

# Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor

April 27, 2025

Divine Mercy Sunday



**Pope Francis**  
**Jorge Mario Bergoglio**  
**December 17, 1936 – April 21, 2025**

## **MASS TIMES**

Saturday  
Reconciliation 3:30PM - 4:30PM  
Mass 5:00 PM  
Sunday  
Mass 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM,  
1:00 PM (Misa en Español)

## **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.

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# A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

In these fifty days of the Easter Season, we hear from the Acts of the Apostles about the Apostles and the disciples in those powerful days following the Resurrection of Jesus and awaiting the powerful coming of the Holy Spirit. These days are meant for us to learn and live profoundly what it means to be brought together into a Church.

On the first of these fifty days, our Holy Father Pope Francis was called to the house of the Eternal Father, and so we will live profoundly many realities that Jesus has given us so that we will never be lost or orphaned. We will witness the funeral of the Pope, proclaiming the faith we have as a people in the Resurrection of the Dead, and before Pentecost comes, we will see the election of the 266<sup>th</sup> successor of St. Peter the Apostle, a new Bishop of Rome.

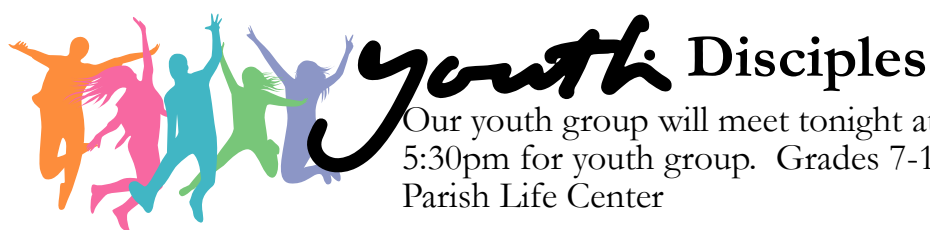
The media coverage of these events is varied, but often, amidst all the speculations and commentary of an endless news cycle, one very important thing is forgotten: It is the Holy Spirit who moves all things, no one else, and that same Holy Spirit who came at Pentecost to breathe the Church into existence is at work in this moment as well for the salvation of all humanity, for the redemption of the whole created order in Christ.

I have often felt that one of the greatest crises of our day is how poorly the Holy Spirit and the Holy Church are understood. These are the days of the sacred calendar in which we meditate deeply on the reality of the Holy Catholic Church in our lives, how essential it is for life to be a vital member of the Church, and how living without the comfort of the Holy Spirit moving the Church and its members towards Christ is a true poverty that is the source of human misery. We must keep in mind what we learned through the Paschal Triduum: There is no human solution to human problems, only a divine solution to our fallen humanity. What a wonderful solution to seek!

Awaiting the election of the next Pope, we are in prayer together as a Church, the Mystical Body of Christ; not as random individuals gathered together in the same geographic location to make our individual prayers...living profoundly what it means to be a Church: One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic!

In His Most Sacred Heart,

*Fr. John*



## Xin Thông Báo: Vietnamese Mass

Cha Michael Thanh Nguyễn sẽ dâng Thánh Lễ bằng tiếng Việt tại nhà thờ Sacred Heart của chúng ta vào mỗi Chúa Nhật cuối tháng vào lúc 5:00pm chiều. Xin quý vị dành thời gian đến tham dự cùng với Cha. Gia đình nào chưa ghi danh vào cộng đoàn, xin vui lòng ghi danh. Nếu muốn biết thêm chi tiết, xin liên lạc anh Sỹ Nguyễn qua số điện thoại: 256-225-2247

**Thank  
you**

A special thanks to all of the volunteers who helped make Holy Week a success. The ministry volunteers, those who helped decorate the church, the choir, and to the Catholic Scouts who organized the Easter Egg Hunt for our parish children, Holy Week was a beautiful faith celebration for our entire parish family.



