

AUGUST 02, 2026

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH • HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

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.

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

Michael Henry, Principal
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, AUGUST 01

8:00am: +Marilyn Rodriguez
5:00pm: Huntsville Hospital Cardiovascular Unit & Staff

SUNDAY, AUGUST 02

8:15am: For the Parish, +Nancy Lindsay
11:15am: +Brian Lowe

MONDAY, AUGUST 03

7:00am: +Robert Grode

TUESDAY, AUGUST 04

7:00am: +Allan Cusack

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 05

7:00am: Horace Jackson 105th Birthday

THURSDAY, AUGUST 06

7:00am: +Rev. Dr. Charles Merrill
9:00am*: HFS 2026-2027 School Year

FRIDAY, AUGUST 07

7:00am: +Jay Bayer

SATURDAY, AUGUST 08

8:00am: All Dominicans Living & Dead
5:00pm: Sr. Jean Marie Hauck, S.D.S.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 09

8:15am: +Mike Chvala
11:15am: For the Parish, +Charles Spencer

***HFS School Mass**

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Barbara Brodeur, Carolyn Wingenter, Zanetta Brown, Faye Fletcher, Batchelder Family, Stachura Family, Elaine Sayre, 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, Ben Sundey, 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, 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

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I have been thinking about the many people who come together and make things happen behind the scenes in this parish, and I want to honor them. I didn't list too many names because I didn't want to inadvertently leave anyone out. So, I will focus on the groups that make up the work force at the parish and Holy Family School.



The Unsung Heroes of St. Joseph Catholic Parish

There are many people who work to keep our parish thriving and growing. I can't name them all, but I will try to recognize each group of ministries or organizations.

In the church, I appreciate Deacon Greg Thompson and all who serve as lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers, ushers, the four choirs, the courtesy teams, the environment creators, the team that does the Saturday evening Mass streaming and our volunteer cleaners.

In the office, I appreciate Renate Banks who is the bulletin editor, keeps the calendar of parish events and generally manages the office. I appreciate Patty Ayala for managing the parish finances, the Columbarium and her team of collection counters. I appreciate Maritza Holland as our Director of Religious Education, her team of catechists and volunteers and for being our connection to our Hispanic community.

I appreciate the members of the Parish Advisory Board, the Columbarium Advisory Board, the Spiritual Life Committee, the Finance Committee, the Rosary Makers, the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Knights of Peter Claver/Ladies Auxiliary, the Knights of Columbus, the Joyful Workers, the Holy Family School Foundation and the planners for this year's Ministry Fair.

I appreciate the Holy Family School Community – Principal Jim Bell; the teachers, staff, parents and students; the PTO (Parent Teacher Organization), and all those who donate time, talent and treasure to make the school a success. I appreciate the Holy Family School Advisory Board, Capital Campaign Committee, the Grant Writing Group, and especially John Filippo for his work as project manager of the new Holy Family School building project. Just look at how far we have come since 1952 and 1956!

I appreciate our Hospitality teams: Ben and Karen Sundey and Sabine Wlodarski for the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass, the Knights of Columbus for the 8:15 a.m. Sunday Mass, the Knights and Ladies Auxiliary of St. Peter Claver for the 11:15 a.m. Sunday Mass once a quarter and Robert Black for his freshly brewed coffees each Sunday morning.

Last but not least, I appreciate each and every one of our parishioners and all the support you give to me and to many others. If I have forgotten anyone, please forgive the oversight.

May God watch over you and keep you safe in your comings and goings. You are in my daily thoughts and prayers.

Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Jeremiah 28:1-17 Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 Matthew 16:22-36	Friday	Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 Ps Deuteronomy 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41 Matthew 16:24-28
Tuesday	Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 Ps 102:16-23, 29, Matthew 14:22-36	Saturday	Habakkuk 1:12-2:4 Ps 9:8-13 Matthew 17:14-20
Wednesday	Jeremiah 31:1-7 Ps Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 Matthew 15:21-28	Sunday	1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a Ps 85:9-14 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33
Thursday <i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Peter 1:16-19 Matthew 17:1-9		

IT'S HARVEST TIME AT ST. JOSEPH! Join us at the St. Joseph Ministry Fair, learn about our different ministries and organizations, meet fellow parishioners and find your special place to serve. Dates are August 22 and August 23 in the Fr. Messmer Center/Gym after all the Masses. Suggested attire: jeans and all things harvest time.

Share your gifts and grow closer to God through active service. We need both youth and adult volunteers to help our parish thrive. There is a place for every talent, time commitment and interest. All are welcome!

Rooted in Faith, Growing Together, Serving One Another

BAPTISM PREP Tuesday, August 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the parish office building. This class is mandatory for parents and godparents who are scheduling a baptism at St. Joseph Church. Please call the parish office at 256-534-8459 to register if you plan to attend.

