

SAINTS TO REMEMBER

August 14 St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe
 15 Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary
 16 St. Stephen of Hungary
 17 St. Joan of the Cross
 18 St. Louis of Toulouse
 19 St. John Eudes
 20 St. Bernard of Clairvaux

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 13
8:00 AM Luisa Schneider (Lisa Schneider)
5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Parish
 Sunday, August 14
8:30 AM Members of the Parish
11:00 AM Members of the Parish
3:00 PM Luisa Schneider (Lisa Schneider)
 Monday, August 15
NOON Luisa Schneider (Lisa Schneider)
 Tuesday, August 16
NOON Luisa Schneider (Lisa Schneider)
 Wednesday, August 17
NOON Luisa Schneider (Lisa Schneider)
 Thursday, August 18
8:00 AM Luisa Schneider (Lisa Schneider)
 Friday, August 19
8:00 AM Luisa Schneider (Lisa Schneider)
 Saturday, August 20
5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Parish
 Sunday, August 21
8:30 AM †Catherine Barrs Floyd (Jeanne and John Chamales)
11:00 AM Members of the Parish

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading
Isaiah 66:18-21
 Nations of every language shall come to see my glory.
Responsorial Psalm
Psalms 117:1-2
 Praise the Lord, all you nations.
Second Reading
Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13
 Whom the Lord loves, he disciplines.
Gospel Reading
Luke 13:22-30
 People will come from north and south, east and west,
 and take their place in the Kingdom of God.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (8/13)

8 AM: MASS
9 AM: Cursillo Men and Women
10 AM-12 PM: Parish Life Outing at Carter Mountain Orchard
3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)
5 PM: Vigil MASS

SUNDAY (8/14) TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Altar Flowers provided by Harry McMahon)

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)
8:30 AM: MASS
11 AM: MASS
3 PM: Latin MASS

MONDAY (8/15) THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10:30 AM: Divine Will Prayer Group (*Chapel*)
NOON: MASS
7 PM: MASS

TUESDAY (8/16)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry
NOON: MASS

WEDNESDAY (8/17)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry
NOON: MASS
NOON: AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)
6-9 PM: Dogma on Draft (*Kardinal Hall*)
6:15 PM: Medjugorje Rosary Prayer Group (*Chapel*)

THURSDAY (8/18)

8 AM: MASS
NOON: Soup Kitchen

FRIDAY (8/19)

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

SATURDAY (8/20)

8 AM: MASS
9 AM: Cursillo Men
9-11 AM: Spiritual Walk and Talk (*Saunders-Monticello Trail*)
3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)
5 PM: Vigil MASS

SUNDAY (8/21) TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Altar Flowers provided by Mary Claire Bickers)

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)
8:30 AM: MASS
11 AM: MASS

GIFTS FROM GOD

Offertory August 6-7, 2016 (Church)	\$4,875
Offertory (Online Giving)	3,044
Justice and Peace	\$662
Outreach	535
Haiti	438
Uganda	200
Weekly Offertory Budget	\$7,173.00
Offertory Received	<u>7,919.00</u>
Surplus	\$ 746.00

PARISH NEWS

LECTORS NEEDED:

Have you been blessed with a love of the spoken word, and reverence for God's love for us as expressed in our readings at Mass? Please consider sharing your gift with your fellow parishioners as a Lectorat Holy Comforter. We especially need readers for our Saturday, 5 pm Mass. Training is provided, and we pride ourselves in having NO meetings. We are usually assigned 2 or 3 Masses per 2 month period. For information, contact Kevin Connally at 804-339-1871, or Kevin.connally@bayer.com.

PARISH LIFE OUTINGS

Dogma on Draft, Wednesday, August 17th from 6-9 pm

Join us for the third installment of the "Dogma on Draft" series on August 17th from 6-9 pm at Kardinal Hall in Charlottesville! We will hold this event every third Wednesday of the month. Meet new friends, chat with acquaintances, relax and unwind with a pint, and have good conversation. Come anytime. Stop-by for a bit or stay for a while!

Spiritual Walk and Talk, Saturday, August 20th at 9 am

Start your Saturday morning with a nice walk on the Saunders-Monticello Trail! We will meet at the trailhead of the lower parking lot (along Route 20). The trail is stroller friendly and we walk it at a leisurely pace. The walk is a great way to energize your weekend!

