

IV. Commission for Hospitality & Fellowship

Chair: Ed Poniatowski

01. Ambassadors

Greeters; supports the Hospitality Gazebo

Kathy Nerger: 256-617-4203 knerg@pm.me

02. Hospitality Gazebo

Sets up for coffee and cookies (before Mass)

Patrick Davis: 610-322-0857

tpatrickdavis81@gmail.com

03. St. Lawrence Ministry (Social Committee)

Coordinate parish-wide activities

Currently Vacant

04. St. Jerome Book Club

Exploring the Catholic Faith in Literature

LuAnn Poniatowski: mna-mna@comcast.net

05. Pray and Play

Fellowship for mothers while their children play

Katie LeBlanc: 334-470-7854

katieobrion22@gmail.com

06. Mothers Ministry

Moms socializing with other moms. Offering spiritual growth through adoration, talks, and mini retreats

Reilly Duvall: 703-479-4703

reillycuccinelli9@protonmail.com

07. Women's Ministry

Uplifting women in the spirit of The Visitation

Liz Montgomery: 281-705-6697

elizabeth35758@gmail.com

08. Young Professionals

For those in their 20s and 30s

Logan Shelton: 931-675-4559

smvyoungadults@smvparish.org

09. St. Raphael Ministry

Fellowship and community building for singles in their 40-50s

Kora Davis: kora33@att.net

10. 55+ Group

Fellowship and community building for seniors

Cherie Miller: miller.cherie@yahoo.com

11. High School Youth Group

High School Youth Ministry

Sean McGeary: seanmcgeary9@gmail.com

12. Saint Frassati's Adventurers

Catholic women outdoor group

Julie Bury: Julie_Bury@yahoo.com

V. Commission for Service

Chair: Manfred Segewitz

01. Cooking Ministry

Provides food for sacrament receptions and funerals

Sally Park: sallywallyp@yahoo.com

02. Ladies Sodality

Prayerful hands in the spirit of St. Monica for parishioners and Church

Nancy Kitchens: 256-527-7358

nanzkitchens@gmail.com

03. Nicodemus Ministry

Funeral assistance for liturgy and family

Renee Wilson: 256-658-2572

sportnstitch@gmail.com

04. Collection Counters

Count Church donations weekly

Carolyn Hall: 256-714-5958

hallcarolyn52@gmail.com

05. Columbarium

Maintenance and upkeep of the grounds

Patrick Davis: 610-322-0857

tpatrickdavis81@gmail.com

06. St. Michael's Ministry

Handles parish safety and security

Ed Poniatowski: 256-426-8874

skibert@aol.com

07. Mary's Hand

Straighten and clean pews, bookmark Hymnals, fill altar candles, and water plants

Cristina Benzenhafer: 256-652-9362

08. Blessed Mother Grotto Flowers

Arranges fresh flowers at Mary's outdoor statue

Karen Vandiver: 256-851-7604

jcvandiver@ieee.org

09. Buildings and Grounds

Maintains St. Mary's inside and out

Manfred Segewitz: 256-527-2278

manfseg@gmail.com

10. Garden and Plants

Maintain front planters

Rita Segewitz: 256-280-6122

11. Publication Ministry

Weekly/Monthly parish news emails

Cherie Miller & Camille Travis:

visitationnews@gmail.com

NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

1. Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Janie Hoyt: rosesforsaintmary@gmail.com

2. Knights of Columbus

Huntsville Council #4080

Tony Soto: 334-447-0558

Our Wedding Coordinator

Debbie Jones: jones.deboraha@gmail.com



**Guide to Ministries
St. Mary of the Visitation
Catholic Parish**

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I. Commission for Prayer & Outreach

Chair: Steve Venckus

01. St. Veronica Blanket Ministry

To cover our new babies, homebound and sick with prayer and a blanket/shawl

Dianne DeVito: 540-623-7585

dianneecdevito@gmail.com

02. Expecting Mothers Ministry

Supporting expecting mothers with prayers and a delivered meal

Reilly Duvall: 703-479-4703

reillycuccinelli9@protonmail.com

03. Food Pantry

Open to the whole community

Wendy Springsteen: wlsprings4@gmail.com

04. Eucharistic Ministers for Sick & Shut-ins

Lydia Freund: 256-665-0275

freundfamily97@gmail.com.

