### SAINTS TO REMEMBER

October 23 St. John of Capistrano 24 St. Anthony Mary Claret 25 St. Gaudentius 26 St. Evaristus 27 St. Frumentius 28 St. Jude, St. Simon 29 St. Narcissus

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 22 5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Parish Sunday, October 23 8:30 AM Members of the Parish 11:00 AM †Frank McCarthy (Outreach)) Friday, October 28 NOON Deceased Members of the Parish Saturday, October 29 5:00 PM Members of the Parish Sunday, October 30 8:30 AM Members of the Parish 11:00 AM †Frank McCarthy (Angie and Jim Morrisard)

### NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### **First Reading**

Wisdom 11:22—12:2 God is merciful because all things were created by God. Responsorial Psalm

*Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14* Sing praise to God, who is faithful.

#### **Second Reading**

2 Thessalonians 1:11—2:2 Paul tells the Thessalonians to remain faithful to Christ until Christ comes again.

#### **Gospel Reading**

*Luke 19:1-10* Jesus stays at the house of Zacchaeus, the tax collector.

## LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA (Displayed in Commons) Beyond Belief: Following Christ Today

Fr. Mike Schmitz tackles some of the most difficult topics in the Church today with humor, clarity, and theological truth. In this talk, he challenges us to not settle for mediocrity and to allow Christ to change our lives. Fr. Mike goes on to explain that once we are changed by the love of Jesus, then together we can change the world.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

October 23, 2016

# **SATURDAY (10/22)** 8 AM: MASS 9 AM: Cursillo Men and Women 3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (Chapel) 5 PM: Vigil MASS SUNDAY (10/23) THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Altar flowers donated in celebration of Jill and Steve Paitsel's Wedding Anniversary) 8:30 AM: MASS 9:40-10:50 AM: RCIA (CRE Office) 9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation (Lower Level) 9:45-10:45 AM: Adult Formation (Chapel) 11:00 AM: MASS NOON-1 PM: Welcome Reception (Commons) 1 PM: Bi-Parish Haiti Committee 1:30 PM: Latin MASS 4-5:30 PM: High School Youth Ministry (Lower Level) MONDAY (10/24) 10:30 AM: Divine Will Prayer Group (Chapel) NOON: MASS **TUESDAY (10/25)** 10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry NOON: MASS **WEDNESDAY (10/26)** 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 (10/27)** 8 AM: MASS **NOON:** Soup Kitchen FRIDAY (10/28) 10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry **NOON:** MASS (For Deceased Member of the Parish) NOON: AA Meeting (Lower Level) **SATURDAY (10/29)** 8 AM: MASS 9 AM: Cursillo Men and Women 3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (Chapel) 5 PM: Vigil MASS SUNDAY (10/30) THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Altar flowers donated by the Parish Office) 7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation (Chapel) 8:30 AM: MASS 9:40-10:50 AM: RCIA (CRE Office) 9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation (Lower Level) 9:45-10:45 AM: Adult Formation (Chapel) 11:00 AM: MASS

## **GIFTS FROM GOD**

Offertory October 15-16, 2016 (Plate)		\$4,047.50
Hurricane Matthew	\$1,935	
Outreach	161	
Weekly Offertory Budget		\$7,173.00
Offertory Received		4,047.50
Deficit		\$3,125.50
This weekend is the annual Diocesan collection for		

### **QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION FROM IRA**

If you are at least 70-1/2 years of age, you can take advantage of a simple way to benefit the Church and receive tax benefits in return. You can donate up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to a qualified charity such as Holy Comforter without paying income taxes on the distribution. Please contact your Individual Retirement Account custodian for details.

## DONATIONS OF STOCK ARE GLADLY ACCEPTED

Your firm can 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

#### **ONLINE GIVING**

World Missions.

Many parishioners are enjoying the benefits they receive from donating to Holy Comforter online. All of our current envelope collections are available, and it is safe, secure and confidential. You can find the Online Giving link on our website, or go to:

https://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=1665

#### 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**: Mary Fusco, Eileen Foster, Jack Valloric, Tam Nguyen, Rachel Witt, Jack Andrews, Joe Murray, Helen Edwards, Betty Jane Prufer, Fran Cannon Slayton, Ron Lavis, Sue Newman, Michael Ludgate, Frank Pologruto, Al Bracuti, Norman Bednarcyk, Nicholas Sisman, Mary Ann Williams, Rose Bowker, Hermann Ortmann, Katherine Russo, Charley and Kitty Moore.

