THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (10/20)

8 AM: MASS
3:30-4:30 PM: Dante Reading Group
3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (Chapel)
5 PM: Vigil MASS

SUNDAY (10/21) TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Altar Flowers Donated in Loving Memory of Angie Morrisard by Jill and Steve Paitsel)

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation (Chapel)
8:30 AM: MASS
9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation (Lower Level)
11 AM: MASS
12:30-1:15 PM: Reconciliation (Chapel)
1:30 PM: Latin MASS
3-6 PM: Fall Family Picnic (Pen Park)

MONDAY (10/22)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry 10:30-11:45 AM: Rosary Prayer Group NOON: MASS 5:15 PM: Schola Rehearsals

TUESDAY (10/23)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry NOON: MASS

WEDNESDAY (10/24)

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

THURSDAY (10/25)

8 AM: MASS
NOON: Soup Kitchen
6:30 PM: Reconciliation (Chapel)
7-8 PM: Holy Hour and Adoration

FRIDAY (10/26)

NOON: MASS for Deceased Members of the Parish 8:30 AM-12 PM: Regina Coeli (Lower Level) NOON: AA Meeting (Lower Level)

SAINTS TO REMEMBER

10/21	St. Hilarion
10/22	St. Mary Salome
10/23	St. John of Capistrano
10/24	St. Anthony Mary Claret
10/25	St. Gaudentius
10/26	St. Evaristus
10/27	St. Frumentius

SATURDAY (10/27)

8 AM: MASS 3:30-4:30 PM: Dante Reading Group 3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (Chapel) 5 PM: Vigil MASS <u>SUNDAY (10/28)</u> THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Altar Flowers Donated in Loving Memory of Trudy and Lou Caretti by Barb and Brian Cassidy)

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation (Chapel)
8:30 AM: MASS
9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation (Lower Level)
11 AM: MASS
NOON: Lunch and "Christology: The Study of Jesus,

the Christ" (Lower Level) 12:30-1:15 PM: Reconciliation (Chapel) 1:30 PM: Latin MASS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 20 8 AM Andrew Savoie (Paul Savoie) **5 PM †**Lou Brohl (Cynthia and Les Berlin) Sunday, October 21 8:30 AM Members of the Parish **11 AM †**Angie Morrisard (Food Pantry Volunteers) 1:30 PM Members of and Visitors to Our Parish Monday, October 22 **NOON** Christine Savoie (Paul Savoie) Tuesday, October 23 **NOON** Christine Savoie (Paul Savoie) Wednesday, October 24 **NOON** Christine Savoie (Paul Savoie) Thursday, October 25 8 AM Andrew Savoie (Paul Savoie) Friday, October 26 **NOON** President Trump (Alice Makielski) Saturday, October 27 8 AM Andrew Savoie (Paul Savoie) **5 PM** +Loretta Cleland (Katherine Russo) Sunday, October 28 8:30 AM **†**Gregory Frohn (Annie and Tom Tromey) 11 AM + Angie Morrisard (Marlene and Jim Satira) 1:30 PM + Justin Traud (Holli Traud)

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



Please join us on Wednesday evenings in the Chapel at 6:15 for a recitation of the Scriptural Rosary. We offer guidance, rosaries and easy to follow booklets, so beginners are welcome. The Blessed

Mother loves and cares for each one of us, join us in offering the Rosary for her intercession.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord declares himself to be the Father of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 126:1-2,2-3,4-5,6

A song of praise to God who does great things.

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

Christ was made high priest by God.

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:46-52

Jesus restores sight to the blind man, Bartimaeus.

