

**READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 5 - 12**

SUNDAY – TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: [Wisdom 9:13-18](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17](#)

Second Reading: [Philemon 1:9-10, 12-17](#)

Gospel: [Luke 14:25-33](#)

MONDAY

First Reading: [First Corinthians 5:1-8](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 5:5-6, 7, 12](#)

Gospel: [Luke 6:6-11](#)

TUESDAY

First Reading: [First Corinthians 6:1-11](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 9](#)

Gospel: [Luke 6:12-19](#)

WEDNESDAY

First Reading: [Micah 5:1-4](#), or [Romans 8:28-30](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 13:6, 6](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23](#) or [1:18-23](#)

THURSDAY

First Reading: [First Corinthians 8:1-7, 11-13](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 139:1-3, 13-14, 23-24](#)

Gospel: [Luke 6:27-38](#)

FRIDAY

First Reading: [First Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-27](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 84:3, 4, 5-6, 8, 12](#)

Gospel: [Luke 6:39-42](#)

SATURDAY

First Reading: [First Corinthians 10:14-22](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 116:12-13, 17-18](#)

Gospel: [Luke 6:43-49](#)

SUNDAY – TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: [Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19](#)

Second Reading: [First Timothy 1:12-17](#)

Gospel: [Luke 15:1-32](#) or [15:1-10](#)



Offertory for August 28/29: \$4761.50

Catholic Virginian: \$23

Christian Formation: \$25

Justice & Peace: \$40

Haiti: \$47

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

**SUNDAY (9/5)**

8:30 AM – MASS

9:45 – 10:45 AM: RCIA

11 AM – MASS

**MONDAY (9/6) – PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

8 AM – MASS

**TUESDAY (9/7)**

8 AM - MASS

10 AM – NOON: Food Pantry

11 AM – Catholic Moms United in Prayer

**WEDNESDAY (9/8)**

8 AM - MASS

10 AM – NOON: Food Pantry

NOON - AA Meeting

7 – 8:30 PM: Choir Practice

**THURSDAY (9/9)**

8 AM - MASS

NOON -1 PM: Soup Kitchen

7 PM - IMPACT

**FRIDAY (9/10)**

10 AM – NOON: Food Pantry

NOON – AA Meeting

**SATURDAY (9/11)**

3:30 – 4:30 PM: Reconciliation

5 PM – MASS

**SUNDAY (9/12)**

8:30 AM – MASS

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

9:45 – 10:45 AM: RCIA

11 AM – MASS

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**

5 PM – Mary L. Prufer (Betty Jane Prufer)

**Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 AM – Members of the Parish

11 AM – Marilyn Treadway (Gary Treadway)

**Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**

5 PM – Marie and Gerard Sartori (Betty Jane Prufer)

**Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 AM – Dennis Russo (Kay Russo)

11 AM – Members of the Parish

**FROM THE PASTOR**

I will be going on vacation for two weeks starting September 5<sup>th</sup>. My journey will take me to Pennsylvania to visit family

and then on to New York to be with old time friends. I will be returning on Sunday September the 19<sup>th</sup>.

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18b

This reading acknowledges that people have had a difficult time attempting to know God's wishes. At times we have difficulty understanding the things that happen on earth. Therefore, learning of things in heaven would have been impossible, except that God sent us wisdom and the Holy Spirit to help us understand him.

### Second Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Paul writes to Philemon regarding Onesimus, a slave who ran away and encountered Paul. Although Paul wished Onesimus could remain with him, he did not want to violate Philemon's wishes. Paul asks that Philemon receives his friend Onesimus as a beloved brother, not as a slave. He closes by saying, "Welcome him as you would me."

### Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Jesus warns people who wish to follow him that they must abandon everyone else first. A person calculates the amount of money needed to complete a project before they begin it. In the same way, Jesus warns these people to consider exactly what is involved before they make a commitment to follow him.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Charlie Previtali, Sally Kammauff, Al Bossi, Bonnie Bossi, Barbara Edwards, Darwin Pologruto, David Drucker, Peg Sullivan, Monty Chowdhry, Charles Rusk, Allen Shotwell, Conrad & Barbara Isak, Ginger Johnson, Bob Venere, Dick Wight, Garrett Smith, Pam Heron, and Sgt. Patrick Heron.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

Dean Palmer, Tom Russo, Frank Scopelliti, Wally Ramp, Susy & Addie Weston, Marybeth Gibbon, Donna Schoeny, Joyce Fleischmann, Barb Fleckless, Kasey Newman, Brian Clarke, David Newman, Aileen Green, Stephen Vermillion, Haley Dean, Janet Dannemann, Steve & Rachel Ann Mastin, John Toone, William Ayres, Nancy Brandt, Sarah Ix Stephens, Pat Eagle, Gwen Beavers, Jacqueline Plotter, Robert Zimmerman, Paul McEnery, Donald Purstell, Jacqueline Plogger, Diana & Keith Houchens, Matthew Grimes, Nancy Saunders, Melissa Dove, James Pax, and David Geng.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN OUR MILITARY

Brian Fagan, Jamie Torbet, C. J. Booker, Mike Eiermann, Casey Jeffries, and Ronald Lavis.

## FINANCE

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Over/Under</u> |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| July-Aug    | \$59,895      | \$62,500      | (\$2,605)         |

## 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. Email: [trizert@holycomforterparish.org](mailto:trizert@holycomforterparish.org).

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES:** *There are no Christian Formation classes in observance of Labor Day weekend. Classes resume next week, September 12<sup>th</sup>.*

**BOOK CLUB NEWS:** The book club will meet on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM at 150 Bennington Road to discuss "**Reclaiming Catholicism: Treasures Old and New**", edited by Thomas H. Groome & Michael J. Daley. Please contact Therese Stong (296-9961, [trstong@embarqmail.com](mailto:trstong@embarqmail.com)) for directions or more information.

**PHILOSOPHY CLUB:** All are welcome to join the next Philosophy Club discussion session on Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 PM. (following the 11 AM Mass) downstairs in the Bernard Moore Room. We will continue our exploration of the philosophy of Immanuel Kant. Please contact Suzanne Bailey ([sbailey@nlrg.com](mailto:sbailey@nlrg.com) or 296-5033) for information about the reading.

## JUSTICE & PEACE

**PANTRY:** A year ago on Labor Day weekend there were many people in our community who would love to celebrate the holiday, but they had no jobs. In 2010 there are still many people looking for work. While they are looking, they depend on us for help in stretching their food budgets. The list of needed Pantry items is on the bulletin board in the commons. Please make a generous donation

**IMPACT:** On Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM, people of faith from Holy Comforter will join with people of faith from Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, the Mennonite Church, and Faith, Hope, and Love to meet each other and to voice

concerns about community issues. IMPACT is a unique organization in that it brings people from many faith communities together to work for justice. The meeting will be at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, Thomson Rd., in Charlottesville (off Emmet Street across from the UVA parking garage).

### **WORSHIP**

**URGENT NEED FOR ALTAR SERVERS:** The need is for all Masses. Individuals should be willing to serve 1-2 times per month. Training is provided. Contact Jim Morrisard at 973-6570 or [morrisard@embarqmail.com](mailto:morrisard@embarqmail.com) if interested.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED:** Because of resignations (for various reasons), leave of absence, vacation, etc., new Eucharistic Ministers are always needed for the three Masses. Requirements for serving are that you have been confirmed and are a current member of Holy Comforter. Please give prayerful thought to volunteering your church service in this way. Training will be provided. If you are interested in this ministry, kindly contact Margaret McElroy at 973-6429 or at [mdm1909@embarqmail.com](mailto:mdm1909@embarqmail.com).