## Immaculate Heart of Mary

Debt Reduction-Beginning April 2025

Loan Amount: \$1,398,207.47 Monthly Payment: \$15,869.93

Total Construction: \$2,665,220.00

Building Fund Collections: March

Amount Paid to Date: \$1,286,439.00

April 6: \$ 4,195.00 April 13: \$6,553.00

April 20th \$2,385.33 April 27th: \$

**JAX STATE**  
Jacksonville State University

## A CAPPELLA CHOIR

Eliezer Yanson Jr., director • Rachel Park, collaborative pianist



Come and listen to the Jacksonville State University A Capella Choir at Sacred Heart on Tuesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

### Beverly Roberts Scholarship

It is time to pick up your application for the Ladies Guild \$1,000.00 scholarship. Applications are in the narthex of the church. Please make sure to return completed applications by the May 12th deadline.

## *This Week* at Sacred Heart

### *Sunday*

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

5:30pm-Youth Disciples

5:00pm-Vietnamese Mass

### *Monday*

10:00am-St. Hildegard's

5:30pm-Rosary for Pope Francis

6:30pm-Rosary en Español

### *Tuesday*

7:00am-Mass

5:30pm-Rosary for Pope Francis (Classrooms)

6:00pm-Scouts Activity Center

6:30pm-Rosary en Español (Classrooms)

7:00pm JSU A Cappella Concert-Church

### *Wednesday*

7:00am-Mass

6:00pm Religious Education Classes

### *Thursday*

7:00am-Mass

2:00pm-8:30pm- Directory Photos

### *Friday*

7:00am-Mass

8:00am-First Friday Adoration

2:00pm-8:30pm- Directory Photos

6:00pm-Benediction

### *Saturday*

**No First Saturday Mass this Month**

10am-2:00pm-Directory Photos

3:30pm- Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

### *Sunday*

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español



## **2025 Graduating Seniors**

Upcoming events for our graduating seniors.

### **Senior Night-Family Night**

Sunday, May 18th, 2025 5:00pm-7:00pm

### **Baccalaureate Mass**

Monday, May 19th, 2025 6:00pm

Contact the church office for more information.



Sign up for a time to have your individual or family pictures in our parish directory. There will be volunteers to help sign you up at Mass this weekend.

## **Grass Cutting Schedule**

**Team 3-Apr 27th-May 10 Greg Velasquez**  
Chuck Armstrong, Jason Rollins, Mike Maynor  
Francisco Pedro Virves, Dylan Price, Robert Moreau

## **Knights of Columbus Scholarship**

I am pleased to announce the continuation of the scholarship fund that is designated to honor the memory of all deceased Knights of Council 3227 by providing scholarships to the Catholic youth of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Anniston, Alabama. One \$1,000 scholarship and one \$500 scholarship is to be awarded annually. They are competitive scholarships and the applicant must meet the following guidelines:

1. The recipient must be a high school senior who regularly attends Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Anniston, Alabama.
2. Submit all pertinent information (completed application) to the scholarship committee no later than May 9, 2025.
3. Attend an accredited high school within Calhoun county to include home school.

## Daily Mass Schedule

**Saturday, April 26th**

**5pm--**+John Schiebergen

**Sunday, April 27th**

**9 am-----**+Larry Oblena

**11am ---**Parish Family

**1 pm ---**+Patricia Peña Ramirez

**Tuesday, April 29th**

**7am-**+Jo Willingham

**Wednesday, April 30th**

**7am--**+Larry Oblena

**Thursday, May 1st**

**7am-**Carolyn Brouillette

**Friday, May 2nd**

**7am-**+Betty Jo Marchi

**Saturday, May 3rd**

**5pm--** (Friar's Intention)

**Sunday, May 4th**

**9 am----**(Friar's Intention)

**11am ---**(Friar's Intention)

**1 pm -**(Friar's Intention)

The Flowers that are on the Christ  
Candle are in loving memory of  
Jesús Rosas Trejo



## MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

**May 3rd, Sat, 5:00 PM**

Evan Lombardi - Lector 1

Kristopher Martinez-Lector 2

Sally Smith Eucharistic Minister

Joe Fox and Ric Kelly Usher

Jorge Martinez and Susan Watson-Sacristan

Luis Rameriz Sacristan

Linda Chenard Hospitality

Efe Sevgi, Evan and Dean Lombardi,

Samantha Covarrubias-Altar Servers

**May 4th Sun, 9:00 AM (with Choir)**

Lanelle Cova Lector - Lector

Mike Cova Eucharistic Minister

Michelle Proper Eucharistic Minister (choir)

Dylan Price, Mark Proper-Usher

Yvonne Boothe, Lindsay Tyson- Sacristan

Alex Medina Sacristan

Jolene Loescher Hospitality

Manuel Nunez, Millie Garcia-Altar Server

Henry and Tony Mancillas, Paul and Sam

Maniscalco, Piper Moreau-Altar Server

**May 4th, Sun, 11:00 AM (w/o Choir)**

Teresa Scheuring Lector - Lector 1

Mike Cova Eucharistic Minister

Vinnie Cantavespre Usher

Josh Cofield Usher

Glori Whitaker Hart Sacristan

Kelly Matson Sacristan

Dana Diz Sacristan

Margaret Roberts Hospitality

Andrew, Lindsey and Melanie Cofield,

Matthew Andrade, Gabriella Flores and

Kimberly Blancas, Judah Jennings -Altar Server

**Hospital Ministry**

April 29th-May 5<sup>th</sup> - Toni Zinn

**Mass Attendance**

**Holy Week**

**Holy Thurs** 356

**Good Friday** 269

**Easter Vigil** - 380

9:00am-440

11:00 am - 406

1:00 pm -- 617

**UPCOMING**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

May 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4th

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

• Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

• Rv 5:11-14

• Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

**Weekly Offertory**

**Holy Week**

Holy Thurs-\$1,405.00

Good Friday-\$1,228.00

Offering:\$17,908.00

Online:\$2,496.00

Total: \$20,404.00

**SCAN ME**

**Online Giving**

You can make your offertory gift by  
scanning the QR code which links  
directly to our online giving website.



## Prayers Requested

Cathy Little, Kitty Moore, John Winn, Migdalia Santiago, Chris Clement, Jim Roberts, Andrew Wackerle, Teresa Atkins, Nan Estes, Carolyn Brouillette, Isabela Gomez, Telly & Michelle Munn, Robert Pate, Janet Reese, Brenda Marcelino, Connie & Everett Pollard, Bobby Yates, Lillian Jennings, Jessica Haas, Benny & Marilyn Holderfield, Gail Foster, Stephanie Velasquez, Judy Myers, Rita Lindsey, Janet Griffin, Elizabeth-Anne Heathcock, Diane Seales, Debbie Buzan, Julianne & Oliver Semmes, Tom Beam, Sharon Coverstone, Chris Warden, Michael Ingram, Sandie Pasquinelli, Bob Anderson, Allison Doyal, Sandy Demarois, Sheri Ballard, JoAnn Nelson, Cameron Chenard, Samantha Presson, Shirley Koshan, Scott Presson, Jim Pierce, Paula and Mark Crews, Jamie and Misty Seehafer, Jane Eldemire, Jim Coverstone, Michael Griffin, Florence Harvey, Sharon Palomba, Trent Jones, Brenda Miller, Dianne Green, Kim Athon

"Now let the heavens be joyful; let earth her song  
begin; Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is  
therein! Let all things seen and unseen their notes of  
gladness blend, For Christ the Lord hath risen, our Joy  
that hath no end!"

— St. John of Damascus



**Pope Francis**

**Jorge Mario Bergoglio**

**December 17, 1936 – April 21, 2025**

Eternal rest grant unto  
him, O Lord, and let  
perpetual light shine upon  
him. May his soul and all  
the souls of the faithful  
departed, through the  
mercy of God, rest in  
peace. Amen.