



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church Anniston, Alabama

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

OCTOBER 4, 2020
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 - Church
6:30 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.

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FROM TODAY'S GOSPEL READING: • Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures:
*The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
by the Lord has this been done,
and it is wonderful in our eyes?*"

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Daily Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, October 3

8:00 am-----+Catherine Cush
5:00 pm--- For Our Parish Family

Sunday, October 4

9:00 am-----+Catherine Cush
11:00 am -----+Catherine Cush
1:00 pm-----+Catherine Cush

Tuesday, October 6

7:00 am-----+Thomas Canning

Wednesday, October 7

7:00 am-----+Alex Keller
8:15 am* -----+Helen Pratt
**school students/faculty only*

Thursday, October 8

7:00 am-----+Kim Hayslette
10:00 am -----+Gene Snyder

Friday, October 9

7:00 am-----+Ann Morgan

Saturday, October 10

5:00 pm-----+Helen Pratt

Sunday, October 11

9:00 am-----+Helen Pratt
11:00 am -----+Ann Morgan
1:00 pm-----+For the Parish



Dear Parish Family,

The Prophet Isaiah speaks to us this Sunday about a carefully constructed vineyard, built with every amenity, which produces only wild grapes, not good ones. Here the focus is on the quality of the produce, but Jesus in this Sunday's Gospel changes the focus from the quality of the grapes to the quality of those called to tend and cultivate the vineyard. In the first reading the grapes are wild, but in the Gospel, the people who should be responsible have gone wild, disobedient and itching to fight.

Christian teachings are meant to penetrate the heart of the individual, and then because the heart of convicted of the truth, behavior changes. It doesn't really ever work effectively the other way round. For centuries, people and religious leaders have been convinced that a change of heart can be brought about by being a rule follower, but it doesn't really follow.

Being obedient, being open to correction and instruction, being a rule follower, all of these things flow forth from first encountering Christ, listening to His teachings, and then allowing the human heart to be led in the ways of truth. One of the most precious gifts God has given us is free will, and we must use our free will not to please ourselves, but to please the one who created us and sustains us. The desire to please God truly pleases Him, and conversely, the desire to fight, degrade and disrespect those who come to do the Father's will provokes God's wrath and indignation.

We see in our world today many examples of the desire to fight, to degrade, and to kill. Those who are not willing to work to suppress these desires in their hearts will be left without a vineyard and left without the vintage. These are clear words from Our Lord. Jesus gives us every freedom and blessing, but we are to use these gifts carefully for the purposes of good, truth, and beauty. This is what the Apostle Paul tells us so beautifully in the second reading for this Sunday.

This past week we were so fortunate to have our bishop come to our parish and visit us, give us his blessing, and walk with us on our journey of faith. I am grateful to all who turned out so faithfully to greet him, and I am grateful to all who worked behind the scenes to make our Mass for the Archangels a sacred and beautiful moment. We continue to work faithfully in our little vineyard in East Alabama, seeking God's mercy and blessing, because without His divine aid everyday, we cannot accomplish anything on our own. Blessings to you all!

In His Most Sacred Heart,

Fr. John

THANK YOU to those who served at the Soup Bowl this week



Dan Benik, Tony Davaransky,
Terry Hughes, Sharon Anderson,
Pauline Anderson, Jessie
Bearden, Corinne Hopper
Vicki and Brian Prater

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering -----	\$8,889.68
Online Giving -----	\$2,895.00
Building Fund -----	\$45.00



CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Congratulations and best wishes to these young people who were confirmed during the week of September 14-18. May all of you hold fast to the memory of your Confirmation and let faith be your guide.



OUR THANKS TO THE GARDEN GUILD

Thank you to all the members of the Garden Guild who gave of their time this summer to keep the fountain filled and the plants watered in Mary's Garden. Also, thank you for weeding, trimming shrubs, and mulching around the church.

You are all awesome.

Please join us in the Spring! If you have any questions or need further information about the Garden Guild, please contact Bess Valieant at 256-847-3520.

Upcoming Minister's Schedule

Saturday, October 10 at 5 pm

Lector -----Lanelle Cova
 Ushers ----- Bill Martin
 Mark Proper
 Sacristan ----- Volunteer Needed
 Hospitality----- Volunteer Needed

Sunday, October 11 at 9 am

Lector -----Gina Pauluzzi
 Ushers -----John Deno,
 Morris Jackson, Kenny Steppe
 Volunteer Needed
 Sacristan ----- Sonja Deno
 Hospitality-----Gina Pauluzzi

Sunday, October 11 at 11 am

Lector ----- Nick Sawyer
 Ushers ----- Joseph Armin
 Ted Heathcock, Jorge Martinez
 John Winn
 Sacristan ----- Volunteer Needed
 Hospitality----- Volunteer Needed

Pastoral Staff

Reverend John McDonald
Pastor

Laura Pratt
Office Manager

Mary Jones Rhodes
Director of Music Ministries

Keila Sevgi
Hispanic Ministry Coordinator

Kim Johnson
Director of Religious Education

Mattie Jackson
Youth Minister

Mark Proper
Principal, Sacred Heart School

Jim Coverstone
Pastoral Council Chair

Toni Zinn
Small Christian Communities

Dan Myers
Grand Knight, Knights of Columbus

Jacqueline Hulsey
Ladies Guild President

Cathy Little
Hospital Ministry

Rose Lawley
Eucharistic Discipleship

Jessie Murray Bearden
Young at Hearts



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers this week are given in memory of Rebecca Cardenas Berry, mother of Kim Johnson

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS for October 11, 2020

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 25:6-10
Psalm 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6
Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Matthew 22:1-14



The first PSR — Parish School of Religion — meeting for parents will be this Wednesday, October 7 at 5:45 PM in the gym.

YOUNG AT HEARTS

Young at Hearts will meet this week — Thursday, October 8 — starting with the Rosary at 9:30am with Mass at 10:0 am. We will enjoy lunch and fellowship in the activity center afterwards.

Parking Lot-Palooza!

Attention high school students! Come meet Mattie Jackson, our new Youth Minister, at the first CYO meeting of this school year TONIGHT from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. It is open to all Sacred Heart parish youth in grades 9 through 12. (Parents! You're welcome to join us!) *Please note that middle school grades 7th & 8th — Jr. CYO — will begin meeting in the Spring.*

LADIES GUILD

The next Ladies Guild meeting will be Sunday, October 11 at 2:30 pm. The meeting will take place in the Parish Activity Center in order to encourage social distancing.

All ladies of the parish are encouraged to attend.

Communion Service Each Sunday

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.



pancake

breakfast

Pancake Breakfast
Saturday October 10, 2020
7 am - noon
Sacred Heart Scouting Program
Sacred Heart Activity Center/ Gym
1301 Golden Springs Road
Anniston, AL 36207
Adult \$7 Child \$5 (10 and under)

