and the sanctification and edification of the faithful (SC 26). It should have the qualities proper to the liturgy, and in particular sanctity and goodness of form (Tra Le Sollecitudini 2).

The introduction into the celebration of anything that is merely secular, or which is hardly compatible with divine worship, under the guise of solemnity should be carefully avoided (MS 43). Instruments that are generally associated and used only with worldly music are to be absolutely barred from liturgical services and religious devotions (MS 63). Gregorian chant should be given pride of place in liturgical services (SC 116). There must be no innovations unless the good of the Church genuinely and certainly requires them, and care must be taken that any new forms adopted should in some way grow organically from forms already existing (SC23).

The Second Vatican Council was quite emphatic about the importance of sacred music in the Church’s liturgical worship: “The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art” (Sacrosanctum Concilium (no. 112). The Council also made it clear that this great value derives precisely from the union of music and words: “The main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as sacred song united to the words, it forms a necessary or integral part of the solemn liturgy” (no. 112). When the Council exhorts composers to “produce compositions which have the qualities proper to genuine sacred music” (no. 121), chief among these qualities must be the use of words that are appropriate for liturgical worship.

In the end, all the sacred music employed in liturgical celebrations should solely aim to achieve the purpose of glorifying our God and the sanctification of us, the faithful.

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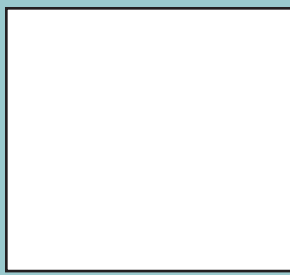
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