

# Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

1301 Golden Springs Road, Anniston, AL 36207

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor

**October 12, 2025**

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time  
Year C**



*“The Healing of Ten Lepers (Guérison de dix lépreux) ”  
James Tissot (1836–1902)*

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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 2:30PM - 3:30PM

Mass 4:00 PM

**Sunday**

Mass 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM,

1:00 PM (Misa en Español)

### **Interested in Becoming Catholic?**

Have you been thinking about becoming Catholic or completing your sacraments? We invite you to join us for OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes beginning Wednesday, July 9. These sessions are designed for adults who are unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition, or baptized Catholic but never received First Communion or Confirmation.

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.



# A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

In the Latin language, there is an inseparable connection between the concepts of “health of body” and “salvation of soul.” One word is often used for both - “salus.” That concept refers the wellness of the human person in its three integral dimensions: body, mind, and soul. We see this strong concept throughout the Sacred Scriptures as well. God desires that his beloved children be healthy not just in body, but also in mind and especially in their soul.

One stark reality we face in the Sacred Scriptures is that every person healed by Jesus from a bodily illness eventually died. Even those people that Jesus raised from the dead, Lazarus, and the son of the widow of Nain, all eventually died. We too, face the reality that one day, this body of ours will die, but what can we say of the health of our soul? All of those healed by Jesus had the door opened to them for a healing in the souls that would lead them to eternal life.

The wonderful gift of life we experience is from time to time troubled by illness. Diseases, accidents, weakness, all these things befall the human person. Health, however, has so much more significance than simply the freedom from wounds or illness. The fullness of health comes when we understand how Jesus cures us from all that could kill the soul and wound the body that He has created in Himself.

The Church provides us the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, through which the whole Church prays for the health of one of its members. The Anointing of the Sick, however, is closely linked to the other healing Sacrament, Confession. In fact, our Catholic faith teaches us that we must receive Sacraments faithfully, without mortal sins on our conscience which kill the soul. Without focus on the health of our soul, without the humility to return to Christ with our bodies to thank Him for His mercy, how can we claim to seek wholeness? The health of the soul is the most fundamental health of the human person, and without the health of the soul, all other health is lost, both of body and mind.

Though everyone that Jesus healed in body and mind eventually died, their souls were healed because of their thankfulness, the “eucharist” they returned to share with Jesus. Our Lord Jesus remains with us to heal and comfort us in His Mystical Body. Let’s encourage one another to never leave behind our participation in the life of His Church. That way, we can help one another to encounter the most profound health and true salvation.

In His Most Sacred Heart,

*Fr. John*



## Learn the Credo with the Choir

The Sacred Heart Choir would like to invite you again to learn the “Credo” with us! We as a Parish will start singing the Creed in Latin during Advent this year and we cannot do it alone! We will meet in the choir loft on October 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm for a crash course! This is where we will go over the pronunciation of the Latin and teach the notes. This is a huge undertaking and requires some practice but will positively impact worship during Mass! Please join us if you can and bring a friend! We will also have two Credo sing-throughs on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> from 9:45am-10:15am. This is not so much a teaching session but more of a run through to get some more practice before we start incorporating it in Mass on November 22<sup>nd</sup>! Join us!

Join the Sacred Heart Choir for the upcoming Season!



It’s time to start bringing in your photos of loved ones that have passed away. We will display them during the month of November for All Souls

A graphic of a blue rosary with a cross at the bottom.

Pray the Rosary  
for Peace.  
Wednesdays in October  
5:30-6:00 pm  
Call: 256-237-3011

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

Loan Amount: \$1,424,299.66

Current Loan Balance: \$1,344,821.16

Monthly Payment: \$15,869.93

Total Construction: \$2,665,220.00

Building Fund Collections:

October 5<sup>th</sup>: \$2,061.00

The **Sacred Heart Choir** warmly invites you to sing with us during this upcoming season. We will be preparing music for Lessons and Carols on

Dec. 14 and Midnight Mass on Dec. 25.

We've noticed some beautiful voices in the congregation, and even if you can't commit to the choir year-round, we'd love to have you join us just for this special season of music and celebration!

Rehearsals begin Tuesday, October 14, and will be held weekly from 6:00–8:00 PM in the choir loft.

If you're interested or have any questions, please contact the church office at (256)237-3011 or reach out to Mary Rhodes at (256)310-1987.

Come make a joyful noise with us!

***This Week* at Sacred Heart**

***Sunday***

8:30am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

2:00pm-Ladies Guild

***Monday***

10:00am-St. Hildegards

***Tuesday***

7:00am-Mass

7:00pm-Latin with the choir

***Wednesday***

7:00am-Mass

5:30pm-Rosary

6:00pm-OCIA Classes,

PSR-First Communion, Confirmation,  
parent classes.

***Thursday***

7:00am Mass

***Friday***

7:00am-Mass

***Saturday***

2:30pm- Reconciliation

4:00pm Mass

***Sunday***

8:30am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

This weeks second collection is for the reduction of debt of the new parish life center.

**Sacred Heart Fall Festival**

**Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm-7:00pm**

Games, Prizes, Hot Dogs, and Cake Walk!

