

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

1301 Golden Springs Road, Anniston, AL 36207

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 19, 2026

Year A



MASS TIMES

Saturday

Reconciliation 2:30PM-3:30PM

Mass 4:00 PM

Sunday

Mass 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM,

1:00 PM (Misa en Español)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday-Friday 7:00am

First Saturday Mass and

Anointing 8:00 AM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm

PARISH WEBSITE

www.sacredheartanniston.org

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St. Vincent de Paul Society**
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UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS

- 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12
- Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130
- Rom 8:28-30
- Mt 13:44-52

Mass Attendance

4:00pm- 157

8:30am- 237

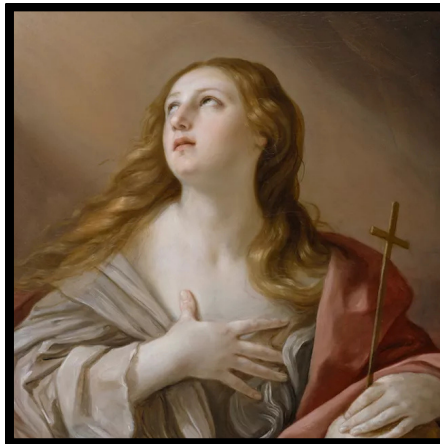
11:00am- 263

1:00pm- 385



Hope
Edward Coley
Burne-Jones (1833-1898)

Feast Day
St. Mary Magdalene
July 22, 2026



Saint Mary Magdalene,
woman of many sins,
who by conversion
became the beloved of Jesus,
thank you for your witness
that Jesus forgives
through the miracle of love.
You, who already possess
eternal happiness
in His glorious presence,
please intercede for me, so that
some day I may share in
the same everlasting joy.
Amen.

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.

A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

As we continue our closer look at the first encyclical letter of our holy father Pope Leo, “Magnifica Humanitatis” we hear the voice of the Pope as a shepherd of souls, leading the sheep of his flock in the ways of holiness and virtue, serving us all so that we might serve Christ more faithfully. In particular, the Holy Father is speaking to us so that we might understand the risks associated with moving in a direction that glorifies human technologies over the design of God, especially in the way that God has designed the human person in all his/her grandeur. This is not a new problem for humanity, just a new context. Jesus wisely teaches his disciples how to use time and discernment to separate weeds that only steal energy from wheat which nourishes the human person.

In every agricultural culture, the harvest becomes a moment of truth. All the work and effort put into cultivation can be measured by the harvest. Sometimes conditions are such that a lot of work and effort produce a small harvest, and other times, an abundant harvest comes, even when the work of the cultivators hasn't been so great. Jesus teaches us again the HE is the master of the harvest. Along the way, there are workers in the field that want to take it upon themselves to act to increase the harvest, but their essential lack of confidence in the master can lead them to damage the harvest with their zeal, uprooting the truly good in their rush to correct a situation according to their own haste.

The wisdom of the master prevails, however, because he knows that the truth is in the harvest. Pope Leo reminds us: “If the human being is treated as something to be perfected or surpassed, it becomes easier to accept that some lives are less useful, less desirable, or less worthy.” Jesus teaches us: “No plant that bears fruit will be burned, and no weed will escape the fire.” Time, however, is a sacred gift that helps us not to make so many errors. The Master uses the gift of time to clarify and focus our attention. Jesus knew well the verse in the book of Proverbs: “Without knowledge even zeal is not good; and he who acts with haste, blunders.” (19:2)

The power contained in a seed is a marvel to those who truly consider it. Within the seed is all the potential for growth, if given the right conditions. From the tiny seed can grow great things. For this reason, the acorn has always been a symbol of wisdom and knowledge. When we consider the seed of grace planted in the human person at baptism, we must focus on its potential for the good. The only thing that keeps a seed from growth are bad conditions. Pope Leo is teaching us that Christians must use their strength to work for better conditions in the world so that the seed of sacramental grace can grow, mature, and bear fruit in the people God has chosen to be his own. Many people rush past the work of preparing the conditions because they want to see only the outcomes (the harvest), but there is no harvest without preparing the soil for planting the seed.

Jesus is a master teacher, focusing our minds and souls on the mysterious workings of God the Father. The successor of St. Peter, the Pope, teaches and leads us to Christ, pointing out a way that leads to truth. Now, it is for us to respond to Christ and work for the kingdom He builds up not out of technologies, but out of living stones.

In His Most Sacred Heart,

Fr. John

New Class of OCIA

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Or know someone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. New classes started on **June 17th.**, but it is not too late to sign-up. Signing up is easy! Just scan the QR code, contact the church office, or see someone in the Narthex following Mass. Come explore the Catholic faith in a warm, supportive environment. No commitment is necessary to begin—just curiosity and an open heart! Contact the church office for more information.



**Immaculate Heart of Mary
Parish Life Center Debt Reduction**

Loan Amount: \$1,424,299.66
Current Loan Balance: \$1,171,120.64
Monthly Payment: \$14,825.18
Total Construction: \$2,665,220.00
Building Fund Collections:
 July 5th : \$ 1,670.00 July 12th : \$5,694.00

Weekly Offertory
 Offertory: \$ 6,510.00 Online: \$1,907.58
Total: \$8,417.58

SAINTS

**St. Mary
Magdalene**

Dr. Ben Akers & Taylor Kemp

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Saint Mary Magdalene | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

***This Week* at Sacred Heart**

Sunday

8:30am Mass
 11:00am Mass
 1:00pm Misa en español
 5:00pm-CORMeeting

Monday

Office Closed

Tuesday

7:00am-Mass

Wednesday

7am-Mass
 6pm-OCIA

Thursday

7:00 am- Mass

Friday

7:00 am-Mass

Saturday

2:30pm-3:30 pm Reconciliation
 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday

