

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor

March 2, 2025

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Parable of the Blind by Pieter Bruegel the Elder (1568)

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,

Our hearts are full of many things, and it can happen that we are not always fully aware of exactly what is in our hearts. It can happen that our criticisms, harsh judgments, and aggressive language are actually broadcasting to the public the content of our hearts that we are not even aware of! We can become more beautifully aware, however, through prayer and reflection, examining the feelings, movements and desires which surge up in us when we give time and space for God to shed light on our lives.

The ancient Greek philosophers often began teaching others with this phrase: “Know yourself.” They offered this wisdom to help their students first understand well the true measure of what they could accomplish as students. This phrase was often used to help a student with great ambitions understand that they might not be ready to accomplish what they were dreaming and needing to study more to get prepared for what they wanted to do.

In our culture, given the circumstances that characterize our daily lives in a modern, digital, ultra-mechanized society, the phrase “know yourself” also helps us to seek understanding about what is inside our hearts, what our desires are, and whether or not those desires are holy desires. If, as Jesus says, our actions and words indicate to the world the contents of our hearts, we should show to the world only good and holy things. Jesus teaches us that: “out of the fullness of the heart, the mouth speaks.” Each one of us can ask: “What is my heart filled with?”

Mental prayer, above all, when joined with self-reflection and analysis of the content of our hearts can help us heal, grow, and make space for Christ to dwell in us. When we dedicate moments to know ourselves, in a wonderful fashion we actually become more capable of knowing God. God desires to work in us and through us to show His face in this world, and if we know ourselves well, we can recognize more easily how God is tugging gently at us to follow Him.

In His Most Sacred Heart,

Fr. John

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Debt Reduction-Beginning February 2025

Loan Amount: \$1,424,299.66

Monthly Payment: \$15,869.93

Total Construction: \$2,665,220.00

Building Fund Collections:

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

Feb. 2nd: \$1,620.00 Feb. 9th: \$6,125.00

Feb. 16th: \$2,267.00 Feb. 23rd: \$698.00

Total: \$10,710.00



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church
presents:

Seven Last Words

A service of music, prayer and mediation that reflects upon the seven last words of Jesus on the cross.

"Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."

"Today, you will be with me in paradise".

"Woman, behold, thy son."

"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

"I thirst."

"It is finished."

"Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit"

This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

Monday

10:00am--St. Hildegard's Health and Wellness Group

Tuesday

7:00am-Mass

6:00pm-Choir Practice

Ash wednesday

Mass Schedule

7:00am

12:00pm

6:30pm

Thursday

7am- Mass

Friday

7am-Mass

Adoration 7:30am-5:30pm

5:30pm-Stations of the Cross

6:00pm Benediction

Fish Fry 5:00pm-7:00pm

Saturday

3:30pm Confessions

5:00pm Mass

Sunday

9:00am Mass

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Mass en español

The flowers at the altar are given in loving memory of Patrick Taffee, given by his sisters, Beth Brouillette and Kathy Chandler.

The flowers in front of the altar and in front of the pieta are given in celebration of the wedding of Elba Reyes and Abigail Hernandez



LENT 2025

PILGRIMS IN HOPE, PROFESSING OUR FAITH

ASH WEDNESDAY

MASS 7:00AM, 12:00PM, 6:30PM

FRIDAYS IN LENT

MASS 7:00AM EXPOSITION 8:00AM

ADORATION 8:00AM-5:30PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 5:30PM. BENEDICTION 6:00PM

LENTEN STUDY WITH FR. JOHN

TUESDAY, MARCH 25TH, APRIL 1ST & APRIL 8TH 6PM

PARISH LIFE CENTER -NICEAN CREED

SEVEN LAST WORDS

SUNDAY, APRIL 6TH, 6:30PM

HOLY WEEK

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17TH 6:30PM

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH

STATIONS 3:00PM VENERATION OF THE CROSS 6:30PM

EASTER SUNDAY

MASS

9:00AM, 11:00AM, 1:30PM



Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Fridays during Lent, rain or shine!
\$12 per plate. Dine in or take out.

Call 256.282.7317 to place take out orders on Fridays.



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.

Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday, March 1st

8am-Parish Family
5pm--+Patrick Taffee

Sunday, March 2nd

9 am-----Jack and Brenda Spears
11am ---Parish Family
1 pm - Oliva Mercado

Tuesday, March 4th

7:00am--Ginger, Mark and Tom Blum

Wednesday, March 5th

7am--+Alex Hopper
12pm--Pope Francis
6:30pm--Parish Family

Thursday, March 6th

7am-Mass---+Filemon Cervantes

Friday, March 7th

7am-Mass-----+William Davaransky

Saturday, March 8th

5pm--+Lois Taffee

Sunday, March 9th

9 am-----+Fanny Davaransky
11am ---Parish Family
1 pm -+Desiderio Gutierrez

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

March 15, Sat, 5:00 PM

Susan Watson Lector - Lector 1
Richard Curtin Eucharistic Minister
Javier and Luis Ramirez Altar Server
Efe Sevgi Altar Server
Samantha Covarrubias -Altar Server
Jesse Edwards and Joe Fox-Usher
Keila Sevgi and Susan Watson-Sacristan
Susan Watson Sacristan
Mary Snyder Hospitality
-Rosary

Sun, March 16th-9:00 AM (with Choir)

Shari Doyal- Lector
Cathy Fockele -Eucharistic Minister
Allen Smith -Eucharistic Minister (choir)
Henry and Tony Mancillas Altar Server
Jesus, Felipe and Joseline Gijon- Altar Server
Pat Quillian and Kenny Steppe-Usher
Yvonne Boothe and Lindsay. Tyson-Sacristan
Jolene Loescher Hospitality
-Rosary

Sun, March 16th- 11:00 AM (w/o Choir)

Teresa Scheuring- Lector
Margaret Roberts- Eucharistic Minister
Andrew, Lyndsey and Melanie Cofield Altar Server
Johnathan Micete -Altar Server
Melanie Micete-Altar Server
Thom and Laura Pratt Usher
Robie Grana Sacristan
Mike Kline Sacristan
Delinda Garcia Hospitality
-Rosary

Hospital Ministry

March 11th-17th-Sarah Seales

Mass Attendance

Feb.22nd&23rd
5:00 pm--160
9:00 am -- 292
11:00 am - 213
1:00 pm -- 402

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS

March 8th&9th
First Sunday of Lent
Dt 26:4-10
• Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15
• Rom 10:8-13
• Lk 4:1-13

Weekly Offertory

Feb. 22nd&23rd

Offering:\$11,633.00
Online:\$2,074.10
Total: \$13,707.10

Online Giving

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

SCAN ME!



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, Micky Zielenski, Jamie and Misty Seehafer, Jane Eldemire, Jim Coverstone, Michael Griffin, Florence Harvey, Sharon Palomba, Trent Jones, Brenda Miller

“Prayer, almsgiving and fasting are not three unrelated acts, but a single movement of openness and self-emptying, in which we cast out the idols that weigh us down, the attachments that imprison us.”
—Pope Francis, Message for Lent, 2024

Our Holy Father's Prayer Intention



For families in crisis

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.