

NOVEMBER 21, 2021 THE 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 <u>shrineofthesacredheartparish.org</u> Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 PM

Fr. Tom Collins, Retired Priest In-Residence 540-588-8492

Fr. Dan Kelly, Retired Priest In-Residence

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

"My kingdom does not belong to this world."

John 18:33b-37

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:

<u>Sacred Heart</u> – Arthur Headley, Jessie (Jesus) Morals, Joel Moscoso; St. <u>Joseph</u> – Michael Buchanan, Joshua Crawford, Andy Shepard; <u>Shrine of Sacred Heart</u> – David Moynihan



St. Joseph

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

Sacred Heart

Sergio Arambula, Natalie Austin, Rob Bennett, Betty Jo and Robert Brown, Josephine Brown, Mack Brown, Tom Callaham, Wanda Callaham, Edith Collins, Norma Ellis, Jay Ewing, Steven Felder, Tony Forbes, Delores Goodwin, John Misorek, 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	\$1,875.00
Christmas Mother	425.00
Catholic Charities	20.00

Sacred Heart

Sunday Offertory	\$943.73
Christmas Mother	716.00
Votive	68.00

Shrine of the Sacred Heart
Sunday Offertory \$1,657.00

Thank you for your support!

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

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

THANKSGIVING VIGIL MASS, Wednesday, November 24th, 5:00PM at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart. THANKSGIVING DAY MASS: Thursday, November 25th, 9:00AM at Sacred Heart

The Sunday Brunch for St. Joseph Church will be held this morning, after the 9:00 am Mass, and in December, it will be held on Sunday, December 19th.

THE ALPHA AND OMEGA

The book of Revelation has many parallels to the book of Daniel. Today's second reading seems to be a continuation of the first. The figure on the clouds is clearly identified as Jesus. One additional element is the reference to "Alpha" -- the first letter of the Greek Alphabet -- and Omega -- the last letter (equivalent to our long O). In English Jesus might say, "I am the A and the Z."

The text implies that all creation began with Christ and will end with him. Our past origins and our future salvation are only to be understood in and through him.

NOTICES

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday next Thursday, bulletin items need to be submitted by noon, Tuesday, November 23rd.

All Ladies of our clustered parishes, there will be a Christmas Cookie Exchange on Thursday, December 2nd, at 1 PM, at Dianne Garcia's house. Please bring 4 dozen of your favorite holiday cookies. Put one dozen on a plate to share. For the remaining 3 dozen, make 6 baggies or containers of 6 cookies each for others to take home. You can also bring recipe cards for your cookies. Directions furnished upon request.

A good estate plan provides security for a spouse and/or family. Every adult should prepare a will. Be sure to include your parish.

FORMED

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- 1. Go to FORMED.org/signup
- 2. Enter: Shrine of the Sacred Heart, Hot Springs
- 3. Enter your name and email

After you are registered, visit FORMED.org and click "Sign In", just enter your email and click the link in your email. You'll be signed in on that device and no more passwords

The <u>sacredheartcovington.org</u> and <u>stjosephcf.org</u> websites now have a menu item that takes you to a FORMED page on the websites. As you will see, the FORMED page promotes how FORMED will be used during Spring 2022 at Sacred Heart and how to use FORMED on your own.

DAILY READINGS

Sun. Nov. 21	Daniel 7: 13-14; Psalms 93: 1, 1-2, 5; Revelation 1: 5-8; Mark 11: 9, 10; John 18: 33b-37
Mon. Nov. 22	Daniel 1: 1-6, 8-20; Daniel 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Matthew 24: 42a, 44; Luke 21: 1-4
Tues. Nov. 23	Daniel 2: 31-45; Daniel 3: 57, 58, 59, 60, 61; Revelation 2: 10c; Luke 21: 5-11
Wed. Nov. 24	Daniel 5: 1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Daniel 3: 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67; Revelation 2: 10c; Luke 21: 12-19
Thurs. Nov. 25	Daniel 6: 12-28; Daniel 3: 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74; Luke 21: 28; Luke 21: 20-28
Fri. Nov. 26	Daniel 7: 2-14; Daniel 3: 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81; Luke 21: 28; Luke 21: 29-33
Sat. Nov. 27	Daniel 7: 15-27; Daniel 3: 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87; Luke 21: 36; Luke 21: 34-36
Sun. Nov. 28	Jeremiah 33: 14-16; Psalms 25: 4-5, 8-9, 10, 14; First Thessalonians 3: 12 – 4: 2; Psalms 85: 8; Luke 21: 25-28, 34-36

VOCATIONS

"My kingdom is not from this world." Are you being called to proclaim the glorious reign of Christ the King as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661

e-mail: vocations @richmonddiocese.org.



KING OF KINGS

On this last Sunday of Ordinary Time for the liturgical year, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, at a time when the world was experiencing a rise of secularism, materialism and individualism, and an increasing denial of Christ's existence and authority.

The hope was that the establishment of this feast would accomplish three goals: that nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, that leaders and nations would see that they are required to give respect to Christ, the King of kings, and that the faithful would be strengthened and encouraged by the reminder that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies.

This feast is needed more than ever for all people and for us especially, as Christian stewards. It reminds us of three vital truths. First, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge and who is loving, merciful and just. Second, if Christ is king of all, then He is also king of me, personally. I am not "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. I am a servant of the King and a steward of His gifts to me. Third, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. Christ's kingship is characterized by humble service, by emptying Himself for the good of others, The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live in any other way than as a humble servant like my King?