

NOVEMBER 3, 2024  
THIRTY-FIRST 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](http://sacredheartcovington.org)  
Mass Schedule: Sunday 11:00 AM

**ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**

620 Jefferson Ave. Clifton Forge, VA 24422  
540-863-5371 [stjosephcf.org](http://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](http://shrineofthesacredheartparish.org)  
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 9:00 AM

**Fr. Ernest Dugah, Administrator**  
804-914-4977

**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.

**MT CARMEL CATHOLIC CEMETERY**

Low Moor, Virginia  
Contact: Mr. Carl Withrow (540) 968-3267

## CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

### St. Joseph Parish 540-863-5371

Office Hours: Call for appointment

In Emergency	Fr. Dugah	804-914-4977
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. Dugah	804-914-4977
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. Dugah	804-914-4977
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, Ed and Sandra Haverlack, Rita Luther, Sally Putnam, Carol Turner, Terry Windsor.

### Sacred Heart

Blake Alderman, Pam Austin, Debbie Brokaw, Josephine Brown, Mack Brown, Wanda Callaham, Karen Cody, Wanda Dameron, Esther Ewing, Jay Ewing, Rev. David Hanks, Tony Forbes, Roberta Frampton, April Headley, Arthur Headley, Raphael Lopez, Sandra Minter, Heidi Mulcahy, David Palance, Paul 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. Avention Grimes



## WEEKLY DONATIONS BUDGETED NEEDS: \$1400.00

<b>St. Joseph</b>	
Sunday Offertory	\$1,165.00

<b>Sacred Heart</b>	
Sunday Offertory	\$1,009.00
COPE Food Pantry	401.00

<b>Shrine of the Sacred Heart</b>	
Sunday Offertory	\$ 1,873.75

## CALENDAR

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph – Tuesday and Thursday at 12Noon  
Sacred Heart - Wednesday at 11:30AM followed by  
the Rosary. – Friday Benediction and Adoration at  
10:45AM followed by Mass at 12Noon.

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

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

## LEVITICAL PRIESTS

Moses appointed his own relatives as the first Jewish  
priests. His family came from the tribe of Levi. They  
were required to offer animal sacrifices for the  
people, but first had to offer them for their own sins.  
The latter obligation came from the belief that daily  
contact with the world rendered them ritually  
impure. They could not, for example, enter a room  
where a dead body lay. Other ritual impurities forced  
them to make continual sacrifices for their sins before  
they could pray.

## NOTICES

Sacred Heart-St. Joseph Knights of Columbus  
Council is distributing "Keep Christ in Christmas"  
car magnets for free after Sunday Vigil and  
Sunday Masses the first four weekends of  
November at all three clustered parishes. Each  
family is welcome to take one magnet either the  
first or second weekend. After each family  
wanting a magnet has had the opportunity to  
get one, each family is welcome to take a second  
magnet either the third and fourth weekend, if  
magnets are available.

## NOTICES

This fall, voters will select candidates for the  
office of President, U.S. Senator, U.S.  
Representative and – in some areas – “down-  
ballot” offices. At the Virginia Catholic  
Conference Election Resource Hub you’ll find  
information on registering to vote, faithfully  
preparing to vote, and more!  
<https://vacatholic.org/election2024/>

Please join the Knights of Columbus in  
remembering our Veterans, on Veterans Day  
Monday Nov 11th. We will assemble at Mt.  
Carmel Catholic Cemetery Low Moor, rain or  
shine at 5:00pm to place flags on Veteran  
graves and recite the Rosary. All  
parishioners, family, and friends are  
welcome.

Sacred Heart - St. Joseph Knights of  
Columbus Council thanks all who are  
collecting aluminum cans and dropping  
them off in the orange bin located along the  
side of the Sacred Heart Rectory  
garage. Over 1,350 lbs. or more than  
44,000 cans have been recycled. Currently,  
the recycling rate is about 870 pounds per  
year. The proceeds from recycling  
aluminum cans are used to fund Council  
initiatives. Be creative and ask your friends,  
neighbors, or a business to save  
aluminum cans for you.

