

READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 28 – OCTOBER 5

SUNDAY – 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: [Ezekiel 18:25-28](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9](#)

Second Reading: [Philippians 2:1-11](#) or [2:1-5](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 21:28-32](#)

MONDAY

First Reading: [Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14](#), or [Revelation 12:7-12](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5](#)

Gospel: [John 1:47-51](#)

TUESDAY

First Reading: [Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8](#)

Gospel: [Luke 9:51-56](#)

WEDNESDAY

First Reading: [Job 9:1-12, 14-16](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 88:10-11, 12-13, 14-15](#)

Gospel: [Luke 9:57-62](#)

THURSDAY

First Reading: [Exodus 23:20-23](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 91:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 10-11](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 18:1-5, 10](#)

FRIDAY

First Reading: [Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14](#)

Gospel: [Luke 10:13-16](#)

SATURDAY

First Reading: [Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-16](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130](#)

Gospel: [Luke 10:17-24](#)

SUNDAY – 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: [Isaiah 5:1-7](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20](#)

Second Reading: [Philippians 4:6-9](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 21:33-43](#)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday – 9/27

5:00PM – Charles Heeger (Connie & Eugene Flamm)

Sunday – 9/28

8:30AM – Members of the Parish

11 AM - Joseph Nguyen (An Nguyen)

Saturday – 10/4

5:00PM – Members of the Parish

Sunday – 10/5

8:30AM – Richard McMullen (The Petroni-Conaway Family)

11 AM – Domonico Nguyen Phuc (Thuy Vu)

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY (9/28)

8:30 AM – MASS

9:30 – 10:45 AM: RCIA/Christian Formation Classes

11:00 AM – MASS

MONDAY (9/29)

8 AM – MASS

TUESDAY (9/30)

8 AM – MASS

10 AM – NOON: Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY (10/1)

8 AM – MASS

10 AM – NOON: Food Pantry

11 AM – NOON: Catholic Mom's United In Prayer [Chapel]

NOON - AA Meeting

THURSDAY (10/2)

8 AM – MASS

NOON – 1 PM: Soup Kitchen

FRIDAY (10/3)

10 AM – NOON: Food Pantry

NOON - AA Meeting

SATURDAY (10/4)

10 AM – Blessing of Our Precious Pets

3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation

5 PM – MASS

SUNDAY (10/5)

8:30 AM – MASS

9:30 – 10:45 AM: RCIA/Christian Formation Classes

11:00 AM – MASS



Offertory for September 20/21 - \$7745.00

Justice & Peace - \$21.00

Christian Formation - \$5.00

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: [Ezekiel 18:25-28](#)

Ezekiel reminds the people that if a sinner turns away from his iniquity, he will live, not die.

Second Reading: [Philippians 2:1-11](#)

Paul urges the converts at Philippi to be united in spirit and ideals, avoiding rivalry and dissension. He ends with the beautiful hymn extolling the humility and sacrifice of Christ.

Gospel: [Matthew 21:28-32](#)

Jesus speaks words of rebuke to the chief priests and the elders because they are not believing the teachings of John the Baptist. He warns them that tax collectors and prostitutes, who do believe John, will enter the Kingdom of God before them.

DID YOU KNOW

“The Church believes that because every man and woman on earth is made in the image and likeness of God, and by Baptism they become adopted children of God, than all human beings are called to holiness.”

Rev. John Trigilio Jr., PhD, ThD and Rev. Kenneth Brighenti, PhD., (New Jersey : Wiley Publishing Inc., 2003).

