

# 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](mailto:bulletin@saintjosephcc.com) no later than Friday, a week prior, at 12:00 p.m.



## Holy Family School—Huntsville

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256.539.5221

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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.

# Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:00am: +Helen Pohl  
5:00pm: +Jarvis Gambrell

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

7:00am: +Angel Araiza Carrillo

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

7:00am: +Eva Banks

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

7:00am: Popes, Priests & Religious

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

7:00am: +Joan Lundebjerg  
9:00am\*: +V.O. Abraham

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

7:00am: +Ted & Jean Sikora

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

8:00am: +Chaires Family Deceased Members  
5:00pm: +Juan Ortega

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:15am: For the Parish  
+Francisco Martinez  
11:15am: +Viviana Uribe Torres

**\*HFS School Mass**



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The month of October is the month of the rosary. Monday, October 7, was the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. In this month's issue of *Give Us This Day: Daily Prayer for Today's Catholics*, this was the meditation written by Maxwell E. Johnson, Emeritus professor of theology at the University of Notre Dame, a retired pastor of the evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and the Canon of the Episcopal cathedral of Saint James in South Bend, Indiana. An oblate of St. John's Abbey, he is the author of several books on the liturgy and edited the bravery Benedictine Daily Prayer.

**The Liturgical Year in a String of Beads**

It's been said that whoever carries a rosary in their pocket or purse carries the entire liturgical year there as well. From Advent to Christmas, Epiphany to Holy Week and Easter, from Pentecost to the eschaton, The Mysteries of the rosary enable us to celebrate and contemplate the feasts and seasons of the liturgical year each day or week. This is especially the case with the contents of the Mysteries that most people know from the popular Dominican form promulgated by the sixteenth-century Dominican pope, Pius V, aided by the legend that the Virgin Mary originally gave the rosary to Saint Dominic and eventually even by the style of contemplation associated with the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius Loyola.

But if the rosary is rightly called the liturgical year in a string of beads, today's feast is not a feast of the rosary per se, but of the Blessed Virgin Mary or Our Lady of the Rosary. If this naturally directs our attention to the rosary itself, it does so because Mary is intimately connected to it through the repetition of the Hail Mary, the final form of which was also promulgated by Pope Pius V. Out of the now 20 Mysteries of the Rosary, Mary appears directly in 13 of them, underscoring her role and presence in the salvific events in Christ's life, death and resurrection. Hence, invoked throughout by words of the Archangel Gabriel and her cousin Elizabeth, the rosary invites us to take Mary's hand and walk with her through the great mysteries of our salvation.

**Three ways the Rosary can help us**

**By Father Patrick Briscoe**

This feast of the Virgin Mary is an especially beautiful one. It marks the days when Our Lady's intercession in the battle of Lepanto saved Rome—in fact, it's not too much to say, the entire Christian West!. At the instigation of Pope St. Pius V, Rome's churches were kept open day and night and the faithful were encouraged to pray the Rosary. The pope attributed the victory to Our Lady's protection.

Today, the battles we face are different from Lepanto, to be sure. But we would be fools not to take up the Rosary as our great spiritual weapon. How does Our Lady's Psalter, as the Rosary is sometimes called, help us?

First, praying the Rosary guides our prayer. It can be difficult to collect your thoughts when you sit down to pray. But I've always found the Rosary helps quiet my anxieties and direct my focus. I've found that meditating on the mysteries really intentionally, sometimes reminding myself at the beginning of each Hail Mary which mystery I'm on, to be of great help in prayer.

Second, the Rosary grows with us. You might have learned to pray the Rosary years ago, but it's the sort of prayer you can always turn to. I've found I continue to discover new insights every time I pick up my beads!

Finally, the Rosary is a prayer of hope. The Rosary tells the story of God's grace, of his goodness, reminding us of his love! So, confidently turn to the Virgin Mary and pick up your Rosary today — and every day this October!

**Prayer to the Virgin Mary**

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

You are in my daily thoughts and prayers. May God always keep you safe in your comings and goings. Have a blessed day.

