



DECEMBER 18, 2022
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**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

*"Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us."*

Matthew 1:18-24

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	Vacant	
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	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, Kevin 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, Rick Martin, 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	\$
Sacred Heart	
Sunday Offertory	\$922.00
Christmas Flowers	25.00
In Memory of David Wenke	100.00
Shrine of the Sacred Heart	
Sunday Offertory	\$2,164.23

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. Service
starts at 9:00AM with the 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.

FORMED

Only 30% of Catholics believe in the true
presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. This is
the very core of our faith yet it is not understood
by more than two-thirds of our fellow Catholics.
Through our parish subscription to FORMED, an
online faith formation platform produced by the
Augustine Institute and Ignatius Press, we are
able to access a wonderful three-part
series: PRESENCE: THE MYSTERY OF THE
EUCHARIST that will help us understand the true
meaning of the Eucharist, and indeed our faith.

1. Go to: Formed.org
2. Click on: Sign up as a parishioner
3. Enter zip code 24426 to create a new account
4. Click on Sacred Heart 255 W Main Street
5. Enter your name and email address

NOTICES

Sacred Heart will host a Tri-Parish Children's
Christmas Pageant and potluck dinner today in the
parish hall at 5PM. All parishioners from our
clustered parishes are invited. Please bring a dish of
your choice and join us. You are welcome to attend
even if you cannot bring a dish. There will be a special
appearance by Santa!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, CHRISTMAS VIGIL

5:00PM at Sacred Heart

5:00PM at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

10:00 PM at St. Joseph

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH, CHRISTMAS DAY

No Mass at St. Joseph

9:00AM at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

11:00AM at Sacred Heart

WINTER/SPRING 2023 FORMED

Adult Faith Formation at Sacred Heart Parish Hall on
Tuesdays @ 6:30 PM.

Symbolon: Living the Faith - Act III: God Transforms –
January 10, 17, 24, 31, & February 7

Forgiven – The Transforming Power of Confession –
February 28, March 7, 14, 21, & 28 (During Lent)

Symbolon: Living the Faith - Act IV: God Gives Life to
the Full – April 18, 25, May 2, 9, & 16

To request free Participant Guides for one or both
series email formed@sacredheartcovington.org or
call Don Rogowski @ 540-962-7344 by January 2.

Fr. Lukenge is leaving for a visit to Uganda on
December 29th. Sacred Heart will take up a free will
offering after Mass today and at the Children's
Pageant and potluck dinner this evening. Fr. Lukenge
will use any funds collected to provide support to his
village in Uganda. Most individuals in his village live
in extreme poverty and lack basic human needs of
food, clothing, housing, shelter, healthcare and other
necessities of life. Please be as generous as you are
able.

Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.

DAILY READINGS

Sun. Dec. 18	Isaiah 7: 10-14; Psalms 24: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Romans 1: 1-7; Matthew 1:23; Matthew 1: 18-24
Mon. Dec. 19	Judges 13: 2-7, 24-25a; Psalms 71: 3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Luke 1: 5-25
Tues. Dec. 20	Isaiah 7: 10-14; Psalms 24: 1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Luke 1: 26-38
Wed. Dec. 21	Songs 2: 8-14; Psalms 33: 2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Luke 1: 39-45
Thurs. Dec. 22	1 Samuel 1: 24-28; 1 Samuel 2: 1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Luke 1: 46-56
Fri. Dec. 23	Malachi 3: 1-4, 23-24; Psalms 25: 4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14; Luke 1: 57-66
Sat. Dec. 24	2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Psalms 89: 2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Luke 1: 67-79
Sun. Dec. 25	Isaiah 62: 1-5; Psalms 89: 4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25; Matthew 1: 1-25

VOCATIONS

God chose to become man to lead us in a path of righteousness, is God calling you to grow in holiness? He may be inviting you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661 e-mail: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Recognizing that only 30% of all Catholics believe in the true presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops launched a three-year eucharistic revival that will culminate with the National Eucharistic Congress 2024 in Indianapolis.

The Revival is divided into three parts:

YEAR OF DIOCESAN REVIVAL: June 19, 2022 – June 11, 2023

This first year of the Revival invites diocesan staff, bishops, and priests to respond to the Lord's personal invitation and equips them to share this love with the faithful through eucharistic congresses and events.

YEAR OF PARISH REVIVAL: June 11, 2023 – July 17, 2024

The second phase will foster Eucharistic devotion at the parish level, strengthening our liturgical life through faithful celebration of the Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, missions, resources, preaching, and organic movements of the Holy Spirit.

NATIONAL EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS; July 17 – 21, 2024; Indianapolis, Indiana

At this historic event, more than 80,000 Catholics of all ages will gather in Indianapolis to reconsecrate their hearts to the source and summit of our faith.

Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith: his Real Presence in the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States.

BEGINNING FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2023, SACRED HEART, COVINGTON, WILL CELEBRATE FIRST FRIDAY MASS AT 11:00AM, FOLLOWED BY 8 HOURS OF EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION, ENDING WITH BENEDICTION. AS JESUS CANNOT BE LEFT ALONE, A SIGN-UP SHEET CAN BE FOUND IN THE VESTIBULE TO ALLOW PARISHIONERS TO VOLUNTEER FOR EACH HOUR.