



OCTOBER 22, 2023
Twenty-Ninth SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME

**CLUSTERED CATHOLIC PARISHES OF
THE ALLEGHANY HIGHLANDS**

SACRED HEART CHURCH

255 W. Main St (office - 214 W. Locust St.) Covington, VA 24426
540-962-6541 sacredheartcovington.org
Mass Schedule: Sunday 11:00 AM

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

620 Jefferson Ave. Clifton Forge, VA 24422
540-863-5371 stjosephcf.org
Mass Schedule: Sunday 9:00 AM

SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART

1499 Shady Ln. (P.O. Box 38) Hot Springs, VA 24445
540-839-2603 shrineofthesacredheartparish.org
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 9:00 AM

Fr. Augustine Lukenge, Pastor

434-755-1208

Fr. Tom Collins, Retired Priest In-Residence

540-588-8492

Fr. Dan Kelly, Retired Priest In-Residence

434-270-6037

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions are available before each Mass at all churches.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

In order for a Catholic to enter a sacramentally valid marriage, he/she must respect and follow the Church's discipline regarding this sacrament. Call the parish office for specific information. Normally, about six months should be allowed to prepare for this sacred covenant. Parish registration is necessary.

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Students are required to be registered in the parish & be participating in the parish Rel. Ed. Program. Confirmation classes are separate and obligatory.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Parents are required to attend one Baptism preparation class (seminar). Baptism is celebrated within the weekend Mass. Call the parish offices for a seminar date.

Today's Gospel

*"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar
and to God what belongs to God."*

Matthew 22:15-21

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

St. Joseph Parish 540-863-5371

Office Hours: Call for appointment

In Emergency	Fr. Lukenge	434-755-1208
Council Chair	Paul Cormier	540-968-6410
Vice Chair	Libby Burger	540-691-6618
Secretary	Mary Asma	540-965-5551
Worship	Paul Cormier	540-968-6410
Community Life	Kathy Smestad	540-862-5333
Justice & Peace	Mary Asma	540-965-5551
Grds & Maint.	Jimmy Withrow	540-494-3987

Sacred Heart Parish 540-962-6541

Office Hours: Call for appointment

In Emergency	Fr. Lukenge	434-755-1208
Council Chair	Laurie O'Doherty	703-282-9203
Vice Chair	Leo Mulcahy	540-862-3021
Secretary	DeDe Rogowski	540-962-7344
Worship	Tom O'Doherty	540-962-6795
Community Life	Alvina Nida	540-747-2211
Justice & Peace	John Stec	540-862-1917
Grds & Maint.	Ron Brunetti	540-962-1565
Religious Educ.	Dianne Garcia	540-691-4896
K of C Contact	Don Rogowski	540-962-7344

Shrine of the Sacred Heart Parish 540-839-2603

Office Hours: Call for appointment

In Emergency	Fr. Lukenge	434-755-1208
Council Chair	Herb Godschalk	540-255-3690
Vice Chair	Beth Eley	646-842-1555
Secretary	Sue Godschalk	540-255-2499
Worship	Eileen Judah	540-968-6409
Community Life	Deborah Lambert	540-468-3438
Justice & Peace	Tom Misiak	540-997-1478
Grds & Maint.	Louis Pokrywka	540-925-2413
Organist	Dr. Leszek Fiutowski	304-456-5473



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR
MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:

Sacred Heart – Arthur Headley, Jessie (Jesus) Morales, Joel Moscoso

St. Joseph – Michael Buchanan, Joshua Crawford, Andy Shepard

PRAYER LIST

St. Joseph

Mark Asma, Clair Dilley, Bob Gardiner, Tom Greenwood, Rita Luther, Sally Putnam, Bob Umstead, Terry Windsor.

Sacred Heart

Pam Austin, Nola Beach, Josephine Brown, Mack Brown, Wanda Callaham, Robert Childs, Esther Ewing, Tony Forbes, Roberta Frampton, Arthur Headley, Marcella Jordan, Raphael Lopez, David Palance, Maria Perron, Paul Perron, Shaun Perron, Pam Poole, Michael Rybka, Cathy Savage, Maureen Stec, Sophia Veras, Thomas Wade, Bill Withrow

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

Margaret Fields, Molly Sasser, John W. Smith, Clarissa Westenburger

Sick & Shut-in



WEEKLY DONATIONS BUDGETED NEEDS: \$1400.00

St. Joseph	
Sunday Offertory	\$
Sacred Heart	
Sunday Offertory	\$864.00
World Mission	241.00
Shrine of the Sacred Heart	
Sunday Offertory	\$995.00

CALENDAR

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph - 12NOON Tuesday and Thursday
Sacred Heart – 11:30AM Wednesday; Friday – 10:45AM Adoration and Benediction, Mass at 12 Noon

First Friday Mass at Sacred Heart beginning with Mass at 11am followed by 8 hours of Adoration. Benediction will be at 8PM.

