

FEBRUARY 4, 2024 | 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

Parish Staff

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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

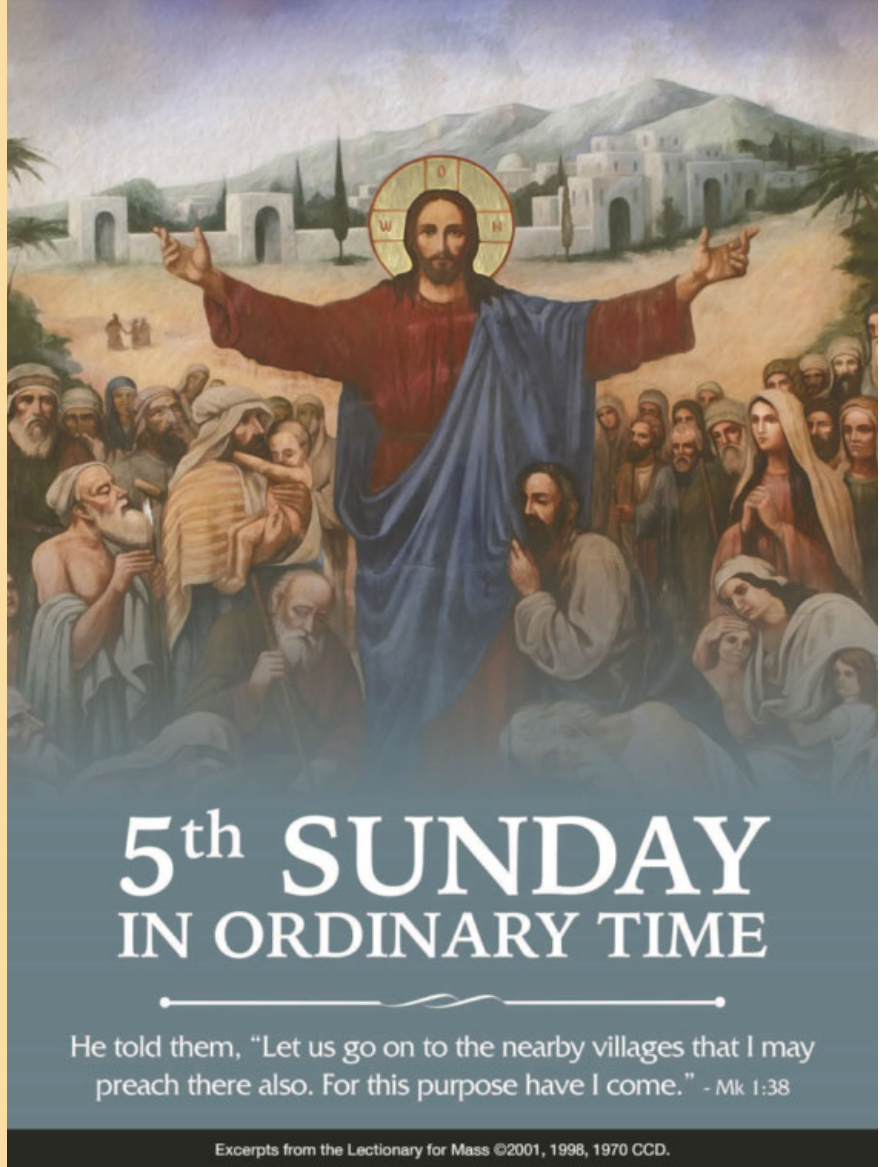
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He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." - Mk 1:38

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Save the Date

Feb 11: Donut Sunday (PH)

Feb 14: Ash Wednesday

Feb 16: Adoration & Stations
of the Cross

Feb 18: Pancake Breakfast (PH)

Feb 23: Lenten Activities &
Fish Fry (PH)

Entering from Washington Street
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Financial Contribution

Weekly Operating Expenses: **\$15,860**

January 27/28 Income:

Weekly Church Support.....\$ 12763

Holy Family School.....\$ 80

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Prayer, Worship, Ministry

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Leadership Team of Visitation

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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.

Feb 4-Feb 11 For the intentions of:

- Sun** Ms. Alison Montebello
- Mon** Dn. & Mrs. Jeff Montgomery
- Tue** Mr. & Mrs. Brian Moore
- Wed** Mrs. Judith Moore
- Thu** Mr. & Mrs. Michael Morgan
- Fri** Mr. John Morris
- Sat** Ms. Margaret Morris
- Sun** Nick Morrow & Patricia Garcia



SMV WEEKLY & MONTHLY INFORMATION

Weekly emails to all registered parishioners will be sent every Wednesday and will serve as a reminder of upcoming events for the week and other announcements.

Please send news/announcements/pictures for consideration in the SMV Monthly Newsletter to: visitationnews@gmail.com by the 15th of the month to be in the next month's newsletter.



