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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.



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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).

## ANOIDING 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, AUGUST 02

8:00am: For the Unborn  
5:00pm: +Donald Bell

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 03

8:15am: +Nancy Marie Leslie  
11:15am: For the Parish, Ouedraogo Family

## MONDAY, AUGUST 04

7:00am: +Angel Araiza Carrillo

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 05

7:00am: +Margaret Davis

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 06

7:00am: +Manuel Corona

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 07

7:00am: +Gloria Bittner  
9:00am: Holy Family Teachers, Students, Parents

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 08

7:00am: +Muriel Langewisch

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 09

8:00am: +Rose Chvala  
5:00pm: Toby Longino

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

8:15am: For the Parish, +Gladys Gonzalez  
11:15am: +Br. Joseph Kreutzer, S.D.S.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Today I would like to share a meditation with you from *The Word Among Us: Daily Meditations for Catholics*. The meditation is taken from Tuesday, July 29, the Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus. The readings for that day were: **Exodus 33:7-11; 34: 5b-9, 28/Psalm 103: 6-13/John 11:19-27.**



### "Martha . . . went to meet him." (John 11:20)

Today's feast celebrates the family – Martha, Mary and Lazarus - who were united in their devotion to Jesus. But that doesn't mean their relationships were picture-perfect. They had very different personalities, and like any family, they had times when they let their differences divide them. But Jesus worked through these differences to form each of them into the disciple he wanted them to be. And that's a good reason to celebrate them!

Take Martha. The first time we meet her and her sister in the Gospels, she is annoyed that, instead of helping with hostess duties, Mary is just sitting at Jesus' feet and listening to him (**Luke 10:38-42**). Yet in today's reading - which takes place right after her brother, Lazarus, has died - Martha rushes out to meet Jesus as soon as she hears he has come (**John 11:20**). Would she have been as eager to leave the mourners had she not come to understand that Mary's devotion to Jesus was "the better part (**Luke 10:42**)?"

That's the blessing of family life! Each person influences everyone else with their unique gifts and personalities. God can use even our differences to smooth out our rough edges. Martha would not have been the woman she was without her siblings. The same goes for Mary and Lazarus. Their lives, even when they rubbed each other the wrong way, were intertwined. When they opened their home to Jesus, they shared the good and the bad with him, and even their conflicts brought them closer to the Lord.

When you look at your own family, things may not seem quite so saintly. Don't lose heart! The Lord knows we all have relationship difficulties at times. We have all experienced grief or pain in our families. But on today's feast, ask Jesus how he wants these relationships to make you the person he wants you to be. Invite him to be present in your family. Ask him to reveal himself through each member of your family as he draws all of you closer to himself.

**"Jesus, help me treasure my family. Come, Lord, and make us holy!"**

I hope you have a blessed day and a blessed start to the new school year. 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, Jackie Weems, Bob Strang, Jacqueline Meador, Adrianna Hilburn, Jason & Jaxson Rivera, Therese Thomas, Art Sandridge, Chris Karlson, Mary Vandergraft, Jeff Baldwin, Ben Sunde, 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, 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**

Monday	Numbers 11:4b-15 Ps 81:12-17 Matthew 14:13-21	Friday	Deuteronomy 4:32-40 Ps 77:12-16, 21 Matthew 16:24-28
Tuesday	Numbers 12:1-13 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13 Matthew 14:22-36	Saturday	Deuteronomy 6:4-13 Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47, 51 Matthew 17:14-20
Wednesday <i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Peter 1:16-19 Luke 9:28b-36	Sunday	Wisdom 18:6-9 Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12 Luke 12:32-48 or 12:35-40
Thursday	Numbers 20:1-13 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 Matthew 16:13-23		

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SHARE THE HARVEST** food pantry collection will be held on August 2/3. Please drop off food items at the collection point in front of the church before the weekend Masses. We especially need: cornbread mixes, canned fruit, jelly, cereal, spaghetti sauce and toilet paper. Please no bulk items or glass jars.

