



APRIL 9, 2023
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

**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

"They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him."

John 20:1-9

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	202-373-9571

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

Kevin Albrecht, Clair Dilley, Bob Gardiner, Tom Greenwood, Larry Griffith, Rita Luther, Sally Putnam, Terry Windsor.

Sacred Heart

Clara Arbogast, Josephine Brown, Kevin Brown, Mack Brown, Wanda Callaham, Robert Childs, Lisa Dickson, Esther Ewing, Tony Forbes, Roberta Frampton, Arthur Headley, Robert Hoke, Marcella Jordan, Raphael Lopez, Alvina Nida, David Palance, Maria Perron, Paul Perron, Shaun Perron Michael Rybka, Cathy Savage, Maureen Stec, Thomas Wade, Bill Withrow

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

Margaret Fields, Molly Sasser, John W. Smith, Clarissa Westenburger



WEEKLY DONATIONS BUDGETED NEEDS: \$1400.00

St. Joseph	
Sunday Offertory	\$
Sacred Heart	
Sunday Offertory	\$3,956.00
COPE Food Pantry	225.00
Shrine of the Sacred Heart	
Sunday Offertory	\$895.75

CALENDAR

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph - 12NOON Tuesday and Thursday

Sacred Heart - 11:30AM Wednesday;

12NOON Friday (10:45AM Friday, Holy Hour with Benediction at Sacred Heart)

First Friday Mass and Adoration: Mass will be celebrated at 11:00AM followed by Adoration; Benediction will be at 5:00PM

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.

There will be Mass at Sacred Heart on Easter Monday at 9:30AM

NOTICES

The next Faith Formation Series: Symbolon, Act IV, God Gives Life to the Full, begins on April 18 at 6:30pm in the Sacred Heart parish hall.

New seminar on May 9th beginning with a light dinner at 5:00PM and the seminar at 5:30PM at St. Joseph's Parish Hall.

This is for St. Joseph Church and Sacred Heart parishioners.

Get Your Affairs in Order: 4 things your family will thank you for, will provide you with information about Wills and Trusts, Catholic Advanced Medical Directives, Legacy Planning and Catholic Funeral Planning. This is a free informational seminar.

RSVP to the St. Joseph's parish office at 540-863-5371.

A LITTLE YEAST

In bible times, people made their own yeast (leaven or "sour dough") for bread. Since it took several days to grow the yeast plant, they always saved a starter batch. This "seed" hastened the process. After a wet winter the yeast might go bad--develop mold spores. Middle East women made a rule of throwing out the old yeast in the Spring to prevent this decay. The custom was eventually connected with Passover, when unleavened (yeastless) bread was baked until the new yeast could be grown.

Paul suggests that Christians should periodically throw out old ways of thinking. Thus we can view the message of the Resurrection from a renewed point of view.

THEY HAVE TAKEN JESUS OUT OF THE TOMB

Grave robbery has been a practice since ancient times. Sometimes the robbers were only interested in looting items buried with the dead. Later they might steal bodies for medical research. In the time of Jesus, Romans believed that the nails used to crucify a man could be "lucky" keepsakes.

Mary of Magdala may have thought that thieves had taken the body of Christ. She pleads with Peter and John to inspect the sepulchre and search for the body. Later she returns and meets the risen Jesus. She will know that his body was not taken. It was transformed and glorified.

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

DAILY READINGS

Sun. Apr. 9	Acts 10: 34a, 37-43; Psalms 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Colossians 3: 1-4; 1 Corinthians 5: 7b; -8a; John 20: 1-9
Mon. Apr. 10	Acts 2: 14, 22-33; Psalms 16: 1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Psalms 118: 24; Matthew 28: 8-15
Tues. Apr. 11	Acts 2: 36-41; Psalms 33: 4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22; Psalms 118: 24; John 20: 11-18
Wed. Apr. 12	Acts 3: 1-10; Psalms 105: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Psalms 118: 24; Luke 24: 13-35
Thurs. Apr. 13	Acts 3: 11-26; Psalms 8: 2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Psalms 118: 24; Luke 24: 35-48
Fri. Apr. 14	Acts 4: 1-12; Psalms 118: 1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Psalms 118: 24; John 21: 1-14
Sat. Apr. 15	Acts 4: 13-21; Psalms 118: 1, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Psalms 118: 24; Mark 16: 9-15
Sun. Apr. 16	Acts 2: 42-47; Psalms 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Peter 1: 3-9; John 20: 29; John 20: 19-31

VOCATIONS

"The Lord is risen, it is true!" Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers and sisters. Are you being called to proclaim the the Lord's resurrection? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661
e-mail: vocations @richmonddiocese.org.



LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD

The great feast of Easter has begun, Christian stewards. Let us rejoice and be glad! Just as we embraced the discipline and fasting of Lent, let us fully embrace the joy and feasting that the next 50 days offer. We are called to be good stewards of the Easter season.

Our first reading, from Acts, gives instruction on how to do this. Here, St. Peter says that our Lord, "commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead... that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

How do we ordinary people preach and testify to all God has done? We do so through how we live our ordinary lives — through the intentional use of our time, talent, and treasure for the kingdom of God. Putting God and others ahead of ourselves in every aspect of our lives is the most eloquent preaching we can do. Boldly and joyfully embracing a stewardship way of life is our most powerful testimony.

As Christian stewards, we are the modern-day witnesses of an incredible miracle prompted by unfathomable love — the death and Resurrection of our Savior for us. Let us rejoice and be glad and let's make sure our lives are a testimony to this amazing grace!