

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

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

April 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday



The Good Shepherd mosaic in the <u>Mausoleum of Galla Placidia</u> is not only one of the oldest depictions of Jesus, but one of the most beautiful and well-preserved. The Mausoleum is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and features other mosaic works of art. The Good Shepherd is found over the north entrance and shows Jesus in a more regal form than other early good shepherd paintings.

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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

In all flourishing communities, we see the growth and development of young people, and along with that natural growth and development often comes a crisis of "identity." Many people are dismissive of this crisis in the lives of young people, telling them, "It's just a phase" or "when you get older, you'll understand." On the other side. And perhaps more dangerously, there are those who, in this moment of crisis, are ready to exploit the young person, providing suggestions and identities that are not healthy for the human person, and ultimately do not satisfy the human heart. We see this happen a great deal in our society, and the consequences can be extremely dangerous. One of the greatest gifts of Jesus to His people, however, is the clear and fulfilling identity He gives us as members of His Body.

But still, children often grow up virtually un-catechized in nominally Christian homes, and statistics show us consistently that those who consider themselves "nones" in regard to religious affiliation are now the majority in our society. Christian identity is lost, diluted, and forgotten. Why does this happen? It often can happen because parents have not considered their own essential identities as Christian believers with a vocation to marriage and family, and in the crisis of identity that is brought forth, they can feel unable to provide this stable identity to their children. St. Peter, at the outset of his ministry, stands up and gives clear identity to the community of believers, and in that way, gave them strength and courage to do amazing things. Forgetting our identity as a child of God, as well the responsibilities that come along with that dignity has grave consequences, not just for ourselves.

Our fullest participation the life of the Church, even if it is only at the level of our consistent presence at Mass every Sunday can help us to recover a stable and fulfilling identity in Christ. Leaving behind the foolishness of the world and establishing our identity firmly as a believing and practicing people helps us all to be grounded and rooted in what is true, good, and beautiful, rather than what is fleeting and unfulfilling.

Jesus revealed Himself as a Good Shepherd in order to protect us from violence and degradation. He shepherds us towards an identity and happiness in Him. Nothing else will ever satisfy our hearts. And so, our best identity is to proclaim His love more effectively as members of His Body! Each one of us has a place in this service/work...parents, priests, teachers - born as a sheep of a loving shepherd giving honor to Our Father.

In His Most Sacred Heart, Risen from the Dead,

Fr. John





Beloved - Session 1: Does Marriage Matter?

Is your marriage all it can be? Beloved unlocks the sacrament of marriage in 12 sessions, showing how God designed it to fulfill you. Open to all couples, young or old.





Immaculate Heart of Mary

Parish Life Center Pledged: \$526,765.20 Total Collected Last Week: \$14,343.00 Total Collected Overall: \$635,756.00



We will be taking a second collection for the building fund this weekend. There was an error in the printing of the Building Fund Envelopes this month.



Monday

St. Hildegard's 10:00am-Activity Center

Tuesday

Choir Practice 6:00pm-church Scouts 6:00pm-8:00pm-Activity Center

Wednesday

Religious Education 6:00-pm7:30pm

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

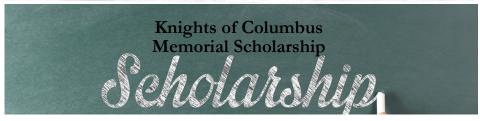
First Reconciliation 8:00am-10:00am



Grass Cutting Ministry

April 21-April 27

Tony Moyer, Sun Nguyen, Bert Collison Jim Coverstone, Hoan Nguyen



I am pleased to announce the establishment of a new scholarship fund that will honor the memory of all deceased Knights of Council 3227 by providing scholarships to catholic youth of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Anniston, Alabama. One \$750 scholarship will be awarded annually. It is a competitive scholarship and the applicant must meet established guidelines. Please pick up an application in the vestibule after Mass and complete application by May 3rd.

Ministry Opportunity



Attention Parishioners! We need ushers to serve at all Masses. This is a nice opportunity to serve your parish. Please contact the church office if you are interested in volunteering. Training will be provided. Thank you!



SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal next weekend, April 28th.



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Lectio: Mark

Join Dr. Tim Gray in this powerful 14-part series to discover the Gospel of Mark like never before. Immerse yourself in this action-packed Gospel that offers Saint Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching. Combining the insights of Dr. Tim Gray with the masterful artistry of the Augustine Institute, this Lectio series uses the Church's rich tradition of Lectio Divina to help you better understand and better pray with the Gospel of Mark.

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If you have a child who is graduating from high school this year, please contact the church office to get information on displaying a senior table

on family night.

Daily Mass Schedule Saturday, April 20th 5pm-----Brenda and Jack Spear Sunday, April 21st 9 am ----- Parish Family 11am -----+Emily Cassidy 1 pm -----Karina Rios (Misa en Epañol) Tuesday, April 23rd 7am-----+Real Ulrich Wednesday, April 24th 7am-----+Real Ulrich Thursday, April 25th 7am-----+Joe Foster Friday, April 26th 7am-----+William Kauffman Saturday, April 27th 5pm----+James Robert Griffen Sunday, April 28th 9 am -----Parish Family 11am -----+Loretta Simoff 1 pm ---+Cristian Garcia Soto If you would like to make a donation of flowers at the altar in loving memory or honor of a loved one, please contact the church office. The cost is \$75.00.

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE April 27th & 28th

Lectors

5pm----- Lanelle Cova

9 am -----Adele Hill

11 am -----Richard Curtin

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm -- Corinne Hopper

9 am ----- Yvonne Boothe

9 am (choir) -----Teresa Kauffman

11 am-----Shari Doyal

Ushers

5pm -- James Coverstone, Jesse Edwards

9 am ---Sun Nguyen, Pat Quillian

11am---John Deno, Thomas Pratt

Sacristans

5pm ---- Keila Sevgi, Susan Watson

9 am ---- Nick Bonds, Tristn Lampbright

11am---Robie Grana, Mike Kline

Hospitality

5 am ----- Kristin Neu

9am-----Jolene Loescher

11am -----Margaret Roberts

Hospital Ministry

April 23-April 29

Toni Zinn

Mass Attendance April 13th-14th 5:00 pm-----147 9:00 am -----244 11:00 am -----230 1:00 pm -----429

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS

April 27th-28th Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26 - 31 • Ps 22:26 – 27, 28, 30– 32 •

1 In 3:18 – 24 •

Jn 15:1 – 8

Weekly Offertory Offertory:\$8,835.00 Online:\$2,227.11 Total:\$11,062.11 **Building Fund:**

\$12,438.00 Online: \$1,905.00

Total: \$14,343.00

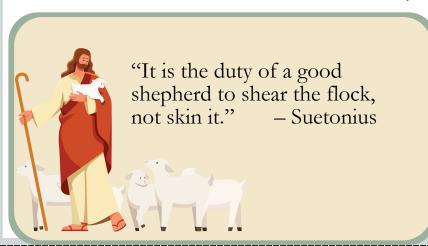
Online Giving

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



Our Holy Father's **Prayer Intention**

For The Role of Women

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.