

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

**SATURDAY (10/6)**

**8 AM:** MASS  
**9:30 AM:** FUNERAL *Angie Morrisard*  
**1 PM:** WEDDING *Elena Gardiner & Channing Poole*  
**3:30-4:30 PM:** Dante Reading Group (*Lower Level*)  
**3:30-4:30 PM:** Reconciliation (*Chapel*)  
**5 PM:** Vigil MASS

**SUNDAY (10/7) TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**(Altar Flowers provided by Anonymous Donation)**

**7-7:45 AM:** Reconciliation (*Chapel*)  
**8:30 AM:** MASS and Children's Mass  
**9:45-10:45 AM:** Christian Formation (*Lower Level*)  
**11 AM:** MASS  
**12:15-1:15 PM:** High School Youth Ministry (*Lower Level*)  
**12:30-1:15 PM:** Reconciliation (*Chapel*)  
**1:30 PM:** Latin MASS

**MONDAY (10/8)**

**10 AM-NOON:** Food Pantry  
**10:30-11:45 AM:** Rosary Prayer Group  
**NOON:** MASS  
**5:15 PM:** Schola Rehearsals  
**7 PM:** Pastoral Council (*Lower Level*)

**TUESDAY (10/9)**

**10 AM-NOON:** Food Pantry  
**NOON:** MASS

**WEDNESDAY (10/10)**

**10 AM-NOON:** Food Pantry  
**NOON:** MASS  
**NOON:** AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)  
**6:15 PM:** Rosary Prayer Group (*Chapel*)  
**6:30 PM:** Sung Vespers (*Church*)  
**7 PM:** Choir Rehearsal (*Loft*)

**THURSDAY (10/11)**

**7 AM:** MASS (*Please note time change*)  
**NOON:** Soup Kitchen  
**5-6 PM:** Wedding Rehearsal  
**6:30 PM:** Reconciliation (*Chapel*)  
**7-8 PM:** Holy Hour and Adoration

**FRIDAY (10/12)**

**8 AM:** MASS  
**8:30 AM-12 PM:** Regina Coeli (*Lower Level*)  
**NOON:** AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)  
**3:30 PM:** WEDDING *Kathryn Corboy and Joshua Hildebrand*  
**4:30-5:30 PM:** Wedding Rehearsal

**PARISHIONER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

October 23, 1971: Carol and Steve Ham  
 October 23, 2010: Jill and Steve Paitsel

**SATURDAY (10/13)**

**8 AM:** MASS  
**1 PM:** WEDDING *Amanda Leon and Ryan Kim*  
**3:30-4:30 PM:** Dante Reading Group  
**3:30-4:30 PM:** Reconciliation (*Chapel*)  
**5 PM:** Vigil MASS

**SUNDAY (10/14) TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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**7-7:45 AM:** Reconciliation (*Chapel*)  
**8:30 AM:** MASS and Children's Mass  
**9:45-10:45 AM:** Christian Formation (*Lower Level*)  
**11 AM:** MASS  
**NOON:** Rosary Procession  
**12:30-1:15 PM:** Reconciliation (*Chapel*)  
**1:30 PM:** Latin MASS

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, October 6

**8 AM** Sandy Johnson (Paul Savoie)  
**5 PM** Members of the Parish

Sunday, October 7

**8:30 AM †**Peter Colo (Marlene Wood)  
**11 AM** Thi Thanh (Vu Nguyen)  
**1:30 PM †**Nancy Hendrix (Holli Traud)

Monday, October 8

**NOON †**Michael Brown; Jeanne and John Chamales (Jack Valloric)

Tuesday, October 9

**NOON** Sandy Johnson (Paul Savoie); Jeanne and John Chamales (Jack Valloric)

Wednesday, October 10

**NOON** Sandy Johnson (Paul Savoie); Jeanne and John Chamales (Jack Valloric)

Thursday, October 11

**8 AM** Sandy Johnson (Paul Savoie); Jeanne and John Chamales (Jack Valloric)

Friday, October 12

**8 AM †**Frank Dodaro (Michele Skarvelis); Jeanne and John Chamales (Jack Valloric)

Saturday, October 13

**8 AM** Christine Savoie (Paul Savoie)  
**5 PM** Members of the Parish; Christine Savoie (Paul Savoie)

Sunday, October 14

**8:30 AM †**Helen and **†**Fil Edwards (Jill and Dennis Dougherty)  
**11 AM †**Angie Morrisard (Bridget Davis & Family)  
**1:30 PM** Margaret Yeager (Holli Traud)

**PREGNANCY CARE CENTER 34<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BANQUET**

Visit [Partner.virginiapregnancy.org/Events](http://Partner.virginiapregnancy.org/Events) to reserve your seat at the Holy Comforter table on Saturday 10/20!

**NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS  
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**First Reading**

*Wisdom 7:7-11*

Wisdom is preferred above gold and silver.

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17*

The Lord fills us with love and joy.

**Second Reading**

*Hebrews 4:12-13*

The Word of God exposes the heart.

**Gospel Reading**

*Mark 10:17-30 (shorter form Mark 10:17-27)*

A man with many possessions asks Jesus what he must do to gain eternal life.

**GIFTS FROM GOD**

**SEPTEMBER 29 and 30, 2018**

Offertory (plate)	\$3,584
Weekly Offertory Budget	<u>7,500</u>
<i>Below Weekly Budget</i>	<i>\$3,916</i>

Retired Religious      \$2,196

**STOCK DONATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Parishioners have contacted us to learn how a donation of stock can be made. Please send the shares through the Depository Trust Company (DTC) to Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. Here are the details:

Schwab's DTC number: 0164

Account Name: HOLY COMFORTER CATHOLIC CHURCH

Account Number: 2162-7521

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

Next weekend is the monthly parish collection for **Outreach**. Donations to all Parish Ministries may be made at any time: Christian Formation, Haiti, Justice and Peace, as well as for altar flowers and The Catholic Virginian.

**FATHER JOSEPH MARY NAMED DEAN IN DIOCESAN RE-ORGANIZATION**

The Diocese of Richmond has been reorganized into 15 deaneries. As part of this reorganization, a number of pastors have been named as deans of these regions, with the aim of keeping the Diocesan office and parish communities in better contact.

Father Joseph Mary, has been named to lead Deanery 10 effective November 1<sup>st</sup>. Please keep Father in your prayers as he accepts these new responsibilities!

**SAINTS TO REMEMBER**

10/7	Our Lay of the Rosary
10/8	St. Pelagia
10/9	St. Denis
10/10	St. Francis Borgia
10/11	St. Tarachus
10/12	St. Wilfrid
10/13	St. Edward the Confessor

**PARISH NEWS**

**PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Kindly notify us at [office@holycomforterparish.org](mailto:office@holycomforterparish.org) if you would like a name added to or removed from this list. To arrange to receive Holy Communion or a visit by Father Joseph Mary, please call the parish office 434.295.7185.

**THE ILL & HOME BOUND**

**Parishioners:** Phillip Carr, Kitty Moore, Richard Fagan, Raymond Painley, Jack Valloric, Mildred Dudley, Pam Heron, Mary Griffin, Mike Charlie, Eileen Foster, Fran Cannon Slayton, Michael Ludgate, Frank Pologruto, Al Bracuti, Rose Bowker.

**Friends and Relatives:** Iraj Khalkali, Ann Ramsey, Alice Starbucks, Louis Ross, Marsha Yost, Richard Yost, Will DeGregorio, Alice Stavicksey, Marlene Schmidt, John Putalik, Elizabeth Scott, Blandine Attey, Susan Allport, Scott Painley, Jeremy Breedlove, Scarlett Makielski, Rev. John Abe, Samantha Nelson, Joel Rivera, Judge Conrad, Claudia Hartland, Aileen Green, Teresa Hall, Heather Johnson, Christine Fitzgerald, Mary Dominicis, Daniel Moore, Katie George, James Worley, Rev. Gerald Fogarty, Thomas Johnson, Brenda Gayle Johnson, Sue Newman, Carolyn Ann Davis, Andy Gillespie, JoAnn Fox Klein, Susan Steeby, Suzanne Lank, John Lank, Susan Straub Martin, Josephine Nampijja, Christine Bentéjac, Kimberly Hasenus Hulick, John Patrick Dennison, Christine Russo Carpenter, Benedict Pax, Residents of Albemarle County Regional Jail and Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention.

**MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY**

Jeffrey Jaeger, Pete Bakke, Michael Eiermann, Tom Logan, William Murray, Trey Linebrink, Jeff Woodside, Charles G. Ellison, and Matthew Mickiewicz.

**SECOND ANNUAL ROSARY PROCESSION!**

Please join us after the Mass at 11 AM next Sunday October 14<sup>th</sup> as we process through our Holy Comforter neighborhood carrying the statue of Our Blessed Mother. We will pray the rosary and sing hymns to Mary. More details will be announced next weekend.

