

# Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor

January 19, 2025

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



## The Marriage at Cana Gerard David (circa 1450/1460–1523)

### 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)

### 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.

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# A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

It was Our Blessed Mother who discovered the problem at Cana – “They have no more wine.” John’s Gospel tells us that something unfortunate happened at a wedding feast – the host ran out of wine for the guests – a terrible lack of hospitality when celebrating something so important as a marriage. Mary, knowing well the miraculous powers of her only son, goes to Him with this problem. Jesus, understanding deeply the situation of the young couple, and understanding deeply all the complexities of the circumstance, works the first miracle of His ministry to supply for them what was missing. Jesus turns the water into wine so that this young couple, this new family, can have the fullness of happiness and overflowing generosity for others.

In many marriages, in many families, and in many personal lives, we often encounter problems that show us something important is missing. Despair can set in when we convince ourselves that we are abandoned and there is no one who can help us supply what is needed. Faith in Jesus and Mary, and an understanding of how they work together to love us and give us every good gift can change our outlook on the circumstances of our lives, however, and restore us through connection to another wedding banquet – the Eucharist!

In His Most Sacred Heart,

*Fr. John*



## A Note on Catholic Marriage (CCC 1601-1658)

Different surveys and polls tell us that one of the major reasons people leave the Church is over the Church’s teachings regarding divorce and re-marriage. At the same time, we also see surveys and polls which tell us that in the U.S., the “Baby Boom” generation (those born between 1946-1964) has the highest rates of divorce, and in particular, divorce after long-term marriage. Additionally, research shows us that the following generations simply do not marry as often, but rather live in informal unions in much higher numbers.

Marriage between baptized persons has been raised to the dignity of a Sacrament due to its importance in building a flourishing society and moving that society towards the Kingdom of God. It is a wonderful thing when man and woman decide to form a community of life and focus themselves on doing the will of God with their whole persons. Marriage has three sacred dimensions:

1. Unity and indissolubility (Together until death)
2. Fidelity of conjugal love (Mutual and lasting faithfulness)
3. The openness to fertility (Building the human family)

These three goods are things that all humans can enjoy, but they take on a special significance in the Christian life, as sacramental marriage and family creates a domestic church, a place of refuge and holiness in the midst of our world. Living the grace of this sacrament to its fullest is a gift to the whole community. Our Catholic faith teaches us that healthy and holy marriages are the cornerstone of society. Rather than leaving the Church because it doesn’t conform to our human practices, so much better it is to let our Church lead us in holiness and goodness to become more like God.

## 2nd Annual Tossed and Found

Our 2nd annual Tossed and Found Yard Sale is just a few weeks away. We are all very excited about this annual event. Beginning January 16, 2025, we will begin collecting items at the gym. Someone will be there from 8-4 to take your donations. If this time conflicts with your hours just give Pauline a call and she will meet you at a more convenient time. Her number is 256-453-1440.

The sale will be on February 1, 2025, from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. We look forward to seeing all of you. Please share this event with your friends, co-workers, and neighbors.

Also, if you have any ‘gently used’ recyclable grocery bags that you would like to donate, there will be a box in the Vestibule where you can put them. We’re hoping these will help with the shopping experience of our patrons.



# Immaculate Heart of Mary

## Debt Reduction-Beginning January 1, 2025

Loan Amount: \$1,424,299.66      Monthly Payment: \$15,869.93

Total Construction: \$2,665,220.00

Building Fund Collections:

Amount Paid to Date: \$1,286,439.00

Jan. 5th \$8,330.00

Jan. 12th \$5,214.00

# THANK YOU

## This Week at Sacred Heart

### Sunday

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

### Monday

**Office Closed**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

### Tuesday

7:00am-Mass

6:00pm-Choir Practice

### Wednesday

7:00am-Mass

6:00 pm Parish School of Religion

First Communion

Confirmation Year 1

Confirmation Year 2

OCIA-English

OCIA-Spanish

Parent Classes

### Thursday

7am- Mass

### Friday

7am-Mass

### Saturday

3:30pm Confessions

5:00pm Mass

### Sunday

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español



As a part of our parish wide yard sale we will be selling chances to win this utility trailer. All proceeds benefit the debt reduction.



The ticket price is \$10/ticket or 6 for \$50. You can purchase tickets in the narthex after all Masses this weekend or by coming to the parish office.

### **Fiction Writing with Audrey Atkins**

- Are you ready to transform your imagination into compelling narratives?
- No experience necessary—just bring your curiosity and creativity! (As well as something to write with and on.)

