

OCTOBER 1, 2023 | 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY



222 Jefferson St. N

St. Mary of the Visitation

Catholic Parish—Huntsville, Alabama

Oldest Catholic Parish in North Alabama—Established 1861



Parish Center
220 Lincoln St.

Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass

Tuesday - Friday 8:00am

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am & 11:00am

Nursery provided next door in Treacy Hall for both Sunday Masses.

Confession

Tuesday - Friday 7:30am

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00pm

Or by appointment

Holy Hour of Adoration & Benediction

1st Thursdays | 7:00pm

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Sacraments

Matrimony | Contact the pastor at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.

Infant Baptism | Class for parents, required only once; by appointment; before or after birth of baby.

Anointing of the Sick | First Friday after Mass or can be scheduled at anytime.

Our Mission

As the oldest Catholic community in northern Alabama, we welcome all to be empowered by the Holy Spirit, to love God, and follow Jesus Christ through faith, worship, and witness.

Office Hours

Mon-Thu 8:30am-3:30pm | Fri 8:30am-12:30pm

After hours spiritual emergency: 256.384.3741

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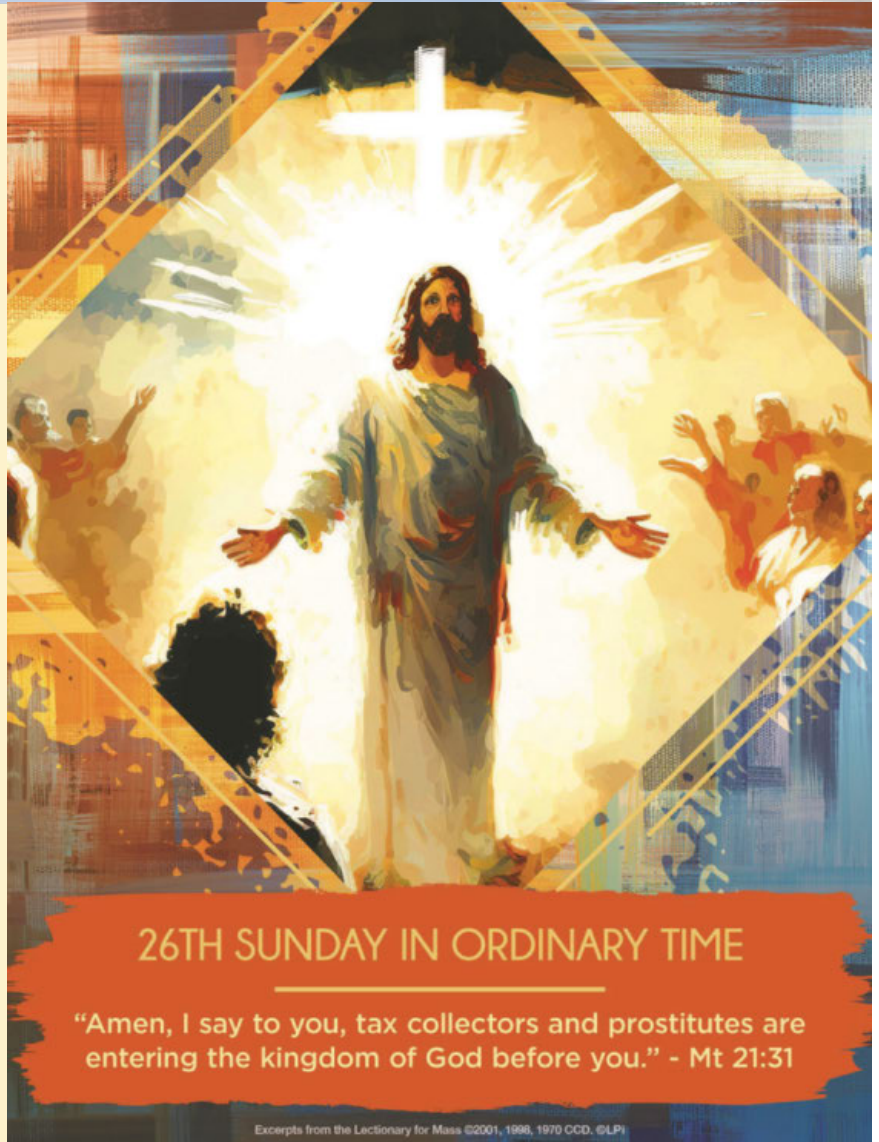
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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." - Mt 21:31

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Save the Date

October 6/7: 24-hour Prayer
Chain Rosary

October 8: Pet Blessing

October 14: SMV Workday

Financial Contribution

Weekly Operating Expenses:
\$14,470

September 23/24, 2023 income:
Weekly Church Support...\$12,686
Holy Family School.....\$175
JPPII High School.....\$60

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and continued support!**

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WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of October 1, 2023

Sun: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

Mon: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10 **The Holy Guardian Angels**

Tue: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-7/Lk 9:51-56

Wed: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-6/Lk 9:57-62 **St. Francis of Assisi**

Thu: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8-11/Lk 10:1-12 **Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin;**

Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

Fri: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16 **St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin**

Sat: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-37/Lk 10:17-24 **Our Lady of the Rosary**

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Faith Formation

PRAY WITH US!

Our Confirmation Class asks that you join them in praying for the lonely, the depressed, and those recovering from traumatic events, especially those struggling with thoughts of suicide or self-harm, that they realize they are loved and valued, and that God inspire those near them to show them warmth, love and support.



Altar Flowers

Altar flowers may be donated in memory or honor of a loved one or to mark a special occasion. Please contact the office for more information.

Nursery

Our nursery for preschool-aged children is open during the 8 & 11am Masses. It is located next door to the church in Treacy Hall.



