

SAINTS TO REMEMBER

June 4 St. Francis Caracciolo
 5 St. Boniface
 6 St. Norbert
 7 St. Robert of Newminster
 8 St. Medard
 9 St. Ephrem of Syria
 10 St. Getulius and Companions

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 3

5 PM Members of and Visitors to our Parish

Sunday, June 4

8:30 AM Members of our Parish

11:00 AM Members of our Parish

Saturday, June 3

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Sunday, June 4

8:30 AM Members of our Parish

11:00 AM Members of our Parish

1:30 PM: Members of and Visitors to our Parish

**NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS
 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

First Reading

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9

Moses pleads for God's mercy on Mt. Sinai.

Responsorial Psalm

Daniel 3:52-56

We praise God who is exalted above all forever.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul urges the Corinthians to live in peace with one another and with God.

Gospel Reading

John 3:16-18

God sent his Son into the world to save the world.

**AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE LIGHTHOUSE TALKS
 (AVAILABLE IN THE COMMONS)**

Here is the incredible faith journey of a singularly inspiring woman. Mother Miriam of the Lamb of God (formerly Rosalind Moss) tells the unexpected tale of her life – from conservative Jewish woman in New York to evangelical missionary to prioress of a new religious community in Oklahoma. Her amazing testimony will strengthen you and help you believe that Jesus Christ is in fact the long awaited Messiah.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (6/3)

8 AM: MASS

3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

5 PM Vigil MASS (*Followed By: Parish Feast Day Celebration*) (*Lower Level*)

SUNDAY (6/4) Pentecost Sunday (Parish Feast Day)
(Flowers Provided by the Parish)

8:30 AM: Children's MASS (*Followed By: Parish Feast Day Celebration*) (*Lower Level*)

9:40-10:50 AM: RCIA (*CRE Office*)

11 AM: MASS (*Followed By: Parish Feast Day Celebration*) (*Lower Level*)

MONDAY (6/5)

NOON: MASS

TUESDAY (6/6)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: MASS

WEDNESDAY (6/7)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: MASS

NOON: AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)

6:15 PM: Rosary Prayer Group (*Chapel*)

7 PM: Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY (6/8)

8 AM: MASS

NOON: Soup Kitchen

FRIDAY (6/9)

8 AM: MASS

9AM: Christian Formation Committee (*CRE Office*)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)

5 PM: Wedding Rehearsal (*Church*)

SATURDAY (6/10)

8 AM: MASS

1 PM: Wedding (*Sarah Harrison and Ning Bao*)

3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

5 PM Vigil MASS

SUNDAY (6/11) The Most Holy Trinity
(Flowers Provided by the Parish)

8:30 AM: MASS

11 AM: MASS

1:30 PM: Latin MASS and First Holy Communion

3 PM: Baptism (*Adele Zinman*)



GIFTS FROM GOD

Offertory May 27-28, 2017 (Plate)	\$6,014
Holy Day Offertory	536
Diocesan Home Missions	\$786
Weekly Offertory Budget	\$7,173
Offertory Received	(6,550)
Deficit	(\$623)

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

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St. Michel Parish is the Catholic parish for the village of Saltadere in the Eastern Centre Department. The pastor, Father Eulorge Petina, visits the four chapels in neighboring villages monthly. He oversees all the parish activities, including the school, and the charitable activities and microloans under Caritas. Please keep St. Michel Parish in your prayers.

Contact with Sponsors: Please be sure we have your correct e-mail: Contact sponsorshipprogram@gmail.com

Bi-Parish Haiti Committee: Next Meeting will be July 9 at the Knasel's home. All are welcome.

Website: www.saltadere.org

PARISH NEWS

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINEES

Nominations are being sought for two (2) open positions on the Parish Pastoral Council. The Council is an advisory body to the Pastor that relays concerns and provides suggestions to promote the functional and spiritual development of the parish. Council Members serve for three years, and meet the second Monday of each month from August to June. To be eligible, a parishioner must be a registered and active member of Holy Comforter parish and be a confirmed Catholic.

To nominate yourself or an eligible parishioner, please fill out a nomination form, available in the Commons. There will be a Pastoral Council Member available after each of the Masses this weekend to answer questions. If there are more than two interested Parishioners, we will then hold an election. Thank you for considering volunteering for this very important position.