GIFTS FROM GOD

OCTOBER 13 and 14, 2018

Offertory (plate)	\$3,274
Weekly Offertory Budget	7,500
Below Weekly Budget	\$4,226

STOCK DONATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please send the shares through the Depository Trust Company (DTC) to Charles Schwab & Co., Inc: <u>Schwab's DTC number</u>: 0164 <u>Account Name</u>: HOLY COMFORTER CATHOLIC CHURCH <u>Account Number</u>: 2162-7521

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Next weekend is World Mission Sunday and the annual collection for The Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Donations to all Parish Ministries are accepted at any time: Christian Formation, Haiti, Justice and Peace, as well as for altar flowers and The Catholic Virginian.

FALL FAMILY PICNIC

All parishioners are cordially invited to our **Fall Family Picnic TODAY from 3-6 PM at Pen Park!** Please bring a main dish, side dish, or dessert to share. Help with setup, clean-up, and games is needed.

HELP NEEDED! BAPTISM PREPARATION

Sue Dougherty is seeking a young couple willing to provide a 1-hour preparation class for couples preparing for the Baptism of their child. Training will be provided! For details, please contact Sue at <u>cre@holycomforterparish.org</u>.

PARISH NEWS

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS



Kindly notify us at 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: 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, 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 Hasenfus 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.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

OUTREACH

Help is needed in our Food Pantry on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 AM-Noon. Please contact Bridget Davis for more information bridget@holycomforterparish.org or 434.293.8989.

HAITI St. Michel School Student Sponsorship

Please visit the display in the Commons to participate. **Bi-Parish Haiti Committee**: The next meeting will be announced. For more information, contact Ginny Zeller ginnyannzeller@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

"Christology: The Study of Jesus, the Christ"

Join **Dr. Kevin Hart**, respected UVA Professor of Christian Studies, for this introductory look at Jesus, the Son of God, present in Scripture, in the Trinity, and in the Sacraments. Learn more about this key concept of our faith **following the 11:00 Mass on Sunday, October 28**. Light lunch will be served.

READING GROUP ON THEOLOGICAL CLASSICS FORMING

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. 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 ASAP to express interest.

ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PRE-K-8 Sacramental Preparation

This week, children preparing for First Reconciliation should complete Chapter 3 in the packet at home. The next class at church will be next Sunday, October 28 from 9:45-10:45 in the chapel. It's not too late to register your children who are at least 7 years old and in second grade. Please contact Tina Blumenfeld, tsmblum@gmail.com, for questions regarding the lessons and Sue Dougherty,cre@holycomforterparish.org for general questions about the Sacramental Program.

Parent Discussion Group

All parents are invited to meet in the library during the elementary children's religious education hour for a "parent to parent" discussion on a relevant topic to share common concerns on current issues. Specific topics will be decided by the group. If you are willing to facilitate a discussion on a particular topic, or simply share reflections on the Sunday readings, please contact Sue Dougherty, CRE, at <u>cre@holycomforterparish.org</u>.

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.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

There will be NO High School Youth Ministry this Sunday so that students can attend the Parish Family Picnic. Next Sunday, all **Confirmation Students** will meet for their first class with Jackson Kulik. All other high school students should come at the regular time to attend the presentation by Dr. Kevin Hart on Christology.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

CCF is hosting a free Estate & Legacy Planning Seminar on October 26th from Noon-2 PM at Our Lady of Peace. Seating is still available. RSVP 434.973.1155.

WWME

Let the colors of fall remind you to rediscover the beauty of your marriage. **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** has all the tools you need for a great marriage. Sign up today to renew, rekindle and refresh your marriage at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on November 9-11, 2018 in Myrtle Beach, SC and March 1-3, 2019 in Hickory, NC. Early sign up is recommended. Visit <u>renewmarriage-vasouth.org</u> or contact us: 757.690.1369 <u>applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org</u>.

CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

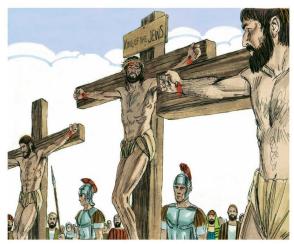
CCS is currently accepting applications for the 2019-20 school year for grades Pre-K through 8th. We are **anticipating waitlists for some grades so apply early!** Contact us today to schedule a tour: <u>admissions@cvillecatholic.org</u> or 434-964-0400 or visit cvillecatholic.org/admissions.

