



# St. Mary of the Visitation

## Catholic Parish



Parish Center  
220 Lincoln St.

### 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.

### Mass Schedule

#### Weekday Mass

Tuesday - Friday 8:00am

#### Weekend Mass

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am,

11:00am (Contemporary Choir)

Nursery provided for both Sunday

Masses next door in the Fr. Treacy Room.

#### Confession

Tuesday - Friday 7:30am

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00pm

Or by appointment

#### Holy Hour of Adoration & Benediction

1st Thursdays | 7:00pm



**The Divine Mercy celebration will conclude today following the 11:00am Mass. Please join us!**

*"Those who sincerely say 'Jesus, I trust in You' will find comfort in all their anxieties and fears."*

*"There is nothing more man needs than Divine Mercy - that love which is benevolent, which is compassionate, which raises man above his weakness to the infinite heights to the holiness of God."*

St. John Paul II

### Parish Staff

#### Pastor

Rev. Joy Thomas Nellissery, PhD

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#### Deacons

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#### Bookkeeper

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#### Secretary

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Entering from Washington Street

**Parking Lot Gate Code 222**

### Faith Formation Sun 9:30-10:45am

Youth—Parish Center

Adults

RCIA—Fr. Treacy Room

Evelyn Jaap—Parish Center

Mike Janssen—Visitation Hall

### Mass Intentions 4/23-5/1

Sat 5:30pm | † Raymond & Lucy Schleeper

Sun 8:00am | For the Parish

Sun 11:00am | † Elmer & Margaret Herbert

Mon No Mass

Tue 8:00am | † Patrick McCauley

Wed 8:00am | † Monica Bannon

Thu 8:00am | † Rose Brown

Fri 8:00am | † Josefina Lackner

Sat 5:30pm | † Mrs. Mary Nellissery

Sun 8:00am | † Jack Miller, Sr.

Sun 11:00am | For the Parish

### Contact Us

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### Office Hours

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

**After hours spiritual emergency: 256.384.3741**

### Sacraments

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

**Baptism** | The class is by appointment and is required if not previously attended.

**Anointing of the Sick** | The Church recommends this Sacrament to all who are previously ill or in danger of death.

# PRAYER, WORSHIP, MINISTRY

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## Councils

### Pastoral Council

Chair: LuAnn Poniatowski | pastoralcouncil@smvparish.org

### Finance Council

Chair: Ben Boles | bolestv@gmail.com

## Prayer Commission

### Altar Flowers

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### Altar Linens

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### Altar Servers

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## Formation Commission

### Catholic Book Club

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### Ladies' Sodality

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### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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### Women's Group

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### Young Professionals

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## Hospitality Commission

### Ambassadors

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### Food Pantry

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### Parish Life

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## Service Commission

### Buildings & Grounds

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### Meals on Wheels

Cherie Miller | smvparish@smvparish.com

### Mental Health Birthday

Evelyn Jaap | ejaap@comcast.net

## National Organization

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight, Greg Brierly | KofC.Council.4080@gmail.com

## Weekly Readings and Observances

### Readings for the week of April 24, 2022

Sun: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/

Jn 20:19-31 **2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy); St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen**

Mon: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20 **St. Mark**

Tue: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

Wed: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thu: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

**Sts. Peter Chanel and Louis Grignon de Montfort**

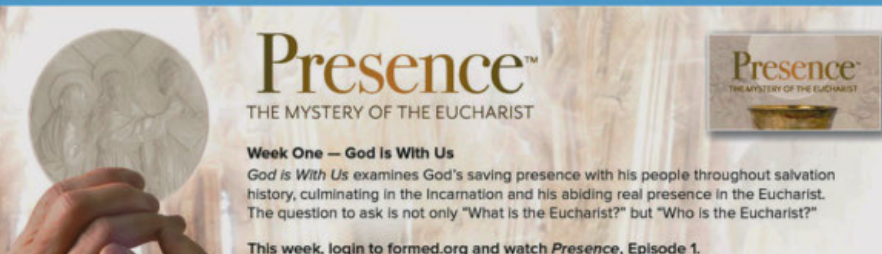
Fri: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15 **St. Catherine of Siena**

Sat: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21 **St. Pius V**

## Faith Formation

Join your parish family for this at-home study!

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**Presence™**  
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Week One — God Is With Us

God Is With Us examines God's saving presence with his people throughout salvation history, culminating in the Incarnation and his abiding real presence in the Eucharist. The question to ask is not only "What is the Eucharist?" but "Who is the Eucharist?"

This week, login to [formed.org](http://formed.org) and watch Presence, Episode 1.

**Tri-Parish VBS**  
**Preschool – 5th Grade**  
**June 15-17**  
**Register today!**



Forms are available in the back of the church, at the parish center or from the church office.

Email: [Jennifer.Kilroy@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.Kilroy@gmail.com) for questions

## Nursery



Our nursery for preschool-aged children is open during the 8 & 11am Masses and the Adult FF classes. It is located next door to the church in the Fr. Treacy room.

