

JUNE 29, 2025

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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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, JUNE 28

8:00am: +Father, Mummy & Peter
5:00pm: Reena Oommen

SUNDAY, JUNE 29

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

8:15am: +Nancy Marie Leslie
11:15am: For the Parish, +Viviana Uribe Torres

MONDAY, JUNE 30

7:00am: +William C. Wall, Jr.

TUESDAY, JULY 01

7:00am: +Janet Balch

WEDNESDAY, JULY 02

7:00am: Ezra Morris

THURSDAY, JULY 03

7:00am: Patricia Atkinson

FRIDAY, JULY 04

7:00am: +Angel Araiza Carrillo

SATURDAY, JULY 05

8:00am: For the Unborn
5:00pm: +Jim Gudaitis

SUNDAY, JULY 06

8:15am: +Jon David Brost
11:15am: For the Parish, Dale Johnson

Dear Brothers and Sisters:



Today, I want to share another meditation with you from *The Word Among Us: Catholic Mass Readings and Daily Meditations* for Sunday, June 29, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. The readings for that day are: **Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11/Psalm 34:2-9/2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18/Matthew 16:13-19.**

You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. (Matthew 16:16)

Today, we celebrate Saints Peter and Paul. While these two apostles couldn't have been more different in personality and background, they have one essential trait in common. Both believed and proclaimed the message that Peter declares in today's Gospel: Jesus is "the Christ, the Son of the living God" (**Matthew 16:16**).

We see it in our first reading, when Peter is imprisoned in a heavily guarded jail. Why? Because despite the threats of the authorities, he kept talking about Jesus. He was convinced of his power and authority. No doubt Peter's miraculous deliverance from sixteen guards that night only helped to confirm his conviction!

We also see it in our second reading, when Paul speaks some of his last words to Timothy. He knows that he is being "poured out like a libation" (**2 Timothy 4:6**). And yet he is confident that he has "kept the faith" (**2 Timothy 4:7**). Why? Because as he looked over his life, he recalled all the ways that Jesus had stood by him, giving him strength and rescuing him from danger.

This truth that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, became the very foundation of Peter and Paul's lives. It was the reality that spurred them to keep following the Lord. It motivated them to testify to Jesus before massive crowds, to their closest friends and in front of religious and secular authorities. And it strengthened them as they faced martyrdom for their faith.

As you consider these two holy men today, you can almost hear them saying, "See how Jesus has changed our lives! Who do you say that he is? How does that make a difference in the way you live?"

"Jesus, I believe you are the Christ! Let this truth become my foundation today and every day!"

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

Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL 2025 SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

June

8:00 am-1:00 pm Monday-Thursday, closed Friday

July

July 8-18

9:00 am-1:00 pm Monday-Thursday, closed Friday

July 21

8:00 am-3:00 pm Regular office hours resume

August

Monday-Friday
Classes resume August 4

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, Jackie Weems, Bob Strang, Jacqueline Meador, Adrianna Hilburn, Jason & Jaxson Rivera, Therese Thomas, Art Sandridge, Chris Karlson, Mary Vandergraft, Jeff Baldwin, Ben Sundry, Anna Wilks, Bill Boehme, Mary Flatt, Kennita Turner, Eva Nave, Judy Blanche, Anna Belander, the Price family, Gail Johnson, Sally Cox, Mary Andrus family, Bruce Jansen, Mary Jean 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, Peter Donnelly.

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

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| Monday | Genesis 18:16-33 Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-11 Matthew 8:18-22 | Friday | Genesis 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 Matthew 9:9-13 |
| Tuesday | Genesis 19:15-29 Ps 26:2-3, 9-12 Matthew 8:23-27 | Saturday | Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29 Ps 135:1b-2, 3-6 Matthew 9:14-17 |
| Wednesday | Genesis 21:5, 8-20a Ps 34:7-8, 10-13 Matthew 8:28-34 | Sunday | Isaiah 66:10-14c Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20 Galatians 6:14-18 Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9 |
| Thursday | Ephesians 2:19-22 Ps 117:1bc, 2 John 20:24-29 | | |

ST. JOSEPH PARISH is implementing a new collection counting software program which requires laptop computers for our counters. We need at least one additional laptop.

If you have one that you are not using and would like to donate, please call the parish office for more information.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SHARE THE HARVEST food pantry collection will be held on July 5/6. Please drop off your food items at the collection point in front of the church before Mass.