*Always in the Savior, Fr. Joe*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Barbara Brodeur, Carolyn Wingenter, Zanetta Brown, Rachel Johnson, Faye Fletcher, Batchelder Family, Stachura Family, Sayre Family, Maddie Clearly, John Rourk, Jr., Cindy Morales, John & Linda Dimmock, Josephine Stratton, Ralph & Helen Kissel, Judi Trygg, Marianna Young, Cecilia Hall, Deacon Mike Rooney, Bernice Geigel, Jane and Dena Bell, Juliana Goode, Marie Basta, Wanda Boren, Richard Brown, Jena Lanzell, Charlotte Johnson, Emma Lang, Matthew M., Selena M., Jackie Weems, Bob Strang, Mateo Hernandez, Jacqueline Meador, Adrianna Hilburm, Jason & Jaxson Rivera, Therese Thomas, Mary Bell, Art Sandridge, Chris Karlson, Heidi Brown, Mary Vandergraft, Jeff Baldwin, Ben Sunde, Anna Wilks, Bill Boehme, Claude Davis, Mary Flatt, Kennita Turner, Eva Nave, Judy Blanche, Anna Belander, the Price family, Pat Tumminello, Gail Johnson, Sally Cox, Mary Andrus family, Bruce Jansen, Mary Jean & Ron Travis.

**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	Galatians 4:22-24, 31-5:1 Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a, 6-7 Luke 11:29-32	Friday	2 Timothy 4:10-17b Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 Luke 10:1-9
Tuesday	Galatians 5:1-6 Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47, 48 Luke 11:37-41	Saturday	Ephesians 1:15-23 Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7 Luke 12:8-12
Wednesday	Galatians 5:18-25 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Luke 11:42-46	Sunday	Isaiah 53:10-11 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
Thursday	Ephesians 1:1-10 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 Luke 11:47-54		

**21st ANNUAL LIZ HURLEY RIBBON RUN**

Saturday, October 19, 2024  
Start time 8:30 a.m. (arrive by 8:00 a.m.)  
Downtown Huntsville, Alabama

Sign up to participate and/or donate. The Knights of Peter Claver and Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary (KPC) are honored to serve as Team Captain for the Liz Hurley Ribbon Run Team. We invite you to sign up with Team St. Joseph. With your help and support, we will make a difference for local breast cancer patients and survivors through the Liz Hurley Breast Cancer Fund at Huntsville Hospital Foundation.

Proceeds from this year's Run will help provide for top-priority needs of Huntsville Hospital Breast Center, including important software upgrades for 3D mammogram machines.

We can make a difference. Come walk with us.

St. Joseph's fundraiser URL is:

<https://runsignup.com/stjosephcatholicparish>

**Let's Go St. Joe!**



**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.



**COMING SOON: NITE AT THE RACES**



Holy Family School Capital Campaign is hosting a Nite at the Races!

**Saturday, October 26**

**St. Joseph Church/St. Francis Hall**

2300 Beasley Ave NW, Huntsville, AL 35816

Food service begins at 6:30 p.m. - Racing starts at 7:00 p.m.

**No Entry Fee to Attend**

**Food & drinks available for purchase**

You could be a horse owner, a jockey or participate in the hat contest!

Horse owner tickets on sale after weekend Masses.

**We'll see you at the races!**

***This is an adult-only event***

**ST. JOSEPH CHILDRENS CHOIR** We are forming a new children's choir for grades one through eight which will rehearse on Wednesdays from 5:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the church beginning October 22. It is our goal to sing for the 11:15 a.m. Sunday Mass once a month and for the 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass.

Please contact Rebecca Whited at [Rebecca.whited@gmail.com](mailto:Rebecca.whited@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

**CURRENT WEEKLY OFFERING**

Regular Collection	\$ 16,178.10
Other Designated Funds	\$ 2,574.00

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

**OCTOBER 19-OCTOBER 20, 2024**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

5:00pm: Larry Bayer  
8:15am: David Pohl  
11:15am: Robert Whitehead

**LECTORS**

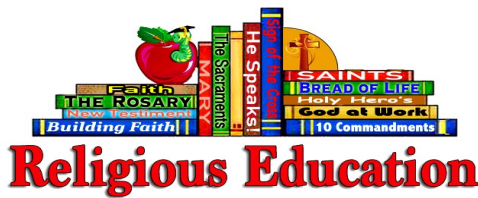
5:00pm: Grady Harmon, Lydia Tadesse  
8:15am: Gina Bain  
11:15am: Maggie Taylor, Jeffrey Taylor