Friends and Relatives: JoAnn Fox Klein, George Lilly, The Campbell Family, Fred Crane, Bill Eddy, Susan Steeby, Lisa Marshall, John Lank, Susan Straub Martin, 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.

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

### **Recently Deceased Parishioners:**

Mary Ann White Frank McCarthy

#### WELCOME RECEPTION FOR NEW PARISHIONERS

Please join the Parish Life Ministry in welcoming our new parishioners to Holy Comforter this Sunday from 12-1 PM. All parishioners are invited! Refreshments will be served. Let us rejoice in fellowship.

Email <u>parishlife@holycomforterparish.org</u> with any questions.

#### **NEWLY REGISTERED PARISHIONERS**

The Lucia Aguilar Family Gregory C. Beller Shawn and Robert Ficarra The Rocio and Andrew Lamb Family Gracen and Matthew Semanik

*If your name has been omitted, please contact the Parish Office, 295-7185.* 

# MEDJUGORJE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

October is the month of the Rosary. We have a wonderful, inviting rosary prayer group every Wednesday at 6:15 in the Chapel. All are welcomed. Please come and join us in prayer, even if you can only come for one evening. Come pray the rosary during the month of October.

October 2, 2016 Message to Mirjana "Dear children, the Holy Spirit, according to the Heavenly Father, made me the mother - the mother of Jesus - and by this alone, also your mother. That is why I am coming to hear you, that I may open my motherly arms to you; to give you my heart and to call you to remain with me, because from the top of the cross my Son entrusted you to me. Unfortunately, many of my children have not come to know the love of my Son; many of them do not want to come to know Him. ..... That is why, you, my children, my apostles, in the silence of your heart, listen to the voice of my Son, so that your heart may be His home, that it may not be dark and sad, but that it may be illuminated with the light of my Son. Seek hope with faith, because faith is the life of the soul. Anew I am calling you: pray, pray to live faith in humility, in spiritual peace, and illuminated by the light.

## SOCIAL MINISTRIES

#### HAITI

## HURRICANE MATTHEW

Thank you for your generous contributions last weekend toward the relief efforts that are being made both here in the US as well as in Haiti

**Bi-Parish Haiti Committee:** We are meeting today, October 23, at 1 PM, at Holy Comforter. **All are welcome. Contact**: e-mail Anne Knasel at <u>anne@stagebridge.net</u> or Ginny Zeller at <u>ginnyannzeller@gmail.com</u>. Website: <u>www.saltadere.org</u>.

#### IMPACT

Please plan to attend the IMPACT Annual Assembly on Thursday, October 27 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Church of the Incarnation. You will learn about the progress being made in past IMPACT issues involving entry-level job training, youth mental health, and substance abuse treatment for women, as well as IMPACT's new issue, Eldercare. All are welcome. Holy Comforter attendees should gather together in the Stone Chapel promptly at 6:30 p.m.

RSVP to Suzanne Bailey (<u>slank@ntelos.net</u> or 296-5033).

### **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

For more information, please visit: 40daysforlife.com/Charlottesville or see the display in the Commons.

#### FIRE CONCERT TO BENEFIT PACEM

Fire will be performing a concert on Sunday afternoon, October 23, at 3:30 at First Presbyterian Church at 500 Park Street. The concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be taken to benefit PACEM. Fire is a Charlottesville-based women's a cappella chamber ensemble whose members share both a desire to live grounded in the Divine and a great joy in singing well together.

#### **CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

**FIRST SACRAMENTS REGISTRATION:** All children at least age 7 and in second grade are eligible to participate in preparation classes for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist beginning in December. Registration forms, available in the Commons and on the Website, should be completed as soon as possible.

**CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION:** All students at least 15 years old and in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Eight preparation classes are held independently of and in addition to the Youth Ministry program. If your child is eligible to be confirmed this spring, please complete the Sacramental Registration form located on the table in the Commons or on the website.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL FORMATION**

The next meeting of our High School Youth Ministry will take place on Sunday, October 23 from 4:00-5:30 pm. The topic will be Catholic Social Justice, and several guest speakers will talk about their specific ministries. All high school students are welcome and encouraged to join our growing Youth Ministry!

### ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible</u> DVD series will continue this Sunday, October 23 from 9:45-10:45 in the Chapel. You are still most welcome to register and join us!

**NEW ADULT FORMATION SPEAKER COMING SOON!** Save the date for Sunday, November 13 at 9:45 (between the Masses) to hear a presentation by Gloria D'Alessandro, a parishioner from Church of the Incarnation, called "AN ACTION TOWARD **FORGIVENESS"** We hear much about the *need* to forgive. We may recognize that we ae *called* by Jesus to forgive. But how do we do that? As we close out this Jubilee Year of Mercy, come, hear a step-by-step approach that promises to bring you from anger and resentment to forgiveness and peace. You will receive a wonderful FREE gift to take home from Gloria to you!

### FROM THE PASTOR: IS THE PRAYER OF THE ROSARY OUTDATED? (Part 4)



In addition to the 15 promises that Mary herself gave, there is something else to consider as to why we need to pray the Rosary daily. Daily recitation of the Rosary will help us get to know our Mother better. By getting to know Mary better, we are tuned in get to know Jesus better. When we consider each mystery of the Rosary, we reflect upon different aspects of Jesus' life through the eyes of His mother. "Mothers know and see their children much differently than others do."

Dr. Jeff Mirus in his article: The Luminous Mysteries said, "When Pope John Paul II proposed a new set of mysteries of the Rosary in 2002, he wished to make the Rosary even more into a compendium of the Gospel. The Pope pointed out that the traditional Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries, while commemorating signal events in salvation history, tended to ignore Our Lord's public ministry. Yet it was through His public ministry that Christ primarily revealed both His own identity and His invitation to enter the Kingdom of God. In this sense, Our Lord's public ministry is truly luminous."

No doubt when we meditate on the Mysteries of the rosary we engage ourselves on a journey to knowing and experiencing the life of Jesus from conception to his ascension into heaven. The Joyful Mysteries, for example, cover the conception, birth and infancy of Our Lord, along with the one episode we have from when He was twelve years old. The Sorrowful Mysteries focus on His passion and death—the consequences of his public ministry (though this was certainly what He came to accomplish). The Glorious Mysteries celebrate His triumph over sin and death, including the corresponding triumph of His Blessed Mother.

After Vatican II the rosary fell into relative disuse. The same is true for Marian devotions as a whole. But in recent years the rosary has made a comeback, and not just among Catholics. Many Protestants now say the rosary, recognizing it as a truly biblical form of prayer—after all, the prayers that comprise it come mainly from the Bible.

The rosary is a devotion in honor of the Virgin Mary to reach out to Jesus and to experience that longing to union with God. It consists of a set number of specific prayers. First are the introductory prayers: one Apostles' Creed, one Our Father (the Lord's Prayer), three Hail Mary's, one Glory Be. Then there are five decades which each begin and end with an Our Father and Glory Be, and have ten Hail Mary's in between. Because the Rosary was given to us by Mary, it has great power. There have been many miracles associated with praying the Rosary. Our Lady of Fatima mentioned that the main reason for the loss of souls into the fiery abyss of Hell is that no one is praying for them. When you pray, you can offer up your Rosary for a particular intention, whether it be for the conversion of souls or something else. (*To be continued--*)

## **MISSION SUNDAY SNAPSHOT.**

#### What happens on World Mission Sunday (October 23, 2016)?

"Your prayers and generous support on World Mission Sunday directly benefit the Mission Church today. That support reaches clinics caring for the sick and dying, orphanages providing a place of safety and shelter, schools offering education from kindergarten through high school. Your help provides for seminarians preparing for the priesthood, and religious Sisters and Brothers in formation programs. All of this takes place in 1,111 mission dioceses, mostly in Africa and Asia, where the poorest of the poor receive an education and health care while experiencing the loving heart of our Lord through the service of priests, religious, and lay faithful".(From World Mission Sunday publications)