

JANUARY 30, 2022 FOURTH 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 <u>sacredheartcovington.org</u> 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

'Do here in your native place the things that we heard were done in Capernaum.' Luke 4:21-30

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

St. Joseph Parish 540-863-5371

Office Hours: Call for appointment

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| 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 |
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| 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 |
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| 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



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, Pam Austin, Natalie Austin, Betty Jo and Robert Brown, Josephine Brown, Mack Brown, Tom Callaham, Wanda Callaham, Jay Ewing, Tony Forbes, John Misorek, Mary O'Neill, Michael Rybka, Thomas Wade, Dave Wenke, Stanley Young

Shrine of the Sacred Heart

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



WEEKLY DONATIONS BUDGETED NEEDS: \$1400.00

St. Joseph

Sunday Offertory \$3,690.00

Sacred Heart

Sunday Offertory (2 weeks) \$3,321.00 Misc. 2nd Collections 802.00 Votive 17.00

Shrine of the Sacred Heart
Sunday Offertory \$2,990.20

CALENDAR

WEEKDAY MASSES

There will be no weekday Masses at St. Joseph this week.

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 this Saturday, February 5th, 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.

THE UNACCEPTABLE PROPHET

After achieving success as an itinerant rabbi and miracle-worker, Jesus returns to the town of his childhood. At first he is hailed as the local-boy-donegood; then jealousy arises. Jesus had been a simple carpenter. Apparently he had not worked miracles while growing up, nor demonstrated any special knowledge. The locals think that they know Jesus and are aghast at his sudden fame. Jesus reminds them that there is a history of rejected prophets in the Old Testament. The townsfolk literally reject Jesus, trying to throw him off a cliff.

BEFORE I FORMED YOU

Some people regard birth as a completely chance event. Those who plan parenthood and denial of it might say, "This child is our little 'accident'." Through Jeremiah, God teaches that human birth is part of God's plan. God lives beyond space and time in a perpetual state of NOW. God knows all people and sees us as part of an intricate design for salvation. "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you..." is a reminder that God is in charge. He loves and wants each one of us.

NOTICES

If you would like to receive emails for late breaking parish updates and news, email news@sacredheartcovington.org or news@stjosephcf.org to be added to the email distribution lists. Emails from these accounts will blind copy email addresses for privacy.

Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus aluminum can recycling. Continue to drop off cans in the orange bins located next to the rectory garage at Sacred Heart and at the side of the church at St. Joseph.

Our clustered parishes share a subscription to FORMED. FORMED is an online resource for videos, books, documentaries, and much more for the whole family. It is FREE.

- 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

Please help women with unexpected pregnancies receive LIFE-GIVING counseling and support. The Baby Bottle Campaign is an annual fundraising effort to support the three ComfortCare Women's Health centers located in Lexington, Waynesboro, and Staunton. Each center is a life-affirming nonprofit medical clinic that seeks to engage, educate, equip, and empower women and men most vulnerable to abortion when facing an unintended pregnancy. All services rendered are free to the expectant mother. From the back of the church, please take a bottle home and get the entire family involved. Put any spare change and cash in the bottle every day. Return filled bottle to our church on or before March 6, 2022. John Stec is the contact for any questions.

DAILY READINGS

| Sun. Jan. 30 Mon. Jan. 31 | Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19; Psalms 71: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17; 1 Corinthians 12: 31 – 13: 13; Luke 4: 18; Luke 4: 21-30 2 Samuel 15: 13-14, 30; 16: 5-13; Psalms 3: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Luke 7: 16; Mark 5: 1-20 |
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| Tues. Feb. 1 | 2 Samuel 18: 9-10, 14, 24-25a, 30 – 19: 3; Psalms 86: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Matthew 8: 17; Mark 5: 21-43 |
| Wed. Feb. 2 | Malachi 3: 1-4; Psalms 24: 7, 8, 9, 10; Hebrews 2: 14-18; Luke 2: 32; Luke 2: 22-40 |
| Thurs. Feb. 3 | 1 Kings 2: 1-4, 10-12; 1 Chronicles 29: 10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Mark 1: 15; Mark 6: 7-13 |
| Fri. Feb. 4 | Sirach 47: 2-11; Psalms 18: 31, 47 and 50, 51; Luke 8: 15; Mark 6: 14-29 |
| Sat. Feb. 5 | 1 Kings 3: 4-13; Psalms 119: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; John 10: 27; Mark 6: 30-34 |
| Sun. Feb. 6 | Isaiah 6: 1-2a, 3-8; Psalms 138: 1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 7c-8; 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11; Matthew 4: 19; Luke 5: 1-11 |

VOCATIONS

"Before you were born, I consecrated you." Do you think that you may be called by the Lord to serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661

e-mail: vocations @richmonddiocese.org.



LOVE LIVES LIKE JESUS

How do I know if the Time, Talent and Treasure I offer God in grateful return is "enough?" What is the measure? St. Paul tells us in the Second Reading today — the "measure" is the love that we put into each of these aspects of our lives. "If I have all faith to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away everything I own and hand my body over so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing." God is not after a particular number. What He wants us to give over to Him is our very selves.

Real love is not a sentiment. Real love is manifested in living a virtuous life. We read later in St. Paul's letter that real love takes strength: it is patient, kind, humble, other-centered, truth-seeking, and long-suffering. Love is the heroic giving of oneself even when it is uncomfortable; especially then. Love looks like Jesus. It lives like Jesus.

Sometimes, living like Jesus is difficult. We see this in the Gospel Reading today where we find Jesus in action, preaching in the synagogue in His hometown. He speaks truth to the people He loves, the ones He grew up with and shared His early days with. How do they respond? They are filled with fury and run Him out of town, intent on throwing Him from a cliff! Yet Jesus is undeterred. He passes right through them and presses forward with the mission His Father has entrusted to Him. We are called to live with this same strength and determination, fueled by the power of love and by gratitude for all God has given us.