Online Giving

Contributions can be made through our website: smvparish.org by selecting the secure "Donate" button located at the top of the page. Please call the office if you have questions or for more information.

Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary lamp will burn each day for the intentions of one of our parish families. If possible, please stop by the church on your day and say a prayer.

October 1–October 8

For the intentions of:

Sun Mr. Jeffrey Hannan

Mon Mr. Dallas Hannon

Tue Ms. Kay Hanson

Wed Ms. Jane Hardebeck

Thu Mr.&Mrs. Andy Hardy

Fri Mr.&Mrs. Michael Harwood

Sat Mr. &Mrs. Eric Hawkes

Sun Mr.&Mrs. George Heeschen



Parish Registration

If you are 18 years of age or older, attend Visitation on a regular basis and have not registered, **please register at the parish.** The registration form is on the buffet in the narthex. Or if you have an address change, please update it with our office.

Prayer Requests

Joann Tyra, Claudia McCoy, Liam Cook, Viola Cucullu, Jeannie Calvarese, Skye Grant, Darrel & Diane Kaiser, Lynn Schneider, Pat Hicks, Holly Cooney, Ben Geist, Marilyn Plonka, Anna Fowler, Jim Wall, Noah Hebert, Albert Rich



Have A Prayer Request Or Need A Pastoral Visit?

Contact us for a prayer request 256.536.6349

24-Hour Chain Rosary 10/6-7

On Friday, October 6, we will begin a 24-hour Chain Rosary prayer: **The non-stop Rosary will begin at 7:30am with Adoration and Mass/Anointing at 8:00am and conclude with Adoration on Saturday at 7:30am with Mass following at 8:00am.** Please sign-up in the narthex or use the sign up genius located on our website: smvparish.com. We are making a special plea to Our Lady for her intercession to help in our renovations.

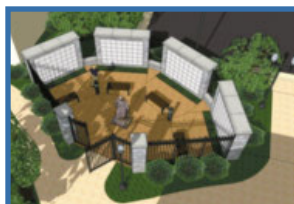


SMV Work Day

Saturday, October 14 at the Church grounds. More information to follow next week.

Columbarium Pre-Sale

Pricing for Parishioners until November 11, 2023
\$3000 per niche, \$3500 after November 11



Pet/Companion Blessing
Sunday, October 8—1:00pm
at Mary's Garden Courtyard

Women's Ministry

Join us as we **pray the rosary** under the big oak tree at the **Brosemer Flower Farm** at our Women's Ministry meeting on **Saturday, October 7 at 10:00 a.m.** Parishioner Mary Francis Brosemer will teach us the basics of flower arranging and you will get to take home your arrangement. If you're interested in this fun-filled faithful morning at the farm, please contact Liz Montgomery at elizabeth35758@gmail.com or 281-705-6697 for more information. Because we are meeting on a Saturday, **we will not meet on our usual second Tuesday of the month which is October 10.**



Into the Deep—The Eucharist and Mary

Please join Deacon Jeff, on **Wednesday, October 4 at 6 pm** in Treacy Hall to learn more about the Eucharist.

Through the Eucharist, you physically receive the Word of God. Are you open to the transformation he has for you? We are called to say yes, just as Mary did, to carry the Word of God in our hearts so that we become an image of what we receive. Mary's deep relationship with Jesus can guide us on our faith journey to receive the Eucharist with reverence and love as we recognize Jesus Christ truly present.

Food Pantry Request

The Food Pantry has a need for the following: **Pasta, pasta sauce; instant rice; soups; Chef Boyardee; gravy; canned fruit; peanut butter; jelly; canned meat (chicken, vienna sausage, etc); tuna; pork and beans; cereal (regular size or variety packs); fruit cups**

Scan this QR code to see our Food Pantry's Amazon Wish List. Or type in this link:



<https://linktr.ee/smvpantry>

This Week's Schedule & Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 30

5:30pm | † Bea & Charles Albright

Sunday, October 1

8:00am | For the Parish

Fall Break | NO FAITH FORMATION

9:15-10:45am | RCIA (TH)

11:00am | Richard & Patricia LaHood

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

Monday, October 2

7:00pm | Book Club (VH)

Tuesday, October 3

8:00am | Fr. Stephen Dominic Hayes

6:00pm | Finance Meeting (O)

6:00-8:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

Wednesday, October 4

8:00am | † Ina Jenkins

6:00pm | Into the Deep (TH)

6:00pm | RC Flying Group (PH)

Thursday, October 5

8:00am | † Lan Tan

8:30am | Ladies Sodality (TH)

6:00-8:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

7:00pm | First Thursday Adoration (C)

Friday, October 6

7:30am | Adoration

8:00am | First Friday Mass/Anointing

8:00am | † Nancy Bloomquist

8:30am | Lite Breakfast (VH)

Saturday, October 7

7:30am | Adoration

8:00am | Mass

10:00am | Women's Ministry (Brosemer Farm)

8:00am | For the Parish

5:30pm | Brittian Anderson

Sunday, October 8

8:00am | Harold & Charlie Varner

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

9:15-10:45am | RCIA (TH)

9:30am | Adult Faith Formation (PH)

9:30-10:45am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

11:00am | For the Parish

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:15pm | High School Apologetics (TH)

1:00pm | Pet/Companion Blessing at Mary's Garden in the courtyard

(O) Office, (TH) Treacy Hall, (PH) Parish Hall

(VH) Visitation Hall (at courtyard ramp), (C) Church

Active membership at the Visitation is usually determined by: registration at the parish for at least six months; attendance at Mass every weekend; use of your financial stewardship envelopes or enrollment in On-line Giving or active involvement in parish ministries. Active membership status is required to serve on Parish Councils, as Commission Chairs, or to have parishioner status at local Catholic Schools.

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