

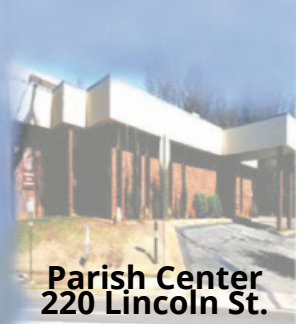
APRIL 21, 2024 | 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



# 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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**Deacon: Dn. Jeff Montgomery**

*jeffmontgomery35758@gmail.com*

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**Lois Lindsey** | *smvparish@smvparish.org*

**Ministries Coordinator**

**Cherie Miller** | *ministries.smv@gmail.com*

## 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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256.536.6349

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## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn 10:14-15

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## Save the Date

**May 12:** Mother's Day Brunch

**May 18:** Women's Retreat

**May 19:** Parish Picnic

**Jun 8:** Beach Potluck Dinner Dance

**Jun 16:** Father's Day Brunch

**Jun 22:** Sunset Social

**Jul 27:** Sunset Social

**Aug 24:** Tailgate Tune-Up

## Financial Contribution

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

April 6/7 Income:

Weekly Church Support.....\$ 16,365

Holy Family School.....\$ 270

JPII High School.....\$ 85

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

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

# Prayer, Worship, Ministry

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## Leadership Team of Visitation

### Finance Council Chair

Ben Boles | bolestv@gmail.com | 256-651-5690

### Pastoral Council Chair

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Jackie Henderson | cjadk@aol.com

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### Hospitality Commission Chair

Ed Poniatowski | skibert@aol.com | 256-426-8874

### Prayer Commission Chair

Connie Eimer | ronandcon2u@comcast.net

### Service Commission Chair

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

For a complete list of our ministries visit our website at [www.smvparish.com](http://www.smvparish.com) or pick up a Guide to Ministries (available in the narthex).

## 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

rhgabrys@att.net

### Hospitality Tent

Jerry & Renee Wilson | sportnstitch@gmail.com

### Nicodemus Ministry (Funeral assistance)

Renee Wilson | sportnstitch@gmail.com

### St. Lawrence Ministry (Social Committee)

Ed Poniatowski | skibert@aol.com | 256-426-8874

## National Organizations

### Catholic Daughters of the Americas

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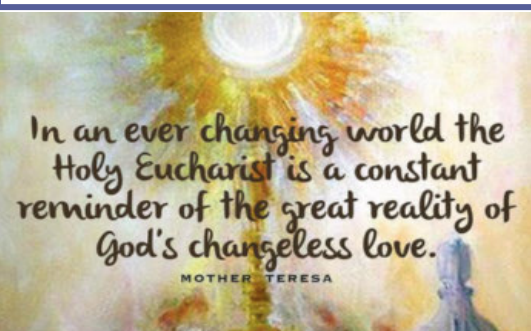
423-308-1108

### Knights of Columbus Huntsville Council #4080

Patrick Davis | 610-322-0857

## Second Collection in April

April 28—Catholic Home Missions Appeal



## 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.

**Apr 21-Apr 28** For the intentions of:

- Sun** Mr. & Mrs. Steven Robbins
- Mon** Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Roberts
- Tues** Mr. & Mrs. James Robinson
- Wed** Mr. & Mrs. Martez Rogers
- Thurs** Ms. Jennifer Romero
- Fri** Ms. Lydia Rotenberger
- Sat** Mr. & Mrs. Philip Roth
- Sun** Mr. & Mrs. Terry Roth



## Weekly Readings & Observances—Week of April 21

**Sunday:** Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18 **4th**

**Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

**Monday:** Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10 **Earth Day**

**Tuesday:** Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30 **St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr**

**Wednesday:** Acts 12:24-13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50 **St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr; Administrative Professionals' Day**

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

**Friday:** Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6 **Arbor Day**

**Saturday:** Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

## Are You Being Called to Serve in Faith Formation?

Are you an actively practicing Catholic who is passionate about handing the Faith on to the next generation? Spend some time in prayer asking God if you might be called to volunteer with our program. Our volunteers prep materials for retreats & special events, support seasonal programs, and serve as catechists, aides, and subs in our PreK-High School classes. If you feel this may be where God is leading you to serve, email our DRE at [Jennifer.Kilroy@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.Kilroy@gmail.com)

**Online Giving** Contributions can be made through our website: [smvparish.com](http://smvparish.com) 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, Samantha Rice, Robert Rees, Kathy Rogers

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



## Tri-Parish Catholic Vacation Bible School

**June 3-7**

To register online, scan the QR Code →  
or visit the Religious Education tab at  
[www.smvparish.com](http://www.smvparish.com)



**REGISTRATION CLOSES MOTHER'S DAY, 5/12**

For questions, contact: [Jennifer.Kilroy@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.Kilroy@gmail.com)

### Parish Education Award

Deadline is **TODAY**. Forms are available in the narthex and online.