PENTECOST FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

Please join us this weekend to celebrate Holy Comforter's Feast Day. There will be a special gathering of refreshments and fellowship after each of the weekend Masses in the beautifully renovated Lower Level of the Church. All are welcome!

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: Herman Ortmann, Kay Russo, Mary Griffin, Mike Charlie, Frances Charlie, Clyde Pax, Jack Andrews, Shawn Simpson-Smith, Mary Fusco, Eileen Foster, Jack Valloric, Tam Nguyen, Rachel Witt, Joe Murray, Helen Edwards, Betty Jane Prufer, Fran Cannon Slayton, Michael Ludgate, Frank Pologruto, Al Bracuti, Norman Bednarczyk, Nicholas Sisman, Mary Ann Williams, Rose Bowker, Charley Moore, Kitty Moore.

Friends and Relatives: Katie George, James Worley, Father Gerald Fogarty, Mary Ann Kline, Beatrice Stack, Thomas Johnson, Brenda Gayle Johnson, Sue Newman, James Worley, Carolyn Ann Davis, Andy Gillespie, Michael James McNeil, 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, Josephine Nampijja, Grace Dawn Wicke, Melyssa Dove, Nicole Carpenter, Beth Mauk, Evan Dotas, Dave Halley, Cullen McQuhae, Bill & Marie Jones, Christine Bentéjac, David Rumpf, 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, 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, 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, Jamie Torbet, Mike Eiermann, Charles G. Ellison, Eric Emmott, and Matthew Mickiewicz.

PARISHIONER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

June 10, 1961: Therese and Normand Auger

June 12, 1954: Marian and Herman Ortmann

June 13, 1970: Carole and Barry Gajdosik

June 14, 1969: Bobbie and Jim Hoskins

June 27, 1967: Mary and John Simonette

June 27, 1992: Deanna and Stephen Simonette

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendars for the week of **August 7-11!** Holy Comforter Children ages 4-11 are invited to participate in **"Birthday Blast, A Celebration of Life!"** Registration begins soon. Also, volunteer helpers are needed! If you are interested in helping, please contact Sue Dougherty at cre@holycomforterparish.org.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018

Get a jump-start on registration for Christian Formation for the 2017-18 school year and receive a discount! Registration forms will be available throughout the month of May and on the Holy Comforter website. This will help us plan for the next school year. Be an early bird and avoid the fall frenzy!

CHILDREN'S MASSES

We will continue the Children's Masses throughout the summer! They will be at the **8:30 AM Mass on June 4, July 2, and August 6.**

Your children can participate by using the Sign-up genius <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4faeac2ca5fc1-childrens> or by bringing a non-perishable food item for the food pantry.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CATECHIST FOR 2017-18 NEEDED

We extend much gratitude and appreciation to our middle school catechist, Robyn Jackson, who has so faithfully and skillfully filled this role for the past few years. As she is regrettably unable to be a catechist in the 2017-18 school year, we are looking for an energetic, enthusiastic, and dynamic person who is eager to share his or her faith journey with our middle school students. If you are interested, please contact Sue Dougherty, Coordinator for Religious education.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

ALL *rising* 9th through 12th grade students are invited and encouraged to join our dynamic Youth Ministry! This summer, we will be participating in a number of service activities, beginning with Holy Comforter's very own soup kitchen! Please join us as a volunteer in the soup kitchen on **Thursday, June 22 from 10:00-1:00 pm.** Secondly, we will join Church of the Incarnation and St. Olaf Catholic Church to participate in a **summer mission trip work camp from July 12-15.** Deadline for registration is **July 2.** For details, please contact Sue Dougherty at cre@holycomforterparish.org. Don't miss out! To be sure that we have your contact information for these and future events, please email Sue ASAP!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Please join us on **Sunday, June 25 from 9:45-10:45** to hear a presentation by Hugh Owens from the Kolbe Center for the Study of Creation. His topic will be "Marriage Made In Heaven": The Special Creation of Adam and Eve as the Foundation of the Church's Teaching on Holy Marriage." Mr. Owen directs the Kolbe Center for the Study of Creation which provides a forum for Catholic theologians, philosophers, and natural scientists all over the world who are dedicated to making sure that the evidence for and against the theory of evolution is made available to Church leaders and to the lay faithful. Mr. Owen's presentation will deepen your faith in the beauty of God's plan for Holy Marriage, in the wisdom and goodness of God and in the perfect harmony between natural science and divine revelation.

