

**SAINTS TO REMEMBER**

April 17 St. Benedict Joseph Labre  
 18 Blessed James Oldo  
 19 St. Gianna Beretta Molla  
 20 St. Conrad of Parzham  
 21 St. Anselm  
 22 St. Adalbert of Prague  
 23 St. George

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, April 16  
 5 PM Members of the Parish  
 Sunday, April 17  
 8:30 AM Barrs Floyd (John and Jeanne Chamales)  
 11 AM †Paul Morrison (Constance Paske)  
 Thursday, April 21  
 8 AM †Henry K. Sowinski Memorial Mass (Grazyna Witkowski)  
 Saturday, April 23  
 5 PM Members of the Parish  
 Sunday, April 24  
 8:30 AM Father Michael Suarez  
 11 AM Sick Members of the Parish  
 3 PM Father Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi

**NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS**  
**5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY of EASTER**

**First Reading**

*Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27*

Paul and Barnabas proclaim the good news in many places.

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalms 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13*

A song of praise to God.

**Second Reading**

*Revelation 21:1-5a*

John describes his vision of a new heaven and a new earth.

**Gospel Reading**

*John 13:31-33a, 34-35*

Jesus gives his disciples a new commandment: love one another.

**GIFTS FROM GOD**

Offertory April 9-10, 2016 \$5,358.50

Outreach 2,143

Weekly Offertory Budget \$ 7,173.00

Offertory Received 5,358.50

Deficit \$ 1,814.50

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

**SATURDAY (4/16) PLEASE NOTE: ROAD CLOSURES WILL IMPACT PARKING DUE TO TOM TOM FESTIVAL**

8 AM: MASS  
 1 PM: *Lector Training (Sanctuary)*  
 3:30-4:30PM: Reconciliation  
 5 PM: Vigil MASS

**SUNDAY (4/17) 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**PLEASE NOTE: ROAD CLOSURES WILL IMPACT PARKING DUE TO TOM TOM FESTIVAL**

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation  
 8:30 AM: MASS  
 9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation  
 9:45-10:45 AM: Adult Formation (*Commons*)  
 11 AM: MASS  
 12:30 PM: Dante Book Group (*CRE Office*)

**MONDAY (4/18)**

10 AM: Prayer Group (*Chapel*)  
 NOON: MASS

**TUESDAY (4/19)**

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry  
 NOON: MASS

**WEDNESDAY (4/20)**

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

**THURSDAY (4/21)**

8 AM: MASS  
 NOON: Soup Kitchen

**FRIDAY (4/22)**

8 AM: MASS  
 10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry  
 NOON: *Funeral*  
 NOON: AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)

**SATURDAY (4/23)**

8 AM: MASS  
 3:30-4:30PM: Reconciliation  
 5 PM: Vigil MASS

**SUNDAY (4/24) 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation  
 8:30 AM: MASS  
 9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation  
 9:45-10:45 AM: Adult Formation (*Commons*)  
 11 AM: MASS  
 12:30 PM: Dante Book Group (*CRE Office*)  
 3 PM: Latin Mass

**UPCOMING WEDDINGS**

*May 13, 2016: Kristina Zambelli and Matthew Loftus*

*May 15, 2016: Jenna Cerrone and Christopher Levy*

**PARISH NEWS**

**THE ILL & HOME BOUND:**

Please call the parish office at 295-7185, to arrange to receive Holy Communion or a visit by Fr. Joseph Mary.

**PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Parishioners:** Helen Edwards, Betty Jane Prufer, Fran Cannon Slayton, Jim Cannon, Ron Lavis, Sue Newman, Amber Eros, Michael Ludgate, Frank Pologruto, Al Bracuti, Norman Bednarczyk, Nicholas Sisman, Mary Ann Williams, Rose Bowker, Hermann Ortmann, Katherine Russo, Charley and Kitty Moore.

