

MAY 17, 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

St. John Paul II Catholic High School

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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).

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.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MAY 16

8:00am: +James Michael Pavlik
5:00pm: +Lola Light

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Ascension of the Lord

8:15am: +Eva Nave
11:15am: For the Parish, Ezra Morris

MONDAY, MAY 18

7:00am: Juliet Heinen

TUESDAY, MAY 19

7:00am: +Joanna Prunty

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

7:00am: +Tom Uss

THURSDAY, MAY 21

7:00am: +Lilian Antonia Ellis

FRIDAY, MAY 22

7:00am: Marylee Meehan
9:00am*: +Bill Halderson, ICDS

SATURDAY, MAY 23

8:00am: Matthew & Georgiana Wall
5:00pm: +Regina Shelton

SUNDAY, MAY 24

Pentecost

8:15am: For the Parish, +Kathryn McCormack
11:15am: +Sr. Jean Marie Hauck, S.D.S.

**HFS School Mass*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:



May, the month of the Blessed Mother, is a wonderful time filled with many activities and celebrations.

We started off with First Communion on May 2. It was a wonderful celebration for 27 young people who received the Eucharist for the first time. Since then, they have been counting how many communions they have received.

At the Holy Family School Mass on May 7, those who received their First Holy Communion at St. Joseph or at their home parishes were celebrated. After Mass, the First Communicants gathered for a reception in St. Francis Hall. And on May 8 was the Holy Family Field Day – great fun was had by all.

Last Sunday was Mother’s Day and several of our First Communion students crowned the Blessed Mother at the 11:15 a.m. Mass.

This Sunday afternoon, Holy Family School celebrates its eight grade graduation at a special 2:00 p.m. Mass followed by a reception in St. Francis Hall. Holy Family School PreK and Kindergarten will graduate on May 20 at 9:00 am. Later that day at 1:00 p.m., the school will hold its Awards Ceremony. Finally, Holy Family School wraps up this year on May 22, with the final school Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Finally, St. John Paul II Catholic High School will have its senior graduation at the Von Braun Center at 4:00 p.m. on May 21.

Let us keep all our young people in our thoughts and prayers as they continue their educational journey.

As you can see, this month has been filled with great moments of faith and achievements. And the official start of summer kicks off with Memorial Day on May 25, followed by Vacation Bible School June 15-19 on the St. Joseph campus.

I hope you have a blessed summer with time to enjoy family and friends. Here is a prayer to start us off.

Dear God,

As the days grow longer and the sun’s warmth fills the air, we thank You for the beauty of this season. For the gentle mornings, the golden light and the extended daylight, we give You praise.

Thank You for the joy of being outdoors, for the laughter of friends and family and for the life that thrives in gardens, fields and forests. Help us, Creator and lover of our souls, to love this earth with all our heart.

May this summer be a time of renewal, connection and deepening faith. Guide us to pray as we walk, work, play, rest and create. May Your presence warm our hearts, Your Word light our path and Your love sustain us through every moment of this season. Amen.

Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe

CONGRATULATIONS

I congratulate all our graduates from PreK through graduate school. There will be a special blessing of graduates at all the Masses on the weekend of May 23 and May 24. May God bless each of you and keep you safe each and every day.

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, 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, Jeff Jansen, Gary Wilson.

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 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab John 16:29-33	Friday	Acts of the Apostles 25:13b-21 Ps 103:2-7 John 21:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab
Tuesday	Acts of the Apostles 20:17-27 Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 John 17:1-11a	Saturday	Acts of the Apostles 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11:4, 5, 7 John 21:20-25
Wednesday	Acts of the Apostles 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab John 17:11b-19	Sunday	Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11
Thursday	Acts of the Apostles 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 John 17:20-26	Pentecost	Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23

THANK YOU The Lay Salvatorians would like to thank you for your generous contributions of diapers, wipes, onesies and blankets. The folks at the Catholic Center of Concern were “pleased and grateful.”

BELLA GIRLS CAMP July 20-24, 2026, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. This camp is offered for girls (grades 4-6) to grow in friendship, confidence and their relationship with Christ all while having a great time. We will play games, have fun activities, eat snacks and grow in our faith.

The camp is run by the Campus Minister at St. John Paul II Catholic High School with other JP II girls.

Sign up at jp2falcons.org/camps or contact Ashley Arominski at AArominski@jp2falcons.org for more information.

IF YOU PLAN TO MOVE: Please give the church office your new address so that we can correct our mailing lists, or take you off if you are leaving the area. Thank you for your cooperation.

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, unless specifically scheduled. Any other standing meetings that fall on such a holiday must be moved to a different day. Please call the church office with questions or to reschedule.

Also, when the parish office is closed and there is no staff on the premises, the church will be locked after the 7:00 a.m. daily Mass.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL *Rainforest Falls-Exploring the Nature of God, June 15-19, 2026* at the Fr. Messmer Center and St. Francis Hall on the St. Joseph Church campus. Ages Pre-K through 5th grade—\$30 per child, \$90 for a family of three or more.

Registration is open through May 25. Sponsored by St. Joseph and St. Mary of the Visitation parishes.

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.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Regular Collection	\$ 13,401.84
Other Designated Funds	\$ 6,261.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

MAY 23, 2026-MAY 24, 2026

ALTAR SERVERS

- 5:00pm: Grady Harmon
- 8:15am: David Pohl
- 11:15am: Robert Whitehead, Jennifer Orozco

LECTORS

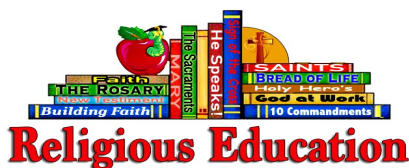
- 5:00pm: Randy Buckner, Sabine Wlodarski
- 8:15am: Donna Howell, Pat Maloney
- 11:15am: Debbye Joseph, Florence Okafor

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- 5:00pm: George Holland*, Maritza Holland, Karen Thompson, Philip Graham, Geri Donnelly
- 8:15am: David Brost*, Laura Cardenas, Terry Bell, Laura Hall, Ashley Medina
- 11:15am: Nelene Odutola*, Jeffrey Taylor, Maggie Taylor, Jim Powell, Bea Terry

Religious Education

Formation and Catechesis



FORMATION CALENDAR

- May 17 OCIA 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
Parish Office Building
- May 24 **NO OCIA—Memorial Day**
Catechist Yearend Meeting 9:30 a.m.
St. Francis Hall
- May 31 OCIA 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

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.



Here Is What's Happening This Week

MONDAY, MAY 18

11:30am: HFS Architect Meeting (LIB)
5:00pm: HFS School Board/
Capital Campaign (LMR)

TUESDAY, MAY 19

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

9:00am: PreK/Kindergarten Graduation (FMC)
1:00pm: HFS Awards Ceremony (FMC)
2:00pm: HFS History Wall (SFH)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

6:30pm: Knights of Columbus (LMR)
6:00pm: 11:15am Choir (SJC)
7:00pm: 8:15am Choir (SJC)

THURSDAY, MAY 21

10:00am: Ladies Bunco Group (LMR)
4:00pm: JPII High School Graduation (VBC)

FRIDAY, MAY 22

HFS Last Day of School-Noon Dismissal

SUNDAY, MAY 24

Pentecost
9:30am: Catechist Yearend Meeting (SFH)

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