

Meluidia

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, APRIL 04

Holy Saturday

8:00pm: OCIA Candidates & Sponsors

SUNDAY, APRIL 05

Easter Sunday

6:00am: Sr. Jean Marie Hauck, S.D.S.

8:15am: +Vicky Neyhouse

11:15am: For the Parish

MONDAY, APRIL 06

7:00am: Selena Parish-Logan

TUESDAY, APRIL 07

7:00am: +George Collins

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 08

7:00am: Bill Halderson

THURSDAY, APRIL 09

7:00am: Bob & Elaine Sayre

9:00am*: Patients Fighting Cancer

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

7:00pm: +Richard Schnell

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

8:00am: +Lilia Jones

5:00pm: +Damien Donnelly

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Divine Mercy Sunday

8:15am: For the Parish, Ezra Morris

11:15am: +Sharon Honcharika

***HFS School Mass**

Dear Brothers and Sisters:



Today I would like to share a meditation with you from *The Word Among Us: Daily Meditations for Catholics*. It is taken from today, Easter Sunday. The readings for this day are: **Acts 10:34, 37-43/Psalm 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Colossians 3: 1-4/John 20: 1-9.**

He saw and believed. (John 20:8)

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Today we celebrate the culmination of the longing of God's people through the ages. In the Gospel, we hear when John looked into the empty tomb, he "saw and believed" (**John 20:8**). His eyes were opened, and he was able to respond to what he saw with faith. As we consider the empty tomb today, let's ask the Lord to open our eyes and give us the grace to respond with faith as well!

Throughout Lent, our Sunday Gospel readings have been preparing the way for us: We saw Jesus defeat the devil, clinging to scripture to overcome his temptations (**Matthew 4: 1-11**). We now know that Jesus has freed us from Satan's power.

We saw Jesus manifest his glory and give the disciples a glimpse of what was in store for them (**Matthew 17:1-9**). And we now believe that Jesus is inviting us into heavenly glory.

We saw Jesus give living water to the Samaritan woman, showing us that as Messiah, he came for all people (**John 4:5-42**). So now we recognize that Jesus brought God's promises to fulfillment for every person.

We saw Jesus heal a man born blind, opening the man's eyes to recognize him as the Son of Man (**John 9:1-41**). We believe now that our spiritual blindness can be healed and that we can see Jesus for who he is.

And we saw Jesus raise his friend Lazarus from the dead, showing that he has power over death itself (**John 11:1-45**). We now know we are freed from the fear of death and that death is not the end for us.

Today as you rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus, rejoice in all its effects - both in your own life and for everyone. He has conquered sin and death and the devil! All our hopes have been fulfilled in him!

"Jesus, I rejoice in your resurrection! Open my eyes to see and believe all that you have accomplished."

I wish you a blessed Easter Sunday and a blessed Easter season. 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, 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, 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**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 Matthew 28:8-15	Friday	Acts of the Apostles 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a John 21:1-14
Tuesday	Acts of the Apostles 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 John 20:11-18	Saturday	Acts of the Apostles 4:13-21 Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 Mark 16:9-15
Wednesday	Acts of the Apostles 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-9 Luke 24:13-35	Sunday	Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47 <i>Divine Mercy</i> <i>Sunday</i> Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31
Thursday	Acts of the Apostles 3:11-26 Ps 8:2ab, 5-9 Luke 24:35-48		

THE WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS group will meet for lunch on April 9, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. at Surin of Thailand, Westbury Square, 975 Airport Road in Huntsville. Please call or text Glenda at 520-603-6708 by April 7 for information, reservations or cancellations. Newcomers are always welcome, so come join us!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S SHARE THE HARVEST food pantry collection will be held on April 11/12. We especially need: canned meat, soup, pasta, spaghetti sauce, rice, mashed potatoes, jelly, pancake mix, cereal, canned fruit and snacks/cookies. Please no bulk items or glass.

Please drop off food items at the collection point in front of the church before Masses on April 11/12 and do not leave any items unattended or exposed to the elements.

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

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.

KAIROS LIMESTONE PRISON WEEKEND April 16-19, 2026. There are three ways to "visit the prisoner" as Jesus asked us. One, bake cookies with love and prayers. Two, join the prayer vigil. Finally, donate to Green Agape, which helps fund the four days of meals we provide. Each meal you sponsor will include a card with your name and parish at the place setting. Any donation amount is greatly appreciated.

Cookies should be delivered to the parish office by April 15. We will collect donations and prayer vigil commitments at all the Masses on April 11/12.

Thank you for your participation.

BUNCO Friday, April 10, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and ending around 8:30 p.m. after three rounds of play.

Entry is via the north parking lot portico beginning at 6:00 p.m. Please bring \$5 to play, food or drink to share or for your personal consumption, and dollars if you wish to take part in the 50-50 Raffle. Cash prizes will be awarded at the end of the evening.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Regular Collection	\$ 10,500.00
Other Designated Funds	\$ 4,150.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

APRIL 11, 2026-APRIL 12, 2026

ALTAR SERVERS

- 5:00pm: Larry Bayer
- 8:15am: Caed Lynch, Josephat Lopez
- 11:15am: Jackson Lewis

LECTORS

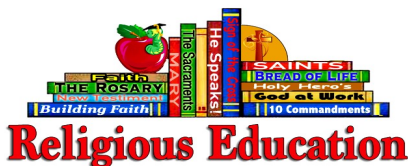
- 5:00pm: Randy Buckner, Grady Harmon
- 8:15am: Bart Lynch, Don Gregory
- 11:15am: Shyntia Diallo, Joe Pohuski

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- 5:00pm: Webb Tadesse*, George Holland, Maritza Holland, Tammy Hoskins, Maureen Chemsak
- 8:15am: Laura Hall*, Terry Bell, Anne Heatherly, Alicia Owens, Teri Lynch
- 11:15am: Donnis Aragon*, Nelene Odutola, Michelle Jansen, Bea Terry, Gerald Wocken

Religious Education

Formation and Catechesis



FORMATION CALENDAR

- April 5 **NO RE/OCIA—Happy Easter**
- April 12 RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building
- April 19 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 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.

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.

THE MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST will be held on Saturday, April 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Elias Maronite Church Parish Hall in Birmingham, Alabama.

Our speaker, Cecilia Crandall, will share her story of the painful loss of her daughter and how she found strength to continue Laura’s legacy through God’s guidance and with the help of the Virgin Mary and the Holy Spirit.

Tickets are \$20 each or \$15 for students ages 13 to 22 and include a catered breakfast. They are available online at BirminghamMagnificat.org or by contacting Jan Smith at 205-381-8481, from Alpha Church Supply or Holy Roses Flowers and Gifts.

No tickets sold at the door or after April 19.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL DISCO SOIREE AND SILENT AUCTION Saturday, April 18, 2026, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the Fr. Messmer Center.

Join us for a fun evening of food, dance, games, raffles and bidding on your favorite silent auction items.

Ticket prices are \$80 per couple and \$50 for singles. Heavy hors d’oeuvres included, beer or wine available for a donation.

Tickets can be purchased at the Holy Family School office or online at <https://hfsdisco.auctria.events>.

For more information, call 256-539-5221.

Here Is What’s Happening This Week

MONDAY, APRIL 06

Parish Office Closed

TUESDAY, APRIL 07

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 08

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

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

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 09

9:00am: Rosary Makers (SJC)

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

6:00pm: Bunco (SFH)

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

10:00am: Lay Salvatorians

Regional Meeting (SFH)

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

9:00am: RE/RCIA (LMR/LIB/HFS/SFH)

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

2:00pm: Divine Mercy (SJC)

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