We especially need pancake mix, soup, snacks, spaghetti and sauce, canned meat, jelly and crackers. Please no bulk items or glass jars.

Thank you for your continued support of those in need in our community. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Mark at morgidam@gmail.com or 256-658-8981.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR MISSION COOPERATIVE
June 28 and June 29, 2025.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL is seeking a second grade teacher and qualified applicants to teach at the Middle School level for the 2025-2026 school year. All applicants must be Alabama certified or its equivalent. Certified teachers are welcome to place resumes on file should other positions become available.

Please contact jbelle@hfscatholic.com for a job application.

2026 PILGRIMAGE Fr. Joe is hosting a pilgrimage to Poland and Eastern Europe on September 14-26, 2026. The group is limited to 40 travelers and spaces are going quickly. Applications are available in the parish office, or contact Karen and Ben Sunday for more information at kjsunday@comcast.net and Bensunday2021@comcast.net.

THE WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS group will meet for lunch at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, July 10, at Amerigo Italian Restaurant, 9020 Memorial Parkway SW, Huntsville. Please call or text Glenda at 520-603-6708 by July 8 for information, reservations or cancellations. We are an informal group that gathers monthly for fellowship and to enjoy a meal at different local restaurants. Newcomers are always welcome. Come join us!



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

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| Regular Collection | \$ 9,298.17 |
| Other Designated Funds | \$ 1,641.01 |

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

JULY 5-JULY 6, 2025

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00pm: Mike Rose, Riley Schwerer
8:15am: Jacob Spradlin, James Spradlin
11:15am: Michael Terry, Travis Aragon

LECTORS

5:00pm: Karen Sunday, Ben Sunday
8:15am: Robert Styles, Ellen Styles
11:15am: Maggie Taylor, Jeffrey Taylor

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00pm: Philip Graham*, Patty Ayala, Geri Donnelly, Maureen Chemsak, Tammy Hoskins
8:15am: Paula Bertrand*, Bill Billingsley, Linda Billingsley, Muriel Weston, Ashley Medina
11:15am: Jerolyn Golightly*, Kristy Hayne, Jane Dodds, Michelle Jansen, Nelene Odutola

Religious Education

Formation and Catechesis

RE REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026 has begun and classes resume on Sunday, August 17. Registration forms are available in the church breezeway.

If you have questions, please call Maritza Holland, Director of Religious Education, at the parish office.

FORMATION CALENDAR

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| June 29 | OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Parish Office Building |
| July 13 | OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Parish Office Building |
| July 27 | OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Parish Office Building |

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

PARISH REGISTRATION: If you attend Mass regularly at St. Joseph, you should be registered here. Single adults who no longer share an address with their parents should have their own separate registration. If you are planning to be married or are newly married, you are invited to join the parish. As a general rule, registration with a particular parish is important for any sacrament, such as baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, marriage and becoming a godparent. Please call the parish office if you have questions.

BAPTISM: Baptismal preparation class is required for parents and godparents. We offer the class at the beginning of each quarter, or four times a year. Please call the parish office to register. If you are a godparent from another parish, you must provide a letter of good standing from your pastor.

MARRIAGE: Marriage preparation classes are required if you plan to be married at St. Joseph. The preparation time is six months. You must be registered in the parish, complete the marriage preparation classes, attend an Engaged Encounter day or weekend and supply all the necessary documentation.

FUNERAL: Please call the parish office before making arrangements with a funeral home to ensure that the church and pastor are available. Schedule an appointment with the pastor to plan the service.

REMINDER: When there is a holiday (religious or federal) and the parish office is closed, there will be no meetings in the RE Center, St. Francis Hall or the church. Any scheduled or standing meetings that fall on such a holiday must be moved to a different day. Please call the parish office with questions or to reschedule.

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."

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| Name _____ | _____ New Parishioner |
| Address _____ | _____ O.C.I.A. |
| _____ | _____ Leaving Parish |
| E-mail _____ | _____ Address Change |
| Home phone _____ Cell phone _____ | _____ Telephone Change |

Here Is What's Happening This Week

TUESDAY, JULY 01

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)
6:00pm: Boy Scouts

FRIDAY, JULY 04

HFS & Parish Office Closed

WEDNESDAY, JULY 02

6:00pm: 11:15am Mass Choir (SJC)
7:00pm: 8:15am Mass Choir (SJC)

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