REMINDER

THE OMNI HOTEL ALLOWS FREE
PUBLIC PARKING ON SUNDAYS.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Diane Carter, Mae Morris, Fr. Carl Naro, Charlie Previtali, Louise Kepley, Sally Kammauff, Al Bossi, Bonnie Bossi, Richard Wight, Marge Haskins, Barbara Edwards, Darwin Pologruto, Dick Murray, David Drucker, Betty Hastoglis, Norma Dennison, Pete Colo, Terry Shotwell, Randy Miller, and Sheila Baldt.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

Priscilla Rigg, Ray McGovern, Joseph Steckler, Donna Schoeny, Tom Ix, Rachel Jampol, Loretta Cleland, Kathy Meek, Jennifer Walsh, Piper Gill, Sheila Aylor, Sue and Addie Weston, Barb Fleckless, Wallace Ramp, Mary Ellen Palmer, Roger Smith, Suzanne Zimmerman, Rose Smits, Yano & Lena Russo, Rose Mejeur, Conner Emmert, Joe Bush, Gene Burkett, Lynn Martin, Barbara Kight, Peggy Amacker, Waneta Dragneviech, Doris Kupillas, Quinn Family, Quinones Family, Garcia Family and Maria Garcia.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR
MILITARY**

Patrick Heron, Keith Piccirello, Joseph Paul Agee, Kathleen Agee, Jeb Steoffel, Michael Goba, Mike Eaton, Hank McKnelly, Hunt Kerrigan, Daniel Everett, Michael B. Philbrick, Brian O'Rourke, Philip Lawton, Marcus Martin, Timothy Galvin, Garrett Wilkes, Kelly Luna, Mike Luna, James Rosendale, Robert Rossiter, Kevin Bradley, Doug Buntz, Ronald Lavis, Mike Eiermann, Billy Smith, Matt Persiani, and Brian Fagan

**LOVE IN ACTION
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN
NOTES FROM THE CHAIR**

GOAL = \$1,600,000

PLEDGES = \$1,459,056.81

NEEDED = \$140,943.19

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

HOLY COMFORTER 'HELPING HANDS': Thank you to all who signed up to help provide meals and rides for our parishioners in need. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated. We can still use more drivers so people have a way to get to appointments and to Mass. Please consider giving your time to help others in our parish. For questions/requests, please call the church office.

RIDE NEEDED

A parishioner, who has difficulty walking, needs a ride to either the 5 PM or 11 AM Mass. She lives only four blocks from our church. If there is anyone coming from the Eastern side of the church that would be able to assist her, please call Mary Simonette (Hospitality) at 434-964-9121.

SEPARATED/DIVORCED CATHOLICS: Meetings will be held at 7 PM on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at Incarnation Church in Rm. 9. Contact Lauren Mathena-Armstrong at 973-4381, ext 112 or at Lauren@incarnationparish.org for more info.

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & ADULT FORMATION**

"Parents above others are obliged to form their children in the faith and practice of the Christian life by word and example."

The Code of Canon Law, Canon 774 § 2

Teresa Ritzert, CRE at Holy Comforter. Phone: 295-6559; Email: trizert@holyccomforterparish.org.

CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB: If anyone is interested in participating in a Catholic Book Club, please contact Teresa. Someone to serve as a facilitator is needed (as well eager members!)

PHILOSOPHY CLUB: The Philosophy Club is meeting on the *second* Sunday of each month. For more information, contact Matt Starnowski at: matt.starnowski@gmail.com

OCTOBER RESPONSIBILITY: For the month of October, *parents* of Third & Fourth Grade students are responsible for classroom setup/breakdown.

BLESSING OF OUR PRECIOUS PETS: The Blessing of Our Precious Pets will be Saturday, October 4th at 10:00 AM.

ADULT FORMATION: Volunteers are needed to assist with the Adult Formation program at Holy Comforter. Please, contact Teresa if you can offer some time. A lecture series is planned for Sunday afternoons. Help is needed for it. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS

to the

Second, Third, Eighth, Ninth,
Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth

Grade Formation Classes for

PERFECT ATTENDANCE!!

Thank you students and parents!!