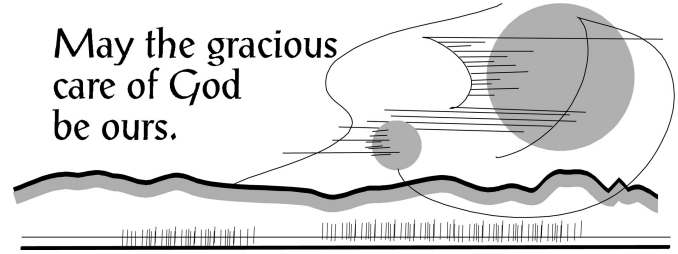
### **CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL (CCS) ADMISSIONS:** "CCS Inquiry Tours" will be held on the third Wednesday of each month at 9 AM throughout the school year. Please RSVP to Ann Michel, Admissions Coordinator, at 434-978-3954 if you would like to attend. If this date and time does not fit into your schedule, we will be happy to schedule an individual tour at your convenience. We invite you to visit our website, [www.cvillecatholic.org](http://www.cvillecatholic.org) to learn more. Enrollment Update: CCS has limited seats available for the 2010-11 school year in a variety of grades. This fall, as a complement to our pre-kindergarten program, we are offering an extended day option for our pre-k students from 12 – 3 PM each day that pre-k is in session. We will begin accepting applications for the 2011-2012 school year on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**GUIDANCE COUNSELOR OPENING:** CCS is seeking a state licensed guidance counselor for immediate full time employment for K-8th grade. This unique professional and faith opportunity requires a counselor dedicated to excellence in education and to the spiritual and emotional development of youth within the framework of the Gospel and the tradition of the Catholic Church. If interested please forward resumes to Alan Yost, Principal, at [a.yost@cvillicatholic.org](mailto:a.yost@cvillicatholic.org)

**CCS 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ALL TERRAIN RUN/WALK:** Mark your calendars and join us on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> for our annual 5K Run/Walk. All levels of runners and walkers are welcome. Please visit the school or website for a registration brochure [www.cvillecatholic.org/support-ccs/ccs-5k-run](http://www.cvillecatholic.org/support-ccs/ccs-5k-run).

May the gracious  
care of God  
be ours.



### **NEWS FROM HAITI**

**HAITI EMPOWERMENT, ASSISTANCE AND REBUILDING ACT:** Ask your representative to support this legislation, H.R. 6021. This bill involves funding and long range planning for Haiti.

**SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM:** Our sponsorship program is the main source of funds for St. Michel School operating expenses. To learn about the sponsorship program, contact: [sponsorshipprogram@gmail.com](mailto:sponsorshipprogram@gmail.com).

**KEEP HAITI IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND YOUR PRAYERS:** Save the date! October 2<sup>nd</sup> is the date for the Northwest Regional Haiti Gathering at St. Patrick's in Lexington. Plan to attend and learn about twinning parishes from our region of the diocese. Registration forms will be available on the credenza. If interested in carpooling to Lexington, please contact: [anne@stagebridge.net](mailto:anne@stagebridge.net).

**BI-PARISH HAITI COMMITTEE:** The next meeting will be announced in this space. Look for members of the Haiti Committee at the parish picnic. **Contact:** To learn more, e-mail Paul Harnois at [lphmch@embarqmail.com](mailto:lphmch@embarqmail.com) or Laurie at [Laurie.dncn@gmail.com](mailto:Laurie.dncn@gmail.com).

### **HAPPY FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Many of our children have or will soon be going back to school. Whether these schools are in your own home or as far away as a college or university, you are invited to join Catholic Moms United in Prayer. We meet on Tuesday mornings from 11 am – 12 pm in the Chapel at Holy Comforter. Our families face much pressure at school, in the workplace, and in the world. We can give them (and us!) a great gift by raising them up in prayer. Please come, or if you would like more information, please call Mary Fran Higginbotham at 296-1390 or [higgysgroups@mac.com](mailto:higgysgroups@mac.com).

Here is a prayer from Let's Say Grace, by Robert M. Hamma, that you may wish to use as we begin this new school year!