Do you have an 8th grade student that is beginning to prepare for their transition to high school? If so, don't miss our upcoming High School Information Night on October 25th from 6-8 PM. Representatives from area public, private, and boarding high schools will be present. Don't miss this chance to gather information and compare schools as you work to find the perfect educational fit for rising 9th grader! For more information contact Katrina Kuhn at <u>k.kuhn@cvillecatholic.org</u>.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

On **Saturday, November 3, 2018** the diocese will host the 6th Annual Catholic Women's Conference at the Greater Richmond Convention Center. The keynote speaker is Michelle Benzinger, and music will be provided by Marie Miller. The conference features keynote speakers, breakout opportunities, music, vendors, box lunch, Adoration, Reconciliation, and Mass. Registration can be found at <u>www.cdrcmfl.org</u>.

From The Pastor A CALL TO ATONEMENT (Part 6)



"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (Jn. 15:13)

We're each asked by Jesus to be willing to lay down our lives for our friends. And it sounds as if that means anytime, and all the time. Jesus' instruction raises the standard of our love by following the pattern He sets for us, and putting the needs of others above our own. How does Jesus love us? He offers Himself freely to all who call on Him—whether rich or poor, good-looking or unattractive, charming or irritating. He loves needy, immature, disobedient believers just as much as He does stronger, more mature, and faithful believers. Jesus intended love to be the defining characteristic of His disciples: "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (Jn. 13: 35) And John in his first letter say, "We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." (J Jn. 3:16)

It should be noted that a number of people in the back of their minds hold on to the view that: even if we were willing to die for someone, we would want to make sure that person was really worth the sacrifice. Some who have become willing to lay down their lives for others are our military personnel. Although it is not inevitable that they will die, the risk comes with the job. However, as a rule they are not laying down their life for an individual, but for their country and for a cause. They are willing to die for what they believe in. They are willing to die for freedom. They are willing to die so future generations can be safe. It is easier to be motivated to die for a cause than for one individual. Dying for an individual requires love for that individual. But Jesus died for you and me. The reason was His love for us: "Greater love has no man than this..." Without love, our death, no matter how it might benefit others, profits us nothing in God's eyes. "And though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing." (1 Cr. 13:3) In this verse, Paul was speaking of those who might be burned alive for the cause of Christ. While the willingness to die for a belief, a conviction, or an ideal is noble, the greatest motive for giving our life is love. Otherwise we may die just to demonstrate our resistance or defiance toward those who would carry out the execution. Jesus never stopped loving the ones who were crucifying Him. Unknown to them, He was hanging on that cross for them. Many claim they would die for Christ. Although we may one day be faced with that choice, giving our lives one time in death might be the easy way out. The greatest challenge is to "die daily" for those around us. And one way of doing this is taking part in the service of Atonement. John the Apostle tells us, "In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." (1 Jn. 4:10-11)

How do we die daily and take part in the atonement? We do it through self-denial and service toward others. It is making the choice to give our time and effort to prayer so that the Lord may grant mercy on us all. It is in losing and in dying daily to our own personal dreams that we are infused with a dream for others. Our dream is not lost. No, it is multiplied! Great leaders do not have great dreams for themselves; they have great dreams for others! Acts of unselfish love are the hallmarks of their achievement and success. Only when love takes over do we begin to live---truly living for others! Now who am I willing to die for? The answer may be found in answering the question, "Who am I willing to live for?" The degree of God's love within us is measured by our answer. **LET US NOT GIVE THE DEVIL THE OPPORTUNITY TO WIN. WE CANNOT LOSE THIS BATTLE BECAUSE CHRIST IS WITH US.**