

# 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 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and is closed during lunch 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Submit all bulletin announcements to [bulletin@saintjosephcc.com](mailto:bulletin@saintjosephcc.com) no later than Friday, a week prior, at 12:00 p.m.

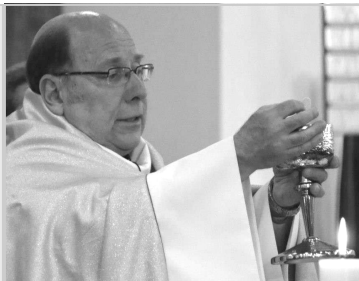


### Holy Family School—Huntsville

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## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

For all inquiries, please call Carmen Amato 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.

**RCIA.** Adults and children of catechetical age are welcomed into the Church through a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA).

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call Father 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, SEPTEMBER 18

8:00am: +Sarah Tepool  
5:00pm: +Michael Carl Brown

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:15am: +Nancy Marie Leslie  
11:15am: For the Parish

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:00am: +Anna Mantler

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

7:00am: Marcos Vargas

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:00am: Dianna Colligan

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

7:00am: +Robert Ellis

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7:00am: Allison Hernandez

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:00am: +Dominique Gagliardo  
5:00pm: +Eva Banks

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

8:15am: For the Parish  
11:15am: +V.O. Abraham

## PRAYER REQUESTS

*We are here to pray for you!*



Marie McCune, George Franklin, Debi Royer, James McGee, David Miller, Barbara Brodeur, Carolyn Wingenter, Zanetta Brown, Teresa Gregory, Rachel Johnson, Faye Fletcher, Batchelder Family, Stachura Family, Sayre Family, Richard Wertz, Maddie Clearly, John Rourk, Jr., Cindy Morales, John & Linda Dimmock, Sharon Vandurn, Dollie Jackson, Josephine Stratton, Ralph & Helen Kissel, Dan Vandergrift, Marrison Lefebzre, John Howard, Lisa Andrews, Sondra Adams, Judi Trygg, Marianna Young, Cecilia Hall, Deacon Mike Rooney, Antonio Beltran, Catherine Algie, Ramona Hallit, Lola Light, Rene Gonzalez, Bernice Geigel, Mary, Jane and Dena Bell, Juliana Goode, Marie Basta, Savannah Ponder, David Boren, Wanda Boren, Richard Brown, Cathy Filippo, Jena Lanszell, Charlotte Johnson, Michael Pesqueira, Jim Kollar, Emma Lang, Heidi Brown, Patricia Hendersen, Diane Goguen, Julie Algie, Bob Cuffe, Jeff Bertrand, Gary Mahon, Matthew M., Selena M., Matt Cox Family and Steven Weems.

**Note**

*If you wish to add someone to the prayer list, please contact Renate at 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:

This is part 2 of the reflection from *Monastery Icons* that I shared with you last week.

FROM THE



PASTOR

### IMPORTANT THINGS FOR CHRISTIANS TO REMEMBER DURING DIFFICULT TIMES—PART 2

Certainly, the past 18 months have presented unique challenges in most of our lives. In these difficult times, it is wise and helpful to remember the lessons that the Scriptures and writings and lives of the Saints teach us. Here are some more important things for us Christians to remember during these challenging times.

#### #1 Heroes great and small

Thank God there are heroes among us — like the U.S. veterans of the Afghan war who recently came together to organize the “Pineapple Express,” the covert operation that safely exited 500 Afghan allies and their families from Kabul. Although most of us lack the abilities and opportunity for such great acts, we do not have to look far to see where we can be of help. As Saint Teresa of Calcutta taught:

*“Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.”*

#### #2 Acquiring the spirit of peace

Lest we be distracted in doing good and saving the world, let us remember that the most important work we are called to as Christians is the purification of our own hearts and lives. And our faith gives us so many means to accomplish this: the Sacraments, the Rosary and prayer of the Holy Name, the guidance of the Scriptures, and the living presence of the Saints and Angels who are ever ready to support and inspire us. If we feel called to save the world, let’s not forget to save ourselves first. Since we are the light of the world, let’s make sure our candle is burning brightly.

