St. Mary of the Visitation

Catholic Parish

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.

Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass
Tuesday - Friday 8:00am
Weekend Mass
Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am,
11:00am (Contemporary Choir)
Nursery provided for both Sunday Masses next door in the Fr. Trecy Room.

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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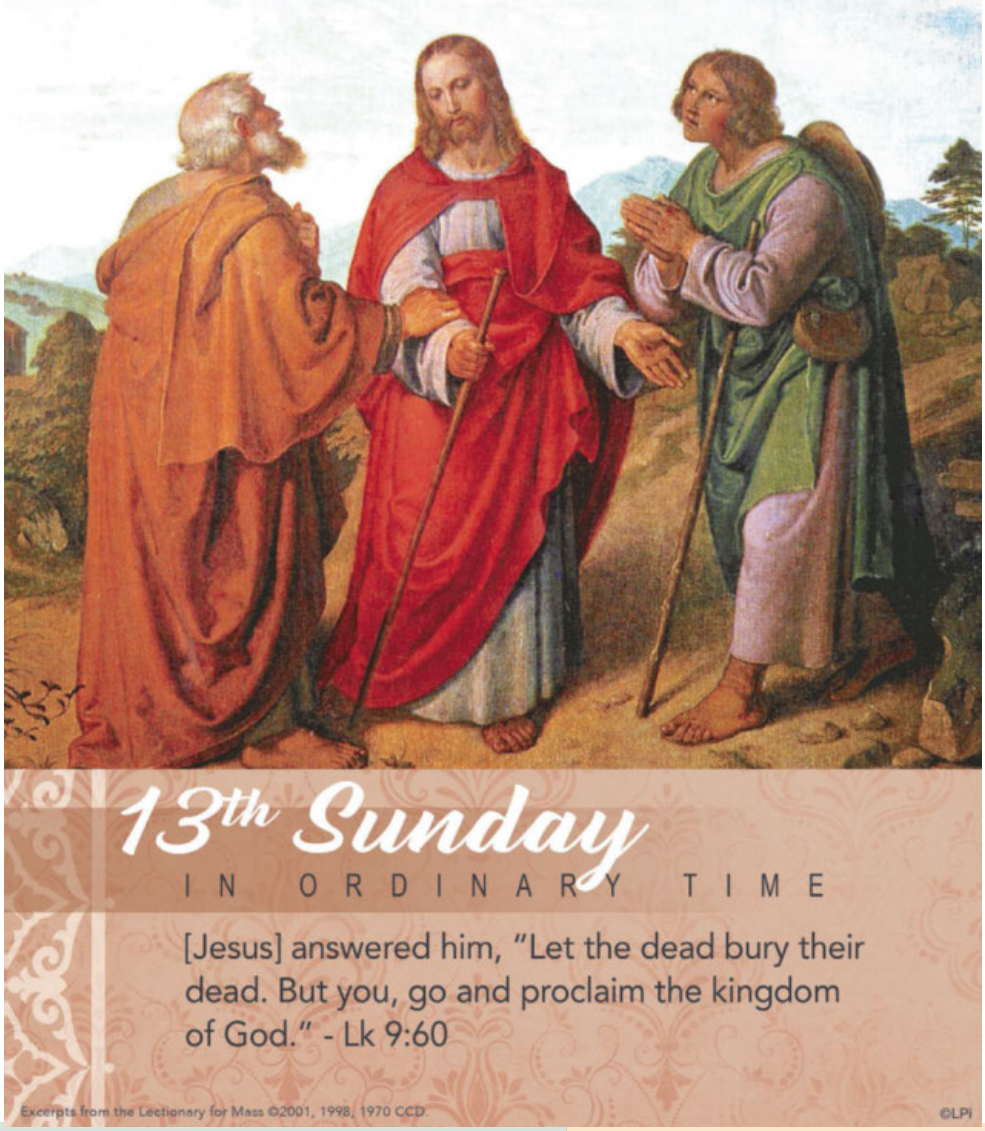

Faith Formation Sun 9:30-10:45am

Classes will resume in the Fall.

Watch the bulletin for special summer events!

Mass Intentions 6/25-7/3

Sat 5:30pm | † Viva Citrano
Sun 8:00am | For the Parish
Sun 11:00am | † Patrick McCauley
Mon No Mass
Tue 8:00am | † Antanas Venckus
Wed 8:00am | † Joe McCormack
Thu 6:00am | For the Parish
Fri 8:00am | † Donald & Spence Moore
Sat 5:30pm | † Frederick O'Connor
Sun 8:00am | Silvia Maldonado (I)
Sun 11:00am | For the Parish

Contact Us

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Office Hours

Mon-Thu 8:30am-3:30pm | Fri 8:30am-12:30pm
After hours spiritual emergency: 256.384.3741

Sacraments

Matrimony | Contact the pastor at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.
Baptism | The class is by appointment and is required if not previously attended.
Anointing of the Sick | The Church recommends this Sacrament to all who are previously ill or in danger of death.

