

SAINTS TO REMEMBER

September 18 St. Joseph of Cupertino
 19 St. Januarius
 20 St. Andrew Kim Taegon
 21 St. Matthew, apostle & evangelist
 22 St. Thomas of Villanova
 23 St. Pio of Pietrelcina
 24 St. Pacific of San Severino

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 17
5:00 PM All Priests and Deacons serving Holy Comforter Parish in Father Joseph Mary's absence.
 Sunday, September 18
8:30 AM Members of the Parish
11:00 AM †Benedetto Bongiorno (Barbara and Ralph Marra)
 Saturday, September 24
5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Parish
 Sunday, September 25
8:30 AM Members of the Parish
11:00 AM Jeanette McCarthy (Jill and Steve Paitsel)
1:30 PM Joshua Lyons (anonymous)

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Amos 6:1, 4-7

God will judge the complacency of the people and their leaders.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146:7-10

Happy are those who find solace in God, the help of the poor.

Second Reading

1 Timothy 6:11-16

Paul exhorts Timothy to stay faithful to God in all things.

Gospel Reading

Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells the parable of the reversal of fortunes between the rich man and the poor man, Lazarus.

PARISHIONER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

9/4/1971: *Dominique and Lee Faust*
 9/6/1986: *Suzanne and Michael Bailey*
 9/10/1994: *Michelle and Wayne Edwards*
 9/20/1969: *Cynthia and Les Berlin*

RECENTLY DECEASED PARISHIONER

Frank McCarthy

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (9/17)

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

SUNDAY (9/18) TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(*Altar Flowers provided by Anonymous Donation*)

8:30 AM: MASS
9:40-10:50 AM: RCIA (*CRE Office*)
9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation (*Lower Level*)
11 AM: MASS

MONDAY (9/19)

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

TUESDAY (9/20)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry
NOON: MASS

WEDNESDAY (9/21)

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*)
7 PM: Choir Rehearsal (*Church*)

THURSDAY (9/22)

NOON: MASS
NOON: Soup Kitchen

FRIDAY (9/23)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry
NOON: MASS
NOON: AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)
4 PM: Wedding Rehearsal

SATURDAY (9/24)

9 AM: Cursillo Men and Women
1:00 PM: WEDDING (*Kara Schach and Kevin Katz*)
3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)
5 PM: Vigil MASS

SUNDAY (9/25) TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(*Altar Flowers provided in Memory of Lou and Gertrude Caretti, by Barb and Brian Cassidy*)

8:30 AM: MASS
9:40-10:50 AM: RCIA (*CRE Office*)
9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation (*Lower Level*)
11 AM: MASS

GIFTS FROM GOD

Offertory September 10-11, 2016 (Church)	\$9,492.50
Outreach	\$1,536
Justice and Peace	85
Christian Formation	90
Weekly Offertory Budget	\$7,173.00
Offertory Received	<u>9,492.50</u>
Surplus	\$2,319.50

There is an Emergency Collection this weekend to assist victims of the recent flooding in Louisiana. Please make checks payable to "Catholic Charities USA/Louisiana"

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

OUTREACH

Construction continues on the Lower Level of the Church. Come have a look at the progress so far!

IMPACT

The Holy Comforter team (Chuck McCurdy, Denise Zito, Les Berlin, and Suzanne Bailey) of IMPACT (Interfaith Movement Promoting Action By Congregations Together) will be holding listening sessions in homes during September and early October, including a special session immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass (approximately 6 to 7 p.m.) on Saturday, September 17 in the newly-renovated Bernard Moore room in the basement of the church. This is your chance to learn about past successes of this interfaith justice ministry, as well as your opportunity to share your concerns about the ability of community members to age in a safe and healthy way---this year's issue that IMPACT will tackle--and to learn generally how you can become involved in IMPACT. House meetings are necessarily by invitation only. All are welcome to the church meeting. Please come. Contact Suzanne Bailey at slank@ntelos.net with questions or to RSVP. Light refreshments will be served.

HAITI

Holy Comforter will hold its Sponsorship Fair after Masses on October 1 and 2. Sponsorship donations are the main means of supporting the children of St. Michel School, our sister parish in Saltadere, Haiti. We will also be selling Haitian coffee after the Masses.

Our next meeting will be October 23 at Holy Comforter.

All are welcome. Contact: e-mail Anne Knasel at anne@stagebridge.net or Ginny Zeller at ginnyannzeller@gmail.com. Website: www.saltadere.org

PARISH NEWS

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: Jack Andrews, 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: Fred Crane, 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.

PARISH LIFE Dogma on Draft

Join us for the fourth installment of the "Dogma on Draft" series on September 21st 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!

Contact parishlife.holycomforter@gmail.com for more information

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

We have a small group of EMs who serve the homebound of the parish as well as patients in healthcare facilities assigned to Holy Comforter. Albemarle Health & Rehab is a new facility with short term and long term care patients near Monticello High School. On a weekly basis there are 4-5 patients requesting communion. We need more EMs to help! Day/time is flexible. Training provided. Patients are so happy to receive the Eucharist! Please consider & contact Barbara Rainville: 434 295-8493 consultrainville@aol.com

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA (*Displayed in Commons*)

The Logic of Being Catholic Dr. Ray Guarendi shares his story of how logic led him home to the Catholic Church. He found out that, contrary to his Protestant misunderstandings, the Church is coherent and never contradicts herself. Dr. Ray explains how the answers to his objections to Catholicism were both Biblical and believed by the earliest Christians. Explore the logic that led him to the fullness of truth.

