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SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH • HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

# Saint Joseph CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Anticipated): 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m.  
Weekdays: 7:00 a.m.  
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.  
Holy Days: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday at 3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.  
or by appointment with the pastor.

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office is open Monday-Friday 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and is closed during lunch 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Submit all bulletin announcements to [bulletin@saintjosephcc.com](mailto:bulletin@saintjosephcc.com) no later than Friday, a week prior, at 12:00 p.m.



## Holy Family School—Huntsville

Jim Bell, Principal  
256.539.5221

## St. John Paul II Catholic High School

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## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

For all inquiries, please call Maritza Holland at the parish office. For sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation, there must be at least one year of formation immediately prior to the preparation for the sacraments.

**BAPTISM.** Parents and godparents must attend a baptism preparation session before scheduling a baptism.

**MARRIAGE.** If you intend to be married at St. Joseph Church, you must be registered in the parish and be active by donating your time, talent or treasure in support of parish projects. Regular Mass attendance on Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation is also required. Couples planning marriage should contact the parish before setting a wedding date.

**OCIA.** Adults and children of catechetical age are welcomed into the Church through a process called the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA).

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call Fr. Joseph Lubrano at the parish office to schedule an anointing.

## FUNERALS

We have a number of people to help plan funeral liturgies. Please call the parish office before contacting the funeral home to avoid scheduling conflicts.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

If you are new to our parish and wish to register, please call the parish office for the appropriate forms.

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# Mass Intentions

## SATURDAY, APRIL 26

8:00am: +Margaret & Joseph McGinn  
5:00pm: +Joshua St. Germain

## SUNDAY, APRIL 27

### *Divine Mercy Sunday*

8:15am: For the Parish, +Michael Chvala  
11:15am: +Kenton Hughes

## MONDAY, APRIL 28

7:00am: Angeles Quiroz

## TUESDAY, APRIL 29

7:00am: +Brian Joseph McGinn

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

7:00am: +Viviana Uribe Torres

## THURSDAY, MAY 01

7:00am: +Fr. Michael Klauk  
9:00am\*: Loretta Largo

## FRIDAY, MAY 02

7:00am: Ruzicka Ancestors & Descendants

## SATURDAY, MAY 03

8:00am: For the Unborn  
5:00pm: +Joseph Kindred Yates

## SUNDAY, MAY 04

8:15am: +Angel Araiza Carrillo  
11:15am: For the Parish, +Charles Wilks

**\*HFS School Mass**

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The following was sent to me by Terry Thompson and I wanted to share it with you as we go through this Easter Season. It is both a happy time and a sad time – sad that Pope Francis has died, and happy that he is with the Lord, the Blessed Mother and all the Saints.



### WHAT EVERY CATHOLIC SHOULD KNOW AND DO NOW!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, this is my message to every Catholic on the Passing of the Holy Father, Pope Francis. With deep sorrow, the Church and the whole world has learned of the passing of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. As we mourn the death of the Vicar of Christ on earth, we are reminded of the enduring truth that, while popes may pass from this life, the Church founded by Christ remains steadfast, guided by the Holy Spirit.

### What Happens When the Pope Dies?

Upon the death of a pope, the Church enters a period known as the *Sede Vacante*, Latin for “the seat being vacant.” During this time:

The governance of the universal Church shifts to the College of Cardinals, who manage day-to-day matters but may not make decisions reserved to the Pope.

The Camerlengo, a cardinal appointed by the pope, oversees the papal household and prepares for the election of the next pope. The current Camerlengo of the Holy Roman Church is Cardinal Kevin Farrell. He was appointed to the role by Pope Francis in 2019. Farrell also serves as the prefect of the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life.

A conclave will be convened in the Vatican, during which the cardinal electors, under the age of 80, will prayerfully and confidentially select the next successor of St. Peter. This is a solemn and sacred process, guided by centuries of tradition and the ever-present work of the Holy Spirit. As of April 21, 2025, there are 138 cardinals under the age of 80 who are eligible to vote in a papal conclave. These cardinals make up the majority of the College of Cardinals.

