



# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMFORTER

**MARCH  
8, 2020**

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## MASS TIMES

### SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil - 5 PM  
Sunday - 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM,  
1:30 PM (Latin)

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday & Friday - 12 PM  
Tuesday - Thursday - 7 AM  
Saturday - 8 AM  
First Friday Mass - 6:30 PM

### CONFESSION

Thursday *(before Holy Hour)* 6:30-7 PM  
Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM  
Sunday 7-7:45 AM & 12:30-1:15 PM  
*and by appointment*

### EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION

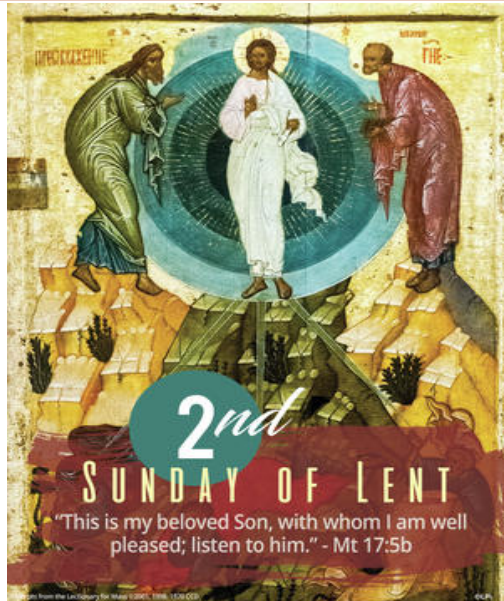
Thursday Holy Hour 7 PM  
First Fridays *after MASS* 7 PM

### ANGELUS

Monday-Friday 12 PM

### MIDDAY PRAYER (Sext)

Tuesday-Thursday 12:05 PM



**2nd**

**SUNDAY OF LENT**

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." - Mt 17:5b

## STAFF

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Food Pantry  
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Mon-Wed 10 AM-12 PM  
Thursday, 12 PM

## MINISTRIES

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- Building and Grounds Ed Mickiewicz  
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### Funerals

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Holy Comforter 2020 Matt Blumenfeld

Lectors Matt Freeman

Offertory Counters Lee Faust

Parish Life Pat Coldewey

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**Celebrating**  
**140**  
**Years of Faith**  
**in Charlottesville**  
**1880-2020**

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of Holy Comforter Parish, united in faith by God, nourished by Jesus through the Word and the Eucharist, and guided by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, believe that we are called to worship, formation, service and evangelization within our parish, our local communities and all those in need.

# PRAYER & WORSHIP



## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### SATURDAY (3/7)

8:00 AM MASS and Rosary  
11 AM: Funeral of Ted Sklany  
3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation  
(Chapel)  
3:30-4:45 PM: Mysticism of the  
Self (Lower Level)  
5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil MASS

### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (3/8)

Donations for Altar Flowers Gladly  
Accepted  
7:00 AM: Reconciliation (Chapel)  
8:30 AM: MASS  
9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation  
(Lower Level)  
9:45-10:45 AM: RCIA (CRE Office)  
9:45-10:45 AM: Essays and  
Sacraments (Lower Level)  
9:45-10:45 AM: Bible Basics for  
Catholics (LL)  
11:00 AM: MASS  
12:30 PM: Reconciliation (Chapel)  
1:30 PM: Latin MASS

### MONDAY (3/9)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry  
NOON: MASS  
2-9 PM: Directory Photos (LL)  
6:30 PM: Pastoral Council Meeting

### TUESDAY (3/10)

7:00 AM: MASS  
10:00 AM-NOON: Food Pantry  
NOON: Angelus and Midday  
Prayer  
2-9 PM: Directory Photos (LL)  
4:30 PM: Youth Schola Rehearsal  
(LL)

### WEDNESDAY (3/11)

7:00 AM: MASS  
10:00 AM-NOON: Food Pantry  
NOON: AA Meeting (LL)

2-9 PM: Directory Photos (LL)  
7:00 PM: Choir and Schola  
Rehearsal (Loft)

### THURSDAY (3/12)

7:00 AM: MASS  
NOON: Angelus and Midday  
Prayer  
NOON-1 PM: Soup Kitchen  
5:30-6:45 PM: Divine Comedy  
Study (Lower Level)  
6:30 PM: Confession/Holy Hour  
and Adoration

### FRIDAY (3/13) - LENTEN

#### ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT

NOON: MASS  
NOON-1:00 PM: AA Meeting (LL)  
2-9 PM: Directory Photos (LL)  
6:00 PM: Stations of the Cross  
(Sanctuary)