8:30am Mass
 11:00am Mass
 1:00pm Misa en español



The flowers at the altar are in loving memory of Manuel Antonio Arevalo and Blanca Marina Arevalo given by the Lugo Family

Mass in Vietnamese

Xin Thông báo, Cha Thánh sẽ dâng Thánh Lễ cho cộng đoàn Việt Nam vào lúc 5:00pm chiều Chúa Nhật ngày 26 tháng 7 Cha sẽ ngồi tòa giải tội từ 4:15pm-4:50pm. Gia đình nào muốn ghi danh vào cộng đoàn thì xin liên lạc anh Sỹ 256-225-2247



Many of you have asked, "What can I donate to the Yard Sale?" I have compiled a list of SUGGESTED items. You can pick up one of the lists in the Narthex at the hospitality desk. The front desk in the office will also have copies available. Thank you to those of you who have already donated next year's yard sale. The sale will be the weekend of February 5th & 6th.

There will be a Second Collection, this weekend for Disaster Relief. This is in response to a request by the Bishop to support those recently impacted by the devastating earthquakes in Venezuela.



The Parish men's group COR will meet this Sunday, July 19th at 5:00 pm in the Parish Life Center.

2026 Charismatic Conference

Psalm 111: A Personal Walk With Jesus:

Daily Union with God in Difficult Times

July 24th & 25th, 2026

**CHANGE OF VENUE
 OUR LADY OF SORROWS
 1728 OXMOOR ROAD
 HOMEWOOD, AL 35209**

Adult VBS 2026

Those who attended said it was the best yet! Thanks, Kristy! Those in attendance prayed the Liturgy of the Hours with Cameron, studied the Cardinal Virtues, previewed the Our Father in Latin with Mary, Fr. Daniel spoke on prominent Catholics in the United States, learned more about Adoration from Samantha and Shelton Brown, and created stained glass pictures of our favorite saints.



Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday, July 18th
4:00pm-**Phong Duong**

Sunday, July 19th
8:30am-+Mike Griffin
11:00am-Bobby Yates
1:00pm- Parish Family

Tuesday, July 21st
7:00am- +Gloria Leo

Wednesday, July 22nd
7:00am- +Gloria Leo

Thursday, July 23rd
7:00am- +Gloria Leo

Friday, July 24th
7:00 am- Rosa Reyes

Saturday, July 25th
4:00 pm- Rosa Reyes

Sunday, July 26th
8:30am-- +Chris Winn
11:00am- Chris Hill
1:00pm- Parish Family

Prayers Requested

Cathy Little, Kitty Moore, Migdalia Santiago, Jim Roberts, Andrew and Kathy Wackerle, Teresa Atkins, Nan Estes, Isabela Gomez, Telly & Michelle Munn, Robert Pate, Janet Reese, Connie Pollard, Lillian Jennings, Jessica Haas, Benny & Marilyn Holderfield, Gail Foster, Stephanie Velasquez, Judy Myers, Rita Lindsey, Janet Griffin, Elizabeth-Anne Heathcock, Diane Seales, Debbie Buzan, Julianne & Oliver Semmes, Sharon Coverstone, Chris Warden, Michael Ingram, Sandie Pasquinelli, Bob Anderson, Allison Doyal, Sandy Demarois, Sheri Ballard, Cameron Chenard, Samantha Presson, Shirley Koshan, Scott Presson, Jim Pierce, Paula and Mark Crews, Jamie and Misty Seehafer, Jane Eldemire, Jim Coverstone, Florence Harvey, Linda Chenard, Paul Gilliland, Pauline Anderson, Tidwell Yates, Mark Scheuring, Paul Guyer, Howard Family, Dian Pepe, Thu Nguyen, Robin Woolsey, Bob Patty, Yessica Ramirez, Noel Glanze, Tony Burgess, Chris Hill, Tasha Carter, Charlie Miller, Katy Fortner, Ellen Tibbetts Hurst, Jorge Vasquez

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

July 25: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat, 4:00 PM

Richard Curtin - Lector
Mike Cova- Ordinary Eucharistic Minister
Jesse Edwards, Ric Kelley- Ushers
Keila Sevgi & Susan Watson-Sacristan
Kristin Neu - Hospitality
Efe Sevgi, Dean & Evan Lombardi, Mateo Fernandez-Altar Servers

Sun, 8:30 AM (with Choir)

Teresa Kauffman- Lector
Mike Cova- Ordinary Eucharistic Minister
Mary Ellen Williams- Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister (choir)
Tony Moyer, Pat Quillian- Usher
Yvonne Boothe & Lindsay Tyson- Sacristan
Kathy Hopper- Hospitality
Henry, Tony, Mateo Mancillas, Paul & Sam Maniscalco, Piper Moreau

Sun, 11:00 AM (w/o Choir)

Teresa Scheuring - Lector
Mike Cova - Ordinary Eucharistic Minister
Vinnie Cantavespre & Josh Cofield-Usher
Mike Kline & Kelly Matson- Sacristan
Kim Johnson - Hospitality
Andrew & Lindsey Cofield, Geraldine Araiza, Ella Flores, Angela Prince

Hospital Ministry-

July 19th-23rd - Sarah Seales
July 27th-31st -Richard Curtin



Grass Cutting Schedule. July 19~Aug. 1

Team 3 Coordinator-Jose A Medina

Jose Medina, Jose Guadalupe Rodrigues, Cristian Rodrigues, Hector Gonzalez, Luis Torres, Diego Rodrigues
Ramon Ortis

SCAN ME



Online Giving

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

Pope's Prayer Intention July 2026

For respect for human life.
Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