05. Homebound Prayer Ministry

Visits and prays for the homebound

Steve Venckus: svenckus1@verizon.net

06. Meals on Wheels

Delivering meals to the homebound

SMV Office: 256-536-6349

smvparish@smvparish.org

07. Mental Health Birthdays

Provide birthday refreshments at behavioral health center

Evelyn Jaap: 256-536-4156 evelyn.jaap@gmail.com

08. Prayer Warriors

Pray for the needs of anyone who contacts

St. Mary's: **SMV Office:** 256-536-6349

smvparish@smvparish.org

09. Rosary Prayer Group

Lead and guide Rosary prayer before Mass

Karen Vandiver: 256-851-7504

jcvandiver@ieee.org

10. Rosary Making Ministry

Make rosaries for give-away basket in church

Jed Park: jed@parkprops.com

11. Pro Life Ministry

Supports prolife activities in the Huntsville area

Mary Fitter: 808-489-5344

mary_fitter@yahoo.com

II. Commission for Formation & Spiritual

Enrichment:

Chair: Mike Janssen

01. Faith Formation Adult

Focus on the Catholic Church and social issues

Mike Janssen: mjj032753@gmail.com

02. Faith Formation Youth (Sunday School)

Instruction for children (PreK-12th Grade) in our Catholic Faith

Jennifer Kilroy, Dir. of Religious Ed.

smv.kilroy@gmail.com

03. Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

OCIA is for those interested in learning more about or joining the Catholic Church

Deacon Jeff Montgomery:

smvparish.ocia@gmail.com

04. Life in Faith (LIF)

Examining spiritual needs of St. Mary's

Mike Janssen: mjj032753@gmail.com

05. Men of St. Joseph

Focus on spiritual growth, brotherhood & living the Gospel

Dn. Jeff Montgomery: jeffmontgomery@gmail.com

06. Baptism Preparation Class

Class for parents, only required once

Jed & Sally Park: sallywallyp@yahoo.com or

jed@parkprops.com

07. Marriage Preparation Ministry

Assists with required marriage forms

Conway Ellers: c2ellers@comcast.net

08. Nazareth House Huntsville

Adaptive Religious Education for special needs

Catholics

Judith McGraw-Gregory: jagregory59@gmail.com

III. Commission for Liturgy & Worship:

Chair: Greg Jones

01. Altar Flower Ministry

Arrange fresh flowers for the altars

Greg Jones: 256-651-2505

mistertolson@gmail.com

02. Altar Servers

Open to male and female, ages 7 - Adult

(Completed First Holy Communion)

Karen Vandiver: 256-851-7504

jcvandiver@ieee.org

03. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Assist in distribution of Holy Communion (both species)

Billy Wilson: billyraywilson@gmail.com

04. Ministry of the Word [Lectors]

Presenting sacred scriptures in a clear voice

Erin Boles: 256-603-6781

erindacy@icloud.com

05. Music Ministry

Provides music for Masses and special liturgies

Jackie Henderson: 251-602-6963 cjadk@aol.com

Rebecca Whited: rebecca.whited@gmail.com

06. Sacristan Ministry

Service to Church and Holy Sanctuary

Connie Eimer: ronandcon2u@comcast.net

07. St. Hunna Altar Linen Ministry

Launder, iron and return to the sacristy

Olivia Davis: oliviamceachin@gmail.com

08. Ushers

Assist at Masses with seating and collection

Brian Mitchell: 256-714-8524

briankmitch@hotmail.com

09. Arts & Environment

Decorating church and campus

Mary Frances Brosemer: 256-852-3614

10. Live Streaming

Sharing liturgies with overflow and remote participants

John Jaap: 256-797-5359

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