

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

1301 Golden Springs Road, Anniston, AL 36207

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor



May 18, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter



"John the Evangelist on Patmos and Visions of the Apocalypse"
Hans Memling (circa 1433–1494)

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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)



St. Rita of Cascia Feast Day, May 22nd

"Glorious Saint Rita, you are the saint of things despaired of. I pray that you intercede for me in this thing which seems impossible. I promise to use this favor, when granted, to better my life, to proclaim God's mercy, and make you widely known and loved for the glory of God the Father."

A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

There is a productive tension in Christianity: Jesus has already initiated his kingdom, but it is “not yet” fulfilled. What then, remains for it to be fulfilled? The answer is one that is so simple it is almost hard to believe – what remains is our response.

The desire of the Savior is that you and I respond to His invitation to work for the Kingdom of God. This is why the apostles went out into the world to proclaim the “kerygma” - the basic teachings of Christianity: that the Christ was born, suffered, died, and rose again on the third day, and ascended into heaven in order to come again in glory. As the apostles preached this truth in the world, people began to respond, because it presented a new way to understand everything that happens in this world, the proclamation put all human endeavor in the light of eternal life. If we allow it, all of our work can be transformed for the Kingdom.

Sadly, many people have a different view of Christianity, they have a more pharmaceutical view. They wish to live their lives without any change to their will or behaviors, and then they want their relationship to Christianity to be like a pill they can take that will remove their pain and illness. It is just like eating bad food and unhealthy habits that people refuse to give up, and then they go to the doctor for a pill to cure their sickness. Unfortunately, there is no pill in the universe that can save a soul from death, only a change in the will that brings about a change in our lives can save the soul from sickness and death.

John the Apostle gives us a beautiful vision of the kingdom that is to be fulfilled when we allow our will to be conformed to God’s will. Jesus promises us something wonderful when we turn towards Him and allow our hearts to be changed. He says: “Behold, I make all things new.” The newest thing to add to Christ’s gift of love is our response, a response we make anew each day. Each one of us can choose to love in response to Christ’s love. We can choose to turn away from hatred and violence. We can come together to work in solidarity and so achieve a common purpose: the realization of the Kingdom of God in this current moment – the only moment we have.

In His Most Sacred Heart,

Fr. John

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New Mass Times

starting on **June 14th**, 2025

Saturday

Reconciliation 2:30pm-3:30pm

Vigil Mass 4:00pm

Sunday

8:30am, 11am and 1pm



CAMP ST. BERNARD
ST. BERNARD PREPARATORY SCHOOL | CULLMAN, ALABAMA

Camp St. Bernard has opened registration for campers ages 6-14 for June 2025. Campers are provided with a traditional summer camp experience while spending time on the campus of St. Bernard Abbey. For more information on this unique, affordable, Catholic program, visit the website at campstbernard.com or email John Arndt, the Camp Director at campstbernard@gmail.com.



Flowers at the altar this weekend are in loving memory of Walter Loescher, given by his wife, Joeline Loescher



Immaculate Heart of Mary

Parish Life Center

Debt Reduction

Loan Amount: \$1,424,299.66

Current Loan Balance: \$1,389,421.79

Monthly Payment: \$15,869.93

Total Construction: \$2,665,220.00

Building Fund Collections: May

May 4th \$3,510.00 May 11th \$5,892.00

This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

2:00pm Ladies Guild

5:00pm-Family Night

Monday

10:00am-St. Hildegard's

6:00pm-Baccalaureate Mass

Tuesday

7:00am-Mass

6:00pm-Choir Practice

Wednesday

7:00am-Mass

6:00pm Religious Education Classes

Thursday

7:00am-Mass

Friday

7:00am-Mass

Saturday

3:30pm- Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

Sunday

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

5:00pm-Mass in Vietnamese

Xin Thông báo, Cha Thanh sẽ Dân Thánh Lễ cho cộng đoàn Việt Nam vào lúc 5:00pm chiều Chúa Nhật ngày 25 tháng 5, 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

Grass Cutting Schedule

Team 4-May 11-May 24th Jose A Medina

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



**Knights of Columbus
Family of the Month
April 2025**

Dr. and Mrs. David Hopper

Sacred Heart parishioners
named

**Mr. and Mrs. Oxford High
School**

Mr. Noah Paredes
and
Miss Emerson Maniscalco

Both Emerson and Noah will
graduate from Oxford High
School next week.



