

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

1301 Golden Springs Road, Anniston, AL 36207

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor



June 1st, 2025
The Solemnity of Easter



Ascensione di Cristo
Pietro Perugino (1448–1523)

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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.

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)

New Mass Times

starting on

June 14th

Saturday

Reconciliation

2:30pm-3:30pm

Vigil Mass

4:00pm

Sunday

8:30am, 11am and 1pm

A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

A number of years ago, a particularly intelligent child asked me a question: “Father, if God is everywhere, why do you look up to heaven when you pray at Mass?” I thought this was a particularly astute question because this child was paying such close attention to both the lessons from catechism, and the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. Also, because this same question is asked of the Apostles by the angel at the time of Jesus’ ascension into heaven. The angel says: “Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen Him going into heaven.”

This is a good, simple, and clear description of how the life of the disciple of Christ should be. First, we must look up to contemplate the mystery of God, elevating our hearts and minds with the grace He gives us from heaven, then, Our Lord Jesus returns from Heaven through the sacraments of His Church in order to strengthen us and help us, and then, we must look out into this world to do our part in His mission of the kingdom. Why do we look to heaven? Because from Heaven, God’s dwelling place, He wishes to come down to earth to lead us to Himself. Our Lord says: “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. “

This is also a good description for the way Christians are organized: in the Church, the Body of Christ. One of my good teachers in the seminary told us: “The Church does not have a mission...the Mission has a Church.” Being a member of the Church means that we have lives that are characterized by deep prayer and contemplation, then work for the kingdom. Both elements must be there. It is wrong for the Christian to pray only and not work for the kingdom. Work for the kingdom can be in the form of a special vocation: Marriage, Holy Orders, or consecrated life. This work can also be in the form of apostolate – ministry to the poor, education, catechesis, liturgy, service of many types.

The reason we look up into heaven is to understand the mystery of God who desires to be at work in this world. Then we must look out into the world to see where we can serve to further the work of the Kingdom of Christ!

In His Most Sacred Heart,

Fr. John



Dear Parish Family,

My name is Andrew Vickery, and I am a seminarian for the Diocese of Birmingham. This means that I am studying to be a priest for our diocese. I grew up just north of Atlanta in Roswell, Georgia. I was baptized and largely grew up in the Methodist Church, and in 2013 my mom, brother, and I were received into the Catholic Church. After high school, I began studying civil engineering at the University of Alabama.

After graduating from Alabama, I entered seminary at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio where this Spring I finished my fifth of six years of formation. By entering seminary, I was responding to several small promptings of God. These promptings took the form of what I would call small tugs on my heart and little thoughts about the priesthood that persisted for several years.

On June 7th I will be ordained a transitional deacon by Bishop Raica at St. Francis in Tuscaloosa. This exciting step brings me great joy and fills me with a profound humility.

Because of my ordination and the ordination of Dcn. Max Gallegos to the priesthood on May 31st I will be away from the parish this Sunday and next. However, this summer, I look forward to getting to know this community and to serving you all. Thank you for having me in your parish and for supporting me. I look forward to seeing what Our Lord has in store for us this summer at Sacred Heart. Please keep me in your prayers as I keep y’all in mine.

Andrew Vickery

**Immaculate Heart of Mary
Parish Life Center
Debt Reduction**

Loan Amount: \$1,424,299.66

Current Loan Balance: \$1,389,421.79

Monthly Payment: \$15,869.93

Total Construction: \$2,665,220.00

Building Fund Collections: May

May 4th \$3,510.00 May 11th \$5,892.00

May 18th \$3,440.00 May 25th \$1,045.00

Total for May: \$13,887.00

This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

Monday

Office Closed

Tuesday

7:00am-Mass

6:00pm-Choir Practice

Wednesday

7:00am-Mass

Thursday

7:00am-Mass

Friday

7:00am-Mass

Saturday

3:30pm- Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

Sunday

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

**Summer
OFFICE
HOURS**

The parish offices will be closed on Mondays during the summer months of June and July



The Catholic Scout Troop will have their flag burning ceremony on Tuesday, June 3rd at 6pm.

The parish is invited to attend. It will be outside at the parish life center.

Grass Cutting Schedule

Team 5-May 25-June Brian Prater

Tom Marvets, Richard Curtin, Michael Riley,
Sy Nguyen, Dennis DeMarios, David Vu

EXPLORING THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS VBS 2025

Sacred Heart will have Vacation Bible School the week of June 9th-13th from 8:30am - 2:30pm. Please pack a lunch each day for your child. Sign up now in the Narthex after Mass!

Soup Bowl!

Sacred Heart will be serving at the Anniston Soup Bowl, June 11th & 12th. Please sign up after all Masses if interested in volunteering.

