



OCTOBER 27, 2024
THIRTIETH 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
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. 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

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| 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

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| 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

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| 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

St. Joseph

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| Sunday Offertory | \$1,120.00 |
| World Mission | 455.00 |

Sacred Heart

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| Sunday Offertory | \$947.00 |
| World Mission | 486.12 |

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

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| Offertory | \$1,811.88 |
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CALENDAR

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph – Tuesday and Thursday at 12Noon
Sacred Heart - Wednesday at 11:30AM followed by
the Rosary.

Friday, November 1, is All Saints Day, a HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.

Mass Schedule:

Thursday, October 31:

Shrine - 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Friday, November 1:

Shrine - 9:00 AM Mass

St. Joseph - 12:00 Noon Mass

Sacred Heart - 12:00 PM Exposition and Adoration;
6:00 PM Benediction

6:30 PM Mass

Saturday, November 2, is All Souls Day, not a Holy
Day of Obligation. Mass Schedule:

9:00 AM Mass at the Shrine

9:00 AM Rosary at Mount Carmel Cemetery

10:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart

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

November 1, 2024, is the 21st anniversary of Fr. Dugah's ordination. Congratulations Fr. Dugah and may God Bless you with many more years!

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 to drop off at the Rectory garage.

DAILY READINGS

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| Sun. Oct. 27 | Jeremiah 31: 7-9; Psalms 126: 1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Hebrews 5: 1-6; 2 Timothy 1: 10; Mark 10: 46-52 |
| Mon. Oct. 28 | Ephesians 2: 19-22; Psalms 19: 2-3, 4-5; Luke 6: 12-16 |
| Tues. Oct. 29 | Ephesians 5: 21-33; Psalms 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5; Matthew 11: 25; Luke 13: 18-21 |
| Wed. Oct. 30 | Ephesians 6: 1-9; Psalms 145: 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14; 2 Thessalonians 2: 14; Luke 13: 22-30 |
| Thurs. Oct. 31 | Ephesians 6: 10-20; Psalms 144: 1b, 2, 9-10; Luke 19: 38; 2:14; Luke 13: 31-35 |
| Fri. Nov. 1 | Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-14; Psalms 24: 1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 John 3: 1-3; Matthew 11: 28; Matthew 5: 1-12a |
| Sat. Nov. 2 | Wisdom 3: 1-9; Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Romans 5: 5-11; Matthew 25: 34; John 6: 37-40 |
| 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 |

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.



HAVE FAITH IN JESUS

Our Psalm today, “The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy,” sheds light on our glorious Gospel reading about the healing of the blind man, Bartimaeus. We can learn a lot from Bartimaeus when it comes to our own personal relationships with Jesus. Many of us struggle with something from which we need healing — physical blindness, illness, addiction, bad habits, anger, sin. In our weakness, do we confidently cry out to Jesus knowing that He will help us?

Oftentimes we begin to, but then a voice in our thoughts tells us to doubt and encourages us to stop trying, like the crowd in our Gospel. Although that voice is persistent and strong, we are called to cry out all the more. If Jesus can hear one voice in a crowd of many, then He can hear our direct prayer to Him in our hearts.

Our Gospel story closes with the miraculous moment when Bartimaeus is healed. The conversation with Jesus was simple. Jesus asked Bartimaeus what he would like Him to do. This man, blind for who knows how many years, desired sight. Jesus responded, “Go your way; your faith has saved you.” He was healed and continued to follow Christ. There was not much that Bartimaeus had to do to become healed. All he needed was his undoubting faith.

Whatever it is that we are struggling with in this life, all Jesus asks of us is to have faith in Him. As a result, we will remain steadfast in our relationship with Christ and will have the strength to keep going. And although we might not be healed in this life, Jesus still hears our confident cries. And through our faith we will surely be healed in the next.