### What Should We Do as the Faithful?

1. Pray: Let us lift Pope Francis in prayer, asking God to grant him eternal rest and reward him for his faithful service. We also pray for the Cardinals who will gather to elect a new Shepherd, that the Holy Spirit may guide them.
2. Remain United: The Church is not without a Shepherd, for Christ is ever her Head. Let us stay united in faith, hope and charity, supporting one another in this time of transition.
3. Trust in the Holy Spirit: Jesus promised that the gates of hell would not prevail against His Church (**Mt. 16:18**). The Holy Spirit has never failed the Church in her need and will again raise up a worthy successor to lead us.

In moments like these, we draw close as the Body of Christ, confident in the Lord’s providence and the unbroken continuity of the Church. Let us be a people of hope, faith and prayer as we await the election of our next Holy Father.

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.*

In Christ our Lord,  
Fr. Paul Ajong of the BVM

You are in my daily thoughts and prayers. May God bless us and our Universal Catholic Church during this time of transition.

***Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe***

## PRAYER REQUESTS

*We are here to pray for you!*



Barbara Brodeur, Carolyn Wingenter, Zanetta Brown, Rachel Johnson, Faye Fletcher, Batchelder Family, Stachura Family, Sayre Family, Maddie Clearly, John Rourk, Jr., Cindy Morales, Linda Dimmock, Josephine Stratton, Ralph & Helen Kissel, Judi Trygg, Cecilia Hall, Deacon Mike Rooney, Jane and Dena Bell, Marie Basta, Richard Brown, Jena Lanszell, Charlotte Johnson, Emma Lang, Matthew M., Selena M., Jackie Weems, Bob Strang, Jacqueline Meador, Adrianna Hilburn, Jason & Jaxon Rivera, Therese Thomas, Mary Bell, Art Sandridge, Chris Karlson, Mary Vandergraft, Jeff Baldwin, Ben Sunde, Anna Wilks, Bill Boehme, Claude Davis, Mary Flatt, Kennita Turner, Eva Nave, Judy Blanche, Anna Belander, the Price family, Gail Johnson, Sally Cox, Mary Andrus family, Bruce Jansen, Mary Jean & Ron Travis, Jean Arndt, Mil White, Fr. Tim Pfander, Bobbie Quintana, Jr., Ezra Morris, Mark Manning, Larry Barnett, Susan Sheehy, Mike Harwood, Janice Ingalls.

### Note

*If you wish to add someone to the prayer list, please contact the parish office. When that person recovers, please call again to remove their name so that others can be put on the list. Thank you, Fr. Joe*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Acts of the Apostles 4:23-31 Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 John 3:1-8	Friday	Acts of the Apostles 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 John 6:1-15
Tuesday	Acts of the Apostles 4:32-37 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 John 3:7b-15	Saturday	1 Corinthians 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-5 John 14:6-14
Wednesday	Acts of the Apostles 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-9 John 3:16-21	Sunday	Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32, 40b-41 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13 Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14
Thursday	Acts of the Apostles 5:27-33 Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20 John 3:31-36		

**THANK YOU'S** I want to thank the Environment Committee and the Spiritual Life Committee for all their preparation as we celebrated Lent, Holy Week and Easter.

Thank you to Terri Light and Ginger Longino for their work on the Parish Seder Meal, and to all who participated, planned and worked on the Palm Sunday and Holy Week services. Special thanks to the three choirs who shared their gift of music to make our celebrations so grand.

Thank you to the 8:15 a.m. Mass choir for helping make the sunrise celebration on Monte Sano so wonderful, and the 11:15 a.m. choir for their wonderful music both at the Easter Vigil and the Easter Sunday Mass.

Finally, thank you to Bridgit McGraw and the Joyful Bakers for their efforts at the Easter Sunday reception, and the Knights and Ladies Auxiliary of Peter Claver for their great Easter Celebration in the Messmer Center/Gym.

I appreciate each and every one of you. Thank you for your time, talent and treasure.

*Fr. Joe*

**ST. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 2025 SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION IS OPEN.** Join the fun this summer and enjoy many new and different camps, including sports, academics and art. Grade levels are for the 2025-2026 school year.

Most camps are held at St. John Paul II Catholic High School, 7301 Old Madison Pike NW in Huntsville.

For details and questions, email [camps@jp2falcons.org](mailto:camps@jp2falcons.org) or visit [www.jp2falcons.org/camps](http://www.jp2falcons.org/camps).

**CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL—April 26/27** The annual Catholic Home Missions Appeal supports dioceses in the United States and its territories that need financial help to sustain core pastoral services and missions of mercy to those they serve, including the Diocese of Birmingham. Without this national collection, essential ministries would not be possible in many dioceses of the United States.

