

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

Jeremiah H. Russell, Ph.D., Headmaster
256.430.1760



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).

ANOIDING 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.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

8:00am: +James Chvala
5:00pm: +Lola Light

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:00am: +Eric James Rogers

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

7:00am: +Michael John Smith

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:00am: End of Abortion & All Aborted Children

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

7:00am: + Mary W. Klauck
9:00am*: Thanks to St. Joseph

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:00am: +Eileen McBarron

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

8:00am: +Sylvia Dineen
5:00pm: +Eva Banks

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:15am: +Debra Saulsbury
11:15am: For the Parish

**HFS School Mass*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The following reflection came from *The Word Among Us: Daily Meditations for Catholics* on Monday, September 11. The scriptures for that day were: **Colossians 1:24-2/Psalm 62:6-7, 9/Luke 6:6-11**. I found this reflection insightful and challenging. I hope you do as well, and that it is helpful as we continue our walk with the Lord.



I hope that on September 11, we all took a moment to remember those who died.

They became enraged and discussed together what they might do to Jesus. (**Luke 6:11**). While no Pharisees are directly implicated in Jesus' crucifixion by the Romans, it is clear that some of them hated Jesus and wanted to see him killed. They saw him as a threat to their religion and their own elevated social status. Jesus didn't show deference to them or submit to their interpretation of the Law, and that made them furious. They couldn't let this "nobody" unseat them in the eyes of the people.

What's striking is how the rage of these men affected their thinking. They loved God and were committed to living out the Law of Moses. But in their attempts to trap Jesus, they were willing to break the Law. How could these men have allowed their thinking to become so unclear?

Perhaps a look inside our own hearts would be helpful. How many times has resentment, jealousy or anger tempted us to do something that we knew was wrong? Have we ever caught ourselves seriously contemplating something against God's law out of a desire for revenge or as a way of blowing off steam? Even within the Church, we can find ourselves speaking against people whose experience of God or expression of faith doesn't conform to our own.

So how can we make sure that our own irrational temptations don't overpower us and make us act like these Pharisees? Here are a few simple suggestions.

Don't let any temptation become too strong before you deal with it. If you see an issue becoming too dominant in your mind, try to resolve it - even if all you can do is bring it to prayer. As hard as it may be, try not to let old resentments and past hurts influence your thinking. If you see them rising up in a situation, be very careful not to say something you may regret later.

Finally, examine your conscience every night before bed, and repent of any lingering sins or negative thoughts. Keep your heart pliable and open to the Spirit, and you'll find yourself far more forgiving and open toward everyone else.

"Holy Spirit, soften my heart. Teach me how to love and help me to forgive. I want to walk in your freedom!"

I hope that you have a wonderful day and a wonderful week. You are in my daily thoughts and prayers.

Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped make Fun Day a wonderful success. Thank you to the special committee, the Joyful Workers, for their time, energy and commitment. Finally, I want to thank St. Joseph parishioners and Holy Family School teachers, staff, students and parents for supporting this event. May God bless each one of you with the very best.

Fr. Joe

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



James McGee, Barbara Brodeur, Carolyn Wingenter, Zanetta Brown, Rachel Johnson, Faye Fletcher, Batchelder Family, Stachura Family, Sayre Family, Richard Wertz, Maddie Clearly, John Rourke, Jr., Cindy Morales, John & Linda Dimmock, Sharon Vandurn, Josephine Stratton, Ralph & Helen Kissel, Dan Vandergrift, John Howard, Sondra Adams, Judi Trygg, Marianna Young, Cecilia Hall, Deacon Mike Rooney, Antonio Beltran, Ramona Hallit, Rene Gonzalez, Bernice Geigel, Jane and Dena Bell, Juliana Goode, Marie Basta, Wanda Boren, Richard Brown, Jena Lanzell, Charlotte Johnson, Michael Pesqueira, Jim Kollar, Emma Lang, Patricia Hendersen, Diane Goguen, Julie Algie, Matthew M., Selena M., Steven Weems, Serge Corvington, Bob Strang, Mateo Hernandez, Jacqueline Meador, Adrianna Hilburm, Jason & Jaxson Rivera, Therese Thomas, Mary Bell, Emma Rose Montague, Art Sandridge, Chris Karlson, Heidi Brown, Mary Vandergraft, Jeff Baldwin, Anna Wilks, Bill Boehme.

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	1 Timothy 2:1-8 Ps 28:2, 7-9 Luke 7:1-10	Friday	1 Timothy 6:2c-12 Ps 49:6-10, 17-20 Luke 8:1-3
Tuesday	1 Timothy 3:1-13 Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6 Luke 7:11-17	Saturday	1 Timothy 6:13-16 Ps 100:1b-2-5 Luke 8:4-15
Wednesday	1 Timothy 3:14-16 Ps 111:1-6 Luke 7:31-35	Sunday	Isaiah 55:6-9 Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a Matthew 20:1-16a
Thursday	Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Matthew 9:9-13		

JP II OKTOBERFEST October 14, 2023, St. John Paul II Catholic High School. This annual event provides a fun-filled evening with German food, live German music, a silent auction and an assortment of games for all in attendance.