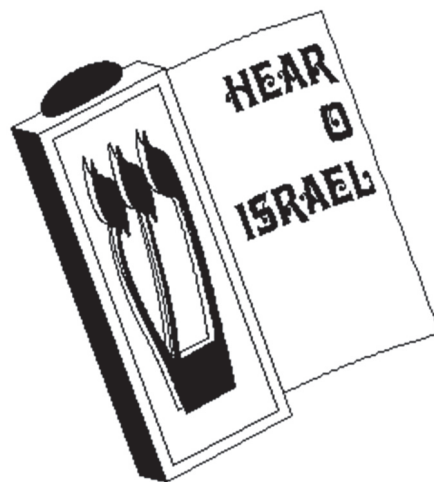
Visit the Catholic Diocese of Richmond  
YouTube channel for interviews with our  
clergy and laypeople, coverage of the  
Eucharistic Revival, and happenings  
throughout the diocese.

## DAILY READINGS

Sun. Nov. 3	Deuteronomy 6: 2-6; Psalms 18: 2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; Hebrews 7: 23-28; John 14: 23; Mark 12: 28b-34
Mon. Nov. 4	Philippians 2: 1-4; Psalms 131: 1bcde, 2, 3; John 8: 31b-32; Luke 14: 12-14
Tues. Nov. 5	Philippians 2: 5-11; Psalms 22: 26b-27, 28, 29-30, 31-32; Matthew 11: 28; Luke 14: 15-24
Wed. Nov. 6	Philippians 2: 12-18; Psalms 27: 1, 4, 13-14; 1 Peter 4: 14; Luke 14: 25-33
Thurs. Nov. 7	Philippians 3: 3-8a; Psalms 105: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Matthew 11: 28; Luke 15: 1-10
Fri. Nov. 8	Philippians 3: 17 – 4: 1; Psalms 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; 1 John 2: 5; Luke 16: 1-8
Sat. Nov. 9	Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12; Psalms 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Corinthians 3: 9c-11, 16-17; 2 Chronicles 7: 16; John 2: 13-22
Sun. Nov. 10	1 Kings 17: 10-16; Psalms 146: 7, 8-9, 9-10; Hebrews 9: 24-28; Matthew 5: 3; Mark 12: 38-44

## VOCATIONS

“What do you want Me to do you for you?”  
Could your answer be the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life?  
Contact Father Matthew Kiehle (804)359-5661 email: vocations @richmond diocese .org.



## GIVE YOUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURES

Today's Gospel presents Jesus' teachings on the two greatest commandments. Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. And love your neighbor as yourself. Let's consider these "greatest commandments" as they relate to three aspects of a Christian steward's daily life — the giving of our time, talent, and treasure.

The use of time refers primarily to our relationship with the Lord — in other words, our prayer life. Since time is a gift to me from God, I show my love for Him and my gratitude for this gift by giving Him the best portion of my time. Of course, it is vital to talk to God throughout the day, but if I really want to love Him with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength, shouldn't I make time for God "first" on my agenda each day? Not as an afterthought, but as a time I have intentionally chosen to spend only with Him.

The use of talents refers to the way I offer the abilities, skills, and interests the Lord has given me for the good of those around me. Doing so is a practical way to "love my neighbor as myself." At the same time, it is also a way to love the Lord with all that I am and have, since He has told us that whatever we do for others we are also doing for Him.

The use material gifts — or treasure — likewise demonstrates both love of God and of neighbor. When I trustingly offer a sacrificial gift to God through the offertory collection, I am showing Him in a very tangible way that He comes before all else in my life and I am putting my material resources at the service of my neighbor in the parish community and beyond.

When we live for God and others, we are living a stewardship way of life. And like the wise scribe in today's Gospel, we are moving closer to the kingdom of God, our ultimate destination.