NEWS FROM THE FINANCE COUNCIL

In light of recent financial mismanagement at other churches, including several churches in the Richmond Diocese, our Finance Council decided to bring in an auditing company to take a thorough look at our financial records. The company went over our accounting practices, procedures, and our financial controls. We are pleased to report that we received a clean bill of health.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

NEXT SOCIAL: A pot luck dinner will be held Monday October 6, 2008 at 6:30 PM. Our Council will provide the entree and we will do the normal side dishes and dessert. This time last names from A-G will bring the dessert and while last names of H-Z to do side dishes. We will have a guest speaker from HOSPICE [Hospice of the Piedmont] talking about what they do and don't do (they do not help people die). This is not a fund raising speech. They will not be asking for money only sharing info about what they do. We will need a head count by Thursday Oct 2nd. Call Kelton Flinn at 973-1557, Tom O'Rourke at 244-2852, or Bill Phillips at 973-6726 with your reservations.

JUSTICE & PEACE

PANTRY: Miracles happen at Holy Comforter on a regular basis. Periodically we run short of food, and it can be discouraging to realize that people depend on us, and we might not be able to help them as we would like. But the people of Holy Comforter always come through, and the food appears. It almost seems as if we have brought the miracle of the loaves and fishes to Jefferson Street.

IMPACT: On October 27, at 6:30 PM, the twenty-eight congregations of IMPACT will assemble at St. Thomas Aquinas Church to choose a justice issue to address in the Charlottesville/Albemarle area. There will be several issues up for consideration, and each one will be worthy of pursuit. Please plan to attend the Fall Assembly to vote for the issue that you think should be addressed.

PACEM: PACEM Intake at Holy Comforter is looking for a coordinator for the 2008 – 2009 season. If you are looking to increase your involvement in this ministry, this would be an excellent opportunity for an individual or a couple. Three recent coordinators are available to support you along with the entire Justice and Peace committee. Please see the list of duties below and contact Aaron Pannone, Justice and Peace committee chair, at 962-8988 or at apannone@yahoo.com.

PACEM Intake at Holy Comforter Coordinator Duties

- Communicate with PACEM and Holy Comforter
- Create monthly volunteer schedules
- Respond to last minute changes to staffing of volunteers



PARISH LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY HOURS: The Parish Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 9 AM to 3 PM.

AVAILABLE IN OUR LIBRARY: *America*, recipient of numerous Catholic Press Association Awards, is a weekly magazine published by Jesuits for the well-informed reader.

NEWS FROM SALTADERE, HAITI

THE FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL – SEPT. 29TH: Despite their suffering and loss during the last months, the people of Saltadere will celebrate the feast of their patron saint this weekend. Joined by many priests from the Diocese of Hinche, their beautiful Mass will include choirs, musicians and liturgical dance. Please join them in prayer.

TREADLE SEWING MACHINE: We have received a wonderful donation of a treadle sewing machine for Saltadere! It may not sound exciting to you, but for women living without electricity, it is incredibly welcome. If you have the skills to help us prepare the machine for shipping or know where we can obtain extra needles and belts, please contact us at haitiministry@stauva.org.

OTC MEDICATIONS: Donations from parishioners at St. Thomas and Holy Comforter filled ten cartons that will be sent to the Clinic in Saltadere. Your gifts will help improve the health of the people of Saltadere. Thank you for your generosity.

TRANSLATORS: If you are fluent in French and would like to help translate for Pere Blot during his October visit, we need you. You may be asked to translate Pere Blot's Homily during Mass or assist him during other activities during his visit. Call the parish office or email haitiministry@stauva.org.

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC MINISTER

CHOIR REHEARSALS: The Choir at Holy Comforter has resumed its fall rehearsal schedule on Wednesdays at 7 PM in the choir loft. Anyone interested in participating in the choir should contact Bill Polhill, the Minister of Music (gwp@holyccomforterparish.org). *We are especially looking for (1) additional cantors at the Saturday Mass and (2) sopranos & tenors for the choir.*

WORSHIP

THE LORD NEEDS YOU! How can you do this? Become a Eucharistic minister. The need for new ministers at all Masses has become urgent. Training will be provided. PLEASE contact Margaret McElroy at 973-6429 or mdm1909@embarqmail.com.