**Friends and Relatives:** Dolores J. Calka, George William Polhill, II, Claudia Hartland, Betsy Boyce, Michael Norton, Leslie Gilliam, Ed Shaffrey, Jane Sargent, Josephine Nampijja, Grace Dawn Wicke, Melyssa Dove, Nicole Carpenter, Beth Mauk, Evan Dotas, Dave Halley, Cullen McQuhae, Bill & Marie Jones, Christine Bentéjac, David Rumpf, Mrs. Jessica Viglietta, Pam D. Goines, Charlie Previtali, Nicole Shaw, Jean Clayton, Rich Hawkins, Kimberly Hasenfus Hulick, Kristin Fagan, June Atherton, Natalie Potter, Harper Grace, J. Sloan, Paul Hillard, Dale Evans, Marie Johnston, Suzanne Lank, Stanley Lank, Diane Schmidt, Earl Scheetz, Shirley O'Rourke, Xavier Van Bastelaer, Mary Griffin, Makala Thomas, Sibylle Llewellyn, Duncan Nixon, John Patrick Dennison, Christine Russo Carpenter, Lisa Light, Elaine Roberti, Benedict Pax, Jerry Colgate, Timothy Lee Smith, Ned Foss & Jennifer Rinehart, Janet Dunham, Susie Jackson, Fr. Michael Hann, Fr. Joseph Torretto, Mike Charlie, Joel Rivera, Pam Heron, Elizabeth Scott, Kwasi Johnson, Marianne Rossner, Angie Lee, Residents of Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women, Residents of Albemarle County Regional Jail, Residents of Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention, In memory of James Brazell.

**Members of the Military:** William Murray, Trey Linebrink, Jeff Woodside, David Alvey, Brian Fagan, Jamie Torbet, Mike Eiermann, Charles G. Ellison, Eric Emmott, and Matthew Mickiewicz.

**Recently Deceased Member of the Parish**

Shirley Elaine O'Rourke

**ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITY**

Please join us for a study and discussion on the Holy Year of Mercy. We will use a DVD by Fr. Michael Renninger, pastor of St. Mary Catholic Church in Richmond called "Reflections on the Year of Mercy. The 5 sessions, led by Sue Dougherty, will be held from 9:45-10:45am beginning Sunday, April 10 through Sunday, May 8. Please email Sue at [cre@holycomforterparish.org](mailto:cre@holycomforterparish.org) if you are interested in attending.

**EVANGELIZATION MASS**

Parishioners living in the area of Dunlora are invited to attend Mass at 5:30 PM on Friday, April 29, 2016 at the home of Connie and Gene Flamm, 1320 Mosby's Reach. RSVP by April 25<sup>th</sup> to 975-2835.

**MEDJUGORJE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP**

HE has Risen!! Please join us on Wednesdays in the Chapel at 6:15 for reflection, prayer and the Rosary. Come join our prayerful family. We look forward to praying with you.

**FEATURED LIGHTHOUSE CD**

*The Bible Made me Do It!* Tim Staples was raised Baptist and served as an Assembly of God Youth Minister. He used his extensive biblical knowledge to attack the Catholic Church but when he was challenged on his beliefs, a two-year search for truth led him right to Catholicism. Now he uses that same incredible gift to defend the Faith and help others to embrace the beauty and richness of Catholicism.

**LIVING OUR MISSION CAMPAIGN**

*Dear Members of Holy Comforter Parish –*

As your pastor, I want to thank each one of you who have given, and continue to give to the "Living Our Mission Campaign." Your sacrificial giving is appreciated very much.

The amount which Holy Comforter has received from the Diocese so far is **\$55,935**. Due to your generosity, we have been able to give \$8,000 to the Charlottesville Catholic School. This was one of the ear-marked projects which Holy Comforter designated during the initial planning stages of our participation in Living Our Mission Campaign.

Again, I thank God for each of you who have given of your treasure to Living our Mission Campaign. Your faithful commitment is giving hope to many.

*In the Service of the Lord,*

*Father Joseph Mary Lukyamuzi*

**ONLINE GIVING AT HOLY COMFORTER**

Last weekend Father announced that we're now offering Online Giving. If you manage your bills online, we're sure you'll like giving to your church online. It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes. Online Giving lets you set up a recurring pledge or a one-time gift to our offertory and special collections, so you'll be able to give the way you want—even if you've forgotten your envelope. Please visit

<https://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=1665!> to get started with this convenient giving option.