*O God, today we begin a new year of school. We thank you for all the fun we had during our time off and we ask you to be with us in the days ahead. Send your Holy Spirit upon us to fill us with enthusiasm for learning and to calm our fears. Bless our friends, old and new, and especially our teacher(s), (name/s). Bless this food before us. May it strengthen our hearts and minds to grow in your love. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.*

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**POSITION OPEN AT CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION:** Social Justice Coordinator, 35-40 hours/week. Please see the parish homepage, [www.incarnationparish.org](http://www.incarnationparish.org), under "News and Events" for details, including the updated job description and the application process. For additional info, contact Carolyn Hexter, Search Committee Chair, at [jphexter@aol.com](mailto:jphexter@aol.com).

**FUNDRAISING BARBEQUE:** Meals on Wheels is hosting a fundraising barbeque on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, from 4-7 PM at Ash Lawn. There will be food from Big Jim's, wine & beer from White Hall & Starr Hill, live music *The Gladstones* and a house tour. Tickets are \$40 for adults and \$20 for children under 12. Call 293-4364 for ticket info.

**THE 13TH DAY:** "*The 13th Day* is the best film ever made about Fatima - the most beautiful and effective ... Sister Lucia's memories are imbued with an aura of reverie and contemplation by striking visuals ... A fact-based film that succeeds in being both artful and reverent." The 13<sup>th</sup> Day will be shown **Friday, September 17th** in **St. Thomas Aquinas Hall** at 401 Alderman Rd. A potluck dinner begins at 6 PM, with the movie beginning at 7 PM. Free childcare available. The film is not rated, but a few scenes may be frightening for children under 13.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASST, OFFICE OF FINANCE, PASTORAL**

**CENTER, RICHMOND:** The Office of Finance seeks an administrative assistant to provide administrative support to the Finance Director, Assistant Director and Controller. A college degree, and five or more years of administrative experience supporting senior level management in a finance organization is required. Qualifications include the ability to organize, multi-task, take direction and work independently, maintain confidentiality, present a courteous and professional manner, and possess a working knowledge of computer software applications including Microsoft Word, Excel and databases is required. If interested, candidates should send a letter of interest, resume and Diocesan application to: Sarah Fogler, HR Generalist/Recruiting & Training Manager, Catholic Diocese of Richmond, 7800 Carousel Lane, Richmond, VA 23294. Fax: 804-358-9159. Email: [jobs@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:jobs@richmonddiocese.org). Position closes September 7<sup>th</sup>.

**PT CAMPUS MINISTER:** The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking a campus minister to serve the Catholic students, faculty and administration at Roanoke College, Salem, VA. This is a part-time (20 hours per week), 10 month position. Master's degree in pastoral ministry, theology or a closely related degree (or to work towards it). The candidate must be an active, practicing Catholic (ordained, religious or lay) who has a commitment to the advancement of ministry with college students and young adults, be open to work with ministry leaders of other faith traditions, and possess strong leadership, communication and collaboration skills. Prior experience is preferred. If interested candidates should send a letter of interest, resume and Diocesan application to: Sarah Fogler (See address above). Fax is 804-358-9159 and email is [jobs@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:jobs@richmonddiocese.org). Position closes September 7<sup>th</sup>.



**2010 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:**

*Faith for Today; Hope for Tomorrow*

The Annual Diocesan Appeal is now underway. Many of you will receive a mailing asking for your support. Please make a pledge to the 2010 Annual Diocesan Appeal.

This year, the theme of the appeal is "*Faith for Today; Hope for Tomorrow*". Our contributions to our parish and our Diocese serve as a sign of

our gratitude not only for God's answers to our prayers but also as a sign of our recognition that all that we are and all that we have are gifts given to us by God.

Your gift will support the ministries and services that touch thousands of lives not only in our parish but throughout our Diocese.

Our parish receives 20% of each dollar contributed up to our goal of \$10,000. Then, we receive 50% of the additional funds received.

Please answer our request and make a generous pledge. All pledges can be billed in eight monthly installments. Thank you in advance for your support.

