

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

1301 Golden Springs Road, Anniston, AL 36207

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor

November 23, 2025

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe Year C



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)

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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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 on Wednesday evenings. 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,

The Solemnity of Christ, King of the Universe presents us with a good opportunity to understand more deeply the reality of the Church – what it is, and how it should carry out its life in this world while working for the Kingdom of God. In a simple way, the Church is that society which is organized in relationship to Jesus Christ the head and Light of the world, from who we are born, through whom we live, and towards whom our whole life is directed.

For any society to function, there must be order. Without order, there can be no progress. People throughout history have tried to put order into the chaos of the world, either through tyranny, through ideologies, or through reason. These endeavors have produced different results through the centuries, but what we know as Christians is that the Most High God has given us a type of order and coherence in the life of the Church. If we live our lives ordered to the teachings of the Head and King of the whole human race, then we will encounter a kind of peace and progress that the world cannot give.

Humanly, what we experience in many ways within ourselves is the rebellion of evil against this order and peace given by God. We see this great contrast in the two men who were crucified alongside Jesus. One is rebellious and selfish in his soul, treating the Christ like a “get out jail free card” rather than as the Savior, Messiah, and King of the Universe. The other, however, in great humility understands his own sinfulness, but appeals to the mercy of the Suffering Savior, understanding the eternal power of the Lord beyond this fallen world. For that reason, Jesus says to him those precious words: “Today you will be with me in Paradise.”

We should be like the “good thief” looking to Christ as our Lord and Master, King and Ruler, ignoring the appearances of this world, with our eyes fixed on the Kingdom of Heaven.

In His Most Sacred Heart,

Fr. John

Sacred Heart Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society is a newly formed charitable organization at Sacred Heart Parish. SVdP Conferences are parish-based groups where caring members—called Vincentians—come together to help neighbors in need. They listen, offer support (sometimes financial), and connect people with community resources that bring hope and dignity during tough times. It's all about neighbors helping neighbors. If you are someone you know might be in need of assistance, please have them call **256-485-0275** and leave a message.

Christmas Clearing House

Sacred Heart Parish will be hosting Interfaith Ministry of Calhoun County's Annual Christmas Clearing House. We will need volunteers to help the week of December 8th-12th with set-up, shopping with families and gift wrapping. We also need wrapping paper, scotch tape and toy donations. Contact the church office for more information. 256-237-3011



St. Catherine of Alexandria Feast Day

November 25th

patron saint of students,
philosophers, theologians,
lawyers, teachers, and
young women.

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

Loan Amount: \$1,424,299.66

Current Loan Balance: \$1,335,764.99

Monthly Payment: \$15,869.93

Total Construction: \$2,665,220.00

Building Fund Collections:

Nov. 2nd: \$3,155.00 Nov. 9th: \$4,520.00

Nov. 16th: \$3,083.33.

***This Week* at Sacred Heart**

Sunday

8:30am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

5:00pm Mass in Vietnamese

Monday

10:00am-St. Hildegard's

Tuesday

7:00am-Mass

Wednesday

7:00am-Mass

6:00pm-OCIA Classes

No PSR Classes

Thursday

Office Closed

9:00am Thanksgiving Day Mass

Friday

Office Closed

No Mass

Saturday

2:30pm- Reconciliation

4:00pm Mass

Sunday

8:30am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

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 23 tháng 11, 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

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

Lessons &

CAROLS

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Sunday, December 14th 6:00 PM

Season of Advent

Penance Service

Thursday, December 4th, 5pm-7pm

**Solemnity of the Immaculate
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Holy Day of Obligation

Mass-7am, 12pm, 6:30pm

Decorate for Christmas

Tuesday, December 9th, 10am

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday, December 12th, 6:30pm

Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

5pm, 7pm Misa en Espanol

Christmas Day Mass Schedule

12am (Midnight Mass), 9am

Anniston Soup Bowl

Our parish will be serving at the Anniston Soup Bowl

Tuesday, Dec. 2nd & Wednesday, Dec 3rd

Please sign up to volunteer on the sign-up sheets in the narthex following Mass.

Ladies Guild

Members of the Ladies Guild are raffling a Christmas Quilt, made by Ellen Comfort. You can visit them in the narthex after Mass.

Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday, Nov. 22nd

4pm-- Deacon Mike Cova

Sunday, Nov. 23rd

8:30am--All Soul's

11:00am--All Soul's

1:00pm-- All Soul's

Tuesday, Nov. 25th

7am-- All Souls'

Wednesday, Nov. 26th

7am--All Souls'

Thursday, Nov. 27th

7am--All Souls'

Friday, Nov. 28th

7am-- All Souls'

Saturday, Nov. 29th

4pm-- +Merle Whitaker

Sunday, Nov. 30th

8:30am--All Soul's

11:00am--All Soul's

1:00pm-- +Maria de los Angeles Perez

The flowers at the altar are in loving memory of Antone and Helen Cova and GD and Frances Strickland.

The flowers in front of the altar are offered in loving memory of Bishop Foley.

The flowers at the pieta are offered for Deacon Cova and Lanelle Covas siblings.

The flowers at the baptismal font are offered in loving memory of Jimmy Jones and Gene Willet.

The roses at the ambo are offered in loving memory of Bill Taffee, the first deacon of Sacred Heart Parish.

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

Sat, Nov 29th, 4:00 PM

Lector--Sally Smith

Eucharistic Minister--Richard Curtin

Altar Servers--Dean and Evan Lombardi,

Efe Sevgi, Tony Mancillas

Ushers--ushers needed

Sacristan-- Keila Sevgi, Sub

Hospitality--Linda Chenard

Sun, Nov. 30th, 8:30 AM (with Choir)

Lector--sub-requested

Eucharistic Minister--Deacon Cova

Eucharistic M. (Choir)--Shari Doyal

Altar Servers--Henry and Tony Mancillas,

Paul and Sam Maniscalco, Piper Moreau

Usher--Joshua Craft, Dylan Price

Sacristan--Michelle Proper

Hospitality--Yvonne Booth

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

Lector--Nick Shell

Eucharistic Minister--Mike Cova

Altar Servers-- Andrew and Lindsey Cofield, Melani and Jonathan Micete, Angela Prince

Usher-- Felipe and Danael Gijon

Sacristan--Kim Johnson, sub requested

Hospitality--Delinda Garcia

Mass Attendance

Nov. 15th & 16th

4:00pm- 164

8:30am- 271

11:00 am - 273

1:00 pm - 410

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS

Nov. 29th and 30th
First Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5 / Ps 122:1-2, 3-4,
4-5, 6-7, 8-9 / Rom 13:11-
14 / Mt 24:37-44

Weekly Offertory

Offertory:\$7,773.00

\$Online:\$2,729.52

Total: \$10,502.52

Catholic Charities Pledges

Parish Goal: \$60,000.00

Pledge to Date: \$44,332.00



Hospital Ministry-August

Nov. 25th-Dec 1st: Shari Doyal

Dec. 2nd-Dec.8th: Al & Sally Smith

Dec. 9th-Dec. 15th: David Hopper

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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, 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, Dianne Kelley, Paul Guyer, Howard Family

NOVEMBER 2025

THE POPE'S
PRAYER
INTENTIONS

For the *prevention*
of suicide



Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.