*“Acquire the spirit of peace and thousands around you will be saved.”*  
(Russian mystic St. Seraphim of Sarov)

#### #3 When things get overwhelming

Many of us have been personally touched by the difficulties of these recent years. It hasn’t been easy. In these painful circumstances, it’s good to remember the profound last words of Betsie Ten Boom to her sister Corrie, as she lay dying in a stretcher on the floor of Ravensbruck concentration camp: “We must tell people what we have learned here. We must tell them that **there is no pit so deep that He is not deeper still.** They will listen to us, Corrie, because we have been here.”

#### #4 “Pray, hope, and DON’T WORRY.”

This advice from St. Pio of Pietrelcina has a very practical aspect for our modern age of instant information, vivid images of disaster and the media’s self-appointed prophets of doom. Let’s not join the crowd of worriers. You become what you contemplate. Don’t spend so much time with the news. **Spend more time filling your mind with “the things above,” and the “things below” will take care of themselves.**

May God continue to bless you today and each day. You are in my daily thoughts and prayers.

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Ezra 1:1-6 Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-6 Luke 8:16-18	Friday	Haggai 2:1-9 Ps 43:1-4 Luke 9:18-22
Tuesday	Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Matthew 9:9-13	Saturday	Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a Ps Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 Luke 9:43b-45
Wednesday	Ezra 9:5-9 Ps Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 Luke 9:1-6	Sunday	Numbers 11:25-29 PS 19:8, 10, 12-14 James 5:1-6 Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
Thursday	Haggai 1:1-8 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b Luke 9:7-9		

**THE FALL 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGNS** September 22 to October 31, 2021 in 610 cities worldwide. Please help promote this incredible effort for life which has saved over 19,190 babies since it began in 2007. All of these saved lives (plus their mothers) *are being lived* because of the prayers and courageous prayerful/peaceful witness of now well over one million people of life.

**Why not bring a group from your parish to STAND FOR LIFE for a few hours this fall? You may just participate in saving a baby's life!**

There are five 'licensed' abortion businesses in Huntsville, Tuscaloosa and Birmingham in our diocese, and in Montgomery and Mobile in the Mobile diocese.

Also, we have a Novena of Pro-Life Masses scheduled in parishes around our diocese from October 1 through October 9, 2021.

For more information, please visit [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com).

**THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** will set up the Rosary in the environment area for the month of October. We would like to include intentions of the faithful on the Rosary beads.

Please email your prayer intentions to [pjbertrand1130@gmail.com](mailto:pjbertrand1130@gmail.com) by Monday, September 27.



Due to the continued surge of COVID cases, and for the wellbeing of all participants, the Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend scheduled for **October 15-17, 2021 has been changed to virtual**. You will be able to participate from the comfort of your home.

For more information or to register online, please visit [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org), or call Frank and Kathryn Wessling at 205-530-3607.

**KAIROS OUTSIDE** September 24-26, 2021. Kairos Outside is designed to provide God's Love to women affected by incarceration. The people of St. Joseph can "visit the imprisoned" by signing up to pray and/or donating money.

Ed Wissel, who is also on the Kairos Outside team, will be in the church breezeway after Mass this weekend, September 18/19, to sign you up to pray and accept donations.

