



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church Anniston, Alabama

Reverend John McDonald, Pastor
Welcome to all visitors and parishioners!

DECEMBER 20, 2020
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Church Location

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MASS TIMES

Saturday

Reconciliation 3:30 - 4:30 PM
Mass 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass

9:00 AM and 11:00 AM; 1:00 PM (Misa en Espanol)

The Rosary begins 30 minutes prior to mass

Communion Service

Sundays at 10:15 AM in the parking lot near Mary's Garden

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Holy Days

8:00 AM - School, 12 Noon and 6:30 PM - Church

For weekday mass, see calendar inside



Angel Gabriel Appears to Mary

by John William Waterhouse 1849-1917, Great Britain

Daily Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, December 19

5:00 pm-----+Jean Birdener

Sunday, December 20

9:00 am----- +Kim Hayslette

11:00 am -----Our Parish Family

1:00 pm----- +Georgina Sanchez

Tuesday, December 22

7:00 am-----+Minerva Magadia

Wednesday, December 23

7:00 am----- +Gene Snyder

Thursday, December 24

3:00 pm----- +Matthew Clonts

5:00 pm----- +Larry Oblena

7:00 pm----- Daniel Sessions

Friday, December 25

12:00 am -----Our Parish Family

9:00 am----- +Kim Hayslette

Saturday, December 26

5:00 pm----- +Yvonne Belanger

Sunday, December 27

9:00 am-----+Matthew Pepe

11:00 am -----+Leonard Belanger

1:00 pm-----Our Parish Family



PLEASE NOTE

There will be no RCIA meetings for the rest of the month of December.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear Parish Family,

This Fourth Sunday of Advent focuses on the gift of Peace. Peace is a thing that many desire, but often we are confused as to what peace really means. In our common speech, peace usually means the absence of conflict. For the Christian, however, peace has a much deeper meaning.

One of the pre-requisites for true peace is obedience. It is often said, "In obedience there is peace." This type of obedience does not mean simply saying "yes" to keep the peace, but rather it is an active type of obedience, looking for ways in which we can respond positively to God's will for us. We will always encounter situations of conflict and we will always come upon things that disturb us and shake our calm. Peace, however, consists in how we respond to these moments, seeking to do God's will.

Another key ingredient in true peace is mercy. The gift of pardon and love, looking for the best in the other is a powerful thing. As humans, we are so given to "holding our ground" when conflicts arise, that we forget to give space for the power of mercy to take hold.

Finally, peace comes from an understanding that no matter what happens in this world - God is in charge - and He is at work to bring all things to the good despite the fact that we constantly fail in our attempts to serve Him and to love others as we ought.

As Christmas approaches, our parish community can focus on the mystery of the Eucharist and be a community dedicated to peace in our world. I think that with our Eucharistic faith and our fervent prayer lives, we can truly bring the gift of peace to our community and to the world!

In His Most Sacred Heart,
Fr. John

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



Christmas Eve

3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm (en Espanol)

Christmas Day

Midnight and 9:00 am

On Christmas Day, the 9:00 am Mass will be broadcast to the parking lot through the radio. Father will bring communion outside following Mass.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering -----	\$5,805.00
Online Giving -----	\$2,430.00
Building Fund -----	\$2,094.00
Immaculate Conception-----	\$1,875.00
Our Lady of Guadalupe Collection/Donations-----	\$2,467.52

FRIENDLY REMINDER about End-of-Year Giving

Contributions for the 2020 tax year must be received in the church office by Dec 31, 2020.



AL REUNIRNOS PARA ADORAR AL NIÑO JESÚS ESTA NAVIDAD, RUEGO PARA QUE SU AMOR ILIMITADO LLENE NUESTRO CORAZÓN Y NOS LLEVE A ENCONTRARLO MAS PLENAMENTE EN NUESTRAS VIDAS.

EN NOMBRE DEL OBISPO EMÉRITO ROBERT BAKER Y DEL PERSONAL DE LA DIÓCESIS DE BIRMINGHAM, RUEGO PARA QUE TENGAN UNAS FELICES NAVIDADES Y UN FELIZ AÑO NUEVO.

+ Steven J. Raica

REVERENDISIMO STEVEN J. RAICA
OBISPO DE BIRMINGHAM



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF
BIRMINGHAM in ALABAMA

Upcoming Minister's Schedule

Thursday, December 24 at 3 PM

Lector ----- Thom Pratt
Ushers ----- Bill Martin
Mark Proper
Sacristan ----- Laura Pratt

Thursday, December 24 at 5 PM

Lector ----- Teresa Kauffman
Ushers ----- Four volunteers
needed
Sacristan --- Two volunteers needed

Friday, December 25 at 12:00 AM

Lector ----- Mattie Jackson
Ushers ----- Steven Nguyen
Gina Pauluzzi
Sacristan ----- Sonja Deno

Friday, December 25 at 9:00 AM

Lector ----- Volunteer Needed
Ushers ----- Tim & Donna Barton
Sacristan ----- Volunteer needed

Saturday, December 26 at 5:00 PM

Lector ----- Lanelle Cova
Ushers ----- Chuck Armstrong
James Coverstone
Sacristan ----- Kristin Neu

Sunday, December 27 at 9:00 AM

Lector ----- Sonja Deno
Ushers -- Tara Burke, Kenny Steppe
Sacristan ----- Yvonne Boothe
Hospitality- Jane Harris, Kitty Moore

Sunday, December 27 at 11:00 AM

Lector ----- Volunteer Needed
Ushers--- Jorge Martinez, Nick Sawyer
Sacristan ----- Sally Thornton
Hospitality----- Carolyn Brouillette
Cathy Fockele



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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers this week are in honor of Nora Guadalupe Mancillas

**Vespers
tonight at
6:00 pm**



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IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT GROUP MEETINGS

Through the end of January, we will be suspending all group meetings, larger than 25, with the exception of Mass. Thank you to the Boy Scouts, Ladies Guild, Knights of Columbus and other groups for understanding that at this moment we need to do what we can to protect our parishioners.

A NOTE of THANKS

The family of Eleanor Henderson would like to express their sincere gratitude for the outreach and prayers offered during the loss of their mother.



They look forward to celebrating her life with a memorial service at a future date, to be announced.

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS

for December 25, 2020

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) At the Vigil Mass

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalms 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25

Matthew 1:1-25

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Mass During the Night

Isaiah 9:1-6

Psalms 96: 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13

Titus 2:11-14

Luke 2:1-14

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) - Dawn

Isaiah 62:11-12

Psalms 97:1, 6, 11-12

Titus 3:4-7

Luke 2:15-20

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Mass During the Day

Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6

Hebrews 1:1-6

John 1:1-18

for December 27, 2020

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

Colossians 3:12-21

Luke 2:22-40