

JANUARY 25, 2026

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).

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.

A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM IN ALABAMA

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

8:00am: Paula Cushman
5:00pm: +Lynn LaPlant

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

8:15am: Joe Westover
11:15am: For the Parish, +Jerry Damson

MONDAY, JANUARY 26

7:00am: Liz Taylor

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

7:00am: +Juan Rios Ortiz

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

7:00am: All Dominicans Living & Dead

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

7:00am: +Katy Ly
9:00am*: +Juan Rios Ortiz

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

7:00am: +Hi Ching Walters

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31

8:00am: Joe Westover
5:00pm: +Damien Donnelly

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 01

8:15am: For the Parish
11:15am: +Linda Alt

**HFS School Mass*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I hope and pray you are all doing well.



In the latest issue of *The Word Among Us: Daily Meditations* for January 1 – February 17, 2026 there was a wonderful reflection for Wednesday, January 21. The readings for that day were: **1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Psalm 144:1-2, 9-10/Mark 3:1-6**. Perhaps you can take a little time today to read and reflect.

Today the Lord shall deliver you into my hand. (1 Samuel 17:46)

Wouldn't it be wonderful to throw a rock at your problems and watch them all disappear? That's what David did: he chucked his stone at Goliath, and the dreaded giant collapsed.

But there is more to this story than David's bravery. As his words to Goliath show, David relied on the Lord to give him victory. How else could one small stone make such a big difference?

God wants us to learn this combination of faith and action that David showed, that cooperation between God's grace and our work that can lead us into victory. David's words, "Today the Lord should deliver you into my hand," show how much he placed his confidence in the Lord (**1 Samuel 17:46**). But even as he spoke these words of defiant faith, he picked up a stone, took aim, and fired a deadly shot. Try to imagine what would have happened if David had merely boasted in the Lord but had not done anything. It could have been tragic!

How often do we think that relying on God means being passive, and therefore neglect the work that he calls us to do? On the other hand, how often do we rely on our own strength, doing the "work of the Lord" but neglecting the "Lord of the work"? Both approaches are risky. The first one can leave us feeling fruitless and frustrated. The second one can leave us either full of ourselves or worn-out and dispirited. But the middle way - the way of cooperation between divine grace and human work - brings not only fruitfulness but refreshment and joy as well.

It's a challenging combination. We need to humble ourselves and recognize that we are weak without the Lord. But we also need to believe that we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. We need to learn the art of being still and knowing that he is God, and we also need to learn how to step out of the boat and onto the surging waters of life.

What Goliath are you facing right now? How can you step out in faith, trusting in God's power as you fling your stone?

Jesus, I embrace the victory you have given me on the cross. I place my confidence in your power and in the talents you have given me.

You are in my thoughts and prayers each day. Take care and be safe.

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, 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 Sundey, Anna Wilks, Bill Boehme, Mary Platt, 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, Larry Barnett, Susan Sheehy, 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	2 Timothy 1:1-8 Ps 80:2-3, 5-7 Mark 3:20-21	Friday	2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11 Mark 4:26-34
Tuesday	2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19 Ps 24:7-10 Mark 3:31-35	Saturday	2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17 Ps 51:12-17 Mark 4:35-41
Wednesday	2 Samuel 7:4-17 Ps 89:4-5, 27-30 Mark 4:1-20	Sunday	Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13 Ps 146:6-10 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 Matthew 5:1-12a
Thursday	2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29 Ps 132:1-5, 11-14 Mark 4:21-25		

LITURGICAL MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES Are you interested in being an altar server, a lector or an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion? The current ministry schedule runs through the end of March 2026. You will be trained before you are placed on the schedule by one of the following: Fr. Joe (altar servers), Tom Uss (lectors) or Josette Dant (EMHC).

Please contact the parish office with your choice of ministry. We look forward to your service at the Lord's Supper.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE Join us for our upcoming Open House celebrating Catholic Schools Week!

Discover the difference a faith-based education can make. Meet our dedicated teachers, tour the classrooms and learn more about our academic programs, extracurricular activities and spiritual growth opportunities.

Date: Sunday, January 25, 2026

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Location: Holy Family School, 2301 Beasley Avenue NW, Huntsville, AL 35816

Come see why our school is a wonderful place to learn, grow and belong.

For more information, contact the school office at (256) 539-5221 or visit holyfamilyschoolhsv.org.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SHARE THE HARVEST food pantry collection will be held on February 7/8. Please drop your food items off at the collection point in front of the church before Mass.

We especially need: cereal, canned fruit, canned meat, jelly, soup and snacks/cookies. Please no bulk items or glass.

Thank you for your continued support assisting those in need in our community. For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Kevin Nash at kmn444@hotmail.com or 315-664-0755.

THE WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS group will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 12, for lunch at Tom Brown's Restaurant, Hays Farm, 9070 Memorial Parkway SW in Huntsville.

For information, reservations or cancellations please call or text John at 256-603-6512, no later than February 10. Newcomers are always welcome.

CREDIT CARD TRANSACTION FEE Please note that, beginning on January 1, 2026, we will add a three percent fee on all SQUARE credit card transactions to help offset those costs to the parish. If you have any questions, contact Patty Ayala in the parish office.

2026 BREAKING BREAD MISSALS are available for \$10.00 each at the parish office during regular office hours, while supplies last.

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

Regular Collection	\$ 9,157.32
Other Designated Funds	\$ 3,300.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

JANUARY 31, 2026 – FEBRUARY 01, 2026

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00pm: Larry Bayer
8:15am: Dawson Amos
11:15am: Michael Terry, Victor Orozco

LECTORS

5:00pm: Mary Graham, Randy Buckner
8:15am: Donna Howell, Bart Lynch
11:15am: Helen Taylor, Bruce Taylor

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00pm: Philip Graham*, George Holland, Maritza Holland, Tammy Hoskins, Maureen Chemsak
8:15am: Kevin Nash*, Michelle Nash, Anne Heatherly, Teri Lynch, Ashley Medina
11:15am: Michelle Jansen*, Jim Powell, Nelene Odutola, Maggie Taylor, Christopher Prchal

Religious Education

FORMATION CALENDAR

Jan. 25	RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building
Feb. 1	RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building
Feb. 8	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, 1st 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 four times a year, at the beginning of each quarter. 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.

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 _____

 O.C.I.A.

Address _____

_____ *Leaving Parish*

 Address Change

E-mail _____

____Telephone Change

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

If you are new to St. Joseph, please fill out a parish registration form.

Here Is What's Happening This Week

Catholic Schools Week Jan. 26-30, 2026

MONDAY, JANUARY 26

5:00pm: HFS Capital Campaign (LMR)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

6:00pm: St. Vincent de Paul (LMR)

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

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

10:00am: HFS 6th Grade

Catholic Schools Week Mass
(Birmingham)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 02

9:30am: RE/OCIA (LMR/LIB/HFS/SFH)

12:30pm: KPCLA Junior Daughters (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

BRZ = Breezeway

VBC = Von Braun Center