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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

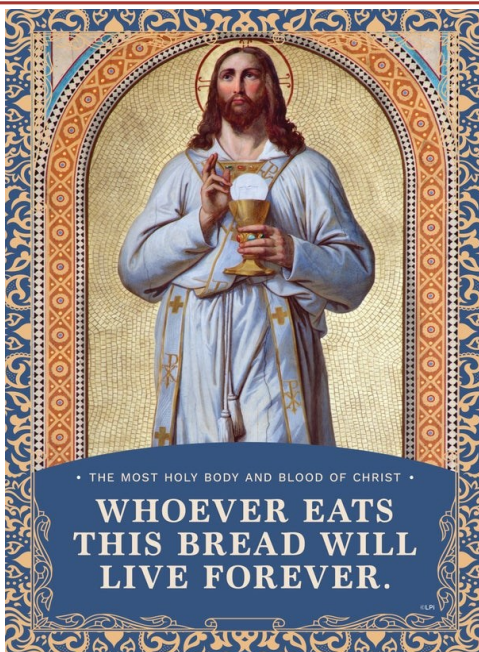
CONFESSION

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

Office Hours

Monday-Friday	9 AM—4 PM
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Soup Kitchen: Thurs 12PM-1PM

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: As members of Holy Comforter Catholic Church, located in Charlottesville, VA, redeemed by Jesus Christ and sustained by the Word and the Eucharist, we pursue growth in holiness. We are called to worship, discipleship, evangelization, and charity, bringing the presence of the risen Christ to our parish and all those in need, consistent with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.

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PRAYER & WORSHIP



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (6/6)

6:30 AM TMIY: Band of Brothers

8 AM Mass

5PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (6/7) The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Altar Flowers provided

Anonymously in loving memory of a loved one

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass followed by Procession

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

MONDAY (6/8)

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

12 PM Mass

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

TUESDAY (6/9)

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (6/10)

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM-12:30 PM Food Pantry

NO Confession or Adoration

THURSDAY (6/11)

12-1 PM Soup Kitchen

6 PM Mass followed by Evening Prayer and Adoration

7-8 PM Confession

FRIDAY (6/12)

12 PM Mass followed by Adoration until 3 PM

6:30-7:30 PM Confession

SATURDAY (6/13)

6:30 AM TMIY: Band of Brothers

8 AM Mass

5PM Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (6/14) Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Altar Flowers provided

Anonymously in loving memory of Gregory Pease

8:30 AM Mass

11 AM Mass

1 PM Confession

2 PM Mass

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE EUCHARIST

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of the Eucharist, You left us the outstanding manifestation of your limitless love for us. Thank You for giving us the opportunity to experience this love in receiving the Sacrament at this Mass. May Your Eucharistic presence keep us ever free from sin, fortified in faith, pervaded by love for God and neighbor, and fruitful in virtue, that we may continue to receive You throughout life and attain final union with You at death.
Amen

6/11 Saint Barnabas

6/12 Blessed Jolenta of Poland

6/13 Saint Anthony of Padua

6/14 Saint Albert Chmielowski

5/31 Saint Marguerite d'Youville

MASS INTENTIONS

TO REQUEST MASS INTENTIONS:

Contact the Parish Office

434-295-7185

Reception@holycomforterparish.org

SATURDAY (6/6)

8AM Personal Intention: Maximus (Silvia DiPaolo)

5PM † Jean Andrus (Heidi Hess)

SUNDAY (6/7)

8:30AM Robert Prinz (Mel Crews)

11AM † Suzanne Lank (Alicia Vinklarek)
Members of the Parish

2PM † John G. Peglow (Mona Peglow)

MONDAY (6/8)

12PM Lauren & Travis Cole (Alicia Vinklarek)

TUESDAY (6/9)

8AM Coby Savona (Alicia Vinklarek)

WEDNESDAY (6/10)

8AM Sr. Mary Helena on her silver jubilee anniversary (Sherry Schemmel)

