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SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH • HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

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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 no later than Friday, a week prior, at 12:00 p.m.



Holy Family School—Huntsville

Jim Bell, Principal
256.539.5221

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256.430.1760



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.

A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM IN ALABAMA

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MAY 31

8:00am: Fr. Jim Koressel, O.P.

5:00pm: Stephen & Marianne Chemsak

SUNDAY, JUNE 01

8:15am: +Nancy Marie Leslie

11:15am: For the Parish, +Jacqueline Hallowses

MONDAY, JUNE 02

7:00am: +Dorothy Fry

TUESDAY, JUNE 03

7:00am: Renate Banks

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 04

7:00am: +Angel Araiza Carrillo

THURSDAY, JUNE 05

7:00am: +Nino Volpe

FRIDAY, JUNE 06

7:00am: Gabriel Carrillo

SATURDAY, JUNE 07

8:00am: For the Unborn

5:00pm: +Jacqueline Hallowses

SUNDAY, JUNE 08

Pentecost

8:15am: For the Parish, +Fr. Michael Klauck

11:15am: +Shannon Miller

Dear Brothers and Sisters:



Today, I would like to share a meditation with you from The Word Among Us; Catholic Mass Readings and Daily Meditations on Thursday, May 22. The readings for that day were: ***Acts of the Apostles 15:7-21/Psalm 96:1-3, 10/John 15:9-11.***

I have told you this so that my joy might be in you. (*John 15:11*)

“Joy” is a very familiar word, but it’s not always easy to describe. Where exactly does it come from? And how can we experience it? Today’s Gospel reading can help us answer these questions. Let’s take a look.

First, Jesus tells his disciples, “as the Father loves me, so I also love you” (***John 15:9***). He assures them that his love for them is as stable and trustworthy as the love his Father has for him. Nothing they could ever say or do will convince him to stop loving them.

Then he says, “If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and remain in his love” (***John 15:10***). Did you catch that? Jesus just revealed his secret to staying immersed in his Father’s love: by keeping his commandments. And here’s where the joy comes in. Jesus says, “I have told you this so that my joy might be in you” (***John 15:11***). That’s the answer! Joy comes to those who commit themselves to living out Jesus’ commands.

The idea of keeping commandments may not sound very joy inspiring. Forgiving our enemies. Helping the poor. Taking up our crosses. But this is one of the great paradoxes of the Christian life! When we do these “difficult” things, we do experience joy. Not as a giddy happiness, but as a deep-down sense of satisfaction and fulfillment in our hearts. We will know the same joy that Jesus knew as he focused on fulfilling his Father’s will. It’s the joy that comes from fulfilling our own destiny—the joy that comes from becoming the people God created us to be.

This kind of joy isn’t something we can make ourselves feel; it’s a gift from God. It’s a “fruit of the Spirit” that arises in us as we strive to live in obedience and remain in His love and trust in the Lord (***Galatians 5:22***). So, what is joy? The answer is not so much “what” as it is “who.” It’s Jesus, living in us, filling us with his joy as we set our hearts on following him.

Jesus, you are the source of my joy. Help me to follow you more each day.

I hope you have a blessed day. You are in my daily thoughts and prayers.

Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Barbara Brodeur, Carolyn Wingenter, Zanetta Brown, 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 & Jaxson 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, Chris Johnson.

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 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab John 16:29-33	Friday	Acts of the Apostles 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab John 21:15-19
Tuesday	Acts of the Apostles 20:17-27 Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 John 17:1-11a	Saturday	Acts of the Apostles 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11:4, 5, 7 John 21:20-25
Wednesday	Acts of the Apostles 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab John 17:11b-19	Sunday <i>Pentecost</i>	Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 1 Corinthians 12:13b-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23
Thursday	Acts of the Apostles 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 John 17:20-26		

St. Joseph • St. Mary of the Visitation • Our Lady, Queen of the Universe

present


The GREATEST Gift




A morning of activities for ages 5-12 on the WONDER of the EUCHARIST

Wednesday
June 4, 2025 • 9 AM - 12 PM

Scan the QR to register



Hosted at
Our Lady, Queen of the Universe Catholic Church
2421 Shady Ln Dr. • Huntsville AL 35810



To always be close to Jesus. That is my life plan.
Blessed Carlo Acutis

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL ENCHILADA DINNER FUND RAISER

Sunday, June 15 (Father's Day) in the Messmer Center/Gym after the 11:15 a.m. Mass.

Dinner will include three enchiladas (cheese or potato), rice, beans, and tea for \$10. Dinners can be taken to-go or enjoyed at tables set up in the gym.