If you are interested in helping with the Fall Festival, please contact the church office.

We are now accepting candy donations.

Ladies Guild will meet today at 2pm  
in the parish life center Parlor.

There will be work being completed on our sound system on Monday and Tuesday. There will be activity and loud noises at times. Please be aware of these if you are coming to pray.

**LUMINARIES for  
ALL SOUL'S DAY**

Luminaries dedicated to the memory of deceased loved ones will be put outside the church for the All Soul's Day evening mass on Saturday November 1. Representatives from the Ladies Guild will be in the vestibule every weekend after mass to take names for luminaries.

Donations are appreciated.

**Next Week's Second Collection**

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday, a day when Catholics around the globe unite in prayer and generosity for the Church's missionary work. This week, we invite you to pray the World Mission Rosary, created by Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen. Each decade represents a region of the world, reminding us that we are one family in mission. Please consider how you will participate next Sunday through your prayer and support.

In this present time we are experiencing significant problems in the world, our country, and many of us have troubles in our personal lives. Join us in Cor as we foster prayer, faith formation and fraternity in the lives of the men of this parish starting on October 19th at 5:00 in the Parish Center.

Scan Code to complete form and someone will contact you.



**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 10, 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



## Daily Mass Schedule

**Saturday, Oct. 11th**

**4pm--** +Gene Snyder

**Sunday, Oct. 12th**

**8:30am**-Parish Family

**11:00am**-Parish Family

**1:00pm**-+Crescencio Araiza

**Tuesday, Oct. 14th**

**7am**- Communion Service

**Wednesday, Oct. 15th**

**7am**- Communion Service

**Thursday, Oct. 16th**

**7am**- Communion Service

**Friday, Oct. 17th**

**7am**- Communion Service

**Saturday, Oct 18th**

**4pm--** +Noa Vera

**Sunday, Oct 19th**

**8:30am**-Parish Family

**11:00am**-Parish Family

**1:00pm**- +Gerardo Paredes

**5:00pm**-Cor Men's Group

The flowers at the altar this weekend are given in loving memory of Gene Snyder, by his wife, Mary Snyder.



The flowers in front of the altar are given in loving memory of Dorothy Sawyer, given by Terry Hughes and Kathy Hopper

## MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

**Sat, Oct 18th, 4:00 PM**

**Lector**-Shari Doyal

**Eucharistic Minister**-Corinne Hopper

**Altar Servers**-Dean and Evan Lombardi,

Efe Sevgi, Mateo Fernandez

**Ushers**-Ximena Martinez, Jorge Martinez Sr.

**Sacristan**- Keila Sevgi, Susan Watson

**Hospitality**-Mary Syder

**Sun, Oct 19<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 AM (with Choir)**

**Lector**-Lanelle Cova

**Eucharistic Minister**-Deacon Cova

**Eucharistic Minister (Choir)**-Teresa Kauffman

**Altar Servers**-Henry and Tony Mancillas,

Matthew Utera, Jackie Sanchez, Matthew Andrade

**Usher**-Dylan Price, Pat Quillian

**Sacristan**-Subs Requested

**Hospitality**-Sub requested

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

**Lector**-Nick Shell

**Eucharistic Minister**-Mike Cova

**Altar Servers**- Andrew and Lindsey Cofield,

Gabrielle Flores, Angela Prince, Miranda Alvarez

**Usher**- Vinnie Cantavespre, Josh Cofield

**Sacristan**-Kristy Cofield

**Hospitality**-Delinda Garcia

**Mass Attendance**

**Oct 4<sup>th</sup> & 5th**

4:00pm-165

8:30am- 240

11:00 am - 258

1:00 pm - 447

### UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS

Oct 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>  
Twenty-Ninth Sunday of  
Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13

• Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

• 2 Tm 3:14-4:2

• Lk 18:1-8

### Weekly Offertory

Offering: \$ 10,866.00

Online: \$3,767.62

Total: \$ 14,633.62

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### Online Giving

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



### Catholic Charities Pledges

Parish Goal: \$60,000.00

Pledge to Date: \$16,465.00



### Hospital Ministry-August

Oct 7<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> - Allen and Sally Smith

Oct 14<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> David Hopper

## Prayers Requested

Cathy Little, Kitty Moore, Migdalia Santiago, Chris Clement, Jim Roberts, Andrew and Kathy Wackerle, Teresa Atkins, Nan Estes, Carolyn Brouillette, Isabela Gomez, Telly & Michelle Munn, Robert Pate, Janet Reese, Brenda Marcelino, Connie Pollard, Bobby Yates, 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, Tom Beam, 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, Michael Griffin, Florence Harvey, Sharon Palomba, Trent Jones, Linda Chenard, Paul Gilliland, Pauline Anderson, Tidwell Yates, Mark Scheuring, Diane Kelley

### 3rd Annual Yard Sale

**February 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> 2026**



If you have any items for the Yard Sale, please contact Pauline Anderson at 256-453-1440 for drop off. October 31<sup>st</sup> will be the last drop off until January. Please remember we cannot accept clothing, books, or out of date electronics!

### Pope's Intention for October



**For collaboration between different religious traditions**

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.