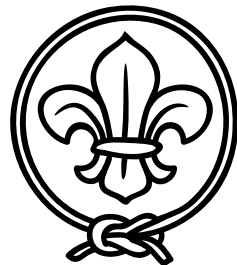


CAMP ST. BERNARD
ST. BERNARD PREPARATORY SCHOOL | CULLMAN, ALABAMA

Camp St. Bernard has opened registration for campers ages 6-14 for June 2025. Campers are provided with a traditional summer camp experience while spending time on the campus of St. Bernard Abbey. For more information on this unique, affordable, Catholic program, visit the website at campstbernard.com or email John Arndt, the Camp Director at campstbernard@gmail.com.

Sacred Heart Scouting

Sacred Heart Catholic Scouting will be expanding our Summer Camp Offerings for 2025. Troop Scouts will be attending Summer Camp the week of June 29-July 5 at Camp Sequoyah. Summer Camp this year is \$375 per attending scout.



Currently we have twenty-three scouts hoping to attend camp. Additionally, this year, our Cub Scouts will be attending a Cub Scout Camp at Camp Comer the week of July 6-12. Cost for Cub Scout Camp is \$110 per scout and currently we have thirteen Cubs scheduled to attend.

If anyone would like to 'Send a Scout to Camp,' please make a donation to Sacred Heart Catholic Scouting via the church office. Our scouting program continues to expand and grow due to the strong support of our parish community.

Yard Sale



If you have items you would like to donate to the parish yard sale, please contact Pauline Anderson, 256-453-1440 to arrange a drop off time. The yard sale will be in January.

Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday, May 31st

5pm-- Elena Sevgi

Sunday, June 1st

9 am----Lina Nguyen

11am ---Parish Family

1 pm -+José Nieto Silos and

+Maria Estrada

Tuesday, June 3rd

7am-Reid Maniscalco

Wednesday, June 4th

7am-- +Marcy Portuese

Thursday, June 5th

7am-Elizabeth Snouffer

Friday, June 6th

7am-Zayra Sanchez

Saturday, June 7th

5pm-- Noah Paredes

Sunday, June 8th

9 am----+Minnie Breaux

11am ---Parish Family

1 pm -+Desiderio Gutierrez

The altar flowers this week are offered in loving memory of José Nieto Silos and Maria Estrada given by Juvenal and Berenice Estrada



MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

Sat, June 7, 5:00 PM

Lector-Elena Sevgi

Eucharistic Minister-Margaret Roberts

Altar Servers-Samantha Covarrubias,

Dean and Evan Lombardi, Efe Sevgi

Ushers-Jessie Edwards and Joe Fox

Sacristan-Keila Sevgi, Susan Watson

Hospitality-Cathy Little

Sun, June 8th 9:00 AM (with Choir)

Lector-Angel Nguyen

Eucharistic Minister-Mike Cova

Eucharistic Minister (Choir)-Cathy Fockele

Altar Servers-Henry and Tony Mancillas, Paul and Sam Maniscalco, Piper Moreau

Usher-Robert Moreau and Tony Moyer

Sacristan-Yvonne Boothe and Sonja Deno

Hospitality- Suzanne Johnson

Sun, 11:00 AM (w/o Choir)

Lector-Nan Estes

Eucharistic Minister-Mike Cova

Altar Servers- Lindsey and Andrew Cofield, Joseline, Felipe and Jesus Gijon

Usher-Aby Hernandez, Maria Ortiz, Lucero cardoso, Jorge Araiza

Sacristan-Kristy Cofield, Kim Johnson

Hospitality- sub needed

Hospital Ministry-June

June 3rd- June 9th-Shari Doyal

June 10th-June 16th-Al and Sally Smith

June 17th-June 23rd- David Hopper

June 24th-June 30th-Gina Reaves

Mass Attendance

May 24th&25th

5:00pm- 138

9:00am- 245

11:00 am - 209

1:00 pm - 384

UPCOMING

SCRIPTURE READINGS

June 7th&8th

Pentecost

Acts 2:1-11

• Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

• 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

• Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16
23b-26

Weekly Offertory

Offering:\$8,680.00

Online:\$2,580.00

Total: \$11,260.00

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, Kim Athon, Linda Chenard

St. Boniface, Feast Day Thursday, June 5th

Eternal God, the refuge and help of all your children, we praise you for all you have given us, for all you have done for us, for all that you are to us. In our weakness, you are strength, in our darkness, you are light, in our sorrow, you are comfort and peace. We cannot number your blessings, we cannot declare your love: For all your blessings we bless you. May we live as in your presence, and love the things that you love, and serve you in our daily lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

~ written by St. Boniface (ca. 672-754)