### SATURDAY (3/14)

8:00 AM MASS  
10 AM -5 PM: Directory Photos (LL)  
3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation  
(Chapel)  
5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil MASS

### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (3/15)

Donations for Altar Flowers Gladly  
Accepted  
7:00 AM: Reconciliation (Chapel)  
8:30 AM: MASS  
9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation  
(Lower Level)  
9:45-10:45 AM: RCIA (CRE Office)  
9:45-10:45 AM: Essays and  
Sacraments (Lower Level)  
9:45-10:45 AM: First Sacraments  
Prep (LL)  
11:00 AM: MASS  
12:30 PM: Reconciliation (Chapel)  
1:30 PM: Latin MASS



## RECENTLY DECEASED PARISHIONERS

Ted Sklany

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY (3/7)

8:00 AM: †Greg Pease (Anna Stelow)  
5:00 PM: Members of our Parish

### SUNDAY (3/8)

8:30 AM: †Gladys Rosario (Helen and  
Jim Crowley)  
11:00 AM: Family of †Ralph Bralley  
(Sharon and Chuck McCurdy)  
1:30 PM: †Netta Ditzio (Patricia  
McAdams)

### MONDAY (3/9)

NOON: The David Paget-Brown Family  
(Dominique and Lee Faust)

### TUESDAY (3/10)

7:00 AM: †Marie and †Antione  
Raynaud (Dominique and Lee Faust)

### WEDNESDAY (3/11)

7:00 AM: †Julie and †François Sarazin  
(Dominique and Lee Faust)

### THURSDAY (3/12)

7:00 AM: Donald Trump and Our  
Country (Dominique and Lee Faust)

### FRIDAY (3/13)

7:00 AM: Peace in Our World  
(Dominique and Lee Faust)

### SATURDAY (3/14)

8:00 AM: Gratitude to God for all His  
Blessings (Dominique and Lee Faust)  
5:00 PM: Marianne and Ed  
Walendowski (Dominique and Lee  
Faust)

### SUNDAY (3/15)

8:30 AM: †John G. Engler (The Engler  
Family)  
11:00 AM: Members of Our Parish  
1:30 PM: †Elizabeth Smith (Patricia  
McAdams)

## SAINTS OF GOD

### BLESSED ARE YOU

3/07 Saints Perpetua and Felicity  
3/08 Saint John of God  
3/09 Saint Frances of Rome

3/10 Saint Dominic Savio  
3/11 Saint John Ogilvie  
3/12 Blessed Angela Salawa  
3/13 Saint Leander of Seville  
3/14 Saint Maximilian  
3/15 Saint Louise de Marillac

# PRAYER & WORSHIP



## GIFTS FROM GOD

**FEBRUARY 29-MARCH 1, 2020**

Offertory (plate)	\$4,624
Weekly Offertory Budget	(\$7,500)
Below Weekly Budget	(\$2,876)
<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$1,153

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Sunday is our monthly parish collection for Outreach, traditionally taken on the second Sunday of each month.

On a monthly basis we also ask your support for our Christian Formation programs and Justice and Peace Ministry, and on alternating months we accept contributions for Haiti and The Catholic Virginian.

This year we are hoping to offset expenses related to our 140th anniversary and have added a fund for Holy Comforter 2020.

There will be eight National and Diocesan Collections this year, with the next for Catholic Relief Services on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent.

Donations to our Offertory and to all Second Collections may be made any time. To contribute online, please look for the link on our website, [holycomforterparish.org](http://holycomforterparish.org)

## ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Holy Comforter Parish Target:

\$20,920

February 28 Parish Donor Report:

\$3,000

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND LECTORS NEEDED

If you are interested in serving our parish and our Lord in this way, please contact Heather Burns (EMs) [h.stanza@gmail.com](mailto:h.stanza@gmail.com) or Matt Freeman (Lectors) [mfnedcva@gmail.com](mailto:mfnedcva@gmail.com) Thank you!

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

### THE ILL & HOME BOUND

Parishioners: Eileen and Al Bracuti, Phillip Carr, Maureen Clark, John Eros, Richard Fagan, Eileen Foster, Jolene Green, Mary Griffin, Colette Hall, Ruth Henahan, Pam Heron, Michael Ludgate, Theresa Lynch, Kitty Moore, Jim Morrisard, Marie and Joe Murray, Dan Petruso, Shawn Simpson-Smith.

### FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Rev. Bonaventure Lussier, OCD, Joan Littley Clark, Virginia Cooper, Randall Saathoff, Trevor Joscelyne, Gordon Brookman, Lucien Garo, Felicia Anderson, Leroy Anderson, Maryjane Fuller, Gayle Christensen, Dorothy Lilly, Raymond Painley, Michelle Edwards, Fran Cannon Slayton, Barbara Lachance, Mike Charlie, Hernan Enrique Caceres, Veronica Natalia Chavez, Maria Sol Montel, Veronica Rodriguez, Luz Alejandra Bringas, Carolina Silvia Brizuela Perez, Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena, Gustavo Caceres, Kwasi Johnson, Ben Tensley, Randy T. Johnson, Christy Ackerman, Chris Irwin Krupka, Traci McQuhae, Brett McQuhae, Helena McQuhae, Cullen McQuhae, Ann Ramsey, Will DeGregorio, Alice Stavicksey, Marlene Schmidt, Elizabeth Scott, Blandine

Attey, Susan Allport, Scott Painley, Jeremy Breedlove, Scarlett Makielski, Rev. John Abe, Samantha Nelson, Joel Rivera, Mr. Kosh, Judge Conrad, Claudia Hartland, Aileen Green, Christine Fitzgerald, Daniel Moore, Katie George, James Worley, Thomas Johnson, Brenda Gayle Johnson, Sue Newman, Carolyn Ann Davis, Andy Gillespie, JoAnn Fox Klein, Susan Steeby, Suzanne Lank, Susan Straub Martin, Josephine Nampijja, Christine Bentéjac, Kimberly Hasenfus Hulick, John Patrick Dennison, Christine Russo Carpenter, Benedict Pax, Brian Driscoll, Aimee Nyiramugisha.

### MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY

Matthew Schrank, Benjamin Schrank, Joseph Schrank, Elijah Schrank, Nick Bruno, Nathaniel Byrd, Jeffrey Jaeger, Pete Bakke, Michael Eiermann, Tom Logan, William Murray, Trey Linebrink, Jeff Woodside, Charles G. Ellison, and Matthew Mickiewicz.

Kindly notify us at [office@holycomforterparish.org](mailto: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.



## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

### FIRST READING

Exodus 17:3-7

God tells Moses to bring forth water from the rock.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 95:1-2,6-9

Sing joyfully in the presence of the Lord.

### SECOND READING

Romans 5:1-2,5-8

Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

### GOSPEL READING

John 4:5-42

Jesus reveals himself to the Samaritan woman at the well.



# PARISH NEWS



## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

The Holy Comforter Parish Lent Resource List is available on the Christian Formation Table in the Commons Area. Please take one as an enhancement and help to your Lenten Season spiritual journey.

**Bible Basics for Catholics** will meet this Sunday, March 8, 9:45 – 10:45am, in the Lower Level. This Bible Study is taught by our own Father Joseph Mary. Please join us!

**The Essays and Sacraments** discussion group meets TODAY, Sunday March 8, 9:45-10:45am in the lower level. An eight-week discussion on the wonders and mysteries of the seven sacraments, using personal essays by prominent Catholic writers as inspiration.

### FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding from age 14 onwards.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**THE PASTORAL COUNCIL** will host a parish-wide celebration for all volunteers on Sunday, March 22 after the 11 AM Mass. Please join us!

Our **Seven Last Words Concert** will take place on Sunday, March 29, at 4pm. Please sign the RSVP in the commons if you'd like to join us for the reception!

## LITURGICAL NOTES

In the Gospel this week, Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James, and John. The antiphons we sing draw us into that mystery in distinct ways according to their placement in the Liturgy. The Entrance Antiphon is particularly interesting because the general character of entrance antiphons is a call to the congregation to prayer through pleading for God's mercy. Instead, it is contemplative ("My heart declared to you: Your countenance have I sought..."). This is in keeping with the theme of the Gospel, which is the life of prayer that is contemplating the face of Jesus. The Offertory Antiphon continues this theme of prayerfulness by meditate on His commandments, "which I greatly love." Finally, in typical fashion, the Communion Antiphon reflects directly on a selected text of the Gospel. In this case, it focuses on Our Lord's warning to "tell no one about the vision you have seen until the Son of Man has risen from the dead." Of all the things to focus on! It's almost as if this is a spiritual call to let Christ come alive in your life as a prerequisite for spreading the Gospel. Take time this Lent to cultivate that personal relationship with Christ so that you might more personally experience the joy of the Resurrection and let that joy spill over into all you do!