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA (*Displayed in Commons*)

The History of Salvation This enlightening talk traces the high adventure of God's Divine Love Story revealed through the seven covenants that span from Eden to Calvary, beginning with Adam and culminating with Jesus. This presentation is the fruit of Monsignor Deutsch's studies during his sabbatical at Franciscan University of Steubenville, where he learned from scholars such as Dr. Scott Hahn and Dr. John Bergsma.

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

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

THE ILL & HOME BOUND:

Parishioners: Joe Murray, Helen Edwards, Betty Jane Prufer, Fran Cannon Slayton, Ron Lavis, Sue Newman, 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: Bill Eddy, Susan Steeby, Lisa Marshall, John Lank, Susan Straub Martin, Dolores J. Calka, George William Polhill, II, Claudia Hartland, Betsy Boyce, Michael Norton, Leslie Gilliam, 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, Diane Schmidt, Earl Scheetz, Shirley O'Rourke, Xavier Van Bastelaer, Mary Griffin, Makala Thomas, Sibylle Llewellyn, Duncan Nixon, John Patrick Dennison, Christine Russo Carpenter, 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: Tom Logan, William Murray, Trey Linebrink, Jeff Woodside, David Alvey, Brian Fagan, Jamie Torbet, Mike Eiermann, Charles G. Ellison, Eric Emmott, and Matthew Mickiewicz.

PARISHIONERS RECENTLY MARRIED

7/16/2016: Jenna Ohnesorge and Shiladitho Deb

PARISHIONER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

8/4/2001: Alix and David Paget-Brown

8/4/2011: Emily and Robert Cox

8/8/1981: Lisa and Michael Marshall

8/14/2004: Daisy and James Hutcherson

8/26/1989: Amber and John Eros

8/31/1996: Kelly and Patrick Langan

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

OUTREACH

There is a **CRITICAL NEED** for canned goods in our Food Pantry. The Food Bank shelves are bare, and we may not be able to open our doors without your help. Donations of food or money will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

DONATIONS OF READING GLASSES:

We are collecting reading glasses for the people of Uganda. If you have reading glasses you no longer use that are in good condition, please bring them to Church by August 21st. There is a basket in the Commons for you to drop them off. Thank you and God Bless.

BI-PARISH HAITI COMMITTEE

Richard Joseph: is Director of Education for the Diocese of Hinche. He will be with us in Charlottesville August 15 and 16. If you would like to meet Richard and his wife, the Haiti Committee will host a reception in the community room after the 5:15 mass on Monday August 15. Please join us.

Next meeting will be August 21 at St. Thomas Aquinas at 1 PM. **All are welcome. Contact:** e-mail Anne Knasel at anne@stagebridge.net or Ginny Zeller at ginnyannzeller@gmail.com. Website: www.saltadere.org



CHRISTIAN FORMATION

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR 2016-2017 Registration is now open for all Religious Education classes for children ages 3 through 18 (rising Pre-k through 12th grade). Registration forms will be sent via email and may also be found on the Christian Formation table in the Commons. Kindly return your completed form and fees to the office no later than **August 12**. Please note that there will be a separate registration for the Sacraments of Initiation, including First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. Diocesan policy requires that children planning to receive these Sacraments also attend regular Religious Education classes. For specific questions, please contact Sue Dougherty, Coordinator for Religious Education, at cre@holycomforterparish.org.

VIRTUS TRAINING WORKSHOPS

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is committed to ensuring that diocesan institutions and ministries provide a safe and nurturing environment for children, young people and vulnerable individuals. The mission of the diocese *Safe Environment Program* is to create a safe environment incorporating the standards as outlined in the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. To that end, all parish volunteers, including catechists, members of various church ministries; in effect anyone having contact with children under the age of 18 in the church, are strongly encouraged to participate in a Virtus training workshop. This 3-hour workshop is both reflective and enlightening.

Training sessions will be held on **Wednesday, August 24, from 6:30-9:30 pm** at Holy Comforter Parish and on **Tuesday, Aug. 16 at 6:00 pm** at Charlottesville Catholic School.

To register for a workshop, go to virtusonline.org and click "live training" under that "Training" tab.

For questions regarding the program, please contact Sue Dougherty at cre@holycomforterparish.org.

CATECHISTS FOR 2016-17 NEEDED

Do you love to share your faith? Do you enjoy spending time with children and young adults? Please prayerfully consider serving in the ministry of being a catechist for the coming school year. Training and help are available! Catechists are needed for grades K-1 (2 people), 2-3 (2 people), 4-5 (1 person) and middle school (1 person). Classes meet on Sunday from 9:45-10:45 from the end of August through mid-May.