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

5:00pm: Tammy Hoskins\*, Geri Donnelly, Rita Cusack  
Marian Kilgore, Sherri Lynn Ross  
8:15am: Linda Billingsley\*, Bill Billingsley, Teri Lynch,  
David Brost, Cecilia Bruton  
11:15am: Norma Whitehead\*, Beatrice Terry, Gerald Wocken,  
Donnis Aragon, Bernita Briggs

# Religious Education

## Formation and Catechesis



### FORMATION CALENDAR

- Oct. 13 RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.  
Holy Family School/St. Francis Hall  
OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.  
Parish Office Building
- Oct. 20 RE 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.  
Holy Family School/St. Francis Hall  
Confirmation II Parents & Sponsors  
9:30 a.m. St. Francis Hall  
OCIA 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.  
Parish Office Building

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

**FALL ADULT EDUCATION SERIES BEGINNING OCTOBER 10 SYMBOLON: The Catholic Faith Explained** is a 10-week series from the Augustine Institute. Join Fr. Joe and your fellow parishioners for this exciting adventure into our Catholic faith on Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Catholicism is an entire way of life, but today it's not known. We might be familiar with different aspects of the Catholic faith. But how does it all fit together? And what difference does it make for our lives? Part I of this series opens up the "big picture" of the Catholic faith in a way that helps us know it, live it and articulate it to others.

Through beautifully crafted teaching and state-of-the-art video, author, speaker and theologian Dr. Edward Sri leads a team of dynamic teachers who provide a clear and comprehensive explanation of the faith.

**ANNUAL RED MASS** October 24, 2024, 6:00 p.m., Cathedral of Saint Paul, 2120 Third Avenue N, Birmingham, Alabama. Celebrant is The Most Reverend Steven J. Raica, Bishop of Birmingham in Alabama. Followed by a reception in the Cathedral Life Center.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Birmingham and the catholic lawyers of the St. Thomas More Society.

*The Red Mass is a Mass of the Holy Spirit celebrated annually at the opening of the judicial year to invoke divine guidance for all who seek and administer justice. It is attended by judges, lawyers, law school faculty, students, public officials and the public.*

**REACHING OUT WITH AN ORDINARY FAITH** *Reaching Out to See! Meet the Blind Bartimaeus (Mark 10:46-52)* Sunday, October 27, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in St. Francis Hall.

Join Deacon Greg Thompson for this monthly gathering that meets between the Sunday morning Masses as we dive into the Gospel and prepare ourselves to answer God's call to discipleship.

**THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** would like to display pictures of your deceased loved ones in November for All Souls and All Saints. Please put your name, address and phone number on the back of each photo and bring them to the parish office between October 19 and 27. You can pick them up after the weekend Masses on November 23/24.

**OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH**, a special period of reflection and action to support our Church's missionary efforts worldwide.

World Mission Sunday is October 20. This year's theme, chosen by Pope Francis, is "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," emphasizing our call to bring God's love and message to all corners of the world.

The contributions collected on World Mission Sunday are crucial to sustain our mission in over 1,150 territories where the Church is still young or struggling.

Let us prepare our hearts and minds to engage fully in this mission throughout the month.

## Here Is What's Happening This Week

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

10:00am: Parish Staff Meeting (LIB)  
6:00pm: Boy Scouts

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

10:00am: Adult Formation (LMR)  
6:30pm: Knights of Columbus (LMR)  
7:00pm: Knights of Columbus Holy Hour (STA)  
7:00pm: 8:15am Choir (SJC)

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

10:30am: Ladies Bunco Group (SFH)  
5:00pm: Joyful Workers (LMR)  
6:00pm: Adult Formation (LMR)

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

10:00am: Joyful Bakers (SFH)

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

9:30am: RE/OCIA (HFS/SFH/LMR/LIB)  
9:30am: Confirmation II Parents & Sponsors (SFH)  
12:30pm: African Catholic Association (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  
BRZWY = Breezeway  
VBC = Von Braun Center