



MAY 19, 2024
PENTECOST SUNDAY

**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

*"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,
and whose sins you retain are retained."*

John 20:19-23

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) Morals, Joel Moscoso
St. Joseph –Joshua Crawford, Andy Shepard

PRAYER LIST

St. Joseph

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

Sacred Heart

Pam Austin, Nola Beach, Josephine Brown, Mack Brown, Wanda Callaham, Robert Childs, Esther Ewing, Jay Ewing, Tony Forbes, Roberta Frampton, Mitchell Garcia, Paulino Gutierrez, April Headley, Arthur Headley, Raphael Lopez, Heidi Mulcahy, David Palance, Paul Perron, Shaun Perron, Pam Poole, Michael Rybka, Cathy Savage, Maureen Stec, Karen Wenke, Bill Withrow, Becky Woodson

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

Margo Oxendine, Molly Sasser, John W. Smith, Clarissa Westenburger

Diocese of Richmond Seminarian

Mr. Avention Grimes



WEEKLY DONATIONS BUDGETED NEEDS: \$1400.00

St. Joseph

Sunday Offertory \$803.00

Sacred Heart

Sunday Offertory \$833.68
Centennial 868.00

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

Sunday Offertory \$ 983.00

CALENDAR

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph - Tuesday and Thursday at 12Noon
Sacred Heart - Wednesday at 11:30AM followed by the Rosary.

Friday: Adoration and Benediction begin at 10:45AM followed by Mass at 12NOON.

First Friday Mass will be celebrated on at 11AM followed by 8 hours of Adoration and Benediction at 8PM.

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

THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are, wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of God.

These traits are infused into every Christian as a permanent endowment at his baptism, nurtured by the practice of the seven virtues, and sealed in the sacrament of confirmation.

These gifts, according to St. Thomas Aquinas, are "habits," "instincts," or "dispositions" provided by God as supernatural helps to man in the process of his "perfection." They enable man to transcend the limitations of human reason and human nature and participate in the very life of God, as Christ promised (John 14:23). Aquinas insisted that they are necessary for man's salvation, which he cannot achieve on his own. They serve to "perfect" the four cardinal or moral virtues (prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance) and the three theological virtues (faith, hope, and charity). The virtue of charity is the key that unlocks the potential power of the seven gifts, which can (and will) lie dormant in the soul after baptism unless so acted upon.

NOTICES

Congratulations to Jose Gonzalez Rogel, Luis Lopez Merodio, Indie Noel, and Tyler Siebenkittel who will receive their First Communion this morning at Sacred Heart. There will be a luncheon reception in the parish hall for them and their families following Mass. Please join us in this celebration. All are welcome even if you do not bring a dish.

Sacred Heart's Centennial Celebration will begin with Mass at 11 AM on Saturday, June 8th followed by a celebratory luncheon in the parish hall. We need to know if you are planning on attending. This is the last opportunity to sign up. Thank you.

The Knights of Columbus invites all Knights, Parishioners, Families, and Friends to join in paying tribute to our Veterans at Mt. Carmel Catholic Cemetery on Memorial Day Monday 29th at 9:00am. We will place American Flags on Veteran graves and recite the Rosary.

The Feast of Corpus Christi will be celebrated on Sunday, June 2nd. The feast of Corpus Christi is one time when our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is exposed not just to faithful Catholics but to all the world. This is a time when Catholics can show their love for Christ in the Real Presence by honoring Him in a very public way. It is also a wonderful way in which we can show our love for our neighbors by bringing Our Lord and Savior closer to them. Sacred Heart Covington will have its own Eucharistic Procession immediately following Mass on June 2nd. We will process around the block and conclude with a solemn blessing in the Church.

DAILY READINGS

Sun. May 19	Acts 2: 1-11; Psalms 104: 1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 12-13; John 20: 19-23
Mon. May 20	Genesis 3: 9-15, 20; Psalms 87: 1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7; John 19: 25-34
Tues. May 21	James 4: 1-10; Psalms 55: 7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23; Galatians 6: 14; Mark 9: 30-37
Wed. May 22	James 4: 13-17; Psalms 49: 2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11; John 14: 6; Mark 9: 38-40
Thurs. May 23	James 5: 1-6; Psalms 49: 14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20; 1 Thessalonians 2: 13; Mark 9: 41-50
Fri. May 24	James 5: 9-12; Psalms 103: 1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12; John 17: 17b, 17a; Mark 10: 1-12
Sat. May 25	James 5: 13-20; Psalms 141: 1-2, 3 and 8; Matthew 11: 25; Mark 10: 13-16
Sun. May 26	Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40; Psalms 33: 4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22; Romans 8: 14-17; Revelation 1: 8; Matthew 28: 16-20

VOCATIONS

"When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth." Will you let the Holy Spirit lead you to your true vocation in the Risen Lord...perhaps as a priest or consecrated religious? Father Matthew Kiehle (804)359-5661 email: vocations@richmond diocese .org.

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Our Easter season culminates with the glorious feast of Pentecost. We can imagine how incredible that moment was for the apostles and all who witnessed it. The Holy Spirit was alive and working. The Holy Spirit is just as alive and willing to work here and now in our day-to-day moments as back at our first Pentecost.

Our First Reading bears witness to the first Pentecost. During this encounter with the Holy Spirit, the apostles and Mary felt a driving wind, there were tongues of fire on the heads of each of them and the Spirit allowed them to speak in different tongues proclaiming acts of God. We might hear this reading and wish the Holy Spirit worked that obviously in our lives each day. The truth is, the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives is obvious — we just might be blind to it, or it might be that we have closed ourselves off to the Holy Spirit's wonderous works.

Our tongues of fire might be a profound conversation with a friend, something that you needed to hear in that exact moment, or even a closed door to an opportunity for something much, much greater. These are movements of the Holy Spirit in our everyday moments. The more we take time to recognize them, the more we become aware of them.

On this Pentecost Sunday, let us give thanks to God for sending us His Holy Spirit. And let us strive to be in tune with the Holy Spirit by looking for the ways God has been working in our lives.