

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (7/14)

8 AM: MASS

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

5 PM: Vigil MASS

SUNDAY (7/15) FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Altar Flowers Provided by Jessica Zareno and Kees

Boogaart, In Memory of Buena Zareno)

SECOND COLLECTION: Sanctuary Renovation

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

8:30 AM: MASS

11 AM: MASS

12:30-1:15: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

MONDAY (7/16)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: Mass

6-8 PM: Women's and Men's Schola Rehearsals (*Lower Level*)

TUESDAY (7/17)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: MASS

WEDNESDAY (7/18)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: MASS

NOON: AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)

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

6:30 PM: Sung Vespers (*Church*)

THURSDAY (7/19)

8 AM: MASS

NOON: Soup Kitchen

5-6 PM: Wedding Rehearsal

6:30 PM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

7-8 PM: Holy Hour and Adoration

FRIDAY (7/20)

8 AM: MASS

NOON: AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)

3:30 PM: WEDDING *Sarah Novelty and Griffen Rush*

SATURDAY (7/21)

8 AM: MASS

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

5 PM: Vigil MASS

SUNDAY (7/22) SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Altar Flowers Provided by The Conaway-Petroni Family)

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

8:30 AM: MASS

11 AM: MASS

12:30-1:15: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

1:30 PM: Latin MASS

TODAY IS THE 15TH DAY OF JULY!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, FATHER JOSEPH MARY!!

We love you, we thank God for you, and we hope you will enjoy many blessings today!!!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 14

8 AM †Mildred J. Chrzastek (Michele Skarvelis)

5 PM Thi Thanh (Vu Nguyen)

Sunday, July 15

8:30 AM †Dennis Horton (Angela and Andy Reagan)

11 AM †Tam Nguyen (My Nguyen)

Monday, July 16

NOON †Soave DeNardi (Rose and Charlie Cona)

Tuesday, July 17

NOON †Cynthia Brodhead Bevacqua (John Halliday)

Wednesday, July 18

NOON Rev. Gerald Fogarty

Thursday, July 19

8 AM Rev. Michael Suarez

Friday, July 20

8 AM Alfred A. Goodison (Michele Skarvelis)

Saturday, July 21

8 AM Rev. Daniel Kelly

5 PM Members of Our Parish

Sunday, July 22

8:30 AM Edward Bradley (Anna Stelow)

11 AM †Peter Bednar (Michael Bednar)

1:30 PM Members of and Visitors to Our Parish

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

The Lord promises to shepherd his people Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6

The Lord is our shepherd.

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:13-18

Christ has reconciled us with God and united us in peace.

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:30-34

Jesus invites his disciples to rest after their ministry, and Jesus is moved with pity for the crowds who pursue them.

LOW GLUTEN ALTAR BREAD

Holy Comforter offers low gluten hosts that have been fully approved by the Holy See for use in any Catholic Mass. Every host is individually packaged to prevent cross contamination. Please notify an usher if you require this option.

GIFTS FROM GOD

JUNE 30-JULY 1, 2018

Offertory (plate)	\$4,925.50
Weekly Offertory Budget	<u>7,403.00</u>
<i>Below Weekly Budget</i>	<i>(\$2,477.50)</i>

Please look for the July 7/8 and July 14/15 Offertory Reports in next weekend's Bulletin.

Sanctuary Renovation Donations Received to Date

Total \$80,074.25

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This weekend we will accept contributions for our Sanctuary Renovation. And, donations to our Parish Ministries may be made at any time: Christian Formation, Haiti, Justice and Peace, as well as for the costs associated with sending the Catholic Virginian and purchasing fresh flowers for our altar.

PLEASE KEEP HOLY COMFORTER IN MIND DURING YOUR SUMMER TRAVELS

If you will be away this summer, you can make your offertory contributions with Online Giving from wherever you are! And, when you do so, it helps us to meet our regular financial obligations. All Second Collections are accepted online, as well. Please visit holycomforterparish.org for the **Online Giving** link.

SAINTS TO REMEMBER

7/15	St. Bonaventure
7/16	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
7/17	The Blessed Martyrs of Compiègne
7/18	St. Bruno of Segni
7/19	St. Arsenius
7/20	St. Margaret of Antioch
7/21	St. Lawrence of Brindisi

PARISH NEWS

PARISHIONER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

July 5, 1947: Kitty and Charley Moore
 July 5, 1969: Florence and Roman Bakke
 July 14, 1973: Sharon and Emmett Dudley
 July 16, 2016: Jenna and Shiladitho Deb
 July 28, 1979: Tricia and Steve Cady

HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE

Please switch your hearing aid or cochlear device to the T, T-Coil or telephone position.

