

JUNE 7TH 2026 | THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



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 & 12:30pm

Nursery provided next door in Visitation Hall for the 8:00am & 11:00am Sunday Masses.

Confession

Tuesday–Friday 7:30am

Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00pm

Or by appointment

Mass & Adoration

1st Fridays | 6:30pm

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

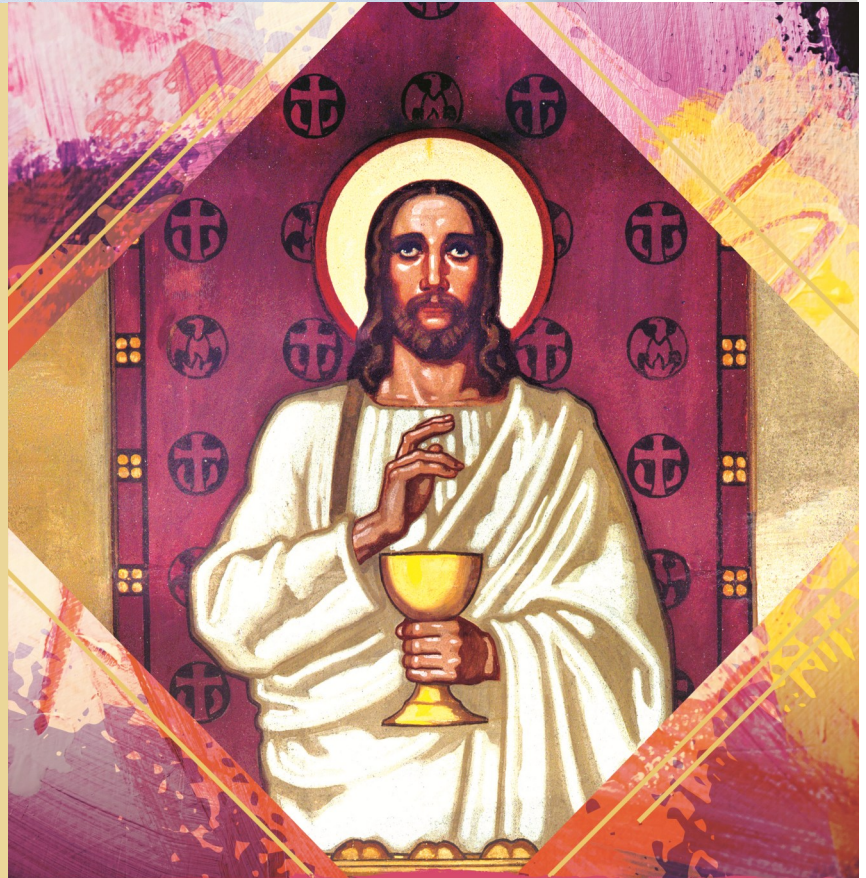
Mon–Thu 8:30am–3:30pm | Fri 8:30am–12:30pm

After hours spiritual emergency: 256.384.8758

Contact Us

222 Jefferson St. N
Huntsville, AL 35801

256.536.6349/www.smvparish.com



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

“This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.” - Jn 6:57-58

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Save the Date

Friday, June 12 13-Hour Adoration

Sunday, June 14 Kof C Family Breakfast

Financial Contributions

Weekly Operating Expenses: **\$20,119**

May 30/31

Weekly Church Support.....\$17,156
Holy Family.....\$259
JPII High School.....\$207

Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

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

Prayer, Worship, Ministry

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Dear Parish Family,

Today we celebrate the beautiful Solemnity of **Corpus Christi**, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. In the Gospel (John 6:51-58), Jesus declares, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven." The Eucharist is not merely a symbol; it is Jesus Himself who nourishes us, strengthens us, and accompanies us on our journey of faith. May our love for the Holy Eucharist grow deeper each day, and may we approach the altar with gratitude and reverence.

Last Thursday, we celebrated a special Mass for our homeschooling graduates. Congratulations to our eleven graduates on reaching this important milestone! We are proud of your accomplishments and grateful to your parents and families for their dedication and sacrifices. May God continue to guide you as you begin the next chapter of your lives.

As we continue through June, the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, I warmly invite everyone to participate in our **13-Hour Eucharistic Adoration on Friday the 12th**. Spend some time in silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and experience the peace that comes from being in the Lord's presence. Please consider signing up for an hour of adoration. I also encourage everyone to join the Eucharistic Procession around the church grounds. Such public witness to our faith brings blessings not only to us personally but to our entire parish community.

I would also like to thank Fr. Joy, for his recent visit. In his homily, he told us to be a "load-bearing living stone," We are grateful for the five years, as he was a "load-bearing living stone,". We thank him for the strong foundation he helped build and pray that God continues to bless his ministry.

Family Tip #4: Baptize Your Car! Have you ever had your vehicle blessed by a priest? Our vehicles carry us and our loved ones every day. On July 25-26 weekend, after each weekend Mass, I will offer a communal prayer and then come to the parking lot to bless individual vehicles with holy water. (The Feast of St Christopher) Consider hanging a rosary in your car. Touch it before you begin driving and offer a prayer of thanksgiving when you arrive safely. If you do not have a rosary to hang in your vehicle, please contact the parish office—we would be happy to provide one. It is not only a reminder to pray but also a simple proclamation of our faith, to this world.

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus bless you and your families abundantly.

Fr Jose

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.

Online Giving—Contributions can be made through our website: smvparish.com by selecting the secure "Donate" button located in the menu. For more information call the office at 256-536-6349.