 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SANCTUARY FLOWERS</u></b></p> <p>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.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>CURRENT WEEKLY OFFERING</u></b></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td>Regular Collection</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 8,982.69</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other Designated Funds</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 2,985.00</td> </tr> </table>	Regular Collection	\$ 8,982.69	Other Designated Funds	\$ 2,985.00
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**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**  
**SEPTEMBER 25, 2021-SEPTEMBER 26, 2021**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

5:00pm: George Durant  
8:15am: William Pacello  
11:15am: Michael Terry

**LECTORS**

5:00pm: Tom Uss, Patty Ayala  
8:15am: Robert Styles, Ellen Styles  
11:15am: Sydney Turner, Carrie Turner

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

5:00pm: Cecilia Bruton  
8:15am: Jamie Stewart  
11:15am: Quitman Turner

# Religious Education

## Formation and Catechesis

### CALENDAR

Please join in prayer and blessing for our catechetical teams as they begin/continue their ministries. We acknowledge and thank the following:

- ◆ Religious Education Team
- ◆ Liturgy of the Word with Children Team
- ◆ Adult Education Team
- ◆ RCIA Ministry Team
- ◆ Holy Family School Team

- Sept. 19 RCIA 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.—Parish Office  
RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.— SFH/HFS  
**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**
- Sept. 26 RCIA 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.—Parish Office  
RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.— SFH/HFS
- Oct. 3 **NO RE/RCIA FALL BREAK**
- Oct. 10 **NO RE/RCIA FALL BREAK**

#### The Joyful Workers of St. Joseph Church & Holy Family School Sponsored Fundraisers

**Chicken dinners:** Twelve dollars per plate. Pickup September 25, 2021, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Fr. Messmer Center. Pre-orders only—no onsite sales. This is the final weekend to place your orders, so don't miss out.

**Raffle:** Raffle tickets were mailed to all St. Joseph parish families. Ten dollars per book of ten. Tickets are also available at the parish and Holy Family School offices. You can mail your payment and ticket stubs to St. Joseph church; place them in the collection basket at Mass, or turn in at the parish or Holy Family School office.

Drawings will be held September 26, 2021 after the 11:15 a.m. Mass. Don't miss out on money prizes of \$1,000.00, \$500.00 and \$300.00! All proceeds benefit the Holy Family School Building Fund.

Thank you for your support!



**HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL BOTTLE CAP RECYCLE CONTEST** Holy Family School will again participate in the Huntsville Operation Green Team bottle cap recycling contest.

Fifty schools participated in 2020 and more than \$20,000 was awarded for classroom supplies. The bottle caps collected are recycled into paint buckets and, therefore, stay out of landfills. Recycling and reusing as much as possible is the best way to keep landfills down.

Thanks to the generosity of St. Joseph parishioners and Holy Family School parents, we recycled the most tonnage and won the contest last year. With your help, we can do it again!

Please bring your bottle caps to the Holy Family School or the St. Joseph church office.

**BENEFIT BREAKFAST SEPTEMBER 19, 2021.** The Knights of Columbus Council 4080 will hold its monthly charity "ALL YOU CAN EAT" breakfast on Sunday, September 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Visitation Parish Life Center, 220 Lincoln Street in Huntsville. We will be serving eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, potatoes, coffee and juice. Adult carry-outs are available.

## Here Is What's Happening This Week

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

- 4:30pm: HFS Volley Ball (FMC)
- 5:00pm: HFS School Board Meeting (LMR)

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

- 9:00am: Quilters (LMR)
- 10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)
- 4:00pm: Finance Council (LMR)
- 6:00pm: Spiritual Life Commission (LMR)
- 6:00pm: Boy Scouts

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- 9:00am: Rosary Knotters (LMR)
- 4:00pm: 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass Choir (SJC)
- 6:00pm: HFS Title I Parent Meeting (FMC)
- 6:00pm: St. Vincent de Paul (LIB)
- 7:00pm: 8:15 a.m. Mass Choir (SJC)

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

- 4:00pm: 11:15 a.m. Mass Choir (SJC)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

- 4:00pm-7:00pm: Chicken dinner pick-up (FMC)

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

- 9:30am: RE/RCIA (LMR/LIB/SFH/HFS)
- 5:30pm: North Alabama Catholic Youth Group (SFH)

#### Facilities Key

- FMC = Messmer Center/Gym
- SJC = St. Joseph Church
- LMR/LIB = RE Center
- BEA = Beasley Hall
- STA = St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel
- BRZWY = Breezeway
- VBC = Von Braun Center