**BUNCO** Friday, August 8 in St. Francis Hall. Please park in the north parking lot and enter through the covered portico. Doors remain locked for your protection and security. Please knock and someone will open for you.

Social hour begins at 6:00 p.m. and play is from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Next Bunco: September 12.

**FUN DAY 2025** Holy Family School welcomes new and returning students and a reminder that FUN DAY is in three weeks.

Game tickets will be \$1.00 per ticket or six tickets for \$5.00. They can be bought at Fun Day and used for carnival games, sodas and chips, and tasty offerings in the Sr. Joan Dessert area. Raffle tickets are also still available for purchase. Bingo gift cards can be dropped in the collection basket. Cake Walk donations will be accepted on Friday, August 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the church breezeway, and from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 23 in the Messmer Center.

Please be generous with your time by volunteering using the sign-up sheets.

**SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND APPEAL** August 2/3, 2025. It directly supports 21 seminarians being formed to become priests serving our Diocese. This year, a generous benefactor has pledged to match every gift to the Fund up to \$1 million throughout 2025, doubling the impact of each donation. Thank you for your support!

**THIRD ANNUAL LABOR DAY PORK BUTT SALE** sponsored by the St. Joseph Council Knights of Columbus. Full-size smoked pork butts are available for \$50 each, \$52 if paying by credit card. Council members will sell tickets after all the weekend Masses from August 2 to August 17.

Order pick-ups will be on Saturday, August 30, from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the church back parking lot. Tickets must be purchased in advance, and you must have them in hand to pick up your order. Thanks for your support!



Enjoy singing? Join the St. Joseph 11:15 a.m. Sunday church choir. You don't have to be a top singer or musician, just willing to have a go!

Rehearsals are Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:15 a.m. Contact Christine Kirkland by text or voicemail at 256-603-8529 or email at [christinekirkland@mac.com](mailto:christinekirkland@mac.com).

**CURRENT WEEKLY OFFERING**

Regular Collection	\$ 13,388.11
Other Designated Funds	\$ 1,505.00

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

**AUGUST 09-AUGUST 10, 2025**

*Please see the full schedule for assignments for the Feast of the Assumption, August 15 @ 7:00 p.m.*

**ALTAR SERVERS**

5:00pm: Mike Rose, Kara Harmon  
8:15am: David Pohl, Henry Franzo  
11:15am: Travis Aragon

**LECTORS**

5:00pm: Grady Harmon, Lydia Tadesse  
8:15am: Claire Fried, Jillian Fried  
11:15am: Maggie Taylor, Jeffrey Taylor

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

5:00pm: Webb Tadesse\*, Marian Kilgore, Tammy Hoskins, Sherri Lynn Ross, Ben Sunday  
8:15am: Jamie Stewart\*, Ellen Styles, Muriel Weston, Gina Bain, Paula Bertrand  
11:15am: Bruce Taylor\*, Helen Taylor, Jim Powell, Norma Whitehead, Donnis Aragon

# Religious Education

## Formation and Catechesis

**RE REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026** continues and classes resume on Sunday, August 17. Registration forms are available in the church breezeway. If you have not already done so, ***please register your child or children by August 10*** so that we can order the necessary materials. If you have questions, contact Maritza Holland, Director of Religious Education, at the parish office.

### FORMATION CALENDAR

Aug. 3	Catechist-in-Service 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. St. Francis Hall
Aug. 5	Baptism Prep for Parents & Godparents 6:00 p.m. Parish Office Building
Aug. 17	RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building
Aug. 24	RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. St. Francis Hall/HFS/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."

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

### MONDAY, AUGUST 04

#### HFS Classes Resume

5:00pm: Holy Family Capital Campaign (LMR)

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 05

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)

6:00pm: Baptism Prep (LIB/LMR)

6:00pm: Boy Scouts

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 06

5:00pm: Deacon Greg Spiritual Direction (LIB)

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

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

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 08

6:00pm: Bunco (SFH)

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

12:30pm: KPC/KPCLA (LMR/LIB)

### 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