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.

June 7–June 14 For the intentions of:
Sun Ms. Rachael Wilson
Mon Mr. Walter Wilson
Tues Mr. & Mrs. Kirk Wimsett
Wed Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Winghart
Thurs Mr. & Mrs. Mark Winghart
Fri Mr. & Mrs. John Woods
Sat Mr. & Mrs. Collin Wunsch
Sun Mr. & Mrs. William Yeackle

Weekly Readings & Observances—Week of June 7, 2026

Sun: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Mon: 1 Kgs 17:1-6/ Ps 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 5:1-1
Tues: 1 Kgs 17:7-16/ Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 5:13-1
St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church
Wed: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/ Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11/Mt 5:17-19
Thurs: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (580)/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13/Mt 5:20-26
St. Barnabas, Apostle
Fri: Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sat: 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10/Mt 5:33-37
The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; St. Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Enrollment for Pre-K – 12th Grade Faith Formation Classes is Now Open for the 2026-2027 School Year!

Register Students Online by scanning the QR code



For a list of our ministries visit our website at www.smvparish.com or pick up a Guide to Ministries in the church narthex.

Altar Flowers may be donated in memory or honor of a loved one or to mark a special occasion. Contact the office for more information.

Our Nursery for preschool-aged children is open in Visitation Hall (at the ramp) during the 8 & 11am Masses.

Prayer Requests Jeannie Calvarese, Skye Grant, Darrel & Diane Kaiser, Pat Hicks, Holly Cooney, Noah Hebert, Theresa Marlowe, Sherry Goyer, Debbie Porges, Pam Hardy, Joan Smith, Gerard Drumm, Linda Daniel, Terri Powers, Dana Hammer, Jim Bodine, Caroline Lindsey, Dev Flynn, Timothy Payne, Buddy Rogers, Lisa Downard, Seraphina Newquist, and Paul Torrey.



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

Interested in Becoming Catholic?



The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a process for participants to experience a

journey of faith while discerning their call to become Catholic or fully initiated in the Catholic faith. Join us to learn more about the Church and the possibility of becoming Catholic. **We meet on Sundays at 9:30 am and Wednesdays at 6:00 pm beginning in August.**

OCIA is for those who have been baptized Catholic but have yet to receive First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, those who have been baptized in a valid Christian faith and wish to become Catholic, and those who have never been baptized in a Christian faith.

Registration is now open for the upcoming OCIA program. Please visit the "Becoming Catholic" page of the St. Mary website for the online registration form. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Jeff Montgomery at smvparish.ocia@gmail.com.

Monthly Newsletter

Please send announcements for next month's newsletter to: visitationnews@gmail.com by the 15th of each month.



Want to support VBS?
Did you know you can help just by providing some of the supplies we need?

Scan the QR Code for a list of items we'd love to have donated

For questions, contact: Jennifer.Kilroy@gmail.com



Young Professionals Brunch Sunday, June 7 10:30am in Treacy Hall

Sacred Heart Adoration & Eucharistic Procession



Bring the whole family to celebrate the feast of the Sacred Heart in the True Presence of Jesus! **Morning Mass will be at 6:00am on Friday, June 12 followed by Adoration.** Adoration will conclude with the singing of the Divine Mercy chaplet at 5:45pm followed by a Eucharistic procession around the church. **Children are especially encouraged to sit at the front during the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and will lead the Eucharistic Procession.** Please have them bring a battery powered candle to hold for the procession, if able. Signups for adoration will be in the back of the church and on Sign Up Genius.

Lectors Wanted!

If you love to proclaim the Word, please join us! Saint Mary has opportunities at all masses for new Lectors. You get to make your own schedule to read for the masses of your choice, and our team is always willing to pitch in if you need a substitute. Contact **Erin Boles** at erindacy@icloud.com or **256-603-6781** to get a simple training to come on board.

Weekly Schedule & Intentions

PLEASE CHECK THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR UPDATES TO THIS SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 6

5:30pm | † Bobby Leslie

Sunday, June 7

8:00am | † Kenneth Huber

10:30am | Young Professionals Brunch (TH)

11:00am | For the Parish

12:30pm | Connor Hunt (I)

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

Monday, June 8

3:30pm | Quilting Class (VH)

Tuesday, June 9

8:00am | † Fr. Patrick O'Donoghue

6:00pm | Life in Faith (VH)

Wednesday, June 10

8:00am | † Bea & Charles Albright

10:00am | Pray & Play (TH)

6:00pm | KoC Meeting (PH)

6:00pm | PPC (TH)

Thursday, June 11

8:00am | Chris & Jackie Henderson (I)

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

6:30pm | St. Raphael (TH)

Friday, June 12

6:00am | For the Parish

13 hour Adoration

Saturday, June 13

11:00am | Clock group (PH)

5:30pm | † Carole Eskridge

Sunday, June 14

8:00am | Gus and Stacey Wall (I)

9:00am | Koc Breakfast (PH)

11:00am | For the Parish

12:30pm | Cherie Miller (I)

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

(C) Church, (HFR) Holy Family Room, (O) Office, (TH) Treacy Hall, (VH) Visitation Hall

The food pantry is in need of the following items: Chef Boyardee, applesauce, canned fruit, pasta sauce, jelly.

Thank you for your continued support and donations.

Scan the QR code to see our Amazon Wish List. Or type: <https://linktr.ee/smvpantry>



VISITATION TOTE BAGS FOR SALE IN THE OFFICE \$2.00 EACH

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