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

New Opportunity! **Dr. Kevin Hart**, UVA Professor of Christian Studies and respected parishioner and presenter will offer a presentation on **Christology**, in which he will consider the nature and work of Jesus including his human nature and divine nature. Please join us for light lunch following the 11:00 Mass on **Sunday, October 28**.

**“Five Short Stories Every Catholic Should Read”**

The Christian Formation Committee is pleased to announce “The Big Read!” Each week, the group will explore one of five short stories identified by [stpeterslist.com](http://stpeterslist.com) as short stories every Catholic should read. If you are short on time, but enjoy good literature that offers a brief vision on the robust nature of Christian life, this group may be for you! The stories are “Leaf by Niggle,” by J.R.R. Tolkien; “The Light Princess,” by George MacDonald; “The Selfish Giant,” by Oscar Wilde; “The Blue Cross,” by G.K. Chesterton; and “Revelation,” by Flannery O’Connor. The meeting day and time to be determined. If interested in exploring this possibility, please sign the sheet on the Christian Formation table in the Commons or contact Sue Dougherty at [cre@holycomforterparish.org](mailto:cre@holycomforterparish.org).

**READING GROUP ON THEOLOGICAL CLASSICS**

Starting this week, Holy Comforter will offer a chance to read and discuss some of the great (and short) treasures of the Catholic tradition, beginning with *The Consolation of Philosophy* by Boethius. Written in 524 A.D. by a philosopher awaiting execution on the Roman empire's "death row," this little treatise went on to become possibly the most influential book in the history of Western Europe; for about a thousand years, it was a standard school text for virtually every literate person. We have lost a lot by no longer reading it; come be part of the cure! Group will meet on Tuesday or Thursday evenings TBD, probably bi-weekly, with manageable amounts of reading each time. Contact John Bugbee [bugbee@virginia.edu](mailto:bugbee@virginia.edu) ASAP to express interest.

**FALL FAMILY PICNIC**

All parishioners are cordially invited to our **Fall Family Picnic on October 21 at Pen Park!** Families are asked to bring a main dish, side dish, or dessert to share. Help with setup, clean-up, and games is needed. Please indicate how you can help and what you can bring by signing the sheet on the Christian Formation table or on [signupgenius.com/go/4090e4faeac2ca5fc1-holy](http://signupgenius.com/go/4090e4faeac2ca5fc1-holy) If you are willing to help with the planning of this event, contact Sue Dougherty at [cre@holycomforterparish.org](mailto:cre@holycomforterparish.org) and see the flyer in today’s bulletin for more information.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY**

All high school students are invited and encouraged to join us each Sunday at **12:15** for Food, Faith, Fellowship, and Fun! This week we will consider the question, “Why Do I Need To Go To Mass?” Next week, we plan to attend the performance of Lenard Bernstein’s *Mass* at 2:30pm at the Paramount Theater. All interested adults are welcome to join us!

**ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PRE-K-8**

**Parent Discussion Group:** Parents, while you are waiting for your children during the religious education hour from 9:45-10:45, join fellow parents for a **discussion group** that is forming to consider issues relevant to parents and families. The first meeting of the group will be **Sunday, October 14** in the chapel. The topic will be based on an article that appeared in the September 17 issue of *America Magazine*, “Raising Children in a Broken Church.” The nature and topics of subsequent meetings will be defined by the group. Nourish your own spiritual growth along with your children!

**All Saints Pageant Coming Soon!** A Holy Comforter tradition has been for children to learn about a particular saint in time for All Saints Day on Nov. 1 and then impersonate that saint in costume during a beautiful presentation. Begin *now* thinking about what saint your child (ren) would like to become. The presentation will be **Sunday, Nov. 4** between the morning Masses.

**SOCIAL MINISTRIES**

**HAITI Student Sponsorship Opportunity**

Many thanks to all the parishioners who have sponsored the students of St. Michel school. Our Sponsorship Fair will continue before and after the Latin Mass at 1:30 PM Sunday, October 14.

**St. Michel Parish in Saltadere:** celebrated their patronal feast last Saturday. The prayers of the community included the Charlottesville twins. When Father Petina sends pictures, we will post them on the website.