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Kindly notify us at office@holycomforterparish.org if you would like a name added to or removed from this list. To arrange to receive Holy Communion or a visit by Father Joseph Mary, please call the parish office 434.295.7185.

THE ILL & HOME BOUND

Parishioners: Kitty Moore, Colette Hall, Jill Paitsel, Richard Fagan, Kay Colo, Raymond Painley, Jack Valloric, Mildred Dudley, Pam Heron, Kay Russo, Mary Griffin, Mike Charlie, Eileen Foster, Fran Cannon Slayton, Michael Ludgate, Frank Pologruto, Al Bracuti, Rose Bowker, Charley Moore.

Friends and Relatives: Alice Starbucks, Louis Ross, Marsha Yost, Richard Yost, Will DeGregorio, Alice Stavicksey, Marlene Schmidt, John Putalik, Elizabeth Scott, Blandine Attey, Susan Allport, Fred Cardona, Scott Painley, Jeremy Breedlove, Scarlett Makielski, Rev. John Abe, Samantha Nelson, Joel Rivera, Judge Conrad, Claudia Hartland, Aileen Green, Teresa Hall, Heather Johnson, Christine Fitzgerald, Mary Dominicis, Daniel Moore, Katie George, James Worley, Father Gerald Fogarty, Thomas Johnson, Brenda Gayle Johnson, Sue Newman, Carolyn Ann Davis, Andy Gillespie, JoAnn Fox Klein, Susan Steeby, Suzanne Lank, John Lank, Susan Straub Martin, Josephine Nampijja, Christine Bentéjac, Kimberly Hasenfus Hulick, John Patrick Dennison, Christine Russo Carpenter, Benedict Pax, Residents of Albemarle County Regional Jail and Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention.

MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY

Jeffrey Jaeger, Pete Bakke, Michael Eiermann, Tom Logan, William Murray, Trey Linebrink, Jeff Woodside, Charles G. Ellison, and Matthew Mickiewicz.

LIGHTHOUSE TALKS AVAILABLE IN THE COMMONS!

Encounter Christ First: Then Set the World on Fire
 Curtis Martin, founder of FOCUS and world renowned authority on evangelization, shares how a personal encounter with Jesus is the key to following him with fidelity, gratitude, and joy. With humor and relatable examples, he also shows how experiencing Christ before evangelizing others is the biblical model witnessed to by the Apostles, and one that is certain to bear fruit in the life of any believer.

CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

CCS is seeking qualified candidates to fill a number of open positions for the 2018-19 school year. Please visit www.cvillcatholic.org for the complete job listings and for more information.

ORDINARY TIME

Ordinary Time is the season of the Church year when Catholics are encouraged to grow and mature in daily expression of their faith outside the great seasons of celebration of Christmas and Easter and the great periods of penance of Advent and Lent.

Ordinary Time is a time to deepen one's prayer life, read the Scriptures, unite more deeply with the Lord in the Eucharist and become a more holy and whole person.

Ordinary Time is a period when average people like you and me strive to become the extraordinary messengers of the Gospel that we have been commissioned to be through our Baptism.

Ordinary Time is this day, this moment. Now.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018

NOW is the time to register children ages 4-10 to join us for our Vacation Bible School program, *SURPRISE: DISCOVERING STORIES OF JESUS!* which will take place August 6-10 from 1-4 PM. Through stories, music, crafts and games, children learn about Jesus while having loads of fun! Registration forms are available on the table in the Commons. Volunteer helpers are still needed! Please contact Sue Dougherty, at cre@holycomforterparish.org if you can share your time and talent.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION AND SACRAMENTS REGISTRATION 2018-19:

Registration for Christian Formation classes for students in Pre-K (ages 3-4) through high school is open! Classes will begin on Sunday, September 9, but early registration is extremely helpful for planning purposes. There is an *additional* registration for children preparing for First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion and Confirmation. In the Richmond Diocese, children age 7 or older are eligible for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Children at least age 15 in tenth grade are eligible for Confirmation. Please pick up registration forms for both programs on the Christian Formation table in the Commons or contact Sue Dougherty, Coordinator for Religious Education at cre@holycomforterparish.org, 434-295-6559.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Personal Spiritual Growth

Interested in enhancing your daily spiritual growth or forming a small group to do the same? See the suggestions on the handout found on the Christian Formation table in the commons. Or contact Sue Dougherty, CRE, if you would like to start a Bible or book study.

TAKE JESUS WITH YOU ON VACATION THIS SUMMER!