## 2016 FIRST SACRAMENTS CLASS

Please keep these children and their families in your prayers: Lucy Barnaby, Ignatius Blumenfeld, Anders Netland, Tommy Nguyen, Louisa Pesch, Megan Pounsberry, Emily Wetzel, Finbar Wilkinson, Karam Talya, Leo Manka, Esa Pannone, Helena Stewart, Sarah Katherine Zeller Kangas, Philip Tristan Zeller Kangas.

## SOCIAL MINISTRIES

**FOOD PANTRY** An occasionally asked for item that we don't have is cooking oil. It needs to be a small size because so many who come to us are walking or taking the bus. Thank you for your generous support!

## BI-PARISH HAITI COMMITTEE

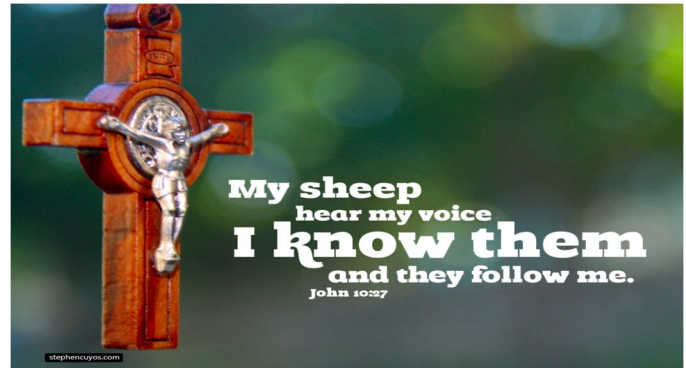
**New bishop for Diocese of Hinche:** The newly appointed Bishop Desinord Jean has been actively leading telecommunications for the Catholic Church in Haiti—Radio Tele Soleil. Saltadere's pastor, Father Petina, has worked closely with him in the communications area. The diocese of Hinche has 396,500 Catholics. Please keep the new bishop in your prayers. For more information about the Bi-Parish Haiti Committee, Contact: Ginny Zeller at [ginnyannzeller@gmail.com](mailto:ginnyannzeller@gmail.com) or Anne Knasel at [anne@stagebridge.net](mailto:anne@stagebridge.net) Website: [www.saltadere.org](http://www.saltadere.org).

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**YOUTH WORKERS' RETREAT: EXPERIENCE JOY IN CHRIST!** All adults who work with youth (catechists, youth ministers, volunteers) are invited to join us at Eastover Retreat Center on **April 22-23**. The retreat will be led by Dr. Tim O'Malley, professor of Theology from the University of Notre Dame. Dr. O'Malley is a dynamic speaker who brings a deep love for Christ and the Church as well as for catechesis. This will be a wonderful chance to enter into the mysteries of this Easter season, spend time in prayer and adoration, and connect with other youth workers for fellowship and support. Cost is \$40 (includes lodging and meals). Please register online at: <https://www.regonline.com/ymretreat2016>.

## REGIONAL YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

The Office for Black Catholics invites Young Adults from around the diocese to attend a day of meaningful reflection on where we have been, where we are and where we are headed. The Regional Young Adult Gathering will be on April 30, 2016 from 8am-4pm at the Pastoral Center. Cost is \$5.00, includes lunch and materials. Guest Speaker is Fr. Chester Smith, S.V.D. To register please email [obc@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:obc@richmonddiocese.org) or call Katie Lemza at (804) 622-5179



## 2016 WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND: 4/21-4/24/2016

Catholic Women are invited to spend an inspiring long weekend at Camp Overlook near Harrisonburg, with other women who want to deepen their relationship with God and enrich the way each lives out her faith every day. The weekend will be led by a team Catholic women who have made a Cursillo weekend before, along with Fr. Dan Bain and Ms. Patty Huffman participating as spiritual directors. Mass will be held each day, along with engaging reflection times and talks on specific issues of Catholic Christian living. Great food and fun included. Cost: \$60.00, visit the Valley Cursillo website: [www.valleycursillo.com](http://www.valleycursillo.com) or call Rob and Ann Michel at 434-978-3954.

## CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

CCS is currently searching for a part-time, seasonal gardener. This position would start immediately, and run through the summer months. Responsibilities would include weeding, planting flowers, and maintaining the garden areas. For inquiries or questions, please contact Frank Murphy with Charlottesville Catholic School at: 434-964-0400.

**The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Gene Corrigan Golf Tournament** for Charlottesville Catholic School is going to be held on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at Glenmore Country Club. Registration is now open, and we hope to see you there for a beautiful spring day with a little fun competition! Registration can be accessed on our website, [www.cvillecatholic.org](http://www.cvillecatholic.org), or by contacting Ashley Nelson.

For questions or sponsorship inquiries, please contact Ashley Nelson at [a.nelson@cvillecatholic.org](mailto:a.nelson@cvillecatholic.org) or 434-964-0400.

**CASA ALMA** Community Celebration at the Charlottesville Catholic Worker: join us at Casa Alma on Sunday May 1 from 1:00-4:00pm for food, music, tours, and time to celebrate God's abundant grace! All are welcome to stop by anytime during this family-friendly event at 911 Nassau Street. Learn more at [casa-alma.org](http://casa-alma.org) or contact us [cvillecw@gmail.com](mailto:cvillecw@gmail.com) or 434-202-2221.

*From the Pastor*

### THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS (#1)

*He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.....He has been raised from the dead, and he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him.' Behold, I have told you."*(Mat. 28: 6-7)

In Matthew's account of the crucifixion of Christ we encounter a strange episode not found in the other Gospels. Immediately following the Savior's death, ***the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after His resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many (27:52-53)***. This resurrection of several believers was one of the phenomena accompanying the resurrection of Jesus Christ to emphasize that monumental event. These saints came back to physical life.

Then we come to the forty days of Jesus after the resurrection, Jesus showed the world that He lived again. The Sanhedrin had called Jesus a blasphemer, and others claimed His miracles were of the devil... but His 40 days in Jerusalem and surrounding areas, being seen by multitudes, was scarcely disputed. The contemporary Jewish historian Josephus referred to it, as did other writers.

These post-resurrection days were active days. The last verse of the gospel of John (Jn.21:25) tells us, ***"Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written"***. Yet as busy as He must have been, I have a picture in my mind of Jesus alone, also, maybe when darkness fell, down lonely paths, maybe through storms and cold silences, walking the dark hills, not responding to the curious crowds, but seeking out the troubled and the hurting individuals. This is a reasonable picture, because Jesus still does this today.

It was in His nature: Remember the ***"ninety and nine,"*** and the one lost sheep the shepherd sought; remember His words, ***"Behold, I stand at the door and knocking"***; remember His story of the father rejoicing over the prodigal son who repents and returns and is restored; remember His admonition to be ***"fishers of men"***; remember Him weeping over Jerusalem; remember the promise that ***"Whosoever"*** believes should not perish but have eternal life. He walks the dark hills, looking for us – piercing the gloom with a joyful hope that may be ours.

He is closer than a shadow, no matter what you think, or what you might prefer to believe. You might have experienced, say, the nightmare of something like a crib death; remember that Jesus offers peace that passes understanding. You might have health scares, insecure about your very life and what your place on earth is; remember that Jesus walks the dark hills to guide you and me. You might have had problems with drugs, and the law, and custody, maybe losing your home, with nowhere to turn; remember that Jesus offers you refuge. You might be a person who has tried to shake addictions time after time after time; remember that the feeling around your shoulders is Jesus hugging you tightly. You might have lost someone you love dearly, having prayed, believing, for a wonderful health and things turn out differently, remember that, through it all, ***trust is more important than understanding***. The risen Savior, Lord of Creation, walks the dark hills, to seek out... you? And me? Where we are? In our hurts, in our messes? That's the miracle of the Miracle Man, to me, still, after He rose from the dead – that He loves you and me. **(To be continued--)**.