



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor

Welcome to all visitors and parishioners!

April 7, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday



Paolo Moranda Cavazzola, "The Incredulity of St. Thomas," 1520 (photo: Public Domain)

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Parish Mission Statement

We, the faith community of Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, in striving to be like Christ, are committed to living the Gospel by participating in the Sacraments, promoting spiritual growth and religious education, and being an example of His Eucharistic love.

MASS TIMES

Saturday
Reconciliation 3:30PM - 4:30PM
Mass 5:00 PM
Sunday Mass
9:00 AM and 11:00 AM,
1:00 PM (Misa en Español)

Holy Days

7:00 AM, 12 Noon and 6:30 PM

A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

Scriptures remind us that when the followers of Jesus were gathered together in the Upper Room, Jesus came to be in their midst. He came among them to bring peace and to teach them how to live in Holy Communion. One of the central teachings of our faith is that we must become what we receive. Reception of Holy Communion is never an isolated or casual act, it is a declaration that we will live a certain way – the Way of Jesus.

Even in those early days after the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of the Lord, the followers of Jesus were coming to understand the mystery He left them as a memorial of His Sacrifice. With the hindsight of 2,000 years, we know that Our Lord gave us the Eucharist and the Church as the way to remain in the Communion He established with the Father and with everyone who professes the Catholic and Apostolic faith.

But with the passage of 2,000 years, it can happen that we become either complacent or forgetful about the act of receiving Holy Communion as a member of the Church. The United States Conference of Bishops reminds us:

In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916).

Our Church draws this teaching from what St. Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29: “Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For all who eat and drink without discerning the body, eat and drink judgment on themselves.” This discernment of the body is part of understanding one's membership in the Body of Christ, the Church, and how belonging to the Church calls on one to live always with the good of the whole Body in mind, seeking salvation and holiness for all our brothers and sisters.

In His Most Sacred Heart, Risen from the Dead,

Fr. John



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Why Catholics believe in "life everlasting"

The Catholic Church cares about every BODY. Think of relics and funerals—reverence for our bodies and the body's of holy people is part of being Catholic. But why? We find the answer at the end of the Creed: "I believe in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting." That's a pretty strong statement and it's founded on Jesus. Because Jesus rose from the dead, we can look forward to our own body's being raised at the end of time. Pretty cool, right?

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.





Immaculate Heart of Mary
Parish Life Center Pledged: \$526,765.20
Total Collected Last Week: \$1,640.00
Total Collected Overall: \$618,928.00



Next weeks second collection is for the Parish Life Center

This Week

Monday

St. Hildegard's 10:00am-Activity Center

Tuesday

Choir Practice 6:00pm-church
 Scouts 6:00pm-8:00pm-Activity Center
 Anniston Soup Bowl

Wednesday

Religious Education 6:00-pm7:30pm
 Anniston Soup Bowl

Thursday

Young at Hearts
 10am communion service

Friday

Saturday

First Communion
 Reconciliation Retreat 8:30am-12:30pm

Sunday

Ladies Guild Meeting 2:00pm
 Parish Life Center

Grass Cutting Ministry

April 7-April 13
 Greg Velasquez, Chuck
 Armstrong, Jason Rollins,
 Bill Martin, Mike Mayor



CHECK THIS OUT

If you would like to donate items for next years yard sale, Pauline will be at our storage unit at 3pm on Thursday, April 18th. Call the church office to confirm you will be there.



Ladies Guild
 Beverly Elder
 Roberts
 \$1,000.00
 Scholarship

RECONCILIATION RETREAT

If your child is preparing for First Communion this year, please remember to come to the

**First Reconciliation Retreat on Saturday,
 April 13th from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM!**

This is an important moment for your child to prepare themselves to receive the Eucharist.



Young at Hearts

Our Young at Hearts group will meet this Thursday, April 13th beginning with the rosary at 9:30am. There will be a communion service at 10:00am followed by lunch and bingo in the activity center.

Ladies Guild Baby Shower benefiting the Center of Concern April 6th-21st

A portable playpen will be in the narthex to collect NEW (unused or unopened) items such as baby shampoo, lotion, socks, onesies, bibs, jars of baby food, disposable diapers, diaper cream and anything else you think parents might need for newborns to 24 months. All items will be taken to the Center. Thank you for anything you can give.