THURSDAY (6/11)

6PM Lauren & Travis Cole (Alicia Vinklarek)

FRIDAY (6/12)

12PM Melancon family (Alicia Vinklarek)

SATURDAY (6/13)

8AM Elizabeth "Betty" Hall (Anna Stelow)

5PM † Jean Andrus (Heidi Hess)

SUNDAY (6/14)

8:30AM Holy Comforter Staff

11AM Holy Comforter Volunteers

2PM Steven G. Peglow (Mona Peglow)
Members of the Parish

SAINTS OF GOD

6/7 Saint Norbert

6/8 Saint William of York

6/9 Saint Saint Ephrem

6/10 Saint Joachima

PARISH NEWS



PARISH SUPPORT

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life (John 3:16)

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS

SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT OUR WEEKLY OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS REPORTS:

Over the past few weeks, the Diocese has been transitioning all parishes to a new software application.

Once the change is complete, we will be able to resume our weekly reporting and will also provide the reports for **Week Ending May 17, 2026** and **Week Ending May 24, 2026** and **Week Ending May 31, 2026**. Thank you for your patience!

WEEKLY OFFERTORY BUDGET

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

Our parish operating budget for the current fiscal year is \$494,000 which requires offertory contributions of **\$9,500 per week**. In order to meet our obligations, it is necessary for our families to contribute \$2,200 per year, or about \$42 per week. Thank you for your support!

MONEY MINUTE

The Catholic Virginian is produced by the Diocese and mailed to all registered families. Our parish was assessed over \$7,500 last year to support the cost of this service. To help us offset this expense, we distribute contribution envelopes and offer you the opportunity to provide support online. Your contributions totaled \$850 last year, and the balance was funded by your offertory contributions. Please contact our office to be added to the mailing list.

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE

ALL MONTH Christian Formation + Haiti + Justice and Peace

6/14/2026 Outreach

6/21/2026 Maintenance Fund

6/28/2026 Peter's Pence

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Holy Comforter! **Thank You!!**



LITURGICAL NOTES

We celebrate another beautiful Feast this Sunday, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as the Feast of Corpus Christi. We celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, as we are reminded in every Mass of Jesus' sacrifice on Calvary. He is sacramentally made present and offered anew for "the forgiveness of the sins we daily commit." (CCC 1366).

June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, celebrating Christ's divine love and mercy for humanity. The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus became prominent in the 17th century through the visions of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a French Nun of the Visitation Order. Jesus appeared to her, revealing His heart as a symbol of His immense love for humanity, often depicted as visible, aflame, and surrounded by a crown of thorns. He requested special acts of devotion, including Holy Hours on Thursdays and Communion on the First Fridays of each month. He asked for a feast in His honor to be celebrated on the Friday after the octave of Corpus Christi. These revelations included the Twelve Promises of the Sacred Heart for those who venerate and promote this devotion.

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will give peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.
5. I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in my heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.
9. I will bless those places wherein the image of my Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.
10. I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
11. Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my heart.
12. In the excess of the mercy of my heart, I promise you that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the first Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.

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Have a wonderful summer !

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS
ELEVENTH SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading Exodus 19:2-6a
God tells Moses that the Israelites will be his special people.
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 100:1-3,5 We are the people of God.

Second Reading Romans 5:6-11
Christ died for us while we were still sinners and reconciled us to God.
Gospel Reading
Matthew 9:36-10:8 Jesus sends the twelve apostles to proclaim the kingdom of heaven.