## 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.



## Sanctuary Lamp

**March April 24-May 1**

For the intentions of:

Sun	Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Simon
Mon	Mr. Randy Buford
Tue	Mr. & Mrs. Mark Fisher
Wed	Mr. John Paul Green
Thu	Mr. Daniel Shaughnessy
Fri	Ms. Alexis Skarupa
Sat	Ms. Jen Slack
Sun	Mr. & Mrs. Greg Skupien



## Prayer Requests

Beth Bodine Mason, Viola Cucullu, Ben Geist, Jim Wall, Skye Grant, Jeff Skupien, Holly Cooney, Pat Hicks, Marilyn Plonka, Jeannie Calvarese, Lynn Schneider, Gene & Anna Fowler, Rene Figueroa, Darrel & Diane Kaiser, Manuel Corona, Bill McCormack, Virginia McCullough

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



**"Blessing Bag" Drive** - How often have you walked past someone down on good fortune and wished you had something other than money to give?

The **SMV Women's Group** is requesting your donation of travel size toiletry items. We will package the toiletries into individual Blessing Bags, along with a Prayer and Huntsville Aid Resource List.

The Blessing Bags will be distributed back to YOU - please plan to take a few Blessing Bags and keep them in your car so you will have a Blessing to share next time you see a need!

A flyer is available in the Vestibule listing the needed items. Please place donated items in the marked collection bin located in the narthex of the church April 30th - May 28th. Stay tuned for dates for Blessing Bag distribution.



## Easter Flower Memorials

Marge Catlett  
Daniel Sill Fugit  
Jim & Hazel Martin  
Joanne M. Wilson  
Walter & Louise Wilson

## This Week

**Tuesday, April 26**

7:00pm | Men's Group (JTR)

(JTR) Fr. Treacy Room

**Kof C Pancake  
Breakfast Today at the  
PC 9:00-10:30am**

*includes eggs, sausage, bacon,  
potatoes, toast, coffee, juice*



Congratulations to  
**James Theodore Howie** and  
**Edward James Kintzel, III**  
on receiving the  
Sacrament of Baptism.

## MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is for non-Catholic adults (but Catholics welcome!) to learn more about and possibly joining the Church. It's a process through which non-baptized men and women enter the Catholic Church or convert from another Christian faith. It includes several stages marked by study, prayer and rites at Mass. A new class starts in the Fall and meets Sundays 9:30-10:45am in the Fr. Treacy Room. For more information, contact Steve Venckus, svenckus1@verizon.net or 703.599.8528.

## First Holy Communion and Confirmation Saturday, April 30, 2022 10:00am

Please come and support our parish families at Mass when Bishop Steven J. Raica confers the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation to our children. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they further their faith journey.

### First Holy Communion

Adam Cole Crews  
Rylie Sutton Dithmer  
Martha Abigail Hanks  
Rocco Fafard Kinzer  
Ripley Sixx Langford

### Confirmation

Ava Ellen Howse  
Isabella Brooke Costantino Hyatt  
Keller James McGriff  
Anthony Pasquale Ragucci  
Vincent Alfred Ragucci  
Joseph Lee Robbins

Due to the overwhelming response from our very generous parishioners in support of the **Food Pantry Ministry** and our community, the next collection of food items will be Sunday, **June 5**, and will be the first Sunday of each month afterwards. Specific items for donation will be listed in the bulletin and in the narthex of the church. **THANK YOU!!**

The **St. Mary's Book Club** will be starting up again on May 2nd! The book selected is **"A Pope and a President—John Paul II, Ronald Reagan, and the Extraordinary Untold Story of the 20th Century"** by Paul Kengor. If you are a history buff, or want to learn about what occurred behind the scenes in the early eighties—this book is for YOU! Contact LuAnne Poniatowski, 256.426.8898 for more information. Come join us!

## General Information

### Before Mass Rosary

The Rosary will begin 20 minutes before each weekend Mass, provided there are volunteers to lead in praying the Rosary. Rosary booklets are available in the narthex.

### 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.

### Weekly Operating Expenses \$12,610

April 9/10, 2022 Income:

Weekly Church Support.....	\$ 11,767
Easter.....	\$ 1,440
Holy Family School.....	\$ 130
St. JP II High School.....	\$ 30
Easter Flower Memorial.....	\$ 160
Catholic Relief Services.....	\$ 525

### Second Collection in April April 23/24 Home Missions Appeal

### Weekly Operating Expenses \$12,610

April 16/17, 2022 Income:

Weekly Church Support.....	\$ 7,758
Easter.....	\$13,262
Holy Family School.....	\$ 250
St. JP II High School.....	\$ 30
Fish Fry Proceeds.....	\$ 1,255
Bake Sale Proceeds.....	\$ 1,268
Diocese Collections.....	\$ 190



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