Good afternoon. This is Fr. Joe, your pastor. I hope you are doing well.

Remember that you can sign up for our picture directory photos online. Please check the parish bulletin or parish website for instructions. Let's make this a 100% participation. If you have some extra time to spare, we are looking for volunteers to help with the picture appointment sign-ins. Please call the parish office for details.

Thank you for your backpack donations to the Huntsville Helping Hands group. We have supplied 100 new backpacks for students in kindergarten through high school.

The Diocese is putting on a workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, lectors and musicians on Saturday, August 20th from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, Cullman. There will be Mass with Bishop Raica at 9:00 a.m. You are invited to attend if you are active in one of these ministries. Check this week's bulletin and the church website for more information.

I am looking for new altar servers – our altar server pool has become very small. Anyone who has made their First Communion is eligible and all are welcome: young people (girls and boys) and adults (men and women). Please sign up after Mass in the church vestibule.

We will have a special Mass at noon on Thursday, July 21^{st} at St. Joseph. It is the official Feast Day of Blessed Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan – founder of the Salvatorian Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and Lay Salvatorians. All are invited - come and join the celebration.

I want to thank you for continuing your financial support of the parish.

For more information and up-dates, please visit the church website at *www.saintjosephcc.com*.

In the meantime, I continue to keep you in my prayers and thoughts each day. Take care and be safe.