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, Bobbie Hoskins, Ann Jackson, Patricia McAdams, Mae Trentanove, Mary Wheeler, and Mary Ann Ziminski.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Alex Ahn, Leroy and Felicia Anderson, Blandine Attey, Ben and Katherine Barahona, Christine Bentejac, Max and Hadley Burch, Stephen Crews, Kaylee Carter, Petra Vera Chavez, Lauren Rundall, Travis Cole, Stephanie Crews, Roxanne Crittenden, Nancy Joan Debieze, Linda Doyle, Tarina Escalpez, Gene Flamm, Alexander Faust, Lisa-Jane Faust, Fr. Gerald Fogarty, Charlie Foster, Brad and Debbie Ferguson, Sue Gilbert, Paula Goodburn, Brian Gough, Dan Grogan, Fr. Theodore J. Haag, OFM, Genevieve Halfen, Liana Haseltine, Margaret Heritage, Maddie Hermack, Wilem Hommel, Mark Rowland Huckabe, Joe Kanapell, Betty Kapeluch, Sharon Lawrence, Kelly Lembo and Family, Joan Lincks, Mike & Sibylle Llewellyn, Shannon and Coty Lockett, Michael Paul Maloney, Chelsea Massey, Patrick Mayer, Dot McAllister, Charles McCranor, Brett McQuhae, Cullen McQuhae, Michael McNeil, Fr. Richard Mooney, Robert Maute, Mary Nguyen, Lucy Pardee, Lia Thoms Price and Family, Lawrence Randolph, Anne de Rigal, Saathoff Family, Coby Savona, Kathryn Savona, Schrank Family, Melancon Family, Tara Singh, Aiden Smith, Christopher Tomaselli, Brendan and Maria Walsh, Residents and Staff of Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention, Williams Family and Napier Family, George Lilly

MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY

Matthew Mickiewicz, Elijah & Jonathan Schrank, and Joey Smith, Nathaniel Byrd

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 434-295-7185.

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

WE ARE HIRING: Charlottesville Catholic School, Charlottesville, VA, seeks Elementary Teacher (JK–5, 2026–2027) and Middle School Science Teacher (6–8, 2026–2027). VA teaching license required. Candidates should provide engaging, hands-on instruction, use 21st Century skills, communicate effectively, and collaborate well. Practicing Catholics preferred. Send resume, Diocesan application, 3 references, and license to Attn: Vada Fallica, Principal, 1205 Pen Park Road, Charlottesville, VA 22901 or email v.fallica@cvillecatholic.org.

OUTREACH: Thank you parishioners for your continued support to Outreach through donations, contributions and volunteering. Donations of crackers this month are appreciated. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, HOLY TRINITY CONFERENCE: Our meetings occur on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7pm. You are welcome to attend. For more information about our conference, or to donate, go to www.svdp-ht.org or email info@svdp-ht.org.

Walking with Moms in Need: A meeting of Walking With Moms in Need will be held on Sunday, June 21, 10AM in the Stairwell Library.

HC Middle School Youth Group: Middle School Youth Group will not meet over the summer but stay tuned for announcements and occasional get-togethers. **EPIC 2026** on August 8 at Blessed Sacrament Huguenot School in Powhatan, VA. **EPIC** is a high-energy day focused on two things: (1) building community & friendships with other Catholic middle school youth, and (2) encouraging zeal for our Catholic faith. Reach out to Anna Sisman youthgroup@holycomforterparish.org to register. More information can be found in the Commons.

THAT MAN IS YOU: BAND OF BROTHERS, Holy Comforter's Men's Ministry, meets Saturday mornings. For information, please contact Steven Sisman, mensgroup@holycomforterparish.org

HOLY COMFORTER'S ALTAR GUILD is looking for a flower arranger to help beautify our sacred space. If you are interested and have flower arranging skills, please contact Jean Mickiwicz Jean4greens@yahoo.com

HAITI: Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Hope for Haiti Golf Tournament. Final tallies will be available soon. One report is certain: Team Fromm finished 3 under (winner 13 under) — thanks entirely to the grandchildren, as the grandparents tied for "worst players." It was a joyful day, and we are grateful to Dan, sponsors, committee, volunteers, and Father Walter.