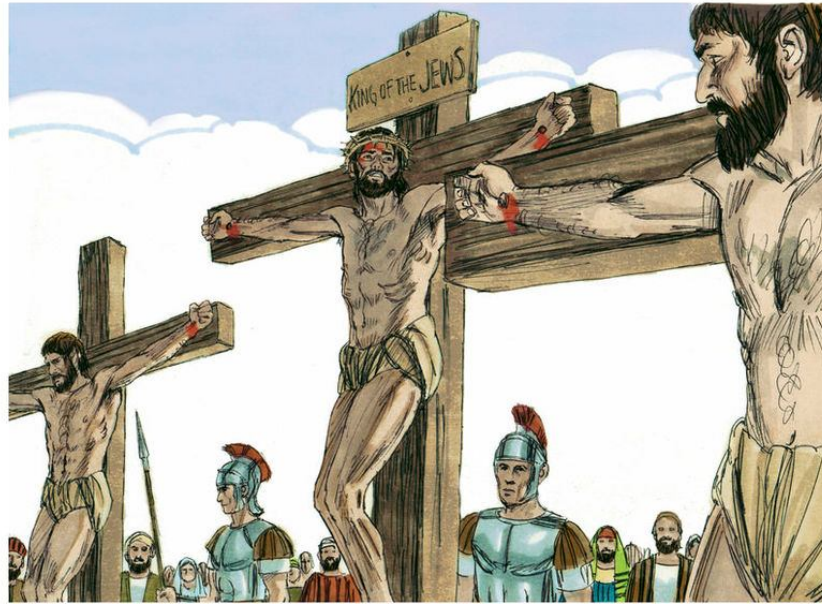
**Bi-Parish Haiti Committee:** The next meeting will be held at 1:30 PM on Sunday, October 14 at St. Thomas Aquinas. For more information, contact Ginny Zeller [ginnyanzeller@gmail.com](mailto:ginnyanzeller@gmail.com)

**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS**

**DISCALCED CARMELITE SECULAR ORDER**

The Secular Order of Discalced Carmelite Community of Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity meets at St. Francis in Staunton on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month at 11:30 AM. If you are interested in learning more please take a flyer in the Commons or contact Patricia McAdams 434.286.4055 or [pamcadams@yahoo.com](mailto:pamcadams@yahoo.com).

**From The Pastor**  
**A CALL TO ATONEMENT (Part 4)**



***“The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us.” (2Tim. 2:11-12)***

There is no sharing in Christ’s glory unless there is sharing in His suffering. However, at the same time we must keep clearly in mind we do not contribute to the saving work of Christ Jesus such as the expiation, propitiation, reconciliation, and redemption. Only the sinless Substitute could ever accomplish such effectiveness. Christ alone redeemed us by His blood. But as the body of Christ, the Church we have a call to imitate Christ. It is called to walk the *Via Dolorosa*. Christ so linked His church to Himself that when He first called Paul on the Damascus Road He said, **“Saul, Saul, why do you persecute Me?” (Acts. 9:4)** Saul was not literally persecuting Jesus. Jesus had already ascended to heaven. He was already out of reach of Saul’s hostility. Saul was busy persecuting Christians. But Jesus felt such solidarity with His church that He regarded an attack upon His body, the church, as a personal attack on Himself. The church is not Christ. Christ is perfect; the church is imperfect. Christ is the Redeemer; the church is the company of the redeemed. However, the church belongs to Christ. The church is redeemed by Christ. The church is the bride of Christ. The church is indwelt by Christ.

In light of this solidarity, the church participates in Christ’s suffering as a body and an individual part of that body. But this participation adds nothing to Christ’s merit. The sufferings of Christians as we allow ourselves to be part of it, may benefit other people, but we always fall short of atonement. I cannot atone for anyone’s sins, not even for my own. Yet my suffering may be of great benefit to other people. It may serve as a witness to the One whose sufferings *were* an atonement.

What does this mean in practical terms? My father suffered from stroke and my mother suffered from diabetic effects that caused her great suffering and eventually ended her life. I’m sure that while my parents were suffering the question “Why me?” was in their minds. On the surface, their sufferings seemed useless. It seemed as though their pains were for no good reason. I must be very careful. I do not think that their suffering in any way atoned for my sins. Neither do I think I can read God’s mind with respect to the ultimate reason for my parent’s suffering. But I know this: their suffering made a profound impact on my life and on the way I look at suffering. I don’t know the sovereign purpose of God in all the pains many people go through. But I do know that God can use suffering and pains in a redemptive way to benefit others. We are followers of Christ. We follow Him to the Garden of Gethsemane. We follow Him into the hall of judgment. We follow Him along the *Via Dolorosa*. We follow Him unto death. But the gospel declares that we also follow Him through the gates of heaven. Because we suffer with Him, we also shall be raised with Him. If we are humiliated with Him, we also shall be exalted with Him. Because of Christ, our suffering, united in the atonement of Christ, is not useless. It is part of the total plan of God to benefit others. ***(To be continued...)***