APRIL 14, 2024 | 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Mary of the Visitation Catholic Parish-Huntsville, Alabama

Oldest Catholic Parish in North Alabama—Established 1861



Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass

Tuesday - Friday 8:00am

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am & 11:00am

Nursery provided next door in Trecy 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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Save the Date

Apr 20: Nite at the Races May 12: Mother's Day Brunch May 18: Women's Retreat May 19: Parish Picnic Jun 8: Beach Potluck Dinner

Jun 16: Father's Day Brunch

Jun 22: Sunset Social Jul 27: Sunset Social Aug 24: Tailgate Tune-Up

Financial Contribution

Weekly Operating Expenses: \$15,860 April 6/7 Income:

Weekly Church Support......\$ 16,155 Holy Family School................\$60 JPII High School.....\$ 12.50

Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

For information on how to donate online, see page 2 of the bulletin.

Prayer, Worship, Ministry

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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 our website or pick up a form on the buffet in the narthex. Any changes to your information can also be made on the form.

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.

Apr 14–Apr 21 For the intentions of:

Sun Mrs. Patricia Rich

Mon Ms. Amanda Rickabaugh

Tues Mr. & Mrs. Joshua Riddle

Wed Mr. & Mrs. Michael Riley

Thurs Mr. & Mrs. Michael Ring

Fri Ms. Leticia Rios

Sat Mr. Andrew Robbins

Sun Mr. & Mrs. Steven Robbins



Weekly Readings & Observances-Week of April 14th

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48 **3rd Sunday**

of Easter

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29 Tax Day

Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40 **Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Faith Formation

Our **High School Apologetics Class** is an opportunity for teens to delve deeper into what we believe & why and provides a venue to discuss hard topics with other Catholic teens. Students who may be interested in being part of this class next year are encouraged to drop in for our April sessions and give input for next year's topics. Remaining classes are 4/14, 4/21 & 4/28 at 12:30pm in Trecy Hall. For questions about the class, email jennifer.kilroy@gmail.com

For a complete list of our ministries visit our website at www.smvparish.com or pick up a Guide to Ministries (available in the narthex).

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

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 Trecy Hall.

Prayer Requests

Claudia McCoy, Liam Cook, Viola Cucullu, Anna Fowler, Jeannie Calvarese, Skye Grant, Darrel & Diane Kaiser, Pat Hicks, Holly Cooney, Ben Geist, Marilyn Plonka, Jim Wall, Noah Hebert, Theresa Marlowe, Milton Mantler, Samantha Rice, Robert Rees



Have A Prayer Request Or Need A Pastoral Visit? Contact us for a prayer request 256.536.6349

Tri-Parish Catholic Vacation Bible School



June 3-7 for Children Age 4 – 5th Grade Scan the QR Code to Register Online Or visit the Religious Education tab at www.smvparish.com



Registration Closes Mother's Day, 5/12!

For questions, contact: <u>Jennifer.Kilroy@gmail.com</u>

Mary Monken January 14, 2024 Sister of Jane Hardebeck



Second Collection in April

April 25—Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Parish Education Award

The deadline has been extended until **April 21.** Forms are available in the narthex, online, and in the office.



Ashley Kay Huntzinger and Ryan Christopher Tamas married on April 12, 2024

Altar Flowers
were donated by the couple
in memory of their
grandparents
Terry Bussen & John Huntzinger
Virginia Crossen
Robert and Mary Tamas

Nite at the Races

Come join us for this annual fundraiser, **April 20th, at 6pm** in the Parish Hall. We will host a "betting" window and have door prizes. Food and drinks will be for sale. This is an adult only event with free admission. You can also own a horse with a \$100 winning purse. Horses will be sold for \$20 after each mass this weekend.

New for the 2024 Nite at the Races there will be one item up for bid in a live auction. Dinner for six prepared by Fr. Joy and hosted at the Rectory. This is a priceless item, and will go the highest bidder during the auction. You don't want to miss this!

The Light Ahead: The Journey of Addiction and Recovery

All are welcome to join in our new ministry-whether you are personally affected by addiction or simply interested in learning more about it. Our group offers a safe space for individuals to share knowledge, experiences, and insights regarding addiction. By coming together, we can build awareness, empathy, and understanding surrounding this complex issue. Join us on April 19th from 6-7pm in Trecy Hall, as we come together to support one another and promote education and awareness around addiction. Your presence and perspective are valuable contributions to our community. This ministry will be led by one of our parishioners, Nicky Lanza, who is Certified Recovery Support Specialist at Aletheia House. For more information contact Nicky at 256-682-2545 or nlanza32@gmail.com

DONUTS & PASTRIES TODAY IN THE PARISH HALL AFTER THE 8:00AM MASS

Food Pantry Request

The Food Pantry needs the following items: Soups; canned chicken; canned fruit; applesauce; fruit cups; and cereal, regular size or variety packs.

Thank you for your generous donations and support. Scan the QR code below to see our Food Pantry's





Amazon Wish List. Or type in: https://linktr.ee/smvpantry

This Week's Schedule &

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 13

5:30pm | † Theodore Blair

Sunday, April 14

8:00am | PJ Clawson (I)

9:00am | Donut Sunday (Donuts & Pastries)

9:15am | RCIA (TH)

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

9:30am | Adult Faith Formation (PH)

9:30am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

11:00am | For the Parish

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:30pm | High School Apologetics (TH)

Tuesday, April 16

8:00am | † Jackie Hallowes

6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

6:00pm | Building & Grounds (TH)

7:00pm | Book Club (VH)

Wednesday, April 17

8:00am | † Joyce Ellis

11:00am | Scripture Conversations (VH)

6:00pm | RC Flying Group (PH)

6:30pm | Becoming Catholic (VH)

6:30pm | St. Michael Ministry (TH)

7:00pm | Scripture Conversations (HFR)

Thursday, April 18

8:00am | Mike & Mary Jo Townsend (I)

6:00pm | Men of St. Joseph (HFR)

6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

Friday, April 19

8:00am | Fidel Martinez (I)

8:30am | Coffee Social (VH)

6:00pm | The Light Ahead: The Journey

of Addiction & Recovery (TH)

Saturday, April 20

10:00am | Food Pantry (TH)

5:30pm | For the Parish

6:00pm | Nite at the Races (PH)

Sunday, April 21

8:00am | † Shirley Boudousquie

9:00am | Pancake Breakfast (PH)

9:15am | RCIA (TH)

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

9:30am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

11:00am | † Patrick McCauley

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:30pm | High School Apologetics (TH)

(0) Office, (TH) Trecy Hall, (PH) Parish Hall

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

(HFR) Holy Family Room

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.

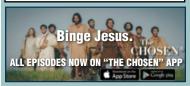


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