Hospitality Commission

Ambassadors Kathy Nerger

kathenerger@protonmail.com | 256-617-4203

Donut Sunday Donna Winghart | 256-653-3636

Food Pantry

Martha Jordan | marthaannjordan@gmail.com

Friday Morning Coffee Social | Hilda Gabrys

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Hospitality Tent

Jerry & Renee Wilson | sportnstitch@gmail.com

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WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of February 4, 2024

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56 **St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr**

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13 **St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyr**

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30 **St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin**

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10 **St. Scholastica, Virgin**

Faith Formation

Pray with us!

The 5th grade class asks that you join them this week in praying for mothers in our area who are considering abortion.



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.

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.

Prayer Requests

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



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

Women's Ministry

Ladies, come join us to decorate a Lent prayer candle and play Mardi Gras BINGO at our next Women's Ministry meeting on Tuesday, February 13 at 6:30 pm in the Fr. Treacy room. Come early and enjoy King Cake, music, wine, and fellowship. You're always welcome to bring a friend. All ladies of the parish are invited to be a part of this parish community of faithful women who come together in prayer, friendship, and service through the love and guidance of our Blessed Mother Mary. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month. For more information, please contact **Liz Montgomery at 281-705-6697 or elizabeth35758@gmail.com**.

Roses for St. Mary, Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Established in 1903, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) is a national powerhouse of Catholic Women with 63,000 members nationwide. Our members are on a mission – donating to charities, running scholarship programs, and being the ultimate "helping hands where there's pain, poverty, sorrow, or sickness." It's all about faith working through love and promoting justice, equality, and the advancement of human rights and dignity for everyone. Please come join us and enjoy time with your fellow Catholic Women, because we believe in doing good with a smile and a sprinkle of humor. Our next meeting is **February 6th at 6:00 pm in Treacy Hall**. We will enjoy a meal together as well as make Valentines cards for local members of our community in assisted living facilities. For more information contact **Chastity Bradford, rosesforsaintmary@gmail.com or 423-309-1108**.

This Week's Schedule &

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 3

5:30pm | † Theodore Blair

Sunday, February 4

8:00am | For the Parish

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

9:15am | RCIA (TH)

9:30am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

9:30am | Adult Faith Formation (PH)

11:00am | † Joy Gregoire

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:15 pm | High School Apologetics (TH)

Tuesday, February 6

8:00am | † Albert Rich

6:00pm | Finance Council (O)

6:00pm | Catholic Daughters (TH)

6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

7:00pm | Book Club (VH)

Wednesday, February 7

8:00am | † Sarah Teepool

11:00am | Bible Study (VH)

6:00pm | Into the Deep (TH)

6:00pm | RC Flying Group (PH)

6:30pm | K of C Meeting (PH)

7:00pm | Bible Study (VH)

Thursday, February 8

8:00am | † Arthur & Dorothy Davis

6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

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

6:00pm | Rosary Makers Quarterly Meeting (TH)

6:00pm | Life in Faith (VH)

Friday, February 9

8:00am | † Emilio de Jesus Cacho

8:30am | Coffee Social (VH)

6:00pm | Ministry Heads Meeting (PH)

Saturday, February 10

5:30pm | † Joann Tyra

Sunday, February 11

8:00am | † Joyce Ellis

9:00am | Donut Sunday (PH)

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

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(O) Office, (TH) Treacy Hall, (PH) Parish Hall (VH) Visitation Hall (at courtyard ramp), (C) Church, Holy Family Room (HFR)

Mary's Prayer Garden

Memorial bricks, 8" x 8", can now be ordered. Suggested donation is \$100. Plan layout and order forms are in the Narthex.

THANK YOU to the members of our Building & Grounds Ministry who braved the ice and snow to take care of our beautiful church and grounds.



Gus Benavides
January 21, 2024

Butch Damson
Mother of Susan Park
January 28, 2024



Baby Bottle Boomerang
Don't forget to return your filled bottles no later than Sunday, February 11, 2024!

Men of St. Joseph

Men, you are invited to embark on a journey of spiritual growth, brotherhood, and living the Gospel with the Men of St. Joseph. We develop a deeper understanding of our faith and its relevance in the modern world through shared insights on the upcoming Sunday Gospel, prayer, and fellowship. Discover the power of authentic brotherhood, and unleash your potential to become the man God envisions you to be! Meeting weekly on Thursdays in the Holy Family Room from 6:00-7:00 pm. For more information contact **Deacon Jeff at DeaconJeff@smvparish.org**

Food Pantry Request

The Food Pantry needs the following items: : Pasta; pasta sauce; Vienna Sausages; canned meat, chicken, or tuna; soups; canned fruit; instant mashed potatoes; peanut butter, jelly; cereal.

Scan the QR code below to see our Food Pantry's Amazon Wish List. Or type in: <https://linktr.ee/smvpantry>



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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