## SOCIAL MINISTRIES

### HAITI

Parishioners will visit St. Michael's School March 7 to 15. Please keep them in your prayers and continue to pray for Father Petina and St. Michel parish. Thank you to all who donated dental hygiene items!

Haiti Ministry Needs volunteers to help with webpage management, logistics, computer refurbishing and publicity. See contacts below.

Our next meeting is March 29 in the Community Room at St. Thomas Aquinas. All are welcome. Contact: e-mail Anne Knasel at [anne@stagebridge.net](mailto:anne@stagebridge.net) or Ginny Zeller at [ginnyannzeller@gmail.com](mailto:ginnyannzeller@gmail.com).

### SOUP KITCHEN

Do you have an Instant Pot you aren't sure what to do with it? Consider donating it to the Soup Kitchen to be used for preparing the Thursday lunch meal. Your continued support to Outreach is appreciated! Questions? Contact Bridget at 293-8989 or [outreach@holycomforterparish.org](mailto:outreach@holycomforterparish.org)

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

The Senior Ministry at St. Thomas Aquinas Church invites anyone 50 or older at Holy Comforter to join us on Thursday, March 12 from 9:30 am to noon. AARP Fraud Fighters have agreed to speak at our meeting. A luncheon will follow. Please call Melanie in the office (293-8081) to reserve your place. There is a \$7.00 charge for the luncheon.

**Charlottesville Catholic School** is accepting applications for the 2020-21 school year. For more information call 434-964-0400, email [admissions@cvillecatholic.org](mailto:admissions@cvillecatholic.org), or visit [www.cvillecatholic.org](http://www.cvillecatholic.org)

# FROM THE PASTOR



## I WALK WITH JESUS, PART VII

VERY REV. JOSEPH MARY LUKYAMUZI, V.F.

*"Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God." (Mt. 4:4)*

As Jesus is led into the desert the first words we hear from him are the quotation from Deuteronomy: God said through Moses: "Man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord" (Dt. 8:3). Bread stands for all natural, material things necessary for this life—food, shelter, clothes, labor, wages. Bread represents livelihood—those things we need that are not evil in themselves. Many Christians, however, live only for the things of this life—they live on bread alone! Jesus taught us to pray, "Give us this day our daily bread" (Mat. 6:11). But first He said we were to pray, "Your kingdom come. Your will be done" (v. 10). We are to focus first on God's interests—praying for His will to be done! No doubt the devil wants to drive us into doubt and despair, to lead us to question whether God really is our dear, heavenly Father who can provide for our needs. With Jesus in the desert the devil came and said: "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread;" with us we will be in some hardship, suffering something, confused, struggling with something, and the devil will come to us and try to get us to question God's thoughts and intentions toward us; he will try to bring us to be content. But with Christ, we respond

to the devil tempting us: Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Here is that characteristic of contentment—no matter what our circumstance, we rely on the Lord and His word to bring us through; we rely on His good and gracious will for us.

It is very unfortunate that rather than having God's Word as our highest treasure, sometimes we think the most important things in our life are the things we can buy. The Devil loves to tell us the lie: "Well, you can't eat God's Word. You can't make your car run by stuffing pages of the Bible in your gas tank. You can't power your house with God's Word. God's Word doesn't give you anything. It's just words and talk. which can't keep your belly full and a roof over your head." And we believe the Devil! We listen to that! We really do think like that! The Lord says, "I will give you everything you need. Just believe and trust in my Word and make that the most important thing in your lives." No way! Too much chance there. Can't be sure I'll have a full tummy! Do you know what that makes us when we think like that? Do you know what we are when we doubt the Lord will take care of us? If you focus only on bread, then you have no life! You are living in a wilderness, just as the children of Israel did. They rose daily and began crying for bread—their personal needs—every day for forty years!

Beloved, that is boredom. God never intended for His children to live like that. Instead, He told Israel through Moses, "You should be living by every word that proceeds out of My mouth! Yes, I told you I would give you bread, but don't stop there. Move on! I have told you there is a land flowing with milk and honey, with rivers, trees, forests, green pastures—and I want that place for you!"

God is raising up a people who are focused on His will for this day and hour! They are tired of living in a wilderness of mere survival. All they want is to know and do God's will. Every member of this pilgrim Church must be ready and prepared in heart—because God is ready to release His great, final outpouring! If God were to withdraw His word, food would no longer nourish our bodies. Only by His will and work does it do so. We are so dependent on Him and His creating word which still resounds today and is still effective today. (*To be continued...*)