

AUGUST 23, 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.



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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.

A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM IN ALABAMA

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

8:00am: +Dave Royer

5:00pm: +George Banks

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

8:15am: +Bobby & Nancy Leslie

11:15am: For the Parish, +Rufina Ponce

MONDAY, AUGUST 24

7:00am: +Angelina Hernandez Santana

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

7:00am: +Elizabeth Joanne St. George

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

7:00am: +Fr. Larry Shinnick

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

7:00am: Achile Egbunu

9:00am*: Erna Walters

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

7:00am: +Viviana Uribe-Torres, +Sara Nava

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

8:00am: +Peter John McGraw

5:00pm: +Will Banks Wilson

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

8:15am: For the Parish

11:15am: +Linda Alt

**HFS School Mass*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Every once in a while, we as Catholics need to be reminded about some very important information.



DID YOU KNOW?

Sometimes, we can get too comfortable at Mass. There are three times during the Sacrifice of the Mass when we should keep our minds, bodies and souls focused. The Liturgy of the Word (especially the readings and homily) and the Liturgy of the Eucharist (the Consecration). These are the two most sacred times, and they should have our full attention. Unless there is a real emergency, these are the times that we should not get up to go to the bathroom or answer a cell phone call. The third time is after Communion. That is the time to say thank you to God for all he has done for you. Thanking God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit for the gift of the Eucharist – Jesus' real body and blood, soul and divinity that we are privileged to receive.

ADDITIONAL 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 and be fully initiated – that is have the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation as a Catholic.

MARRIAGE: Marriage preparation classes are required if you plan to be married at St. Joseph. The preparation time is six to eight 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.

If you are going to be married in another state, all preparation must be completed two months before the wedding – the documents are sent to the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama, then sent to the Diocese where the marriage will take place and finally to the parish of the wedding.

If you are going to be married in another country, all preparation must be completed six months before the wedding – the documents are sent to the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama, then sent to the Diocese where the marriage will take place and finally to the parish of the wedding.

FUNERAL: Please call the parish office before making any arrangements with a funeral home to ensure that the church and pastor are available. Schedule an appointment with the pastor to plan the service.

For information about First Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation or OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults), please call Maritza Holland, Director of Religious Education, at the parish office.

For information on Annulments, please call Fr. Joe at the parish office.

I hope that this is helpful as you plan and celebrate the wonderful Sacraments of the Catholic Church. You are always 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, 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 Lanszell, Charlotte Johnson, Emma Lang, Jackie Weems, Bob Strang, Jacqueline Meador, Adrianna Hilburn, Jason & Jaxson Rivera, Therese Thomas, Art Sandridge, Chris Karlson, Mary Vandergraft, Anna Wilks, Bill Boehme, Kennita Turner, Anna Belander, the Price family, Gail Johnson, Sally Cox, Mary Andrus family, George DeVuyt, 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, Kevin Guettler, Janett Onisick.

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	Revelation 21:9ab-14 Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 John 1:45-51	Friday	1 Corinthians 1:17-25 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 Matthew 25:1-13
Tuesday	2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17 Ps 96:10-13 Matthew 23:23-26	Saturday	1 Corinthians 1:26-31 Ps 33:12-13, 18-21 Mark 6:17-29
Wednesday	2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18 Ps 128:1-2, 4-5 Matthew 23:27-32	Sunday	Jeremiah 20:7-9 Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 Romans 12:1-2 Matthew 16:21-27
Thursday	1 Corinthians 1:1-9 Ps 145:2-7 Matthew 24:42-51		

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. 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

ST. JOSEPH LADIES BRUNCH BUNCO meets on the third Thursday of the month in the RE Center beginning at 10:30 a.m. and ending at about 1:00 p.m. All parishioner ladies and guests are invited to join us for three rounds of Bunco, great food and fellowship. Cost is \$5 and bring a potluck brunch item to share.

Please call or text 256-520-7650 if you plan to attend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 4TH ANNUAL LABOR DAY PORK BUTT FUNDRAISER We are once again offering full-size smoked pork butts for \$50 each. Council members will sell tickets after all the weekend Masses from August 15 to August 23.

Pork butts can be picked up on September 5, the Saturday of Labor Day weekend, from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the church back parking lot. Please note that the pork will be refrigerated. Tickets must be purchased in advance, and you must have them with you to redeem your order. Thank you for your support!

SARAH HART CONCERT The St. Joseph 8:15 a.m. choir is sponsoring Sarah Hart's return to our parish for the ***You Are The Light*** concert on Friday, October 16, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$25.00 each (18 and under free). They will be available at all three weekend Masses and the parish office. Proceeds benefit the Holy Family Capital Campaign.

Join us for a night of reflection and relaxation with Sarah Hart's inspiring songs celebrating God's presence in our lives.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S SHARE THE HARVEST food pantry collection will be held on September 5/6. We especially need: canned meat, soup, spaghetti sauce, pasta, rice, mashed potatoes, pancake mix, canned fruit, cereal, peanut butter, jelly and snacks/cookies. Please no bulk items or glass containers.

We ask that you drop off your food items at the collection point in front of the church only before the weekend Masses on September 5 or 6. Please do not leave 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, contact Kevin Nash at knn444@hotmail.com or (315) 664-0755.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Regular Collection	\$ 9,376.10
Other Designated Funds	\$ 5,581.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

AUGUST 29, 2026-AUGUST 30, 2026

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00pm: Mike Rose
8:15am: Jacob Spradlin, James Spradlin
11:15am: Kaylen Nyochembeng

LECTORS

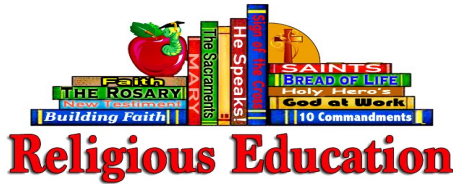
5:00pm: George Holland, Maritza Holland
8:15am: Robert Styles, Ellen Styles
11:15am: Debbye Joseph, Cathy Tichow

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00pm: Karen Sundey *, Ben Sundey, Gus Smith, Patty Ayala, Webb Tadesse
8:15am: Kevin Nash*, Michelle Nash, Teri Lynch, Alicia Owens, Ashley Medina
11:15am: Maggie Taylor*, Jeffrey Taylor, Gerald Wocken, Bea Terry, Bob Varga

Religious Education

Formation and Catechesis



FORMATION CALENDAR

- Aug. 23 RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building
- Aug. 30 RE Parents Meeting
RE/OCIA 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
St. Francis Hall/HFS/Parish Office Building
- Sept. 6 **NO RE/OCIA—LABOR DAY**



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 SPIRITUAL CARE OF THOSE GRIEVING SUICIDE LOSS" will be presented by the HAPC School of Applied Ministry on Tuesday, September 17, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at First Baptist Church, 600 Governors Drive in Huntsville. Please enter at The Community Room, Entrance 7.

Supper and registration at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$35.00 per person, except for sponsoring churches. CEU's are available for nurses and social workers. Zoom option is also available.

Contact malmcarl@hotmail.com or 256 883-6539 for more information or to register.

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.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Here Is What's Happening This Week

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

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

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

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

9:00am: Rosary Makers (LMR)

5:00pm: Joyful Workers (LMR)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

9:30am: RE/OCIA (HFS/SFH/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

BRZKY = Breezeway

VBC = Von Braun Center