

OCTOBER 15, 2023 | 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# 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

**Pastor: Rev. Joy Thomas Nellissery, PhD**

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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**

## Contact Us

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"Come to the feast." - Mt 22:4bc

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## Save the Date

**October 14/15 & 21/22:**

Blessing Bag Donations Due

**October 27:** Fall Dance

**November 1:** All Saints Day/  
Holy Day of Obligation

## Financial Contribution

Weekly Operating Expenses:  
**\$14,470**

October 7/8 2023 income:  
Weekly Church Support...\$14,940  
Holy Family School.....\$ 145  
JPPII High School.....\$ 5

**Thank you for your generosity  
and continued support!**

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

**World Mission Sunday  
Second Collection  
Next Weekend**

## Leadership Team of Visitation

### Finance Council Chair

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### Service Commission Chair

Manfred Segewitz | manfseg@gmail.com | 256-527-2278



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.

## Service Commission

### 55+

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### Arts & Environment

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### Wedding Coordinator

Debbie Jones | jones.deboraha@gmail.com

## WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

### Readings for the week of October 15, 2023

**Sun:** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

#### 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Mon:** Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1-4/Lk 11:29-32 **St. Hedwig, Religious;**  
**St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin**

**Tue:** Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 11:37-41 **St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr**

**Wed:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9 **St. Luke, Evangelist**

**Thu:** Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-6ab/Lk 11:47-54 **Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs**

**Fri:** Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7 **St. Paul of the Cross, Priest**

**Sat:** Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-9, 42-43/Lk 12:8-12

## Faith Formation

### PRAY WITH US!

This week, the 6th Grade class asks you to join them in praying for animals in shelters, that God will help them find good homes with people who will love and take care of them for life.



Altar flowers are in celebration of the wedding anniversary of **Martez & Sarah Rogers.** Happy Anniversary!

## 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.



## 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.

## 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 the buffet in the narthex. Or if you have an address change, please update it with our office.

## Prayer Requests

Joann Tyra, 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, Albert Rich, Theresa Marlowe, Milton Mantler

## 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.

### October 15-22

For the intentions of:

**Sun** Mr.&Mrs. Sean Higgins

**Mon** Ms. Diane Hill

**Tue** Mr.&Mrs. Kevin Hoener

**Wed** Ms. Karen Hoger

**Thu** Mr. Jeff Holmes

**Fri** Ms. Carol Hooper

**Sat** Mr. David Horvath

**Sun** Mr. &Mrs. Thomas Hotard



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





## Columbarium Pre-Sale

Pricing for Parishioners  
**\$3000 per niche until Nov. 11, 2023**  
**\$3500 after November 11**  
 2 urns per niche  
 Scan QR code for more information.



## Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Calling all Catholic Women over the age of 18! Roses of St. Mary (Catholic Daughters of the Americas) are hosting a special gathering on **Wednesday, October 25th, at 6:00PM in the Fr. Treacy Room**. Join us for an evening of inspiration and laughter with a community outreach speaker. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served. This ministry is a chance to meet incredible people, make a difference in your community, and have a few laughs along the way.

## Veterans Day Recognition & Columbarium Dedication—Saturday, November 11

Saint Mary of the Visitation will honor all Veterans on Saturday, 11 November beginning with a **Mass in the church at 4:30PM**. Mass will be followed by the new **Columbarium dedication at 5:30PM**. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be served adjacent to the Columbarium after the dedication. We will then hold a **Veteran's Prayer Service in the Church at 6:30PM** followed by a **Rosary procession to the Veteran's Memorial for prayers and wreath laying at 6:45**. The service will conclude at the Veteran's Memorial no later than 7PM. We are looking for Veterans of all ranks from all services to assist with the planning and execution of this event. Please contact Ed Poniatowski at (256) 426-8874 or Skibert@aol.com if you have any questions or would like to help.

## Visitation Monthly Newsletter

The newsletter for October was delivered to all registered parishioner emails. If you did not receive the newsletter, please make sure your email is correct in the office or fill out an SMV Registration form located on our website or in the narthex of the church. **Watch for the November newsletter the last week of this month.** If you would like to contribute an article/announcement/picture for consideration in the newsletter, please email them to: [visitationnews@gmail.com](mailto:visitationnews@gmail.com).

Future newsletters will be delivered imbedded in the email and as a .pdf attachment. Please let us know if there is a problem displaying the newsletter.

**SAVE the DATE**  
**Holy Family School Fundraiser**  
**A Nite at the Races**  
**Saturday – October 28**

**Knights of Columbus**  
**Pancake Breakfast TODAY**  
**Parish Hall, 9:00–10:30am**

## Women's Ministry

### Blessing Bag Request

Travel-size toiletries and other donations for the Blessing Bags **will be accepted before and after Masses TODAY and October 21/22**. For information about this community service project, contact Liz Montgomery at 281-705-6697 or [elizabeth35758@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth35758@gmail.com).

## Food Pantry Request

The Food Pantry has a need for the following: **Pasta sauce; instant oatmeal; applesauce; Chef Boyardee; canned fruit; peanut butter; jelly; canned meat (chicken, vienna sausage, etc.); tuna; fruit cups**

Scan this QR code to see our Food Pantry's Amazon Wish List. Or type in this link:

<https://linktr.ee/smvpantry>



## This Week's Schedule & Mass Intentions

### Saturday, October 14

5:30pm | For the Parish

### Sunday, October 15

8:00am | Cindy Hunsucker

9:00–10:30am | Kof C Pancake Breakfast (PH)

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

9:15–10:45am | RCIA (TH)

9:30am | Adult Faith Formation (PH)

9:30–10:45am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

11:00am | Noah Herbert

Noon–1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:15pm | High School Apologetics (TH)

### Monday, October 16

7:00pm | Book Club (VH)

### Tuesday, October 17

8:00am | † Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Nelliserry

6:00–8:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

### Wednesday, October 18

8:00am | † Mr. & Mrs. Stanislaus Jacob

10:am | RCIA (VH)

6:00pm | RC Flying Group (PH)

6:30pm | St. Michael (TH)

### Thursday, October 19

8:00am | † Mr. & Mrs. Fred LaChance

6:00–8:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

### Friday, October 20

8:00am | † Nell Marie Hill Long

8:30am | Coffee Social (VH)

### Saturday, October 21

10:00am | Food Pantry (TH)

5:30pm | † Marguerite Leslie

### Sunday, October 22

8:00am | For the Parish

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

9:15–10:45am | RCIA (TH)

9:30am | Adult Faith Formation (PH)

9:30–10:45am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

11:00am | Homebound Ministry Members

Noon–1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:15pm | High School Apologetics (TH)

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

**World Mission Sunday**  
**Second Collection**  
**Next Weekend**

**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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