For more information, please contact Sue Dougherty, Coordinator for Religious Formation, at cre@holycomforterparish.org.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church, or do you know someone who is? If so, RCIA may be the answer. RCIA at Holy Comforter is starting up for 2016-2017. If you are interested, please contact Diane Auger Smith at dianeaugersmith@gmail.com or at (434) 996-0502, or call the church office at (434) 295-7185.

The RCIA Orientation for 2016-2017 will take place Sunday, Aug. 21st after the 11 AM Mass on the lower level. Thereafter, regular class sessions will be held in the office of the Coordinator of Religious Education between the two Sunday masses from 9:40 AM - 10:50 AM beginning August 28, 2016 and going through Pentecost, Sunday June 4, 2017. Please join us!

FROM THE PASTOR

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF “Religious Orders and Communities” IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH? (Continued----)#3

During the Counter Reformation period (16th/17th.centuries), new religious orders and other groups were founded to effect a religious renewal—e.g., **the Theatines, the Capuchins, the Ursulines, and the Jesuits**. Later in the century, **John of the cross and Theresa of Avila** promoted the reform of the Carmelite order and influenced the development of the mystical tradition. **Francis de Sales** had a similar influence on the devotional life of the laity. A number of these religious orders were established concentrated on helping the sick and needy in their own locality. The people in these religious orders did not question Catholic ideology though they were concerned about the direction the Church was going in. Their work satisfied the Catholic belief in “**salvation through good works**” and improved Catholic standing in cities such as Rome, Milan and Augsburg.

The Holy Father Pope Francis in the early months of his pontificate, meeting with the superiors of the different religious orders and communities had this to say: “**Religious life ought to promote growth in the Church by way of attraction. The Church must be attractive. Wake up the world! Be witnesses of a different way of doing things, of acting, of living! It is possible to live differently in this world. We are speaking of an eschatological outlook, of the values of the Kingdom incarnated here, on this earth. It is a question of leaving everything to follow the Lord. No, I do not want to say ‘radical’. Evangelical radicalness is not only for religious: it is demanded of all. But religious follow the Lord in a special way, in a prophetic way. It is this witness that I expect of you. Religious should be men and women who are able to wake the world up.**”

Pope Francis continued and said: “**You should be real witnesses of a world of doing and acting differently. But in life it is difficult for everything to be clear, precise, outlined neatly. Life is complicated; it consists of grace and sin. He who does not sin is not human. We all make mistakes and we need to recognize our weakness. A religious who recognizes himself as weak and a sinner does not negate the witness that he is called to give, rather he reinforces it, and this is good for everyone. What I expect of you therefore is to give witness. I want this special witness from religious.**”

With such words from the Holy Pontiff, we acknowledge, that very great importance of the religious communities and what they stand for in the life of the Catholic Church. Their work is wholly necessary for the Church in these days. Admittedly, the doctrine of the universal vocation of all the Faithful to holiness of life (*regardless of their position or social situation*) has been advanced very much in modern times. This is as it should be, for it is based on the fact that all the Faithful are consecrated to God by their Baptism. Moreover, the very necessities of the times demand that the fervor of Christian life should inflame souls and radiate in the world itself. In other words, the needs of the times demand a consecration of the world and this task pertains pre-eminently to the laity. So the commitment lived by these religious orders is meant to encourage and challenge every follower of Jesus and examine on how one lives his/her vocation for the glory of God.(***To be continued***

20TH SUNDAY SNAPSHOT.

JOHN: THIS TIME I FEEL EMBARRASSED!!

MARY: WHY?

JOHN: HOW CAN “THE PRINCE OF PEACE” SAY: “**Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division**”.

MARY: I THINK HE WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT IF NO ONE IS OFFENDED BY THE QUALITY OF OUR COMMITMENT TO CHRIST, THEN PERHAPS WE ARE PRACTICING “**inoffensive Christianity!**”

JOHN: WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

MARY: LIVE OUT YOUR RELIGIOUS CONVICTIONS AND PRINCIPLES AS **PROPHET JEREMIAH, PAUL AND JESUS**, EVEN IF IN DOING SO, SHOULD RESULT IN MARTYRDOM.

JOHN: I GOT IT. IT ALL COMES DOWN TO COMMITMENT.