Jesus never takes a vacation away from us, so why should we forget about Him this summer? In the spirit of "Flat Stanley," pick up a "Flat Jesus on Vacation" marker on the CF table in the Commons. Have your children color it and take it with you for all your summer adventures! When you attend Mass in a new place, snap a photo of your family with Flat Jesus in front of the church, and then share it on the Holy Comforter Facebook page. Let's see how many places we visit!

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

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Jesus is asking us to go out two by two and proclaim His good news. Strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament. The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekends are: Aug 3-5, 2018 in Chapel Hill, NC and Sep 21-23, 2018 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org or 757-690-1369 or visit renewmarriage-vasouth.org

COMMONWEALTH CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Independence for Those Fleeing Persecution

Commonwealth Catholic Charities' Refugee Resettlement program assists individuals who are escaping persecution to begin new lives with dignity and early self-sufficiency. For 35 years, our program has partnered with communities and federal agencies to assist refugees as they integrate into our country. Refugees come to the U.S. with very few belongings, often unprepared linguistically, culturally, and economically for their new life. CCC, with the help of volunteers and donations, empowers these individuals to take back control of their lives and live in freedom and peace. To learn more visit www.cccofva.org.

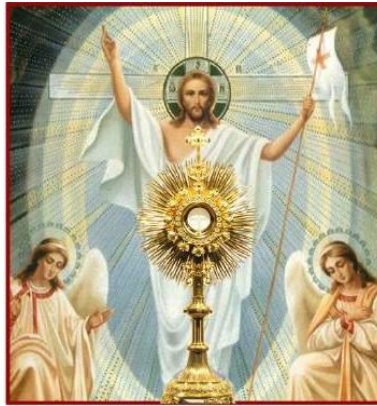
SOCIAL MINISTRIES

HAITI

St. Michel students celebrated the end of the school year with Mass, a party and cultural activities. During the summer the school will host some remedial classes and typing class. Father Petina sends to you the thanks of the parents for helping provide quality education to St. Michel students. May God bless the school and its teachers.

Bi-Parish Haiti Committee: Our next meeting will be in August. All are welcome! For more information, contact Ginny Zeller ginnyannzeller@gmail.com

From The Pastor
LOVE BEYOND TELLING ... THE EUCHARISTIC JESUS (Part 6)



“And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” (Mt. 28:20)

Most young children, if left at home all alone, would react with fear. They need to know that their parents are around. The idea of being somewhere all by themselves is frightening. It would be just as frightening for a child to get lost in a store or another public place. They need the security that comes with a parent being near.

The same is true is with us as it was with the disciples when they sensed that Jesus was to leave them. The moment we sense we are all alone we may react with fear. To feel as though there is an interior abandonment from God is a frightening thought. But on the contrary, when we sense that God is very present and alive within us, we are greatly strengthened to face life with courage and joy. *“Our Lord Jesus Christ, as though all the other proofs of his mercy were insufficient, institutes the Eucharist so that he can always be close to us. We can only understand up to a point that he does so because Love moves him, who needs nothing, not to want to be separated from us” (St. Josemaria Escriva).*

With Jesus always present in the tabernacle, we never have a reason to feel lonely or fearful. However sometimes we need to be reminded of the obvious, and perhaps it takes a particularly difficult moment for a familiar truth to hit home: **Jesus is here on earth for you and for me.**

The Lord does not remain with us in the Eucharist for His own sake, but to meet our deepest human needs for love and friendship: **“Jesus, who has encouraged this feeling of emptiness in us, comes out to meet us”** (St. Josemaria Escriva). Sometimes the Lord allows a certain loneliness to happen to us so that we may seek Him out and discover the truth as St. Josemaria Escriva said, **“When you approach the Tabernacle remember that he has been awaiting you for twenty centuries.”** A relationship of permanent *abiding* with us is what Jesus passionately desires, and He is most forthright about it in connection with the Eucharist: **“He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him;” “Abide in me, and I in you”** (Jn 6:56; 15:4). The Lord describes the special kind of relationship that He wants to have with us as a *mutual abiding*. Almost mysteriously, as St. Josemaria says, Christ does not want to be parted from us even for an instant. The Eucharist penetrates to the heart of the human problem: “No one, man nor woman, can stand alone; we are so constituted by nature; and the world, instead of helping us, is an open adversary. It but increases our solitariness” (St. John Henry Newman). God has made us to seek communion with others, yet everywhere we turn, everyone and everything falls short. The world can offer no lasting remedy. But Jesus does. Come let us meet him who has a solution to our loneliness. He has been here since the beginning of time; **“He is before all things, and in him all things hold together” (Col. 1:17).** Let us then meet on Thursday from 7-8 Pm for a conversation with the one who loves us.
(to be continued).