Anniston Soup Bowl

Reminder! Sacred Heart will be volunteering at Soup Bowl on April 9th and 10th. Please sign up in the vestibule after Mass.

Ladies Guild

The Ladies Guild will have their monthly meeting on Sunday, April 14, 2024 beginning at 2:00pm in the parish life center. All women of the parish are invited to attend.



Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday, April 6th

5pm-----+Patrick Taffee

Sunday, April 7th

9 am ----- +Bob Moore

11am -----Parish Family

1 pm -----+Cresencio Ariana

(Misa en Español)

Tuesday, April 9th

7am----- +Chris Saben

Wednesday, April 10th

7am-----+Jimmy Digby

Thursday, April 11th

7am-----+William Kauffman

Friday, April 12th

7am-----+William Kauffman

Saturday, April 13th

5pm-----+Alex Hopper

Sunday, April 14th

9 am -----Robert and Regina Fisher

11am -----Parish Family

1 pm --- +Concepción Araiza(Misa en Español)

Flowers adorning the paschal candle are given in loving memory of Patrick Taffee, given by his daughters, Kathy Chandler and Beth Brouillette. The flowers at the Pieta are given in loving memory of Charlotte Graves, given by her family.



MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

April 13th-14th

Lectors

5pm----- Sally Smith

9 am -----Richard Curtin

11 am ----- Richard Curtin

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm -- Allen Smith

9 am ----- Cathy Fockele

9 am (choir) -----Shari Doyal

11 am----- Robie Grana

Ushers

5pm --Jesse Edwards, Bill Martin

9 am ---Kenny Steppe, Angelo Moreno

11am---Spanish Mass Usher Team

Sacristans

5pm ---- Jorge Martinez, Susan Watson

9 am ----John and Bess Valieant

11am---Sonja Deno

Hospitality

5pm-----Kristen Neu

9 am ----- Kathy Hopper

11am -----Lindsay Tyson

Hospital Ministry

April 9-April 15 David Hopper

April 16-April 22 Gina Reaves

Mass Attendance

March 30th-31st

630pm (Thur.)--365

6:30pm (Fri.)---349

8:00 pm-----351

9:00 am -----424

11:00 am -----382

1:00 pm -----618

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE

READINGS

April 13th-14th

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts. 3:13-15,17-19

Psalm 4:2,4, 7-8,9

1 John 2:1-5a

Luke 24: 35-48

Weekly Offertory

Offertory:\$16,551.00

Online:\$1,697.58

Total:\$18,248.58

Holy Thursday: \$2,031.00

Good Friday:

\$1,195.00

Online Giving

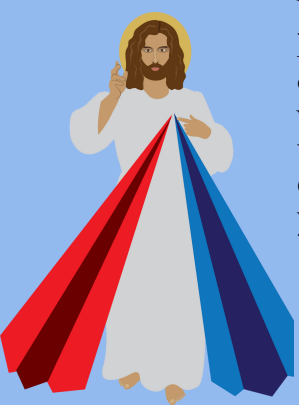
You can make your offertory gift by scanning the QR code which links directly to our online giving website.

SCAN ME!



Prayers Requested

Cathy Little, Kitty Moore, John Winn, Migdalia Santiago, Chris Clement, Jim Roberts, Andrew Wackerle, Teresa Atkins, Greg Bavonese, Nan Estes, Carolyn Brouillette, Isabela Gomez, Telly & Michelle Munn, Robert Pate, Janet Reese, Brenda Marcelino, Connie & Everett Pollard, Bobby Yates, Lillian Jennings, Jessica Haas, Benny & Marilyn Holderfield, Gail Foster, Cirilo Vizcaya, Stephanie Velasquez, Dan and Judy Myers, Rita Lindsey, Janet Griffin, Brandon Mancillas, Alex Navarro, Elizabeth-Anne Heathcock, Diane Seales, Debbie Buzan, Julianne & Oliver Semmes, Tom Beam, Sharon Coverstone, Chris Warden, Michael Ingram, Sandie Pasquinelli, Bob Anderson, Allison Doyal, Sandy Demarois, Sheri Ballard, Mark Scheuring, Beverley Pletcher, JoAnn Nelson, Manuel Becerra Acevedo, Cameron Chenard, Jo Greathouse



You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty yourself out upon us.

Repeat three times:

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in you!

Our Holy Father's Prayer Intention



For New Martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.