Please visit us online at auctria.events/OktoberfestJP2 where you can buy tickets with a credit card or print our registration form to send to the school. Questions? Email Vickie Marks at Oktoberfest@JP2falcons.org. All net proceeds will be used to improve the school's safety measures and equipment.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING
Saturday, September 23 at 10:00 a.m. in the church. This is open to anyone who wishes to become an EMHC, or who would like to refresh their knowledge.

OCTOBER ROSARY MONTH The Environment Committee will set up the Rosary in the environment area of the church 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 by Monday, September 25.

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.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES & COMMUNITIES CAMPAIGN
PLEDGE SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2023**

Spread the Good News. Share what you have with those in need. Love your neighbor, as yourself. Bishop Raica is asking for your help in supporting the ministries of our diocese which carry out those words of Jesus to each of us.

Please plan to place your pledge card in the offertory next weekend. You can also enter your annual pledge or recurring gift online at any time at catholiccharitiesbhm.org or use the attached QR code.



CURRENT WEEKLY OFFERING

Regular Collection	\$ 8,720.67
Other Designated Funds	\$ 2,262.33

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 23-SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00pm: Mike Rose
8:15am: Caed Lynch
11:15am: Robert Whitehead, Emma Taylor

LECTORS

5:00pm: Randy Buckner, Geri Donnelly
8:15am: Mary Graham, Gina Bain
11:15am: Florence Okafor, Joe Pohuski

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00pm: Patty Ayala*, Matteo Ayala, Maureen Chemsak, Rita Cusack, Josette Dant
8:15am: Philip Graham*, Laura Hall, Teri Lynch, Kevin Nash, Michelle Nash
11:15am: Gerald Wocken*, Bruce Taylor, Maggie Taylor, Norma Whitehead, Donnis Aragon

Religious Education

Formation and Catechesis

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

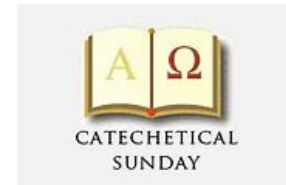
Today, we thank and pray for all the catechetical ministers and assistants who echo God's Word to children, youth and adults. We honor them for their commitments, preparation and love and service of others! Thank you so much for being a light to those who hunger for the Lord. We pray that this year will bring abundant blessings to you and all the ones you teach and guide.



FORMATION CALENDAR

- Sept. 17 RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
HFS (enter via Messmer Center)
OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
Parish Office Building
Catechetical Sunday Commissioning
- Sept. 24 RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
HFS (enter via Messmer Center)
OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
Parish Office Building
LWC @ 8:15 & 11:15 Masses

**OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)
is the new name for RCIA*



COMING SOON Holy Family School: Our Stories, Our Mission, Our Legacy. The book will be published and available for distribution and sale this fall. If you would like to sponsor one of our first priests or brothers in the upcoming book, please call the parish office.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER October 20-22, 2023, St. Bernard Abbey, Cullman, Alabama.

"Come Drink the Water of Renewed Love" Give your marriage the gift of attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, a weekend-long retreat to focus on each other, find deeper intimacy, rekindle your romance and revitalize your marriage. Leave with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! Consider the commitment that you made to your spouse and renew those feelings you had during your first years together at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

For more information or to register online, visit www.wmme.org or call Frank and Kathryn Wessling at 205-530-3607.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL TEACHING POSITION We have an opening for a 2nd grade teacher. Requirements are:

- A bachelor's degree in education or a related field.
- Appropriate state teaching certification.
- Strong understanding of Catholic faith and values.
- Excellent communication and classroom management skills.
- A commitment to creating a supportive and nurturing learning environment.

If you are excited about the opportunity to educate and inspire students within the context of our Catholic faith, we invite you to submit your resume and cover letter to office@hfscatholic.com. Please include "2nd Grade Teacher Application - [Your Name]" in the subject line.

HFS Hispanic Awareness Month Sept. 15-Oct. 15

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

5:00pm: HFS School Board Meeting (LMR)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

6:00pm: Boy Scouts (LMR)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

10:00am: Adult Formation (LMR)

6:00pm: Knights of Columbus (SFH)

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

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

10:30am: Ladies Bunco Group (SFH)

6:00pm: Adult Formation (LMR)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

10:00am: EMHC Training (SJC)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

9:30am: RE/OCIA (HFS/SFH/LMR/LIB)

2:00pm: Lay Salvatorians (LMR)

Facilities Key

FMC = Messmer Center/Gym

SJC = St. Joseph Church

SFH = St. Francis Hall

LMR/LIB = RE Center

BEA = Beasley Hall

STA = St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel

BRZWY = Breezeway

VBC = Von Braun Center