To learn more about the appeal and those who benefit from it, visit [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).



**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

If you would like to make a donation to seasonal flower arrangements or request a special commemoration, please call the parish office at 256-534-8459.

**CURRENT WEEKLY OFFERING**

Regular Collection	\$ 9,290.81
Easter	\$ 9,572.11
Other Designated Funds	\$ 1,261.00

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

**MAY 03-MAY 04, 2025**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

5:00pm: Henry Franzo, Silas Schwerer  
8:15am: Dawson Amos, Caed Lynch  
11:15am: Michael Terry, Travis Aragon

**LECTORS**

5:00pm: Geri Donnelly, Lydia Tadesse  
8:15am: Christina Pohl, Jean Cleary-Burns  
11:15am: Shyntia Diallo, Joe Pohuski

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

5:00pm: Maritza Holland\*, George Holland, Karen Sundeay, Ben Sundeay, Philip Graham  
8:15am: Muriel Weston\*, Jamie Stewart, Gina Bain, Josette Dant, Paula Bertrand  
11:15am: Michelle Jansen\*, Kristy Hayne, Jim Powell, Nelene Odutola, Gerald Wocken

# Religious Education

## Formation and Catechesis

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our OCIA catechumens and candidates who were received into the Catholic Church during this Easter season: Eun-Sung Choi, Mary Lynne Jones, Susan Monique Kitts, Natilee Kyle, Forrest Kyle, Amber Jean Mendoza, Paige Schemmel and Roberta Ann Siegel.

### FORMATION CALENDAR

- May 3 First Communion & Reception  
10:00 a.m. Church/St. Francis Hall
- May 4 RE/OCIA  
9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. (HFS/SFH/LIB/LMR)  
**Last RE session before summer break**

**THE GOLD CHALLENGE** We are looking for scrap gold and silver items to be sold for cash. Proceeds will go to the Holy Family School Capital Campaign.

Acceptable items include:

- ◆ Crimped or broken chains and bracelets
- ◆ Single earrings
- ◆ Rings with missing stones
- ◆ Cuff links and tie tacks

They must be of 10K gold or better, or solid sterling silver—no plated items.

To submit, place your donations in a plain envelope to go in the offertory at Mass, or deliver to the parish office. For more information, please call 256-534-1480.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SHARE THE HARVEST** food pantry collection will be held on May 3/4. Please drop off food items at the collection point in front of the church before Mass.

We especially need: macaroni and cheese, cereal and 1lb or 2lb bags of rice. Please no bulk items or glass jars.

Thank you for your continued support of those in need in our community. For more information or if you would like to volunteer, please contact Mark at 256-658-8981 or [morgidam@gmail.com](mailto:morgidam@gmail.com)

### Soaring Eagles Casino Presents The Soiree Casino Night Saturday, May 3, 2025



The Annual Soiree and Auction is Holy Family School's premier annual fundraising event. This year, our Casino Night includes a live and silent auction, great food, cocktails, black jack, poker and other games, raffles and a live DJ.

Silent Auction: 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Dinner: 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Live Auction & Games: 8:00-10:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$85 single/\$125 couple

**Holy Family School**  
Fr. Messmer Center (Gym)  
2300 Beasley Avenue NW  
Huntsville, AL 35816

## Here Is What's Happening This Week

### MONDAY, APRIL 28

5:00pm: HFS Capital Campaign (LMR)

### TUESDAY, APRIL 29

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)

6:00pm: Boy Scouts

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

6:00pm: 11:15am Mass Choir (SJC)

7:00pm: 8:15am Mass Choir (SJC)

### SATURDAY, MAY 03

10:00am: 1st Communion & Reception (SJC/SFH)

6:00pm: HFS Soiree Casino Night (FMC)

### SUNDAY, MAY 04

**Hospitality after the 8:15 a.m. Mass**

9:30am: RE/OCIA (LIB/LMR/HFS/SFH)

12:30pm: KPC Junior Daughters (LIB/LMR)

### Facilities Key

FMC = Messmer Center/Gym

SJC = St. Joseph Church

SFH = St. Francis Hall

LMR/LIB = RE Center

STA = St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel

BRZWY = Breezeway

VBC = Von Braun Center