BUNCO on Friday, August 14 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. in St. Francis Hall with arrival beginning at 6:00 p.m. We play three rounds. Parking will be in the north lot and entrance to the building at the portico.

Please bring \$5 to play and food or drink to share or for your personal consumption, plus extra money if you want to take part in the 50/50 Raffle. Cash prizes in four categories plus the Raffle.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SHARE THE HARVEST food pantry collection will be held on August 1/2. Please drop off food items at the collection point in front of the church before Mass and do not leave items unattended or exposed to the elements.

We especially need: cereal, canned fruit, canned meat, jelly, soup, spaghetti sauce, pasta, rice, mashed potatoes, pancake mix and snacks/cookies. Please no bulk items or glass jars.

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

SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND APPEAL August 1/2, 2026
You are invited to prayerfully consider giving to this fund, which directly supports the 19 seminarians who are being formed to become priests of the Diocese of Birmingham. Thank you for your support!

WEEKLY OFFERING

Regular Collection	\$ 10,965.65
Other Designated Funds	\$ 3,805.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

AUGUST 08, 2026-AUGUST 09, 2026

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00pm: Geri Reddy
8:15am: Gabe Stewart
11:15am: Robert Whitehead

LECTORS

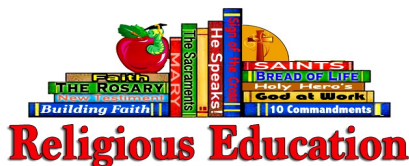
5:00pm: Grady Harmon, Sabine Wlodarski
8:15am: Bart Lynch, Gina Bain
11:15am: Florence Okafor, Joe Pohuski

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00pm: Patty Ayala *, George Holland, Maritza Holland, Ben Sundey, Karen Sundey
8:15am: Josette Dant*, Kevin Nash, Michelle Nash, Teri Lynch, Muriel Weston
11:15am: Jeffrey Taylor*, Maggie Taylor, Monique Kitts, Gerald Wocken, Bea Terry

Religious Education

Formation and Catechesis



FORMATION CALENDAR

Aug. 9 OCIA 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
Parish Office Building

RE REGISTRATION FOR 2026/2027 has begun. Registration forms are available in the church breezeway or the parish office. Classes begin on Sunday, August 16, 2026.

ANSWER THE CALL!
BECOME A CATECHIST
OR A CATECHIST ASSISTANT!

Share Your Faith!

- ★ **Teach our Children**
- ★ **Make a Difference**
- ★ **Inspire Young Hearts!**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
SIGN UP TODAY!

Fill out one application, call or email
256.534.8459 • mholland@saintjosephcc.com

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2026 FUN DAY September 12, 2026, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the St. Joseph Catholic Church campus. There will be games, prizes, food trucks and, of course, a raffle.

You can help make this a successful event by purchasing raffle tickets, donating new items for bingo prizes, cakes for the cakewalk or 2-litre sodas for the ring-a-pop game.

Signup sheets are in the church vestibule and breezeway. Bingo prizes and 2-litre sodas may be dropped off before each weekend Mass on August 29/30 and September 5/6. Cake-walk cakes may be dropped off on Friday, September 11 in the breezeway.

THE WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS group will meet for lunch on August 13, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. at Luis's Mexican Bar and Grill, 7500 Memorial Parkway SW, (Main Street South) in Huntsville.

Please call or text Mary at 618-444-9920 by August 11 for information, reservations or cancellations.

Newcomers are always welcome. We are an informal group that gathers monthly for fellowship and to enjoy a meal at different local restaurants. Come join us!

NURSING AND THE CIVIL WAR presentation by Sister Betty Ann McNeil, author and Daughter of Charity, on Thursday, August 13, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at the Tennessee Valley Civil War Round Table, Elks Lodge, 725 Franklin Street SE, in Huntsville.

Chicken buffet and salad bar will be available at 5:00 p.m.

Here Is What's Happening This Week

MONDAY, AUGUST 03

HFS Teacher Orientation (SFH)
8:30am: HFS Teacher's Mass (SJC)
5:00pm: HFS Eagle Night (FMC)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 04

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)
6:00pm: Baptism Prep (LMR)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 05

HFS Classes Resume
6:00pm: 11:15am Choir (SJC)
7:00pm: 8:15am Choir (SJC)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 06

4:00pm: Joyful Workers (SFH)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 07

11:00am: Eucharistic Adoration (SJC)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 08

10:00am: Lay Salvatorians (LMR)
11:00am: HFS Back-to-School Bash (FMC/field)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 09

9:30am: OCIA (LMR/LIB)
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
BRZ = Breezeway
VBC = Von Braun Center