**Date:** January 30, 2025

**Investment:** \$55

**Duration:** 6pm-8pm

**Location:** Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, Anniston

**\*\*please call the church office to save your spot!**

### **A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers**

O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion.

Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.\* Amen.

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## March for Life

The Knights of Columbus from Jacksonville and Anniston will have a March for Life on Saturday January 25. We will start with Mass at St. Charles at 9:00 a.m.

The March For Life will begin at approximately 10:00 a.m. in front of St. Charles.

The Jacksonville City Square is the destination. The program will include inspirational music and speakers.



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#### Mass

There is infinite grace available in every Mass and confession, but our subjective experience may not reflect this objective reality. We need to switch on. The focus of this episode is unlocking more grace from Mass and confession.

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



## Daily Mass Schedule

**Saturday, Jan 18th**

5pm---+Dan Myers

**Sunday, Jan 19th**

9 am-----Parish Family

11am -----+Gregory Bavonese

1 pm ----+Gerardo Paredes

**Tuesday, Jan. 21st**

7:00am----- +Dan Myers

**Wednesday, Jan. 22nd**

7am--+Julianna Murillo and

+Noel Finley Murillo

**Thursday, Jan 23rd**

7am-Mass----+Catalina Pondoc

**Friday, Jan 24th**

7am-Mass-----+Joe Will McGuire

**Saturday, Jan 25th**

5pm---+Beverly Pletcher

**Sunday, Jan 26th**

9 am-----Parish Family

11am -----+Linda Bilen

1 pm ----+Ana Delgado

## MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

**Saturday, Jan. 15th**

Elena Sevgi Lector - Lector

Sub Requested- Eucharistic Minister

Dean and Evan Lombardi Altar Server

Efe Sevgi Altar Server

Ximena and Jorge Martinez Usher

Keila Sevgi and Susan Watson Sacristan

Linda Chenard Hospitality

**Sun, Jan 26, 9:00 AM**

Sonja Deno Lector - Lector 1

NOT FILLED Eucharistic Minister

Shari Doyal Eucharistic Minister (choir)

Henry and Tony Mancillas Altar Server

Altar Server

Felipe Gijon and Danael Gijon Usher

Yvonne Boothe and Lindsay Tyson Sacristan

Kathy Hopper Hospitality

**Sun, Jan 26, 11:00 AM**

Nan Estes Lector - Lector 1

NOT FILLED Eucharistic Minister

Andrew Cofield Altar Server

Noel Vera Altar Server

Altar Server

Altar Server

Patricia and Jorge Martinez ,Sr. Usher

Robie Grana and Mike Kline, Sacristan

Delinda Garcia Hospitality

**Hospital Ministry**

Jan. 28th-Feb. 3rd- Shari Doyal

Feb. 4th-Feb. 10th-Al&Sally Smith

### Mass Attendance

Jan. 12th, 2025

5:00 pm-- 178

9:00 am -- 174

11:00 am - 218

1:00 pm -- 427

### UPCOMING

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

January 18th&19th

Sunday of the

Word of God

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

• Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15

• 1 Cor 12:12-30

or 12:12-14, 27

• Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

### Weekly Offertory

**Jan. 11th&12th**

Offering:\$8,234.00

Online:\$2,255.52

Total: \$10,489.52

### Online Giving

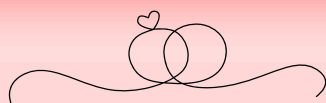
You can make your offertory gift by scanning the QR code which links directly to our online giving website.

**SCAN ME!**



### Prayers Requested

Cathy Little, Kitty Moore, John Winn, Migdalia Santiago, Chris Clement, Jim Roberts, Andrew Wackerle, Teresa Atkins, 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, 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, JoAnn Nelson, Cameron Chenard, Jo Greathouse, Samantha Presson, Shirley Koshan, Scott Presson, Jim Pierce, Paula and Mark Crews, Micky Zielenski, Jamie and Misty Seehafer, Jane Eldemire, Jim Coverstone, Michael Griffin, Florence Harvey, Sharon Palomba, Trent Jones



“It is easy to love the people far away. It is not always easy to love those close to us. It is easier to give a cup of rice to relieve hunger than to relieve the loneliness and pain of someone unloved in our own home. Bring love into your home, for this is where our love for each other must start.”

*-St. Teresa of Calcutta*

### Our Holy Father's Prayer Intention



### For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.