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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.



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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, NOVEMBER 08

8:00am: +Sr. Anette Seymour
5:00pm: +Ron Travis

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 09

8:15am: +Nancy Marie Leslie
11:15am: For the Parish, +John Francis Cullaty

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10

7:00am: McKenzie Karl

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

7:00am: Leticia Rios

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

7:00am: +Mr. & Mrs. Karl Fastenrath

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

7:00am: Alfred Corvington
9:00am*: Cathie Davis

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

7:00am: Kenia Jobb

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

8:00am: +Karen Pohl
5:00pm: +Fr. J. Francis Sofie, O.P.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

8:15am: For the Parish, +Gary Mahon, +Maria Alcala
11:15am: +Dolores Aquila

**HFS School Mass*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The last few weeks have been amazing, filled with much celebration and joy. We started with the Holy Family Historical Brick Celebration two weeks ago, with personal stories from former students and music supplied by Jerry McAllister, Deacon Greg Thompson and the choirs, as well as participation by many others including our Cub Scout and Boy Scout Troops. It was truly a wonderful experience for all.

On Friday, October 31, Holy Family School hosted a Halloween Trunk or Treat in the church back parking lot and invited the neighborhood. It was followed by a Holy Family School dance for the older students and a movie for the younger students. A great time was had by all.

On Saturday, November 1, we had the Confirmation Retreat in St. Francis Hall. It was a great preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. I appreciate all the work done by Maritza Holland, our Director of Religious Education, and the Confirmation Team: Jillian Fried, Muriel Weston, Grady Harmon, Guadalupe Lupita-Loredo and Paula Bertrand. During last Saturday's 5:00 p.m. Mass we celebrated the Enrollment of the Confirmation candidates with their sponsors. At the end of Mass, we invited the families of those who passed away since last All Soul's Day and who are interned in our Columbarium for a special blessing at the Columbarium.

We celebrated Confirmation on Wednesday evening, November 5, with Bishop Steven Raica. We are blessed to have 31 young people and five adults receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. Thanks to Helen Taylor and her team who provided the post-Confirmation reception.

On Saturday, November 8, we had several events: the Holy Family School Athletic Department golf tournament at Hampton Cove; The Knights of Peter Claver/Ladies Auxiliary/Junior Daughters Mass of Remembrance for Deceased Knights and Ladies Founders Day Celebration and luncheon; and the Knights of Columbus St. Joseph Council 18199 Football Bash (LSU vs. Alabama) in St. Francis Hall.

All in all, it has been a whirlwind of activities, in addition to all the regular parish activities that happen every day. I just want to thank everyone who works so hard to make our growing parish a place that ministers to the body, mind and spirit of all.

You are in my thoughts and prayers each day. May God continue to bless us all.

Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe



***Congratulations to the
2025 St. Joseph Confirmation Class,
sponsors and families.***

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, Ralph & Helen Kissel, Judi Trygg, Cecilia Hall, Deacon Mike Rooney, Jane and Dena Bell, Marie Basta, Richard Brown, Jena Lanzell, 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, 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	Wisdom 1:1-7 Ps 139:1b-3, 4-10 Luke 17:1-6	Friday	Wisdom 13:1-9 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab Luke 17:26-37
Tuesday	Wisdom 2:23-3:9 Ps 34:2-3, 16-19 Luke 17:7-10	Saturday	Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 Luke 18:1-8
Wednesday	Wisdom 6:1-11 Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 Luke 17:11-19	Sunday	Malachi 3:19-20a Ps 98:5-9 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 Luke 21:5-19
Thursday	Wisdom 7:22b-8:1 Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175 Luke 17:20-25		

COLUMBARIUM MEMORIAL WALL SALE November 1-30, 2025

Purchase a spot on our beautiful black granite memorial wall to honor a loved one or family member. Price is reduced to \$750.00 from \$1,000.00 just for the month of November. If you've been thinking about it, now is the time to buy.

DESIGNER HANDBAG AUCTION during the Holiday Bake Sale, November 22/23. Bidding will begin after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, November 22 and will continue after each Sunday Mass on November 23, ending at 1:00 p.m. Reserve prices are set for each of the four bags at which all bids begin.

Please take advantage of this excellent opportunity for early holiday shopping. All proceeds go to the Holy Family School Capital Campaign.

BUNCO on Friday, November 14. Access to St. Francis Hall is through the north portico beginning at 6:00 p.m. and play begins at 7:00 p.m. Bring food or drink to share. If you are looking for a cheap date, \$5 to play three rounds with a potential payout of breaking even!

At the end of play, around 9:00 p.m., cash prizes for the Most Buncos, Most Wins, Most Mini-Buncos, and Fewest Wins are awarded. We will also have the 50/50 Raffle.

This is our final Bunco for 2025 and may be replaced by some other game(s) in 2026 at participant request. Discussion on the future will be on November 14, so bring your ideas and suggestions.

WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE by the Catholic Center of Concern. Bring your donations to the church through November 15 or drop them off at the Center, 1010 Church Street in Huntsville. Specific needs for adults and children are:

- Coats (all adult and children's sizes)
- Sweaters and sweatshirts
- Gloves/mittens/winter hats

These items go directly, at no cost, to individuals and families in our community who are struggling to stay warm.

ASSOCIATES OF ST. JOHN BOSCO (ASJB), a Catholic non-profit based in Northern Virginia, invite you to apply for the **National RISE (Renewal through Innovative Student Evangelization) Awards**.

This year, ASJB will award up to \$50,000 to Catholic Campus Ministries (CCMs) that create innovative projects to reach freshmen, fallen-away Catholics, unaffiliated or disaffiliated students, athletes and other groups on campus.

Applications for funding for the 2026-2027 school year are open now through January 15, 2026. We'll be hosting live Zoom Info Calls in mid-November to help you get started.

Info Call Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/RISECall>
Apply by January 15, 2026 at www.asjb.org/rise

CURRENT WEEKLY OFFERING

Regular Collection	\$ 14,956.88
Other Designated Funds	\$ 8,585.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 15-NOVEMBER 16, 2025

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00pm: Grady Harmon
8:15am: Maddie Lynch, Paige Howell
11:15am: Michael Terry

LECTORS

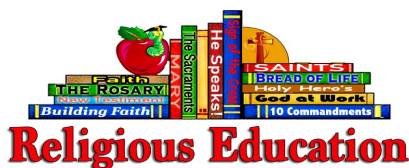
5:00pm: Patty Ayala, Diane Hollingshead
8:15am: Don Gregory, Gina Bain
11:15am: Shyntia Diallo, Cathy Tichow

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00pm: Marian Kilgore*, Ben Sunday, Karen Sunday, Tammy Hoskins, Sherri Lynn Ross
8:15am: David Brost*, Paula Bertrand, Cecilia Bruton, Rita Cusack, Josette Dant
11:15am: Jerolyn Golightly*, Jane Dodds, Kristy Hayne, Michelle Jansen, Nelene Odutola

Religious Education

Formation and Catechesis



FORMATION CALENDAR

Nov. 9	RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building
Nov. 16	RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building
Nov. 23	NO RE/OCIA—Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov. 30	NO RE/OCIA—Thanksgiving Holiday



CHRISTMAS BOXES 2025



It's Christmas Box time at St. Joseph! Please pick up a food item list in the church vestibule on November 8 and 9. All donations must be returned to the church by December 6. You can also purchase Scrip for the boxes, put it in an envelope marked "Christmas Box Donation," and place in the offertory basket. We will have two collections designated for the Christmas Boxes— the Thanksgiving Day collection and a second collection on November 29/30. Proceeds from these collections will be used to purchase item shortages and grocery store gift cards. The gift cards will allow recipients to buy perishable items, such as meats and fresh produce, that we do not provide. Please help us on the following important dates.

Nov. 8/9	Pick up food list
Nov. 15/16	Begin bringing food donations to church
Nov. 27	Thanksgiving Day collection
Nov. 29/30	Second collection at all Masses
Dec. 6	Last day to bring donated food
Dec. 6	Count and sort donated items—9:00 a.m.
Dec. 12	Build packing boxes—5:00 p.m.
Dec. 13	Pack the boxes—9:00 a.m.
Dec. 14	Boxes available for pick-up

This is a big annual undertaking for our parish that could not be done without the efforts of all who contribute to this outreach ministry. Please give generously of your time, talent and spirit to make this another successful year. For more information, call the parish office at 256-534-8459.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL: GIVE THE GIFT OF GIVING! Help our students "play Santa" for their loved ones while supporting the school. Consider donating new or never used items to stock our Santa Store, where students can shop for \$1 to \$5 items. Donations can be toys, books, household items, tools or anything kids would choose for their loved ones. Gift wrapping supplies and volunteers are also needed. Donations accepted at the school office until Sunday, November 30. All proceeds go to the school.

For more information, to arrange alternative drop-off, or to volunteer, email Santa@HFSatholic.com, call or text 304-389-9924.

ST. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL is seeking applicants for a part-time math teacher for the second semester of the 2025-26 academic year.

Requirements: bachelor's degree in secondary education or that field of study and an Alabama teaching certificate or a willingness to pursue one. If interested, e-mail cover letter, resume/CV, and supporting employment information to Diane Olszewski, dolszewski@jp2falcons.org.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION NEEDED Have you ever felt a desire to become closer to Christ? The EMHC may be the ministry God is calling you to join. Training sessions are available throughout the year.

If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, contact Josette Dant at josette@hutchenscompany.com.

Here Is What's Happening This Week

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

HFS & Parish Office Closed—Veterans Day

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

9:00am: Rosary Makers (LMR)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

6:00pm: Bunco (SFH)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Lay Salvatorian Retreat (SFH)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

9:30am: RE/OCIA (LMR/LIB/HFS/SFH)
12:30pm: African Catholic Association (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