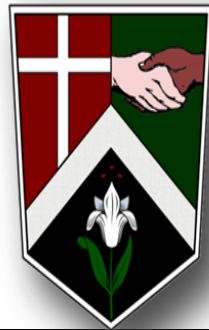


# Saint Joseph

## 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.



### 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.



### Holy Family School—Huntsville

Jim Bell, Principal  
 256.539.5221

### St. John Paul II Catholic High School

Michael Henry, Principal  
 256.430.1760

# Mass Intentions

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 07

8:00am: +Sarah Marie Tepool  
5:00pm: +Damien Donnelly

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 08

8:15am: +Irene Matis  
11:15am: For the Parish, +Don Bryant

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 09

7:00am: +Dorothy Joyce Boschert

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

7:00am: Achile Egbunu

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

7:00am: +Julie Loppnow

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

7:00am: +Domingo Quiroz Ruiz  
9:00am\*: All Sick & Hospitalized Parishioners

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

7:00am: +Jacqueline Hallows

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00am: +Dave Royer  
5:00pm: Michael & Maureen Chemsak

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:15am: For the Parish, +Jim Watt Maloney  
11:15am: +Jerry Damson

\*HFS School Mass

## 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, Kennita Turner, Eva Nave, Anna Belander, the Price family, Gail Johnson, Sally Cox, Mary Andrus family, George deVuyst, Milly Kuszynski, Brent Weisbecker, 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

Dear Brothers and Sisters:



On Tuesday, January 27, I read the following meditation from *Give Us This Day: Daily Prayer for Today's Catholic*. The readings for that day were: ***The Second Book of Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19/Exodus 3: 1-6, 9-12/Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mark 3:31-35.***

The meditation was written by Deacon Greg Kandra, a Roman Catholic deacon serving the Diocese of Brooklyn, New York. Author of *The Busy Person's Guide to Prayer*, he is an award-winning broadcast journalist and maintains The Deacon Bench blog. I hope you enjoy the reflection.

### Making Room

When people told Jesus that his family had come to see him, he looked at those around him and declared boldly: "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." His definition of family is broader, wider and deeper than his audience probably expected. But he comes with a challenge. Jesus added this qualifier: His family is "whoever does the will of God..." With that, we find ourselves facing a question that has haunted believers for centuries: How do I do God's will? What does that look like?

The most famous prayer on earth offers an answer, with this humble petition: "Thy will be done." Mary's words at the Annunciation offer the same ascent, "Let it be done to me according to your word." Our faith reminds us that doing the will of God is fundamentally about surrender; it's an act of quiet obedience, a choice to trust, to admit that we all need (as Alcoholics Anonymous puts it) to "let go and let God"

My favorite verse of this idea comes from Fr. Mychal Judge, who phrased it memorably in his own prayer to the Almighty. "Take me where you want me to go," he said, "and please keep me out of the way."

It's worth asking ourselves: How am I getting in God's way? What can I do to make room and let God's will be done?

I hope that you have a blessed day filled with many wonderful graces. You are always in my thoughts and prayers.

***Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe***

### LAST YEAR'S PALMS

If you have palms from last year, you can bring them to church next weekend, February 14 and 15 only. I will use them to create the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

***Thank you, Fr. Joe***

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### **Laws for Fast and Abstinence during Lent**

The law of abstinence obliges those **14 years of age and older not to eat meat**. The law of fast obliges all those from **ages 18 through 59** to refrain from eating between meals and to limit their eating to one full meal and two lighter meals for the day.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13 Ps 132:6-10 Mark 6:53-56	Friday	1 Kings 11:29-32;12:1-9 Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15 Mark 7:31-37
Tuesday	1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30 Ps 84:3-5, 10, 11 Mark 7:1-13	Saturday	1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22 Mark 8:1-10
Wednesday	1 Kings 10:1-10 Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 Mark 7:14-23	Sunday	Sirach 15:15-20 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37
Thursday	1 Kings 11:4-13 Ps 106:3-4,35-37, 40 Mark 7:24-30		

**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), Ann Gunderman (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.

