



# Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church Anniston, Alabama

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

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2020**  
25th 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.

### Church Location

1301 Golden Springs Road  
Anniston, Alabama 36207

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## Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard

Unknown artist • 11th century

FROM TODAY'S GOSPEL READING: • Matthew 18:21-35

And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

**RCIA begins  
Tuesday, September 22  
at 7 PM at the church**

Beginning this Tuesday evening, Father John and the RCIA ministry team will give a series weekly talks covering different Catholic topics.

If you know anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, encourage them to come! It is not a commitment to become Catholic, but is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the Catholic Church. Parishioners are also invited to attend and “brush-up” on their own knowledge.



Please visit our website to see the online registration form.

**Upcoming  
Minister’s Schedule**

**Saturday, September 26 at 5 pm**

Lector -----Lanelle Cova  
Ushers ----- Ted Heathcock  
Bill Martin  
Sacristan SACRISTAN NEEDED

**Sunday, September 27 at 9 am**

Lector ----- John Valieant  
Ushers -----Steven Nguyen  
Pat Quillian  
Kenny Steppe  
USHER NEEDED  
Sacristan SACRISTAN NEEDED

**Sunday, September 27 at 11 am**

Lector ----- Toni Zinn  
Ushers ----- Jorge Cruz-Pavon  
Jorge Martinez  
Tom Poindexter  
USHER NEEDED  
Sacristan -----Glori Whitaker Hart

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR**



Dear Parish Family,

These last few weeks of the lectionary cycle have been leading us through the later chapters of Matthew’s Gospel, and from today, we have only ten weeks before we begin a new sacred year with Advent. These weeks of lessons, however, are of great importance, because they are a school of discipleship with Jesus as a teacher, and the subject being taught is: “How to Best Work for the Kingdom of God.”

Each week points out an essential truth or a way of being that is necessary for the disciple of Christ to understand and put into practice in his/her life. This week, we see the workers who come early and the workers who are called late to the vineyard. In every community of Christians, we have this mix of persons. There are always those who have been members of the Church, coming every week to Mass, volunteering faithfully whenever called, and then there are always those who have come to Christ and His Church on a different timeline, and sometimes by a different path. This mixture is part of the richness of our parish and I am so wonderfully edified by how lifelong Catholics embrace new converts in this parish, including them in many things and making them feel part of the Body of Christ.

Sometimes, however, we can send off a vibe that there is a difference between “cradle Catholics” and “converts,” but in actuality, the distinction is only one of a timeline and nothing more. We notice in the Gospel for this week how the landowner has to negotiate a wage with the first workers, but with all the rest, they are happy to work for whatever they receive. Somehow, it rubs the first workers the wrong way to consider themselves equal to those who came at the end of the day, but the owner of the vineyard makes them all equal in the noble work he has called them to do. This is the teaching of Jesus for His disciples.

Called early in life to serve God, or called late, the fact of engaging in the work of the Kingdom of God is a radical equalizer. I have seen Christian communities choked out of existence by members who refused to allow newer comers to participate fully in the work of the Kingdom. Jesus wants His followers to include, integrate, and engage all workers for His kingdom with great equity. Everyone has something to contribute to the work needed in the vineyard, and every labor is valued.

I think it is a happy thing to have this Gospel as we begin our RCIA instructions in the coming week on the 22nd at 7 pm. As a community of faith, we want to welcome all who seek the Lord and want to know about the Church he gave us as a portal to the Kingdom of Heaven!

In His Most Sacred Heart,  
Fr. John



We offer our sympathy and prayers to the Magadia family for the death of Raul’s mother, Minerva Magadia

## UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS for September 27, 2020

### 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekial 18: 25-28  
Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14.  
Philemon 2:1-11  
Matthew 21:28-32



### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Weekly Offering -----	\$5,866.00
Online Giving -----	\$2,457.50
Building Fund -----	\$3,716.00

## Daily Mass Schedule and Intentions

### Saturday, September 19

5:00 pm----- +Hee Yong Pang

### Sunday, September 20

9:00 am----- +Jerry Chandler  
11:00 am -----+Paul Brouillette  
1:00 pm-----For the Parish

### Tuesday, September 22

7:00 am----- +Pat Boothe

### Wednesday, September 23

7:00 am----- +Gene Snyder  
8:15 am\* ----- +Kim Hayslette  
*\*school students/faculty only*

### Thursday, September 24

7:00 am----- +Larry Oblena

### Friday, September 25

7:00 am----- +Alex Keller

### Saturday, September 26

5:00 pm---+Maynard Voelkerding

### Sunday, September 27

9:00 am----- +Matt Pepe  
11:00 am -----+Paul Brouillette  
1:00 pm--- For Our Parish Family



## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers this week are given given by Pauline Anderson in memory of her mother Carol Zwolinski

Sept. 23, 1930 - April 8, 2018

## Center of Concern Clothing Closet

During this time of social-distancing, the clothing closet at the Center of Concern is closed to the public. As a result, there is no space to accept clothing donations, but the Center will keep us updated when the situation changes.



# REVIVE

THURSDAY, OCT. 1, 2020  
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

**BE PREPARED TO ENCOUNTER  
THE HOLY SPIRIT!**

The Cenacle invites our parish, family, and friends to the first-ever REVIVE night! We will enjoy dinner and community followed by a talk on Ezekiel 37:1-14. There will be an opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration accompanied by our Praise & Worship Band, and the opportunity to reunite your heart to the Lord through the sacrament of confession.

Come see how the Lord is  
working in the lives of our  
parish's young adults!

Where:  
Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic  
Church

1301 Golden Springs Rd.  
Anniston, AL 36207  
(256) 237-3011

\* It is requested to bring a facemask and follow COVID-19 precautions.



*Cenacle*  
Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church  
Young Adults Group

## 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

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



## CATHOLIC CHARITIES PLEDGE SUNDAY September 27

We have a chance through the annual Catholic Charities Appeal to see the face of Jesus in the faces and lives of the needy. We can turn away and miss the chance to be generous givers or we can take the example of hundreds who give unselfishly to the appeal. No gift is too small WHEN GIVEN FROM THE HEART. What we do for the least, we do for the Lord. The bonus is, we ultimately do it for ourselves. Please reflect on your blessings this week and make your pledge accordingly.

## 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.



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## Come Welcome Bishop Raica to Anniston!

On Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 6 PM, Bishop Raica will celebrate mass at our parish for the first time! Let's welcome him to Sacred Heart with a big turnout for the Feast of the Archangels and the inauguration of the Sisters' Mission.