



OCTOBER 10, 2021
TWENTY-EIGHTH 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

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

*"For human beings it is impossible, but not for God.
All things are possible for God."*

Mark 10:17-30

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

St. Joseph Parish 540-863-5371

Office Hours: Call for appointment

In Emergency	Fr. Tom Collins	540-588-8492
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

Office Hours: Call for appointment

In Emergency	Fr. Tom Collins	540-588-8492
Council Chair	Mark Taylor	540-968-1183
Vice Chair	Greg Kristoff	540-962-8900
Secretary	Zelpha Withrow	540-962-2181
Worship	Janice Campbell	540-969-9073
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	Greg Kristoff	540-962-8900

Shrine of the Sacred Heart Parish 540-839-2603

Office Hours: Call for appointment

In Emergency	Fr. Tom Collins	540-588-8492
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;
Shrine of Sacred Heart – David Moynihan

Thank you for
your support!

PRAYER LIST

St. Joseph

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

Sacred Heart

Sergio Arambula, Natalie Austin, Betty Jo and Robert Brown, Josephine Brown, Mack Brown, Jay Ewing, Steven Felder, Tony Forbes, Delores Goodwin, Jonnie Noel, Mary O'Neill, Michael Rybka, Thomas Wade, Dave Wenke

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

Henslee Faulkenberry (infant great granddaughter of Sara Belle Worsham), Margaret Fields, Fr. John McGinity, John W. Smith, Clarissa Westenburger



WEEKLY DONATIONS BUDGETED NEEDS: \$1400.00

St. Joseph

Sunday Offertory	\$11,116.00
Retired Religious Fund	40.00
Votive	46.82

Sacred Heart

Sunday Offertory	\$3,281.00
Capital Improvements	715.00
Misc. 2 nd Collections	85.00

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

Sunday Offertory	\$1,858.00
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CALENDAR

****WEEKDAY MASSES****

12NOON Tuesday and Thursday at St. Joseph
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 at 9:30AM

****DUE TO THE DIOCESAN PRIESTS CONVOCATION, THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY (OCTOBER 12-14)****

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

The Augustine Institute/FORMED series, The Search, Week 5, continues Tuesday, October 5th, @ 6:30 PM in Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

WEALTH AS AN OBSTACLE TO HEAVEN

Prior to the second century before Christ, there was no wide-spread belief in an afterlife among the Jewish people. They did believe that God rewarded the good and punished the wicked. They thought that such things were done on earth. Hence, if you were healthy, wealthy and beautiful, you were considered to be blessed by God.

Jesus states that riches can hinder entry into God's Kingdom. The apostles are astounded because this runs contrary to their orthodox belief. Christ teaches that materialism can blind people to the virtues of love necessary for salvation. Basically, he says that no one can BUY heaven.

NOTICES

We will say the Rosary 20 minutes before Mass every weekend in October.

There will be a Sacred Heart Liturgy Committee meeting on this Friday, October 15th, after 12Noon Mass in the parish hall.

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DEEPEN YOUR FAITH THROUGH UNDERSTANDING.

At the very heart of the Catholic faith is the Eucharist. Do you firmly believe that the Eucharist is truly the real Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ?

Watch the FORMED Lectio series on the Eucharist: <https://watch.formed.org/lectio-eucharist-with-dr-brant-pitre/season:1>

10 sessions, approx 30 min each.

Lectio: Eucharist with Dr. Brant Pitre

Lectio: Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

DAILY READINGS

Sun. Oct. 10	Joel 4: 12-21; Psalms 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Luke 11: 28; Luke 11: 27-28
Mon. Oct. 11	Romans 1: 1-7; Psalms 98: 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Psalms 95: 8; Luke 11: 29-32
Tues. Oct. 12	Romans 1: 16-25; Psalms 19: 2-3, 4-5; Hebrews 4: 12; Luke 11: 37-41
Wed. Oct. 13	Romans 2: 1-11; Psalms 62: 2-3, 6-7, 9; John 10: 27; Luke 11: 42-46
Thurs. Oct. 14	Romans 3: 21-30; Psalms 130: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; John 14: 6; Luke 11: 47-54
Fri. Oct. 15	Romans 4: 1-8; Psalms 32: 1b-2, 5, 11; Psalms 33: 22; Luke 12: 1-7
Sat. Oct. 16	Romans 4: 13, 16-18; Psalms 105: 6-7, 8-9, 42-43; John 15: 26b, 27a; Luke 12: 8-12
Sun. Oct. 17	Isaiah 53: 10-11; Psalms 33: 4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; Hebrews 4: 14-16; Mark 10: 45; Mark 10: 35-45

VOCATIONS

“Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” If you ask the Lord this question in prayer, trust in his grace to respond with a joyful “yes,” and consider following Christ more closely as a priest or in consecrated life. Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661 e-mail: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



HOW TO REACH ETERNAL LIFE

In our Gospel today we hear the story of a man who ran up to Jesus and asked Him what he must do to reach eternal life. Jesus said, “You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” It says the man went away sad because he had much.

We might cringe when we hear this story because it is sad — this man was so close to becoming an active disciple of Jesus, but instead turned away. We also might cringe because it could be deeply applicable to our lives. Jesus states that “It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”

One of the metaphors for the “eye of a needle” was a tight passageway into Jerusalem that people had to enter to get into the city. In order for their camels to pass through, they had to remove whatever the camel was carrying, only then, could they enter.

If we look at our own lives, we can most likely think of something that we tightly carry with us. Maybe it is possessions — material goods or money — like Jesus references in our Gospel. Or maybe it is something less material — like status, pride, or control.

Jesus doesn’t want our stuff — our job promotions, our designer house, or our bank account. He just wants us. So, we need to be willing to strip those things from our lives in order to reach Him. It might seem difficult, but the outcome will be more than we could have ever imagined — peace on earth and treasure in heaven.