MEDJUGORJE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Now that the school year has started, summer vacations winding down, and you are getting settled back into your routine, why not include the Rosary Prayer Group as part of your routine? We meet every Wednesday at 6:15 in the Chapel to pray for our parishioners' intentions, and to pray the rosary. We have a wonderful prayer family. Come join us!

And, don't forget, add your intentions to the Intention Book outside of the Chapel and we will include your intentions during our weekly prayers.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION**HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

Next Meeting Sunday, September 25, 4:00-5:30

All High School youth in grades 9-12 are encouraged to join us as we build and expand our youth ministry! You may still register by completing the registration form available in the Commons or on the website.

ADULT CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible DVD series begins this Sunday, from 9:45-10:45 in the chapel. You may still register by picking up a form in the Commons or from the website. Please consider joining us for this excellent overview of the Old and New Testaments.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Classes are underway! Please contact Diane Auger Smith for more information dianeaugersmith@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS**2016 MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND**

Thursday, October 20 - Sunday, October 23rd at Camp Overlook near Harrisonburg. Catholic men are invited to spend an inspiring long weekend with other men who want to deepen their relationship with God and enrich the way each lives out his faith every day. The weekend will be led by a team Catholic men who have made a Cursillo weekend before, along with spiritual directors including a priest. 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 (donations will be accepted at the end of the weekend to allow others to go on a Cursillo Weekend). For information and downloadable applications, visit the Valley Cursillo website: www.valleycursillo.com. **Application due date: Wednesday, October 12th.**

VIRGINIA CATHOLIC YOUTH DAY 2016 @ BUSCH

GARDENS: All youth and families from across the Diocese are invited to come together for a day at Busch Gardens on **Saturday, October 1, 2016**. Three ticket options are available: All-inclusive (\$61/individual), includes park admission, Sunday Vigil Mass, and All-you-can-eat dinner buffet; Single Day Admission Ticket (\$54/individual), includes admission and Sunday Vigil Mass; or All-You-Can-Eat Dinner Buffet ONLY (\$12/individual) includes Sunday Vigil Mass and All-You-Can-Eat Buffet. You must register online at www.evangelizerichmond.org. The parish youth contact and on-site coordinator will be Sue Dougherty, cre@holycomforterparish.org. We hope that you will consider joining us for this wonderful community event with other parishes across the Diocese!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From September 28 through November 6, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood on Hydraulic Road, and to help spread the word about this important community effort to defend the most innocent among us: unborn babies. 40daysforlife.com/Charlottesville

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Married couples, God has entrusted your spouse to your care. Help your good marriage grow more joyful. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Oct. 21-23 in Norfolk and Nov. 18-20 in Herndon, VA. Apply online at wwme.org or call (757)-690-1369.

FROM THE COORDINATOR FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION***“MAKING SPACE FOR SABBATH IN OUR LIVES”***

In our busy lives today, it is a challenge for us to truly “keep the Sabbath holy” as the third commandment directs us. Father Ronald Rolheiser, OMI, has some suggestions to help us find a “Sabbath rest” for ourselves and our families, even during the week! The point is to intentionally carve out quiet time for God in our day.

....Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day. Until recently it was more clear that this is a commandment, not simply a lifestyle suggestion. Sabbath, until recent generations, was a day where ordinary life and ordinary activity were supplanted by a different sense of time and activity.

What is Sabbath meant to be?

For an observant Jew, Sabbath means that the normal workday is suspended and replaced by a special time of prayer, family, celebration, leisure, and enjoyment. In the Jewish spirituality, Sabbath is honored by lighting candles, gathering in worship and prayer, blessing children, singing songs, keeping silence, walking, reading scripture, making love, and sharing a meal.

The recipe for Sabbath observance is essentially the same for Christians. Many of us remember the Sunday customs of our childhood and how, on Sunday, everyone would dress up (in their Sunday best) to go to church to worship, come home and eat the best meal of the week (Sunday dinner) and then spend the rest of the day with family, usually in various kinds of leisure activities.

Today, we are considerably more casual and careless about observing the Sabbath and we are poorer, both religiously and humanly, because of this. Much of our tiredness and sense of being overburdened comes from not having a regular Sabbath in our lives.

With this in mind, allow me to offer my own hints for longevity, hints based largely upon a theology of observing the Sabbath:

1. Keep Sabbath with the discipline demanded of a commandment.
2. Sabbath need not be just one day a week. Sabbath can be an hour, a walk, a meal, a drink, a chat with a friend. Plan at least one Sabbath-moment every day.
3. Every day, even if for just a few minutes, go to some place where you can't be reached. Cell-phones, email, and electronic communications have made us the most efficient and connected people in history, but they are also making the observance of Sabbath all but impossible. Go regularly to a place where you can't be reached.
4. Honor the wisdom of dormancy, know that when you aren't doing something that is productive you are giving your soul the time and space it needs to quietly take in the nutrients it requires to remain productive. Buy a rocking chair and sit in it regularly, not thinking, not praying, not talking to a friend, just sitting, our soul a fallow field that is quietly waiting.
5. Spend some time in quiet and prayer regularly.
6. Be attentive to little children, old people, family, food, wine, and the weather. All of these are non-pragmatic and Sabbath-invoking.
7. Stay in touch and listen to your body. It will tell you when you need Sabbath.

Father Ronald Rolheiser, O.M.I., is an Oblate priest, theologian and popular spirituality writer. He is president of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, Texas.