



JUNE 9, 2024
TENTH 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

"Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Mark 3:20-35

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, Bill Withrow, Becky Woodson

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

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

Diocese of Richmond Seminarian

Mr. Aventon Grimes



WEEKLY DONATIONS BUDGETED NEEDS: \$1400.00

St. Joseph
Sunday Offertory \$1,270.00

Sacred Heart
Sunday Offertory \$2,987.00
Diocesan Home Missions 307.00

Shrine of the Sacred Heart
Sunday Offertory \$ 2,195.38

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 at 10:45AM
followed by Mass at 12Noon.

Sacred Heart - First Friday beginning with Mass at
11am followed by 8 hours of Adoration. Benediction
will be at 8PM; First Saturday Mass at 9AM beginning
with the Rosary and Litany of Our Lady followed by
Mass at 9:30AM.



PRAYER

Blessed are You, LORD GOD, always merciful and
forgiving. You extend Your adoption of us, even
though we do not deserve, nor can we earn it. You
ask us to do Your will by reaching out to others and
welcoming them into Your presence as Your adopted
children. Yet we often forget Your loving kindness
and continue to sin, thus alienating ourselves from
You.

Through the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of
Your Son, Jesus, You have bridged the gap and
reminded us of Your great love. May we seek to
follow His example and lovingly reach out to others
and help them accept Your gift of loving forgiveness.
We ask that You continue to fill us with the gifts of
the Holy Spirit so we can be faithful servants. We
make this prayer in the name of Jesus, Your Son and
our Brother Who lives and reigns with You and the
Holy Spirit, our one and only GOD, for ever and ever.
Amen.

NOTICES

Do you know someone who might be inquiring
about the Catholic Faith or may want to become
a Catholic? If yes, beginning in August that
someone can start the process of learning more
about the Catholic Faith with the possibility of
becoming Catholic at the Easter Vigil 2025 (April
19, 2025). To learn more contact Don Rogowski
at 540-962-7344 or Janice Campbell at 540-969-
9073

The next Adult Faith Formation, Lectio: Mark:
Faith Not Fear, walks through each chapter of the
Gospel of Mark in his action-packed story.
Sessions begin on Tuesday, August 20 @ 6:30 PM
in Sacred Heart Parish Hall and continue each
Tuesday until November 19 (14 sessions, each ~1
hour). If you would like a free Participant Guide
(over 200 pages) , contact Don Rogowski @ 540-
962-7344 or formed@sacredheartcovington.org
by Monday, August 5. View the trailer at
<https://vimeo.com/282582579>

National Right to Life Conference
June 28 – 29, 2024
Arlington (Crystal City), VA

Kayleigh McEnany will be the keynote speaker at
the 53rd Annual National Right to Life
Conference on June 29th in Arlington, Virginia.
Kayleigh McEnany is known for her eloquence
and unwavering dedication to pro-life values.
The Conference is two jam-packed days!
The Conference begins with Friday morning's
Prayer Breakfast. Following the breakfast will be
the general sessions and breakout sessions. The
event ends with Saturday evening's Gala.
Prepare to be inspired and empowered at this
year's conference and register today.
Register at nrlconvention.com

DAILY READINGS

Sun. June 9	Genesis 3: 9-15; Psalms 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Corinthians 4: 13 – 5:1; John 12: 31b-32; Mark 3: 20-35
Mon. June 10	1 Kings 17: 1-6; Psalms 121: 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Matthew 5: 12a; Matthew 5: 1-12
Tues. June 11	Acts 11: 21b-26; 13: 1-3; Psalms 98: 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Matthew 5: 16; Matthew 5: 13-16
Wed. June 12	1 Kings 18: 20-39; Psalms 16: 1b-2ab, 4, 5ab, 8, 11; Psalms 25: 4b, 5a; Matthew 5: 17-19
Thurs. June 13	1 Kings 18: 41-46; Psalms 65: 10, 11, 12-13; John 13: 34; Matthew 5: 20-26
Fri. June 14	1 Kings 19: 9a, 11-16; Psalms 27: 7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14; Philippians 2: 15d, 16a; Matthew 5: 27-32
Sat. June 15	1 Kings 19: 19-21; Psalms 16: 1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10; Psalms 119: 36a, 29b; Matthew 5: 33-37
Sun. June 16	Ezekiel 17: 22-24; Psalms 92: 2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10; Mark 4: 26-34

VOCATIONS

Are you looking for “...what is unseen ...”? Perhaps it is a call to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Father Matthew Kiehle (804)359-5661 email: vocations @richmond diocese



NO ONE CAN HIDE FROM GOD

In today's First Reading from the Book of Genesis we hear the story of Adam and Eve and their sins, defying God. However, when God was present in the garden, the man and woman hid themselves. Adam responds to God's question why in part by saying "I was afraid... so I hid myself." Did he, do any of us really think he could hide from God?

As children many of us may have hidden from a parent when we did something wrong, and it was in violation of some specific order we had received. Our efforts to hide what we did and to hide ourselves were probably no more effective than Adam's.

As humans we know the temptation of following our own plans, even if they are contrary to God's. We think we know better, and we may try to still have it our way. If what we have done is particularly shameful, we may try to hide our sins from God.

The sincere truth is that we cannot hide from God any more than Adam and Eve could. Psalm 139 declares, "Where can I hide from your spirit (God's)? From your presence where can I flee? If I ascend to the heavens, you are there; if I lie down in Sheol (the place of the dead) you are there, too. If I say, 'Surely darkness will hide me'... Darkness is not dark for you."

What are we hiding from? In recent weeks we have learned over and over how much God loves us. It is time for us to accept that and not hide.