VBS 2025



Sacred Heart will have Vacation
Bible School the week of June
9th-13th..be on the lookout for
more information or call Kristy
at the church office!

Sacred Heart SOFTBALL

Our Sacred Heart Co-Ed and Men's
softball team are selling raffle tickets
after all Masses this weekend. All
donations go toward uniform and
league expenses.

Diaconate Inquiry

Men, do you feel God is calling you to serve in a deeper way in
your parish and community?

Tuesday, June 3rd at 6:00 pm: St. Peter the Apostle
Catholic Church, 2061 Patton Chapel Road, Hoover, AL

Saturday, June 8th at 1:00 PM – 3:00 pm at St. Mary of the
Visitation, 222 Jefferson Street N., Huntsville AL 35801

Additional information:

<https://www.bhmdiocese.org/office-of-permanent-diaconate>. Online registration is open now through July 3rd.

Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday, May 17th

5pm-- +Jack Haley

Sunday, May 18th

9 am----Parish Family

11am ---+Evelyn Elmore

1 pm -+Gerardo Paredes

Tuesday, May 20th

7am--Jimmy Digby

Wednesday, May 21st

7am--Elena Sevgi

Thursday, May 22nd

7am--+Julianna and +Noel Murillo

Friday, May 23rd

7am--+Carol Digby Pounds

Saturday, May 24th

5pm-- +Deacon William Taffee

Sunday, May 25th

9 am----Parish Family

11am ---+Sara L. Sheehy and

+Maria Del Refugio Peralta

1 pm -Our Nations Leaders



MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

Sat, 5:00 PM

Lector-Shari Doyal

Eucharistic Minister-Corinne Hopper

Altar Servers-Samantha Covarrubias,

Dean and Evan Lombardi, Efe Sevgi

Ushers-Jessie Edwards and Joe Fox

Sacristan-Keila Sevgi, Susan Watson

Hospitality-Mary Snyder

Sun, 9:00 AM (with Choir)

Lector-Lanelle Cova

Eucharistic Minister-Mike Cova

Eucharistic Minister (Choir)-Gina Reaves

Altar Servers-Henry and Tony Mancillas, Paul and Sam Maniscalco, Matthew Andrade

Usher-Dylan Price and Kenny Steppe

Sacristan-Yvonne Boothe, Lindsay Tyson

Hospitality- Kathy Hopper

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

Lector-Nan Estes

Eucharistic Minister-Mike Cova

Altar Servers- Lindsey and Andrew

Cofield, Gabriella Flores, Luis Ramier, and

Javier Ramirez

Usher-Ron Johnson, Thom Pratt

Sacristan-Robie Grana and Mike Kline

Hospitality- Laura Pratt

Hospital Ministry

May 20th-26th - Richard Curtain

May 27th-Jun 2nd-Carol Speciale

Mass Attendance
May 10th&11th

5:00pm- 177

9:00am- 422

11:00 am - 433

1:00 pm - 304

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS

May 24th & 25th
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

• Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

• Rv 21:10-14, 22-23

• Jn 14:23-29

Weekly Offertory

Offering: \$14,202.00

Online: \$1,915.27

Total: \$16,117.27

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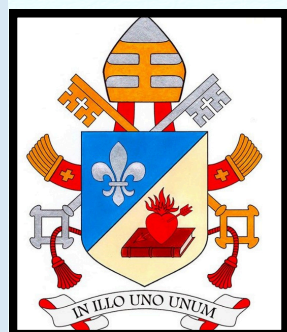
Online Giving

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



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, 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, Kim Athon, Linda Chenard



Pope Leo XIV's coat of arms offers a clear reflection of his Augustinian roots and the values he seeks to promote during his pontificate, particularly unity and communion within the Church. The shield is divided diagonally into two sections. The upper half features a blue background with a white lily. The lower half of the shield has a light background and displays an image that recalls the Order of Saint Augustine: a closed book with a heart pierced by an arrow. This is a direct reference to the conversion experience of Saint Augustine himself, who described his personal encounter with God's Word using the phrase: **"Vulnerasti cor meum verbo tuo" - "You have pierced my heart with your Word."** Pope Leo XIV has also chosen a motto that reflects this Augustinian tradition: **In Illo uno unum, which means "In the One, we are one."** The phrase is taken from Saint Augustine's Exposition on Psalm 127, where he explains that "although we Christians are many, in the one Christ we are one."