ADULT FORMATION PLANNING SURVEY

This weekend, an Adult Formation Planning Survey is included in the bulletin and posted on the website. Please take a few moments to complete the survey to help us determine your needs and desires for future Adult Formation programs! Once completed, please return the survey to the envelope on the table in the Commons or mail to the church office. Thank you!

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DINNER MEETING

All Brother Knights and their spouses are invited to a special meeting on June 5th at 6pm at the Stone Chapel at the Church of the Incarnation. We will hold a small voting session on new members and new officers. After that we will have a social with food and drinks. Dinner will be from Wayside Chicken, supplemented by food brought in by the brothers. RSVP if you plan to attend the meeting by emailing keesboog@gmail.com and include whether you are bringing a side dish or dessert.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR KOVAR

The Knights of Columbus will be making their annual collection of funds for KOVAR, benefitting mentally challenged adults, following Mass today. In recent years the Knights in Virginia have used the money collected to make substantial grants to group homes in communities throughout the commonwealth. Your help will be appreciated!

COMMONWEALTH CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Professionals at CCC assist individuals and families in a variety of ways in our Developmental Disabilities Program. Services are available to individuals age six and older who are diagnosed with a developmental disability prior to age 22. Call 434.974.6880 to learn more.

FROM THE PASTOR
CELEBRATING THE FULFILLED PROMISE



But I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go. For if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you.” Jn 16:7.

The great feast of Pentecost, among other things, celebrates the fulfillment of Jesus’ promises to his disciples. Promises like; ***“Go teach them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” (Mt.28:20)***. And ***“If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— the Spirit of truth” (Jn.14: 15-17)***. We are currently living in what we may call the ***“Age of the Holy Spirit.”*** This is the age that Jesus spoke about with His Apostles. Experience shows that the Lord is really implementing His promises in every age as we live in this century.

On Pentecost we have the final fulfillment of the mission of Jesus Christ and the first beginning of the messianic age of the Kingdom of God mystically present in this world in the Church of the Messiah. For this reason the fiftieth day stands as the beginning of the era which is beyond the limitations of this world, fifty being that number which stands for eternal and heavenly fulfillment in Jewish and Christian mystical piety: seven times seven, plus one.

We celebrate the Holy Spirit as the power of God among us that heals, forgives, inspires, and unites. Images of wind and fire describe the Spirit poured out on disciples of all nations. In the one Spirit we were baptized into one body, and at the Lord’s Table the Spirit unites us for witness in the world. The Spirit calls us to follow in the way, in the pattern, and in the shape of the life of Jesus. We are strengthened from within by the Holy Spirit, whose power, like a strong wind, we can feel even though we cannot see it. The Holy Spirit gives us Gifts we need to strengthen our relationship to God: ***wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety and fear of the Lord.*** Now the church continues to grow and learn more about Jesus, even after his death, resurrection and ascension. This is the time the children of God continue to wonder, what are the adventures of the early church? How was the early church built? The travels of St. Paul with maps and cities where Paul founded churches, as well as the travels of St. Peter, St. James, and St John, can be inspiring on our faith journey seeing the Holy Spirit at work, enabling the weak to become strong and fearless.

No doubt, all who are saved by God's mercy have experienced ***"the washing of new birth and renewing by the Holy Spirit"*** (Titus 3:4-7). All who are saved through ***"the washing of new birth"*** have the Holy Spirit "poured out abundantly" upon them (Titus 3:4-7). God gives his Spirit without measure (*that is, abundantly*) to us. All the faithful Christians have an anointing (*the gift of the Spirit*) which helps them discern truth and avoid being led astray by false teachers (1Jn 2:20). We need guidance and assistance in our daily lives, so that we might be wise and prudent, in applying God’s truth to our lives (James 1:4-6). Paul said that those who heard the Gospel, and who believed, were sealed with the Holy Spirit as a guarantee of their salvation (Ephesians 1:13-14), and so are we. The Spirit is our Paraclete, a helper and intercessor (Jn 14:16-17). **Come Holy Spirit, come.**