

# Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church Anniston, Alabama

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

### **FEBRUARY 28, 2021**

Second Sunday of Lent

### **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

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

For weekday mass, see calendar inside



Parish Mission Statement
We, the faith community of
Sacred Heart of Joseph Cath

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 to all.

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# **Abraham and Isaac**

a painting by British artist Harold Copping (1863-1932)

# **Upcoming Minister's Schedule**

### Saturday, March 6 at 5 PM

Lector ------Alice Birdener
Ushers ------ James Coverstone
Greg Velasquez
Sacristan-----Sally Thornton
Hospitality----- Elaine Carel
Mary Snyder

### Sunday, March 7 at 9 AM

Lector -----Thom Pratt
Ushers ----- Steven Nguyen
Kenny Steppe
Sacristan----- Matthew Graessle
Hospitality---- Suzanne Johnson
Terri Pauluzzi

### Sunday, March 7 at 11 AM

Lector ----- Preston Winkles
Ushers ----- Ron Johnson
Mark Proper
Sacristan---- Glori Whitaker Hart
Hospitality----- Jane Harris
Margaret Roberts

### **VESPERS**

Sunday, February 28 - 6:00 PM Lector ------John Valieant



## **Lenten Schedule**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation every Tuesday evening from 5:00 to 6:30 PM during Lent. This is in addition to Saturday afternoons.

Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament every Friday during
Lent from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM

Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 5:30 PM followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear Parish Family,

One of the essential concepts of our Catholic faith is the concept of sacrifice. In Catholicism, a sacrifice is "a ritual offering made to God by a priest on behalf of the people, as a sign of adoration, gratitude, supplication, and communion." (CCC 2099) Our readings for Mass this Sunday call our attention to the concept of sacrifice, and in our Old Testament reading, we see the shocking drama of Abraham about to sacrifice his own son to God. Abraham, the father of believers in the true God, followed God's instructions to sacrifice his beloved

son Isaac on the mountaintop, but at the last moment, God stopped Abraham's hand, and God himself provided what was necessary for the sacrifice.

We are rightly scandalized by the concept of human sacrifice. Pagan religions in the past had common practices of human sacrifice to appease their false gods. Throughout the world, the spread of the Good News of Christ brought that devilish practice to an end. In our present time, however, the sacrifice of human life is still common, but not in the ritual fashion of pagan religions. Human life is sacrificed daily throughout the world so that power can be held in the hands of a few, so that our convenience and comfort might never be challenged, and so that we can go through this life doing as we wish, rather than living as God has clearly and beautifully taught us. These sacrifices are truly pagan, because they are made in the worship of the false god of the human ego.

But then there was the moment in which God Himself gave His only son as a sacrifice. Our Lord Jesus, on the Cross, presented Himself as a perfect sacrifice, once and for all time, a sacrifice in which Jesus is both the sacrifice and the priest. What a precious moment! At the end of the Act of Contrition, many of us learned to say: "Our Lord Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In His name, my God, have mercy." That little prayer brings us back to that moment of perfect sacrifice. As we each continue along this journey of Lent, the small sacrifices each one of us makes is brought to a new level when we join it to Our Lord and His sacrifice. With Jesus, may we never cooperate in anything that allows another human life to be sacrificed for any reason, and may we always see every human life as sacred as the Eucharist we receive.

Heartfelt blessings to you all!

# UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS for March 7, 2021

**Third Sunday of Lent** 

Exodus 17:3-7 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-42



## Daily Mass Schedule and Intentions

<u>Saturd</u>	<u>ay, Februar</u>	y 27
5:00 pm	+Chris P	asquinelli

Sunday, February 28
9:00 amDebbie Godfrey
11:00 am For the Parish
1:00 pm Vanessa Contreras

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7:00 am	+(	Chris	Pasquinelli

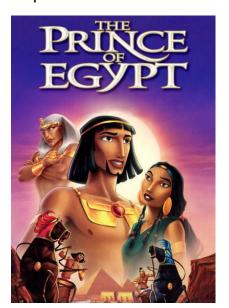
<u>Wednes</u>	sday, March 3
	+ Scotty Thornton
8:15 am	+Marcy Portuese

# Thursday, March 4 7:00 am ------+Richard Belanger

#### Friday, March 5 7:00 am ----- +Dave Henderson

### Saturday, March 6 5:00 pm ------+Scotty Thornton

Sunday, March 7
9:00 am +Leigh Ann Harders
11:00 am +Dave Henderson
1:00 pm For the Parish



**MOVIE NIGHT!** Sunday, February 28

Junior/Senior CYO tonight in the gym, gathering at 5 PM. Dinner will be provided. COME JOIN US!

### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS**

Weekly Offering	\$5,073.00
Weekly Offering - online	-\$3,330.00
Black and Indian Mission	-\$1,841.00
Black and Indian Mission - online	\$245.00
Building Fund	\$580.00

#### **EASTER FLOWERS**

If you would like to donate funds for Easter flowers in memory or in honor of someone, please take one of the envelopes located in the vestibule.

### What is a Parish?

For all of our youth in the parish, please draw a picture or write an essay around the theme "What is a parish?" Your submission might be selected to be published in our parish newsletter!



Oh, Saint Joseph, foster-father of Jesus, most pure spouse of the Virgin Mary, pray for us daily to the same Jesus, the Son of God, that we, being defended by the power of His grace and striving faithfully in life, may be crowned by Him at the hour of death. Amen.

### **GRASS CUTTING MINISTRY**

It's time to form our grass cutting teams for the new season. We desperately need dedicated individuals that care about how our church grounds look. Volunteers are expected to devote a few hours EVERY FOUR TO SIX WEEKS when their team is scheduled to mow.

Mowing is usually done between Wednesday and Saturday to



ensure good looking grounds for the weekend. Volunteers can bring their own equipment or use equipment provided by the church. We have two modern easy-to-operate riding mowers, a small tractor with finishing mower, two weed whackers and a leaf blower on hand. We supply the fuel.

Without our volunteers, this service would have to be contracted out; costing the parish a huge amount of funds needed for other oper-

ating expenses.

If you would like to be a part of this important ministry in keeping our church grounds beautiful, please sign up on the clipboard in the vestibule. If you have any questions, please contact: Tony Moyer (256-283-0200), Brian Prater (256-342-2140) or Robbie Morrison (256-453-1100).

# **Sacred Heart Pastoral Staff**

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# A meatless Lenten recipe from Chef Father John . . .

## **SPICY GARLIC CABBAGE (serves 6)**

1 large cabbage ½ large onion 2 cloves garlic 2 TB cooking oil

1 chicken bouillon cube

½ tsp. salt1 TB your favorite hot sauce

 $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. white pepper  $\frac{1}{2}$  -  $\frac{3}{4}$  cups of water

Cut the cabbage in half lengthwise, then into quarters. Cut out the core and set aside. Slice the cabbage in ½ inch strips and place in a colander. Slice the core into fairly thin, bite-sized pieces. Wash the cabbage strips and the core in cool running water until it is all clean.

Heat up a large, covered pot over high heat, and once hot, add the oil, then the onion and garlic, and fry for a few minutes till the onion is starting to go translucent. Then, add the cabbage by handfuls and stir to mix. Add the salt, then the water, bouillon cube (broken into pieces), and the hot sauce. Stir, and cover tightly. Reduce the heat to medium and steam the cabbage for about 20-25 minutes. Uncover and add the white pepper and stir.

This dish is ever so yummy, but it does leave a strong odor in the house. I rather think it is worth it. This is good alongside a dish of beans and rice.



It's not too late to join us for short video series designed to help Catholics understand and appreciate the great gift of God's mercy in the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. Simply access the assigned video each week through our parish subscription to FORMED (www.formed.org) using our access code: KZQYFX. Start with Video Session One: Where Are You? And remember that Father John will be available during Lent not only on Saturday afternoons, but on Tuesdays from 5:00-6:30 at the church to hear confessions and share in this sacrament with you.

### Communion Service Each Sunday Tune your car radio to 103.5

For those parishioners who are uncomfortable or unable to enter the church during this time of COVID19, Father John will lead a brief communion service each Sunday morning at 10:15 am in the side parking lot near Mary's Garden.

