

NOVEMBER 20, 2022 SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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 <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 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

"Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." **Luke 23:35-43**

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.	JimmyWithrow	540-494-3987

Sacred Heart Parish 540-962-6541

Office Hours: Call for appointment

In Emergency	Fr. Lukenge	434-755-1208
Council Chair	Mark Taylor	540-968-1183
	Laurie O'Doherty	703-282-9203
	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	Tom O'Doherty	540-962-6795

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



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:

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

PRAYER LIST

St. Joseph

Brian Albrecht, Keith Albrecht, Clair Dilley Tom Greenwood, Larry Griffith, Rita Luther, Sally Putnam, Terry Windsor.

Sacred Heart

Pam Austin, Josephine Brown, Kevin Brown, Mack Brown, Tom Callaham, Wanda Callaham, Robert Childs, Esther Ewing, Tony Forbes, Roberta Frampton, Marcella Jordan, Jonnie Noel, David Palance, Maria and Bob Perron, Michael Rybka, Cathy Savage, Maureen Stec, Thomas Wade, Bill Withrow

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

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Sacred Heart

Sunday Offertory	\$2,375.00
Christmas Mother	567.00
Various 2 nd Collections	80.00

Shrine of the Sacred Heart
Sunday Offertory \$ 2,126.23

Thank you for your support!

CALENDAR

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph - 12NOON Tuesday and Thursday Sacred Heart - 11:30AM Wednesday and 12NOON Friday (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.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS SCHEDULE:

9:00AM at Sacred Heart 9:00AM at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

TODAY IN PARADISE

Flower gardens were almost nonexistent in ancient times. Arable land was used for growing food. Only the most wealthy could enjoy the luxury of purely ornamental planting. Typically this meant that only a king could afford such a space. In Persia (Iran) the royal garden was enclosed with a high wall, kept behind locked gates. It was secured for the private enjoyment of the ruler and those in his favor. The Persian word for this enclave was "pairi-daiza" or enclosed park. The English word is "paradise". One of the two thieves crucified with Jesus recognizes the special nature of Jesus. Our Lord promises that he will soon be with him in paradise. It is an admission of kingship by Christ and a promise for all admitted sinners.

NOTICES

THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL SERVICES

Area Ecumenical Thanksgiving services will be held on November 20th:

6:00PM at Main Street Baptist Church in Clifton Forge 7:00PM at First Presbyterian Church in Covington. All are invited to join together in thanking Almighty God or His many gracious blessings to all of us.



SACRED HEART, ST. JOSEPH and the SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART have established the Lumen Christi Legacy Society. It is automatic for any parishioner who has named their parish in their Will. We are honored to acknowledge those special benefactors.

Naming your parish in your Will is a way to acknowledge the importance of your faith as a Catholic and the Church to you in your lifetime.

If you have already included your parish in your Will, we invite you as our newest Lumen Christi Legacy Society member. To learn more about leaving a legacy gift to one of our clustered parishes, please call the appropriate parish office found on the front page of our Sunday bulletin.

The Lumen Christi Legacy Intention Form can be found on the Lumen Christi tab on our respective websites.

Even though a will is one of the best ways to protect what you love and plan for the future, more than 67% of American adults don't have an up-to-date will. This week is an ideal opportunity to create an estate plan that stewards all that God has entrusted to your care. Through the Catholic Community Foundation's partnership with FreeWill, you can create your legal will and protect what matters most at no cost to you. Visit FreeWill.com/RichmondCatholicFoundation

DAILY READINGS

Sun. Nov. 20	2 Samuel 5: 1-3; Psalms 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4- 5; Colossians 1: 12-20; Mark 11: 9, 10; Luke 23: 35-43
Mon. Nov. 21	Revelation 14: 1-3, 4b-5; Psalms 24: 1bc- 2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Matthew 24: 42a, 44; Luke 21: 1-4
Tues. Nov. 22	Revelation 14: 14-19; Psalms 96: 10, 11- 12, 13; Revelation 2: 10c; Luke 21: 5-11
Wed. Nov. 23	Revelation 15: 1-4; Psalms 98: 1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9; Revelation 2: 10c; Luke 21: 12-19
Thurs. Nov. 24	Revelation 18: 1-2, 21-23; 19: 1-3, 9a; Psalms 100: 2, 3, 4, 5; Luke 21: 28; Luke 21: 20-28
Fri. Nov. 25	Revelation 20: 1-4, 11-21: 2; Psalms 84: 3, 4, 5-6a and 8a; Luke 21: 28; Luke 21: 29-33
Sat. Nov. 26	Revelation 22: 1-7; Psalms 95: 1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab; Luke 21: 36; Luke 21: 34-36
Sun. Nov. 27	Isaiah 2: 1-5; Psalms 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Romans 13: 11-14; Psalms 85: 8; Matthew 24: 37-44

VOCATIONS

"Jesus, remember me when you come into Your kingdom." Will you make Christ the King and His merciful love remembered as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661 e-mail: vocations @richmonddiocese.org.



SERVE CHRIST THE KING

On this Feast of Christ the King, our readings show us that we serve the greatest of Kings, who is at the same time the humblest of Kings. Christ is the perfect model of servant leadership. And what an indescribable privilege that He has called us to be servant leaders — stewards in the work of advancing His Kingdom.

In our second reading, from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians, Paul describes the great power and dignity that characterize Christ the King. "All things were created through him and for him. He is before all things and in him all things hold together." It makes you want to stand up and cheer. That's our King!

Yet what a contrasting description of the same King we find in our Gospel passage, from Luke. Now we see our King nailed to the Cross. Everyone from rulers to soldiers, to the criminals on either side of Christ is mocking, sneering, and reviling him. They tauntingly urge him to prove His kingship by coming down from the Cross to end his suffering with a great show of power. "if you are the King of the Jews, save yourself."

But He does not. Amazingly, it is in this moment of seeming weakness and humiliation, when all appears hopeless and lost, that the full breadth of his greatness as king is displayed. Though all things were created through and for Him — Christ chooses to live entirely for others, for us!

What does this mean for us as his followers and stewards of His kingdom? Precisely that our lives are not about us. They are about Christ and others. And we will advance his kingdom to the extent that we embrace this mindset: my life is not about me; it is about serving the King of kings.