



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church Anniston, Alabama

Welcome to all visitors and parishioners!

Reverend John McDonald
Pastor

January 12, 2020 The Baptism of the Lord

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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

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Holy Days

8:00 AM - School, 12 Noon - Church
7:00 PM - Church

For weekday mass, see calendar inside

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 to all.



The Baptism of the Lord

Stained glass from Sacred Heart Basilica in Paray Le Monial, France

UPCOMING MINISTERS SCHEDULE

January 18 and 19

If you cannot serve, please help the sacristans find someone to take your place.

ExtraOrdinary Ministers of Communion

5:00 pm — Connie Collison, Corinne Hopper, Teresa Kauffman, Sally Smith, Mary Strickland

9:00 am — Eleanor Henderson, Kate Maniscalco, Abigail Pratt, Bess and John Valieant

11:00 am — Carolyn Brouillette, Rita Brown, Richard Curtin, Glori Whitaker Hart, Mike Kline, Margaret Roberts, Patricia Yates

Lectors

5:00 pm — Lanelle Cova, Sally Smith

9:00 am — Ann Morgan, SUB NEEDED

11:00 am — Kim Morgan, Carla Keith

Altar Servers

5:00 pm — Celia, Claire and Reid Maniscalco

9:00 am — Faith Deno, Morris Jackson

11:00 am — Karminndi Donovan, Stephanie Oblena, Luis Rodriguez

Ushers

5:00 pm — Chuck Armstrong, Bert Collison

9:00 am — John Deno, Kenny Steppe

11:00 am — Joseph Armin, SUB NEEDED

Sacristans

5:00 pm — Corinne and David Hopper

9:00 am — Yvonne Boothe, Ann Morgan

11:00 am — Judy and Dan Myers

Hospitality

5:00 pm — Connie Collison, Kathy Lawley

9:00 am — Sharon Anderson, Elaine Carel

11:00 am — Jane Harris, SUB NEEDED

Children's Liturgy

Rachel Kline
Ginny Salley

Hospital Ministry

January 6-12 -----Noreen Pettit

January 13-19 -----Gina Reaves

January 20-26 -----Toni Zinn

Linen Schedule

January 18-19 ----- Lynn Babcock

January 25-26 ----- Cathy Fockele

YOUNG AT HEARTS

Young at Hearts will meet at the school on Thursday, January 16. The Rosary begins at 9:30 am followed by Mass at 10 am.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear Parish Family,

Here in our parish church we have one of the most lovely baptismal fonts in the diocese. It is designed to look like the baptismal pools of the early Catholic Christians which archaeologists have discovered in places such as Syria and Jordan. Also in Rome, one can find pools like this in the early churches.

The reason it is so special is that it represents beautifully the truths of what happens to us in the Sacrament of Baptism, and why it is essential that every person who seeks God be baptized. Today we hear in the Scriptures that Jesus went down into the Jordan River to be baptized. When He did, God the Father sent the Holy Spirit down on Him in the form of a Dove, and spoke the Words: "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased." We learn a great deal from this moment.

When he went down into the Jordan, Jesus turned his back on the world in order to do the will of the Heavenly Father. When we are baptized, we turn our backs to the world and to the past, filled with sin, and make a new life of grace in Baptism. That is why we touch the Holy Water each time we come into the Church and when we leave...to remember the commitment we have made to do the Father's will in all things.

God's voice from Heaven identifies Jesus as His Son. In our Old Testament reading today, we hear that God calls his servant to suffer for the salvation of all, but here the servant becomes a son, and that is what happens to us in baptism as well. We are servants of God who have been made beloved sons and daughters of the Most High God, and our relationship to Him has that closeness and intimacy.

Finally, the Spirit comes down in the form of a dove upon Jesus. Here we have a manifestation of the Holy Trinity, Father Son, and Holy Spirit all together in One God. At that moment, the power and presence of God was given to the waters of Baptism in all times and in all places. Through Baptism, we all have the Holy Trinity dwelling in our hearts. Sometimes we hide the Trinity from others with our ugly actions, but we can always make the light of the Blessed Trinity shine each time we say no to the sins of Adam and Eve and YES to the love of God in our lives! Let's live our Baptism to its fullest!

In His Most Sacred Heart,

Fr. John



2020 Ladies Guild Officers Installed

For the Ladies Guild, the new year began with installation of officers. (L to R) Carla Keith, Chaplain; Karen Connell, Secretary; DeLinda Garcia, Vice-President; Mary Bray, Treasurer; and Jacqueline Hulsey, President.

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS

for January 19, 2020

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Isaiah 49: 5-6

Psalms 40: 2, 4, 3, 7-8, 8-9, 10

1 Corinthians 1: 1-3

John 1: 29-34

Christmas Bags

The week before Christmas was a busy time for everyone at the Center of Concern. Parents of more than 100 children in the local community came in to pick up the gift bags our parishioners put together for them. There was plenty of smiles as well as tears of gratitude when parents saw what awaited their kids.

The Center staff took lots of photos (with each parent's permission). To see more, visit Center of Concern on Facebook.

THANK YOU to all the parishioners and groups within the church who took bags to fill. Your generous spirit is the reason each child's Christmas morning was filled with surprises!



WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering-----	\$8643.00
New Year's Day Offering-----	\$3434.00
Online Giving-----	\$1773.00
Building Fund-----	\$175.00

Widow's Support Group

If you would be interested in being part of a widow's support group, please leave your name and number with the parish office. Your thoughts and ideas are welcome. Such a support group would have a four-fold mission of prayer, support, service and social togetherness. Meeting times and places are still to be decided.

Visitors from Bethlehem Arrive Next Weekend

Volunteer members from the Roman Catholic Church in Bethlehem will be visiting our parish next weekend, selling their religious olive wood gifts.

They will share with us about the dire Christian situation in the Holy Land, what used to be a strong and vibrant 92% of the population has dropped down below 1.5% in less than 50 years.

Catholics of the Holy Land graciously ask for your support through conscience prayers and the purchase of their special religious art pieces. The proceeds from the sales generate much needed employment opportunities and monetary funds for their Catholic community.



Vietnamese Mass

Father Douglas Vu from Birmingham will be at our church on Saturday night, January 25 at 8 PM for a Vietnamese mass for the Vietnamese Lunar New Year. There will be a potluck dinner following mass to celebrate Tết Nguyên Đán "Feast of the First Morning of the First Day." All parishioners are invited to attend.

Sacred Heart WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday, January 11

3:30-4:30 pm ----- Reconciliation at Church

5:00 pm-----Mass at Church

Phyllis Schumacher

Sunday, January 12

9:00 am-----Mass at Church

For the Parish

11:00 am -----Mass at Church

Fred Winsor

1:00 pm-----Misa en Español

+Jackie Simms

5:00 pm-----CYO in the Gym

Monday, January 13

6:30 pm-----Choir practice at Church

Tuesday, January 14

5:30 pm-----Mass at Church

Christina Wenzel

7:00 pm-----RCIA at Church

Wednesday, January 15

8:00 am-----Mass at School

+Father Frank Milienewicz

5:30 pm-----Mass at Church

+Donna Hall

5:45 pm-----PSR at School

6:30 pm-----Choir practice at Church

Thursday, January 16

9:30 am-----Young at Hearts at School

10:00 am -----Mass at School

+Gene Snyder

5:30 pm-----Mass at Church

+Oma B. Rice

6:30 pm-----Cenacle Meeting at School

Friday, January 17

7:00 am-----Mass at Church

+Father Frank Milienewicz

Saturday, January 18

3:30-4:30 pm ----- Reconciliation at Church

5:00 pm-----Mass at Church

+Ann Tighe

Sunday, January 19

9:00 am-----Mass at Church

+Jack Sullivan

11:00 am -----Mass at Church

For the Parish

1:00 pm-----Misa en Español

Kim Hayslette

5:00 - 7:00 pm -----Family Night Dinner

FAMILY NIGHT DINNER!

Ecumenical Sunday with Anniston's
First United Methodist Church
Please bring a dish to share for this
evening of community fellowship!



A VISIT from the THREE WISE MEN
 What a delight it was to see three young wise men — Gaspar, Balthasar and Melchior — bringing up the gifts for each of our Epiphany masses.



Pastoral Staff

Reverend John McDonald
 Pastor

Carla Keith
 Director of Religious Education

Laura Pratt
 Office Manager

Mary Jones Rhodes
 Director of Music Ministries

Keila Sevgi
 Hispanic Ministry Coordinator

Preston Winkles
 Pastoral Assistant

Frances Shipp
 Principal, Sacred Heart School

Jim Coverstone
 Pastoral Council, Chair

Toni Zinn
 Small Christian Communities Coord.

Angelo S. Olivo-Moreno
 Grand Knight, Knights of Columbus

Jacqueline Hulsey
 Ladies Guild President

Cathy Little
 Hospital Ministry Coordinator

Rose Lawley
 Eucharistic Discipleship Coordinator

Jessie Murray Bearden
 Young at Hearts Coordinator

PLEASE NOTE

Any groups that use the church for meetings of any type must contact the church office in advance. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

If you or someone you know is seriously ill and in need of immediate prayers, please call Laura in the office or email church@sacredheartanniston.org. Names will be published here for up to two months.

John Graessle, Ann Morgan, Cathy Little, Carol Quattlebaum, Matt Pepe, Ada Rodriguez, Ainoa Roberts, Bonnie Knight, Paul Brouillette, Chris Pasquinelli, Kitty Moore, Kendall Buttram

STAY IN TOUCH

If you move to a new address or change your phone number, don't forget to let us know. You can email us updated informaton at church@sacredheartanniston.org or call the office at 256-237-3011. If you are not receiving parish-wide information and notices by email, but wish to do so, notify Diane Pepe at dpepe@cablone.net. She will add you to the list.

NO PARKING ZONE

Please avoid parking in front of the church entrance under the awning. This area is for drop off and pick up only.

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

BAPTISM: Parents are asked to attend Baptismal Preparation classes, held on the 3rd and 4th Thursday of each month. Please call the office to register for these classes. Baptism are usually not celebrated during Lent.

MARRIAGE: Please call the church office at least 6 months before the intended date to begin the Marriage Preparation program. Usually weddings are not celebrated during Lent.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Please call the office if a member of your family is in the hospital, homebound or in the care of a nursing facility, so that they may be visited.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to donate altar flowers in honor or memory of someone, please call the church office. The cost is \$75. The flowers will remain on the altar for the entire week.

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