

MARCH 10, 2024 | 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



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

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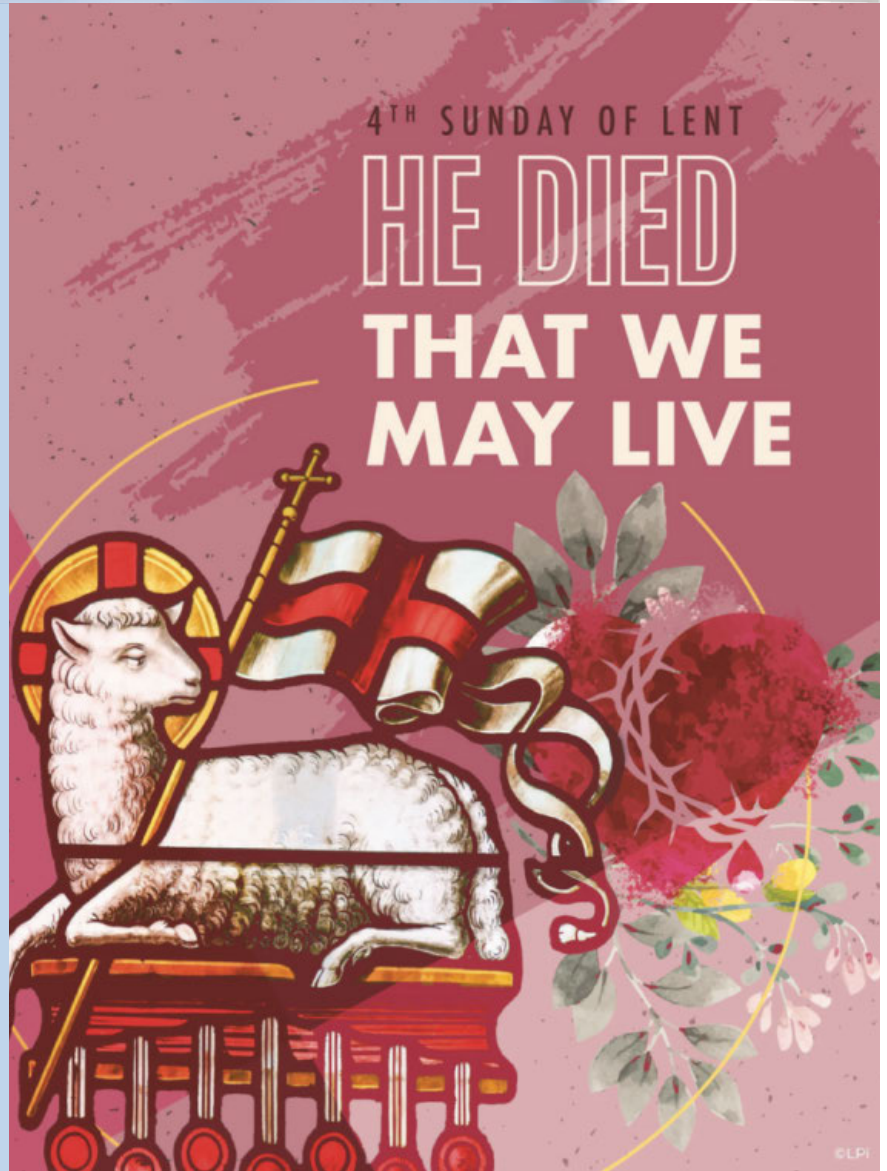
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Save the Date

Mar 13: Soup Supper (TH)

Mar 15: Potluck Supper (TH)

Mar 15: Adoration & Stations

Mar 16: St. Patrick's Day Parade
And Drink Give-Away

Mar 21: Seven Last Words
Organ Recital & Meditation

Mar 22: Adoration & Stations

Mar 23: Penance Service

Mar 24: Palm Sunday Bake Sale

Mar 25-27: Tenebrae

Financial Contribution

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

March 2/3 Income:

Weekly Church Support.....\$ 19,058

Holy Family School.....\$ 120

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Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

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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.

Mar 10–Mar 17 For the intentions of:

Sun Mr. & Mrs. Michael Paludan

Mon Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Park

Tues Mr. & Mrs. Jed Park

Wed Mr. & Mrs. James Park IV

Thurs Mr. & Mrs. Michael Park

Fri Mr. John Luke Parker

Sat Mr. & Mrs. Larry Parker

Sun Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Parkes



WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21
Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38 **4th Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins**

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53



Prayer Commission

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Faith Formation

NO YOUTH FAITH FORMATION CLASSES THIS WEEKEND

Classes will resume on 3/17

Mark Your Calendars!