**The SMV Young Professionals monthly brunch is April 28 after the 11:00am mass in the Parish Hall.**

**Happy Easter!** As we go through the season, take a moment to look back at your Lenten and Easter journey. What did you participate in at our parish? What was great? What was not? What was missing from years prior? What would you like to see? Please email [cjadk@aol.com](mailto:cjadk@aol.com) with any thoughts to be included at the **Liturgical Council Meeting** scheduled for **April 23 at 6pm in Treacy Hall.**

### Calling all homeschoolers!

Visitation is hosting a homeschool graduation Mass on **May 25th at 10am**. All homeschoolers are welcome to attend and celebrate these students and families. Reception to follow to celebrate the graduates and the end of the school year. Please contact Jackie Henderson to sign up: [cjadk@aol.com](mailto:cjadk@aol.com), 251-602-6963.



**Pancake Breakfast TODAY at 9am in the Parish Hall**

### Need Help!

#### Rectory Workday

**Saturday, April 27, 9am-2pm.**

Help needed with:

- Lawn mowing
- Tree and shrub trimming
- Basement vapor barrier replacement

### Women's Ministry

The Women's Ministry had a great time playing Bunco at the April meeting. All ladies of the parish are always welcome to join us for food, fun, and fellowship as we uplift women in the spirit of The Visitation. We will not have a Tuesday, May 14 meeting but **SAVE THE DATE for Saturday, May 18** for the St. Mary's Women's Retreat. Please be sure to look for more information in upcoming bulletins and newsletter.

**The Maroon and White Soirée is Holy Family School's Silent Auction this year. It will be at the Botanical Gardens on Friday, April 26, 6pm-10pm. There will be a silent auction, cocktail hour, dinner, and dancing with live music. Tickets are \$85, and are for sale this weekend after the Masses.**

### Food Pantry Request

The Food Pantry needs the following items: Canned chicken; peanut butter, jelly; canned fruit; applesauce; fruit cups; instant oatmeal; and cereal (regular size or variety packs). Our needs change on a weekly basis, so please check the bulletin each week. Thank you for all your generous donations.



Scan the QR code above to see our **Food Pantry's Amazon Wish List.**

Or type in:

<https://linktr.ee/smvpantry>

### Weekly Schedule & Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, April 20

10:00am | Food Pantry (TH)

#### 5:30pm | For the Parish

6:00pm | Nite at the Races (PH)

#### Sunday, April 21

#### 8:00am | † Shirley Boudousquie

9:00am | KoC Pancake Breakfast (PH)

9:15am | RCIA (TH)

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

9:30am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

#### 11:00am | † Patrick McCauley

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:30pm | High School Apologetics (TH)

#### Tuesday, April 23

#### 8:00am | † Timothy Lee Crabb

6:00pm | Liturgical Council (TH)

6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

7:00pm | Book Club (VH)

#### Wednesday, April 24

#### 8:00am | † Joy Gregoire

10:00am | Pray & Play (TH)

11:00am | Scripture Conversations (VH)

6:00pm | RC Flying Group (PH)

6:00pm | Becoming Catholic (TH)

6:00pm | St. Lawrence Ministry (VH)

7:00pm | Scripture Conversations (HFR)

#### Thursday, April 25

#### 8:00am | † William Carter Wall, Jr.

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

6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

#### Friday, April 26

#### 8:00am | Jed & Sally Park (I)

8:30am | Coffee Social (VH)

#### Saturday, April 27

#### 5:30pm | † Monica Bannon

#### Sunday, April 28

#### 8:00am | For the Parish

9:15am | RCIA (TH)

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

9:30am | Adult Faith Formation (PH)

9:30am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

#### 11:00am | † Glen Weathers

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:15pm | Young Professions Brunch (PH)

12:30pm | 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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