Make plans now to treat your dads, or have your dads treat you, on June 15.

Proceeds go to the 2025/2026 Holy Family School 8th grade students for their class trip to Dauphin Island Sea Lab.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL is seeking qualified applicants to teach at the Middle School level for the 2025-2026 school year. All applicants must be Alabama certified or its equivalent. Please contact jbell@hfscatholic.com for a job application. Certified teachers are welcome to place resumes on file should other positions become available.

CURRENT WEEKLY OFFERING

Regular Collection	\$ 8,377.24
Other Designated Funds	\$ 490.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

JUNE 07-JUNE 08, 2025

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00pm: Larry Bayer, Clark Harmon
8:15am: Gabe Stewart, Peyton Howell
11:15am: Michael Terry, Jennifer Orozco

LECTORS

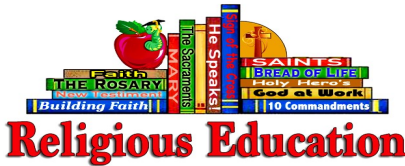
5:00pm: Maria Craig, Sabine Wlodarski
8:15am: Donna Howell, Bart Lynch
11:15am: Booker Terry, Beatrice Terry

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00pm: Geri Donnelly*, Karen Thompson, McKinley Curtis, Maureen Chemsak, Philip Graham
8:15am: Teri Lynch*, Rita Cusack, Laura Hall, Josette Dant, Ashley Medina
11:15am: Michelle Jansen*, Bruce Taylor, Helen Taylor, Nelene Odutola, Jim Powell

Religious Education

Formation and Catechesis



FORMATION CALENDAR

- June 1 OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
Parish Office Building
- June 4 The Greatest Gift 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Activities for ages 5-12
Our Lady Queen of the Universe
- June 8 OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
Parish Office Building
- June 15 **NO OCIA—HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**

UPCOMING DIACONATE INFORMATION SESSIONS Men, do you feel God is calling you to serve in a deeper way in your parish and community? Then perhaps you are being called to be a Deacon. The Inquiry period begins August 16 to select a group of men to continue to the Aspirancy formation beginning January 2026. The following information sessions are scheduled. Wives are encouraged to attend with their husbands.

June 3, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, Holy Family Room, 2061 Patton Chapel Road, Hoover, AL 35216.

June 8, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at St. Mary of the Visitation, 222 Jefferson Street N., Huntsville, AL 35801 in the Fr. Treacy Hall.

Go to <https://www.bhmdioocese.org/office-of-permanent-diaconate> for more information and registration. Online registration is open through July 7. If you have questions, contact Deacon Jeff Montgomery, Director of Formation, Permanent Diaconate Program, at jmontgomery@bhmdioocese.org.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC MONTHLY MASS The Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama announces the celebration of monthly Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Birmingham on the second Thursday of each month.

Confessions are at 6:15 p.m., Praise Music at 6:30 p.m. and Mass begins at 7:00 p.m. Individual prayer is available after Mass. Contact Ray Makofsky at 205-999-8947 for more information.

BUNCO WELCOMES SUMMER! Join us on Friday, June 6 in St. Francis Hall. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., play begins at 7:00 p.m. and usually ends by 9:00 p.m. Bring \$5 to play and food or drink to share or for your personal consumption. Cash prizes awarded for Most Buncos, Most Wins, Most Mini-Buncos, and Fewest Wins. All proceeds benefit the Holy Family Capital Campaign.

PARISHIONER UPDATE

If you are 18 years of age or older, attend St. Joseph on a regular basis and have not registered or if you have had an address or telephone number change, please complete the following information and drop in the offertory basket or bring it to the parish office. If you are not catholic but are interested in learning more about the faith, please check "O.C.I.A."

Name _____

_____ *New Parishioner*

Address _____

_____ *O.C.I.A.*

E-mail _____

_____ *Leaving Parish*

_____ *Address Change*

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

_____ *Telephone Change*

Here Is What's Happening This Week

TUESDAY, JUNE 03

- 10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)
6:00pm: Boy Scouts
7:00pm: James Costello Funeral (SJC)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 04

- 9:00am: The Greatest Gift
(Our Lady Queen of the Universe)
6:00pm: 11:15am Mass Choir (SJC)
7:00pm: 8:15am Mass Choir (SJC)

FRIDAY, JUNE 06

- 11:00am: Eucharistic Adoration (SJC)
6:00pm: Bunco (SFH)

SATURDAY, JUNE 07

Hospitality after the 5:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 08

- Hospitality after the 8:15 am Mass*
9:30am: OCIA (LIB/LMR)
12:30pm: KPC/KPCLA (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