**MARRIAGE VOW RENEWAL CEREMONY** All St. Joseph parish couples celebrating 25 years of marriage or more are invited to attend a Renewal of Marriage Vows Ceremony at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, February 14.

There will be a reception in St. Francis Hall at 6:15 p.m. following the Mass. Please bring a large, stand-alone photo of your wedding day to the reception. This event is open to all parishioners.

**SAVE THE DATE: NITE AT THE RACES**

**Saturday, March 7, 2026, Fr. Messmer Center Gym**

Food service begins at 6:30 p.m., racing starts at 7:00 p.m. No entry fee to attend, food and drinks available for purchase.

You can be a horse owner, a jockey or a participant in the hat contest. Horse owner tickets will be on sale after weekend Masses beginning February 7/8.

**This is an adult-only event, with proceeds going to the Holy Family Capital Campaign.**

**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.

For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Kevin Nash at [kmn444@hotmail.com](mailto:kmn444@hotmail.com) or 315-664-0755.

**BUNCO** Friday, February 13. Play begins at 6:30 p.m., arrival between 6:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the north portico entrance to St. Francis Hall. Bring \$5 to play and food or drink to share. After three rounds of play, cash payouts for Most Buncos, Most Wins, Most Mini-Buncos and Fewest Wins. 50/50 Raffle will be available. All proceeds and donations go to the Holy Family Capital Campaign. Next Bunco is April 10.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** Please do not take the missals provided in the pews out of the church. We don't have extra quantities to replenish our supply for this year.

If you would like your own personal copy, there are a handful left for purchase at \$10.00 each in the parish office. Thank you for your cooperation.

**WEEKLY OFFERING FOR JAN. 25 & FEB. 1, 2026**

Regular Collection	\$ 20,199.00
Other Designated Funds	\$ 9,110.00

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

**FEBRUARY 14, 2026 – FEBRUARY 15, 2026**

*Please see the full schedule for ministry assignments for Ash Wednesday, February 18 @ 7:00 p.m.*

**ALTAR SERVERS**

5:00pm: Chris Reid  
8:15am: Jacob Spradlin, James Spradlin  
11:15am: Jackson Lewis

**LECTORS**

5:00pm: Terry Thompson, Laura Hall  
8:15am: Jillian Fried, Claire Fried  
11:15am: Tyrell Hongo, Shyntia Diallo

**EUCARISTIC MINISTERS**

5:00pm: Webb Tadesse\*, Ben Sundey, Karen Sundey, Patty Ayala, Maureen Chemsak  
8:15am: David Brost\*, Bill Billingsley, Linda Billingsley, Cecilia Bruton, Gina Bain  
11:15am: Jane Dodds\*, Brenda Brown, Bernita Briggs, Josette Dant, Jerolyn Golightly

# Religious Education

## Formation and Catechesis



## Religious Education

### FORMATION CALENDAR

Feb. 7/8	Rite of Enrollment for First Communion at Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses
Feb. 8	RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building
Feb. 15	RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building Rite of Welcoming and Sending - OCIA 11:15 a.m. Mass

### 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.

### PARTICIPANT 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

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Address Change

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Change

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

## Here Is What's Happening This Week

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)  
6:00pm: Parish Advisory Board (LMR)

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

10:30am: Adult Formation (LMR)  
6:00pm: St. Vincent de Paul (LMR)  
6:00pm: 11:15am Choir (SJC)  
7:00pm: 8:15am Choir (SJC)

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

9:00am: Rosary Makers (LMR)

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

6:00pm: Bunco (SFH)

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

6:15pm: Marriage Vow Renewal  
Reception (SFH)

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

*OCIA Rite of Welcoming @ 11:15 a.m. Mass*  
9:30am: RE/OCIA (LMR/LIB/HFS/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