First Saturday Mass at Sacred Heart at 9AM beginning with the Rosary and Litany of Our Lady followed by Mass at 9:30AM.

Contact Fr. Tom (540-588-8492) to schedule a time for weekday Mass at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart.

All Saints Day is Wednesday, November 1 (Holy Day of Obligation). Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM at the Shrine; 11:30 AM at Sacred Heart and 5:30 PM at St. Joseph.

All Souls Day is Thursday, November 2. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM at the Shrine, 12:00 PM at St. Joseph, and 5:30 PM at Sacred Heart.

Edgemont Presbyterian Church, Covington, is hosting a special 1-hour seminar on Saturday 11/4, for those interested in learning about dementia resources locally available, what dementia is, and tips for communicating with people who have dementia. The hour will also include fun activities and interaction.

Also, the session is FREE and no registration is necessary. But it would help Edgemont's planning if attendees would either call our church office to let them know, or register online at <https://www.edgemontarpchurch.com/>.

NOTICES

IT'S TIME FOR A NEW PARISH DIRECTORY!

The dates for the directory photos for our parishes:

Shrine of the Sacred Heart: Wednesday, December 6, 2023

Sacred Heart: Wednesday, December 13, 2023

St. Joseph: Wednesday, December 20, 2023

You can have your portrait done at any of these locations. You do not have to have your picture taken at your member parish. However, you must register in advance.

There are sign-up sheets at each parish with the time slots available.

Families, couples and singles who are photographed will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory.

Your parish contacts can help you register.

Parish contacts are:

Shrine of the Sacred Heart: Sue Godschalk and Beth Eley; Sacred Heart: Laurie O'Doherty and Zee Withrow; St. Joseph: Libby Burger and Paul Cormier

National Eucharistic Revival:

Year of Parish Revival

June 11, 2023-July 17, 2024

Beginning in January 2024, Sacred Heart will offer the "Jesus and the Eucharist" small group study as part of the National Eucharistic Revival sponsored by the Bishops of the United States. Details about this seven-week study will be provided later.

For information about the National Eucharistic Revival and to access resources to learn more about the reality of Jesus in the Eucharist and fall more deeply in love with him, check out www.eucharisticrevival.org.



DAILY READINGS

Sun. Oct. 22	Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6; Psalms 96: 1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1Thessalonians 1: 1-5b; Philippians 2: 15d, 16a; Matthew 22: 15-21
Mon. Oct. 23	Romans 4: 20-25; Luke 1: 69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Matthew 5: 3; Luke 12: 13-21
Tues. Oct. 24	Romans 5: 12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Psalms 40: 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Luke 21: 36; Luke 12: 35-38
Wed. Oct. 25	Romans 6: 12-18; Psalms 124: 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Matthew 24: 42a, 44; Luke 12: 39-48
Thurs. Oct. 26	Romans 6: 19-23; Psalms 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Philippians 3: 8-9; Luke 12: 49-53
Fri. Oct. 27	Romans 7: 18-25a; Psalms 119: 66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94; Matthew 11: 25; Luke 12: 54-59
Sat. Oct. 28	Ephesians 2: 19-22; Psalms 19: 2-3, 4-5; Luke 6: 12-16
Sun. Oct. 29	Exodus 22: 20-26; Psalms 18: 2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; 1 Thessalonians 1: 5c-10; John 14: 23; Matthew 22: 34-40

VOCATIONS

“Many are called, but few are chosen.” Are you considering a vocation to proclaim the word of God as a priest or consecrated religious? Call Father Matthew Kiehle (804)359-5661 email: vocations@richmond diocese .org.



ANSWER TO A HIGHER AUTHORITY

Today's readings encourage us Christian stewards to always be mindful of who we are and Whose we are in every aspect of our lives.

Jesus reminds us of this truth in our Gospel passage today as He cleverly puts the Pharisees in their place during their attempt to verbally entrap Him. They ask Him whether it is lawful to pay the tax to Caesar. But the Pharisees were thinking small. Christ, on the other hand, thinks big.

We all know how the story goes. Christ asks to see the coin that pays the tax and has them state whose image is on it. They of course, reply, "Caesar." In response Christ tells them to "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

With that, He reminds us that while civil authorities should be obeyed, we answer to an infinitely higher Authority, God, Who is Lord of everything and everyone. All things and all people were created by God. In Baptism we have been claimed for Christ. Our lives are a gift from God and we have the privilege and responsibility to use every aspect of our lives in grateful response to Him.

Let us joyfully give thanks to this wonderful God by the way we live our daily lives. We belong to Him and there is no other!