



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor
Welcome to all visitors and parishioners!

June 16, 2024

Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time



The Holy Family (1845-50) Bartolomé Esteban Murillo

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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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)

Holy Days

7:00 AM, 12 Noon and 6:30 PM

A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

Parables are wonderful ways to learn about divine realities. Parables work so well because Jesus puts two things in context to one another that no one would have ever thought to compare. And doing so, important things are revealed. Mustard seeds were a common household thing in Jesus' time. They are still common in the cuisine of many nations. They are small, black, spherical seeds that when crushed have a powerful flavor. In fact, the mustard we eat has its origin in those pungent little seeds. But Jesus uses this everyday household condiment to teach us about the Kingdom of God.

There is a problem, however. Jesus tells us that the mustard seed, which is very small, will grow into a great huge plant with branches like a tree. But mustard plants don't grow that way. Even the biggest species of mustard will never be a tree or even a bush. So, what does Jesus mean? He means that with God, absolutely unexpected and amazing things can happen in this world. He means that if we only cooperate with his grace, this whole natural world can be transformed. We learn what He means by looking at the tree of the Cross.

The prophet Ezekiel gives us a prophecy about the power of the flowery tree which gives life and restores the fallen. This is the same tree of eternal life that stood in the garden of Eden next to the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. This is the same tree of the Holy Cross. In His parable, Jesus was teaching his disciples to recognize the grace of the Cross in their own lives, how even the tiniest share in His Holy Cross can transform our lives in holiness. The mustard seeds of our daily lives can become powerful divine realities if we embrace them in the way Christ teaches, planting them with faith. John 19:41 tells us: "In the place where he was crucified there was a garden." Many people try to escape the garden where this tree of the Cross is, but those who love this garden will be restored to paradise by this holy tree.

In His Most Sacred Heart,

Fr. John

Images from our Patronal Feast Day Mass and Dedication of Our New Parish Life Center





Immaculate Heart of Mary
Parish Life Center Pledged: \$531,765.20
Total Collected Last Week: \$36,130.00
Total Collected Overall: \$710,447.00
Feast of the Sacred Heart
\$25,250.00



Grass Cutting Ministry
 June 16th-June 22nd
Greg Velasquez,
 Chuck Armstrong, Jason Rollins,
 Bill Martin, Mike Maynor

This Week

Monday

St. Hildegard's
 8am-11:30am Vacation Bible School

Tuesday

7:00am Mass
 8am-11:30am Vacation Bible School
 6:00pm-Choir Practice-Church
 6:00pm-8:00pm-Scouts-Activity Center

Wednesday

Office Closed
 7:00am Mass
 8am-11:30am Vacation Bible School

Thursday

7:00am Mass
 8am-11:30am Vacation Bible School

Friday

7:00am Mass
 8am-11:30am Bible School



Vacation Bible School

June 17th-21st
 8:00am-11:30am
 K5 - 5th Grade

Come and learn about 5 parables
 from the New Testament
 Starts this Monday! Sign up Now!

Happy 17th Anniversary
of Ordination to Father John.
 Our parish family is thankful to you for being
 shepherd here at Sacred Heart.
 June 16, 2024



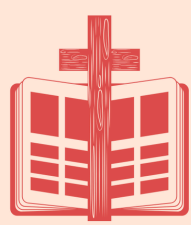
Feast of the Sacred Heart
Working together for the Kingdom of God!
Parish Fair Proceeds: \$25,250.00
All proceeds are designated to the debt
reduction of our new parish life center.
Thank you too all the members of our community who
collaborated and worked together in solidarity to
make this happen.



FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.
Saint Thomas More: The Age of the Author
 This engaging series delves into the lives of the saints who led the Catholic Counter-Reformation. In this episode, learn about St. Thomas More, a patient witness to the faith who endured a heroic martyrdom at the hands of Henry VIII.
 Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH
Adult Bible School
 Who says kids get to have all of the fun in the summertime?
JUNE 24TH-27TH MONDAY-THURSDAY 9:00AM-NOON
 There will be bible study and discussions with Father John, Sr. Edith from Sacred Heart Monastery, and our seminarians, Billy and Franz. We will have community speakers to come to speak about various topics important to the retirement-age community. Some topics include: nutrition, health and wellness, bank fraud, community programs, wills, estates, and trusts. There will be daily music devotions and much, much more! Sign up today! Call the church office at 256-237-3011.