NEWS FROM CCS

CCS 5K ALL TERRAIN WALK/RUN: Join Charlottesville Catholic School on Saturday, October 4 at 8:00 a.m. for the only all terrain event in Charlottesville. This walk/run will take you through Meadowcreek Golf Course and the nature trail that runs along the Rivanna River. It is a chance for runners to get off the road and for walkers and families it is a great opportunity to join the fun and take in a bit of nature. Prizes are awarded to winners in all age groups, there will be plenty of grab bag prizes and all students will receive a certificate of completion. Go to www.cvillecatholic.org to register, or pick up a registration form at the school, Ragged Mountain Running Shop, ACAC or Gold's Gym. All monies go to support CCS.

CCS 13TH ANNUAL GALA AUCTION: Charlottesville Catholic School needs your help finding vacation destinations for this year's *Live Auction*. Do you or someone you know own a house near the beach, cabin on a lake, chalet on the slopes, or a timeshare at a resort? We are looking for these hidden treasures to showcase to the community and raise funds for the school. Beyond the joy of supporting 380 beautiful children and a faith-based school, all donations are TAX-DEDUCTIBLE. This year's Auction will be held Sat, March 7, 2009 at the new Pavilion at The Boar's Head Inn. Please mark your calendars and join us! If you would like to donate or have any questions, please contact Keri-Ann Byrne in the Development Office at 964-0400 ext.301. Thank you for your continued support and prayers!

ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP: Even Keel, a spiritually-based, peer run support group for persons coping with depression, will begin meeting on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Patricia Pollock, who has had 18 years of experience in peer support, will be the group facilitator. If interested, please contact Patricia at 296-7031.

GIVE A GIFT OF HOPE TO A CAREGIVER: A book filled with hope and inspiration for caregivers will be released in early September. "Upside Down and Back Again: Hope for the Caregiver" is a unique book for caregivers written from a Christian perspective, comprised of practical tips, prayers, bible verses, and inspiration by author Barbara J. Cooper. A portion of the proceeds will go to the Franciscan Poor Clare Nuns. For more information or to pre-order your signed copy, contact the author at www.barbarajcooperbooks.com or you may send a check in the amount of \$13.95 to B.J. Cooper-Schonert, P.O. Box 9077, College Station, Texas 77842.

SCRIPTURE STUDY: Monday Evening Scripture Study at St. Thomas Parish will begin October 6th at 7:00 pm. The meetings will take place in St. Thomas Hall and the course will run 24 meetings, held weekly with breaks as needed for holidays. The subject of the course will be, "The Book of Matthew, the King and His Kingdom," and will include video lectures by Jeff Cavins. The cost will be about \$30.00 per study book (married couples may share a book, if they wish). Anyone wishing to enroll should e-mail Bob Burns at bburns@digidata.com or contact the St. Thomas Parish office.

FEAST OF THE HOLY ROSARY: Come join us at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in honoring our Blessed Mother on her Feast of the Holy Rosary, Sat. Oct. 4th, starting with 9 AM Mass followed by the Brown Scapular enrollment and adoration. We will also have a guest speaker, Father Mark Purcell from the Mother of the Church Abbey. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 434-589-5201.

FORMING A NEW FRATERNITY: Secular Franciscans promise to "live the Gospel" in imitation of our Seraphic Father, St. Francis of Assisi through a humble, modest and simple lifestyle and to help those in need through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Members of our Parish are trying to find out whether there might be any other professed members or those interested in following the Path of St. Francis, in the Charlottesville area to join us in forming a new fraternity at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church. If you are a professed member of the SFO, know of one, or, if you would like to learn more about the SFO, please contact Robin at 589-5201.