WORKS OF MERCY: Our ministry sends a variety of cards to 40 residents at the Cedars Healthcare Center throughout the calendar year. We are looking for individuals, families, or groups to assist with signing cards. Supplies (cards, stickers, pens) will be provided and may be taken home. A ministry member will pick up the completed cards at church and deliver them to Cedars. No mailing! Some residents get very little personal mail. They appreciate happy and uplifting cards. For more info, please contact Sharon Dudley at mercy@holycomforterparish.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Comforter Catholic Church is now Hiring: Liturgy Coordinator - Seeking a part-time Liturgy Coordinator to plan and communicate the parish liturgical schedule, coordinate ministries, and support the Liturgy and Worship Committee. 15–20 hours per week. Regular hours Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m.–4 p.m., with some evenings and weekend Mass attendance required. For more information, please contact the parish office (434) 295-7185 or office@holycomforterparish.org

FROM THE PASTOR



OUR LIFE IN THE HOLY TRINITY Part II

Rev. Fr. Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi

“Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit”

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son
and the Holy Spirit” Matthew 28:19

As I continue to explore more about “Our Life In The Holy Trinity”, I approached some people with a deeper experience with the divine intimacy. The first that came to mind is St. Faustina and this is what I found: First of all, she says that as she advanced in her journey with Jesus Christ and came to appreciate more deeply the compassion of His Heart, “His Trinitarian Being enveloped me entirely” (Diary, 1056). In other words, the more she grew closer to Jesus, the more she felt enveloped in the Holy Trinity. For example, on the Feast of the Ascension, 1937, she wrote: “After Holy Communion I communed for a while with the heavenly Father. My soul was drawn into the glowing center of love. I understood that no exterior works could stand comparison with the pure love of God. ... I saw the joy of the Incarnate Word, and I was immersed in the Divine Trinity. When I came to myself, longing filled my soul, and I yearned to be united with God (Diary, 1121). She continues to say: “I understand the spiritual espousal of a soul with God, which has no exterior manifestation. It is a purely interior act between the soul and God. This grace has

drawn me into the very burning center of God's love. I have come to understand His Trinitarian quality and the absolute Oneness of His Being”.

This is a saint who often received a deeper understanding of the Blessed Trinity during the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. For example, in her diary entry 472 she tells how one time she heard an angel singing “Holy, Holy, Holy” at the moment of the elevation of the Host, and then she received new light into the mystery of the Trinity: “I knew more distinctly than ever before the Three Divine Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. But their being, their equality, and their majesty are one. My soul is in communion with these Three; but I do not know how to express this in words; yet my soul understands this well. Whoever is united to One of the Three Persons is thereby united to the whole Blessed Trinity, for this Oneness is indivisible (472). She continues to explain saying: “On one occasion I was reflecting on the Holy Trinity, on the essence of God. I absolutely wanted to know and fathom who God is. ... In an instant my spirit was caught up into what seemed to be the next world. I saw an inaccessible light, and in this light what appeared like three sources of light that I could not understand. And out of this light came words in the form of lightning which encircled heaven and earth. Not understanding anything, I was very sad. Suddenly, from this sea of inaccessible light came our dearly beloved Savior, unutterably beautiful with His shining Wounds. And from this light there came a voice which said, Who God is in His Essence, no one will fathom, neither the mind of angels nor of man. Jesus said to me, ‘Get to know God by contemplating His attributes’. A moment later, He traced the sign of the cross with His hand and vanished” (30).

With such words from St. Faustina, I came to believe that; Yes, you can experience the Trinity. Rather than just a rigid doctrine, the Trinity describes the active, loving relationship of God. You experience it when you witness the Father's love, connect with Jesus as a friend and guide, and feel the Holy Spirit comforting or motivating your daily actions. No doubt God is active and presence inside each one of us in a unique way. This is the “nudge” to help others, the comfort you feel in hardship, and the inner peace that guides your decisions. Christian theology suggests that as you show love to others, you participate directly in the communal, outward-looking life of the Trinity.

To be continued...

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