- Featured Speakers**
- Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor
 - Sister Edith Boque, OSB Sacred Heart Monastery
 - Sarah Seales, East Alabama Regional Planning Commission
 - Lora Pinson, Fitness Instructor with the YMCA
 - Natalie Maniscalco, LRD
 - Stephen LaFollette, Pine Bend Wealth Management Group
 - Jennifer Maddox, MBA, CAP®. President & CEO of CFNEA
 - Adam Maniscalco, Baxley, Maniscalco Attorney
 - Kim Johnson, MS LPC-S



Sponsor a Scout for Summer Camp

Sacred Heart Catholic Scouting will be attending Summer Camp the first week of July this year. Summer Camp is \$350 for the entire week at Camp Sequoyah including all activities, housing and meals. Several of our scouts cannot afford to attend due to many different reasons. The Scouts work hard at the Scout Breakfast Fundraisers to pay their own way, but it is never enough to pay for all fees and activities, especially Summer Camp. Our parishioners' support is critical to the success that Catholic Scouting continues to enjoy. If you would want to support a scout to attend 2024 Summer Camp, please drop off a donation at the Church Office to the attention of Sacred Heart Catholic Scouting.

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and CATHOLIC PRESS

Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday, June 15th
5pm-----+Leo Elmore

Sunday, June 16th
9 am-----+Dorothy Lawley
11am -----+Gabriel Burchfield
1 pm -----+Desiderio Guterrez

Tuesday, June 18th
7am-----+May Go Moore

Wednesday, June 19th
7am-----Billie Sullivan

Thursday, June 20th
7am-----+Tisha Woodson

Friday, June 21st
7am-----+Noel Finley & Julianna Murillo

Saturday, June 22nd
5pm-----+Mary Taffee

Sunday, June 23rd
9 am-----The Oblena Family
11am -----+Kent Keith
1 pm -----+Maria Del Refugio Peralta Barbosa



**The Church Office
is closed on
Wednesday, June 19th.
Juneteenth Federal
Holiday**

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

Lectors June 22nd & 23rd

5pm-----Elena Sevgi
9 am -----Nan Estes
11 am ----- Teresa Scheuring

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm --Corinne Hopper
9 am (choir) -----Richard Curtin
*(Now that Deacon Cova is with us on
Sundays we will no longer need an EM at
11am and only a choir EM at 9am.)*

Ushers

5pm -Ximena and Jorge Martinez
9 am ---Chuck Sibley, Robert Moreau
11am---Ximena and Patricia Martinez

Sacristans

5pm ---- Susan Watson, Kristen Neu
9 am ---Matthew Graessle
11am--Kristy Cofield, Kim Johnson

Hospitality

5 am -----Margaret Roberts
9am-----Jolene Loescher
11am -----Lindsay Tyson

Hospital Ministry

June 11th-17th --- David Hopper

Mass Attendance June 8th & 9th

5:00 pm-----181
9:00 am -----239
11:00 am -----172
1:00 pm -----362

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS June 22&23

Twelfth Sunday
in Ordinary
Jb 38:1, 8 – 11
• Ps 107:23 – 26, 28 – 31
• 2 Cor 5:14 – 17
• Mk 4:35 – 41

Weekly Offertory

Offertory:\$10,677.00
Online:\$2,620.81
Total:\$13,297.81
Building Fd: \$5,219.68
Online:\$911.00
Ladies Guild: \$30,000.00
Total: 36,130.00

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, Greg Bavonese, 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, Cirilo Vizcaya, Stephanie Velasquez, Dan and Judy Myers, Rita Lindsey, Janet Griffin, Brandon Mancilllas, Alex Navarro, 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, Mark Scheuring, Beverley Pletcher, JoAnn Nelson, Manuel Becerra Acevedo, Cameron Chenard, Jo Greathouse, Samantha Presson, Shirley Koshan, Scott Presson, Jim Pierce, Paula and Mark Crews

**Heavenly Father,
you entrusted your Son Jesus,
the child of Mary,
to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.
Bless all fathers
as they care for their families.
Give them strength and wisdom,
tenderness and patience;
support them in the work they have to do,
protecting those who look to them,
as we look to you for love and salvation,
through Jesus Christ our rock and defender**



Our Holy Father's Prayer Intention



For migrants fleeing their homes
We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.