

JULY 17, 2022 SIXTEENTH 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 <u>sacredheartcovington.org</u> Mass Schedule: Sunday 11:00 AM

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

620 Jefferson Ave. Clifton Forge, VA 24422 540-863-5371 <u>stjosephcf.org</u> 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 <u>shrineofthesacredheartparish.org</u>
Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 9:00 AM

Fr. Augustine Lukenge, Administrator 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

"Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." Luke 10:38-42

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.	Bob Gardiner	540-863-9452	

Sacred Heart Parish 540-962-6541

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In Emergency	Fr. Lukenge	434-755-1208		
Council Chair	Mark Taylor	540-968-1183		
Vice Chair	Greg Kristoff	540-962-8900		
Secretary	Zelpha Withrow	540-962-2181		
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		
K of C Contact	Tom O'Doherty	540-962-6795		

Shrine of the Sacred Heart Parish 540-839-2603

Office Hours: Call for appointment

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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



Please pray for our Military Men & Women:

Chank you for

your support!

<u>Sacred Heart</u> – Arthur Headley, Jessie (Jesus) Morals, Joel Moscoso St. <u>Joseph</u> – Michael Buchanan, Joshua Crawford, Andy Shepard

PRAYER LIST

<u>St. Joseph</u>

Clair Dilley, Bob Gardiner, Tom Greenwood, Rita Luther, Marie Martin, Sally Putnam.

Sacred Heart

Pam Austin, Natalie Austin, Josephine Brown, Mack Brown, Montana Brown, Tom Callaham, Wanda Callaham, Robert Childs, Jay Ewing, Tony Forbes, Ken Headley, Marcella Jordan, John Misorek, Michael Rybka, John Stec, Maureen Stec, Tara Steinmecz and Baby Emma, Thomas Wade, Dave Wenke, Stanley Young

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

Margaret Fields, Dorothy Miller, Bill and Molly Sasser, John W. Smith, Clarissa Westenburger



WEEKLY DONATIONS BUDGETED NEEDS: \$1400.00

St. Joseph Sunday Offertory	\$856.00
Sacred Heart Sunday Offertory	\$677.00
Shrine of the Sacred He Sunday Offertory	eart \$2,351.00

CALENDAR

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph – 12NOON Tuesday and Thursday 11:30AM Wednesday and 12NOON Friday at Sacred Heart *(10:45AM Friday, Holy Hour with Benediction at Sacred Heart)

First Saturday Mass will be celebrated at Sacred Heart in honor of the Blessed Mother: 9:00AM Rosary and Litany of the Blessed Mother followed by Mass.

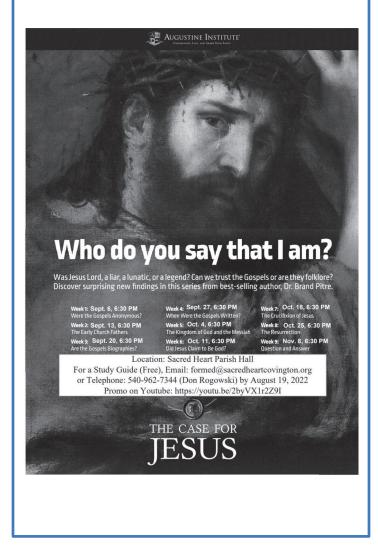
Contact Fr. Tom (540-588-8492) to schedule a time for weekday Mass at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart.

NOTICES

FORMED

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He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

SAINT MARTHA

Jesus probably traveled to Jerusalem three times a year, throughout his life. He would have taken the safest route, through the Jordan river valley and up the eastern side of the Mount of Olives. Bethany would have been his last stop. He would wait here for Sunrise and the spectacular view of the Temple at dawn. It would seem that he visited the home of Lazarus, Mary and Martha to rest the night.

As his fame grew, Lazarus' family would look forward to these arrivals. Martha wants to anticipate his every need. She seems overwrought and stuffy in this scene. She doesn't appear to be saint-material. However, of the three people in the family, she is the one who shows the greatest growth. When her brother dies she is the one who states, "I have come to believe..." Because of this, Martha is the only one of three who is honored by a universal feast day.

DAILY READINGS		<u>VOCATIONS</u>	
Sun. July 17	Genesis 18: 1-10a; Psalms 15: 2-3ab, 3cd- 4, 5; Colossians 1: 24-28; Luke 8: 15; Luke 10: 38-42	"It is He whom we proclaim." Are you being called to proclaim Christ and the word of God? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359- 5661	
Mon. July 18	Micah 6: 1-4, 6-8; Psalms 50: 5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Psalms 95: 8; Matthew 12: 38-42	e-mail: vocations @richmonddiocese.org.	
Tues. July 19	Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20; Psalms 85: 2-4, 5- 6, 7-8; John 14: 23; Matthew 12: 46-50		
Wed. July 20	Jeremiah 1: 1, 4-10; Psalms 71: 1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17; Matthew 13: 1-9		
Thurs. July 21	Jeremiah 2: 1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Psalms 36: 6- 7ab, 8-9, 10-11; Matthew 11: 25; Matthew 13: 10-17		
Fri. July 22	Songs 3: 1-4b; Psalms 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; John 20: 1-2, 11-18	E/FT	
Sat. July 23	Jeremiah 7: 1-11; Psalms 84: 3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11; James 1: 21bc; Matthew 13: 24-30	Mary Has Chosen The Better Part	
Sun. July 24	Genesis 18: 20-32; Psalms 138: 1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8; Colossians 2: 12-14; Romans 8: 15bc; Luke 11: 1-13	act Pact	

MARTHA AND MARY

In today's Gospel reading from St. Luke, we receive a reminder about the proper use of the gift of time, a fundamental aspect of a stewardship way of life. Our passage highlights one of the most famous dinner parties ever thrown, recalling the day that Martha and Mary hosted our Lord in their home. We are told that Martha, as a good steward, welcomes Christ in but then becomes "burdened with much serving" while her sister and fellow hostess chooses to simply sit with Jesus, listening to Him speak.

Martha becomes indignant at Mary's behavior and complains to Jesus, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." But Jesus, in His infinite wisdom, refuses to get pulled into this sisterly spat. Instead, He offers Martha a fresh way to look at the situation. "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing."

What is that one thing? It is to put Jesus first in our lives and above all other things; to "sit at his feet" and listen as Mary did, giving Him the priority of our time no matter how busy we think we are. When we truly commit to putting Christ first in our daily lives through a regular time of prayer and frequent participation in the sacraments, we will find that all our other concerns become less pressing, less overwhelming.