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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](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).

## 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, SEPTEMBER 06

8:00am: For the Unborn  
5:00pm: +Ronald Warren

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 07

8:15am: For the Parish, +Ron Travis  
11:15am: +Ted Buchanan

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 08

7:00am: +Diane Williamson

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 09

7:00am: +Bud & Tommie Lubrano

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

7:00am: +Gloria Garcia

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

7:00am: World Peace  
9:00am\*: +James Joseph Sellaro

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

7:00am: +Johnny Sainz

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

8:00am: +Mark Corona  
5:00pm: +Lola Light

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8:15am: +Nancy Marie Leslie  
11:15am: For the Parish, +Carol Pope

**\*HFS School Mass**

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Last week, I received the following statements about the tragedy at Annunciation Catholic Church and School in Minneapolis.



### STATEMENTS ON THE TRAGEDY IN MINNEAPOLIS

The tragic event that unfolded this morning at Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis is unsettling and devastating. Seeing this level of violence and wanton destruction of life is deeply troubling for all of us. It shatters our domestic tranquility and reminds us peace and security are fragile in a free society.

At the same time, we fervently pray for the quiet repose of the young souls who died, for the recovery of those wounded, and for consolation of all the children, school personnel and families who will carry this experience throughout their lives. The grief and unspeakable sadness we experience now will give way to the peace and serenity only Christ can give to each of us. To those so affected by this unimaginable suffering, we, in the Diocese of Birmingham, express our closeness and solidarity in prayer.

May God grant us the peace we long for!

**Most Reverend Steven J. Raica**  
**Bishop of Birmingham in Alabama**

As Bishop of the Diocese of Trenton, and a life-long Catholic educator, I call upon all clergy and faithful of the Diocese to unite in prayer for the victims, families and entire community of Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis, who now face the unimaginable in the wake of yet another school shooting.

There are no words sufficient to convey the depth of evil behind such a deliberate act of violence against innocent children. Nor can language fully express the sorrow and compassion that fill our hearts at this moment. These young students and their school community were gathered in prayer at Mass, marking the beginning of a new school year—a time meant for hope, not horror. It is simply unfathomable.

To the grieving families: we hold you close in prayer and love.

To the students, teachers and staff of Annunciation: you are not alone.

To the first responders and medical teams: we thank you for your courage and care.

Once again, the Body of Christ has been pierced. And once again, we are called - as members of that Body - to bind up the wounds, to comfort the afflicted and to stand firm in faith. Evil will not have the final word. The light of Christ will shine through this darkness.

May God, in His infinite mercy, embrace us all with His comfort, love, peace and hope.

**Most Reverend David O'Connell, C.M., J.C.D.**  
**Chairman of the Committee on Catholic Education**  
**United States Conference of Catholic Bishops**

Let us keep in our prayers the pastor, priests, administrators, teachers, families and students of Annunciation Church and School. And especially, the two children who were killed and all those who were injured. Let us pray for healing.

You are always in my 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 Rourke, 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 Sunday, 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    | Micah 5:1-4a<br>Ps 13:6ab, 6c<br>Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23          | Friday                                  | 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14<br>Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11<br>Luke 6:39-42           |
| Tuesday   | Colossians 2:6-15<br>Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11<br>Luke 6:12-19          | Saturday                                | 1 Timothy 1:15-17<br>Ps 113:1b-2, 3-7<br>Luke 6:43-49                       |
| Wednesday | Colossians 3:1-11<br>Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab<br>Luke 6:20-26 | Sunday                                  | Numbers 21:4b-9<br>Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38<br>Philippians 2:6-11<br>John 3:13-17 |
| Thursday  | Colossians 3:12-17<br>Ps 150:1b-2, 3-6<br>Luke 6:27-38          | <i>Exaltation of<br/>the Holy Cross</i> |   |

# ADULT BIBLE STUDY

## THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

*The Fifth Gospel*


BY FR. LESLIE HOPPE

Fr. Leslie J. Hoppe, O.F.M., Ph.D., Emeritus, is the Carroll Stuhlmueller Distinguished Professor of Old Testament Studies at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. He is the author of several books and many articles on Old Testament, including Isaiah. Fr. Hoppe is a member of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Province, Order of Friars Minor (Franciscans) and is a Roman Catholic priest.

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For more information, visit the church website at [www.saintjosephcc.com](http://www.saintjosephcc.com).

**BUNCO** Friday, September 12 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Please enter through St. Francis Hall north portico doors beginning at 6:00 p.m. To play, bring \$5.00 and food or drink to share or for your personal consumption. The 50/50 Raffle will be available. Cash prizes at the end of three rounds of play for Most Buncos, Most Wins, Most Mini-Buncos and Fewest Wins.

**REMINDER:** The portico doors remain locked for your safety. Please do not prop them open.

**SPECIAL PRAYER SERVICE** September 17, 2025, 6:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Huntsville.

The Knights of Columbus will host this unique prayer service to share the amazing story of The Miracle of the Roses and offer multiple prayers to Our Lady of Guadalupe (Patroness of the Americas) for her intercession for the RESPECT FOR LIFE. Good Shepherd Church will have, for this one day only, the beautiful Silver Rose.

Prayer books and rosaries will be provided. All are welcome.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

**SEPTEMBER 13-SEPTEMBER 14, 2025**

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00pm: Grady Harmon  
8:15am: Levi Stewart  
11:15am: Samuel Newport

LECTORS

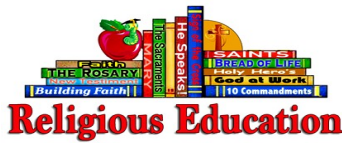
5:00pm: Randy Buckner, Lydia Tadesse  
8:15am: Jillian Fried, Claire Fried  
11:15am: Joe Pohuski, Florence Okafor

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00pm: Ben Sundey\*, Webb Tadesse, Patty Ayala, Sherri Lynn Ross, McKinley Curtis II  
8:15am: Cecilia Bruton\*, Rita Cusack, Josette Dant, Laura Hall, Jamie Stewart  
11:15am: Michelle Jansen\*, Nelene Odutola, Christopher Prchal, Jim Powell, Bea Terry

# Religious Education

## Formation and Catechesis



### FORMATION CALENDAR

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|----------|--|
| Sept. 7  | RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.<br>St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building<br>Confirmation I Parent Meeting<br>9:45 a.m. English St. Francis Hall<br>10:20 a.m. Spanish St. Francis Hall  |
| Sept. 14 | RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.<br>St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building<br>First Communion Parent Meeting<br>9:45 a.m. English St. Francis Hall<br>10:20 a.m. Spanish St. Francis Hall |

### 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, SEPTEMBER 08

5:00pm: HFS Capital Campaign (LMR)

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 09

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)  
6:00pm: Spiritual Life Commission (LMR)  
6:00pm: Boy Scouts

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10:00am: Adult Formation (LMR)  
6:00pm: St. Vincent de Paul (LMR)  
6:00pm: 11:15am Mass Choir (SJC)  
7:00pm: 8:15am Mass Choir (SJC)

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9:00am: HFS Grandparents Day (SJC/SFH)  
9:00am: Rosary Makers (LMR)  
4:00pm: Holy Family Foundation (LIB)

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

6:00pm: Bunco (SFH)

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9:30am: RE/OCIA (LMR/LIB/HFS/SFH)  
9:45am: 1st Communion Parents-English (SFH)  
10:20am: 1st Communion Parents-Spanish (SFH)  
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