Vacation Bible School 2024 will be June 3-7

for children age 4 through 5th grade
Volunteers are needed. If you're open to helping, please email
Jennifer.Kilroy@gmail.com

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, Pat Hicks, Holly Cooney, Ben Geist, Marilyn Plonka, Jim Wall, Noah Hebert, Theresa Marlowe, Milton Mantler, Timothy & Cheryl Crabb, Samantha Rice

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



Young Professionals Brunch

All young professionals in their 20s and 30s are invited to our first monthly potluck brunch of the year! It will be at 12:30pm, Sunday, March 24, at the Parish Hall.

For more information contact smvyoungadults@smvparish.org



Attention all graduating seniors and college students!

Applications for our annual Parish Education Award are now available. Details and entry forms are available in the narthex. Submit entry form, brief autobiography, essay and letter of recommendation to the parish office by March 31. Notification will be made in May.

Holiday Bake Sale

Palm Sunday weekend, March 23/24, in Visitation Hall after all Masses. Your home baked donations are greatly needed to make our sale a success. Bring your goodies to Visitation Hall before Mass. For more information contact **Mary Davis at 256-881-3152.**

CAKES, COOKIES, BREAD, PIES, CANDY CHEESE STRAWS, PARTY MIX



Easter Flower Offering

Our Easter Flower Memorial is a way to remember our deceased and to honor the living. Your donation supports our Easter decorating. Easter Flower envelopes are in your monthly packet or in the narthex. Please turn in by March 24 for names to appear in the bulletin.



Luca Anthony Gentle
February 17, 2024



KofC Pancake Breakfast
Next Sunday, March 17
9am in the Parish Hall

In Memoriam

Lee Crabb, February 23, 2024, stepson of Cheryl Crabb (Timothy)
Ana Valadez-Martinez, February 23, 2024, daughter-in-law of Jennifer Romero
John Votovitch, February 18, 2024, father of Liz Taylor (Michael)
Lynn Schneider, March 2, 2024, sister of Nancy Downard (Duke)



Lenten Prayer Ribbons

Please tie a ribbon and say a prayer!
Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Bible Study with Father Joy

Join Fr. Joy's weekly Bible Study in Visitation Hall, Thursdays during Lent, 10:00-11:00am.

St. Joseph Table

We will have a table set up under the statue of St. Joseph in the Church. We're asking parishioners to bake and bring bread March 16th & 17th and place it on the table. Please make sure your bread is wrapped in something like saran wrap! The bread will be given to the Food Pantry to distribute on the 17th after the 11:00am Mass. **Contact is Mary Davis at 256-881-3152.**

Food Pantry Request

The Food Pantry needs the following items: : pasta sauce; Chef Boyardee; canned chicken; peanut butter, jelly; canned fruit; applesauce; fruit cups; instant mashed potatoes; instant rice; gravy; cereal (regular size,



or variety packs, or bags). Scan the QR code above to see our Food Pantry's Amazon Wish List. Or type in: <https://linktr.ee/smvpantry>

This Week's Schedule & Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 9

5:30pm | For the Parish

Sunday, March 10

8:00am | † Zenike Ekstrom

NO Faith Formation Classes (Spring Break)
9:15am | RCIA (TH)

11:00am | † Thomas Stramiello, Sr.

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

Tuesday, March 12

8:00am | † Marguerite Leslie

NO Women's Ministry Meeting
6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)
7:00pm | Book Club (VH)

Wednesday, March 13

8:00am | † Joyce Ellis

10:00am | Pray & Play (TH)
11:00am | Bible Study (VH)
6:00pm | Soup Supper Following Faith Stories & Discussion (TH)

6:00pm | Parish Pastoral Council (O)

6:00pm | RC Flying Group (PH)

6:30pm | Becoming Catholic (VH)

7:00pm | Bible Study (HFR)

Thursday, March 14

8:00am | Carol Price

10:00am | Bible Study with Fr. Joy (VH)

6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

6:00pm | Life in Faith (VH)

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

Friday, March 15

8:00am | Shelby Musgrove (I)

8:30am | Friday Social (VH)

12:15pm | Stations of the Cross (C)

5:30pm | Potluck Supper (TH)

6:00pm | Eucharistic Adoration (C)

7:00pm | Stations of the Cross (C)

Saturday, March 16

11:00am | St. Patrick's Day Parade Blessing and Drink Give-Away

5:30pm | † Catherine Roling Nenninger

Sunday, March 17

8:00am | For the Parish

9:00am | KofC Pancake Breakfast (PH)

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation, Sunday Video

"Eucharistic Revival" (VH)

9:15am | RCIA (TH)

9:30am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

9:30am | Adult Faith Formation (PH)

11:00am | Fr. Joy Thomas Nellisery (I)

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:15 pm | High School Apologetics (TH)

(O) Office, (TH) Treacy 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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