Councils

Pastoral Council
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National Organization

Knights of Columbus
Grand Knight, Greg Brierly | KofC.Council.4080@gmail.com

Weekly Readings and Observances

Readings for the week of June 26, 2022

Sun: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62
Mon: Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/Mt 8:18-22
St. Cyril of Alexandria
Tue: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/Mt 8:23-27
Wed: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Sts. Peter and Paul
Thu: Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8
The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Fri: Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131/Mt 9:9-13
St. Junipero Serra
Sat: Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 9:14-17

Faith Formation

REGISTRATION OPENS SOON
FOR OUR FALL FAITH FORMATION CLASSES!

If you haven't updated your parish registration recently, take time to do so this week to be sure we have your family's most current contact information before forms are sent out.

Parish registration forms are available at www.smvparish.com.

Nursery

Our nursery for preschool-aged children is open during the 8 & 11am Masses. It is located next door to the church in the Fr. Trecy Room.

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are in celebration of
Yesenia Lopez
and Jose Pablo Granados
married June 25, 2022.

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.

June 26-July 3
For the intentions of:
Sun Mr.&Mrs. Steve Anderson
Mon Ms. Brittian Anderson
Tue Mr.&Mrs. Jason Andra
Wed Mr.&Mrs. Robert Baesman
Thu Ms. Elizabeth Barry
Fri Mr.&Mrs. Damon Beck
Sat Mr.&Mrs. Gus Benavides
Sun Mr.&Mrs. Eric Benzenhafer

Prayer Requests

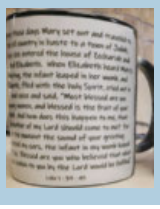
Beth Bodine Mason, Viola Cucullu, Ben Geist, Jim Wall, Skye Grant, Jeff Skupien, Holly Cooney, Pat Hicks, Marilyn Plonka, Jeannie Calvarese, Lynn Schneider, Anna Fowler, Darrel & Diane Kaiser, Bill McCormack, Virginia McCullough, Albert Schrenk, Layne Gerbig

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

13-hour Adoration
Thursday, June 30
6:00am-7:00pm
Benediction 7:00pm

Sign-up sheets are in the narthex or call 256.536.6349 or email: smvparish@smvparish.com to sign up.

Thank you to Kevin and Mary Ann Ostrye for the design of the "magic" mugs. If you missed getting one, watch for additional SMV mug offerings in the future.



First Friday
Mass/Anointing
July 1, 2022 8:00am

Lite breakfast following in Visitation Hall.
All are welcome!

St. John's Catholic School is seeking a qualified applicant for the position of kindergarten teacher. Candidates should be Alabama certified or its equivalent. Please contact slewis@stjohnb.com for an employment application.

This Week

Sunday, June 26
Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution-Kitchen Door-North Parking Lot
Monday, June 27
7:00pm | Book Club (VH)
Tuesday, June 28
8:30am | Coffee after Mass (VH)
7:00pm | Men's Group
Wednesday, June 29
6:00pm | RC Helicopter Flying (PH)
Friday, July 1
8:00am | First Friday Mass/Anointing
8:45am | Lite Breakfast after Mass (VH)
All are welcome!

(VH) Visitation Hall, (O) Office, (PH) Parish Hall, (JTR) Fr. Trecy Room

13-Hour Adoration of the Most Holy Blessed Sacrament

As we begin the "Eucharistic Revival" I invite and encourage every member of our parish to come and participate in the 13-hour adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Thursday June 30, the last day of the month of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Church always had a practice of keeping the vigil with Jesus for 40 hours, (recalling the 40 hours Jesus spent in the tomb); Pope Clement VIII in 1592 issued a historic document on what was called in Italian, *Quarant' Ore* (Forty Hours). The devotion consisted of forty hours of continual prayer before the Blessed Sacrament exposed. Gradually the Forty Hours devotion spread throughout the Catholic world. Later, small parishes who could not afford 40 Hours of Adoration evolved to 13 hours of Adoration of Blessed Sacrament.

The Canon Law of the Church states: "it is recommended (commendatur) . . . that there be held each year a solemn exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for an appropriate, even if not for a continuous, time so that the local community may more attentively meditate on and adore the Eucharistic Mystery" (Canon 942).

"I believe in my heart and openly profess that the bread and wine placed upon the altar are, by the mystery of the sacred prayer and the words of the Redeemer, substantially changed into the true and life-giving flesh and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord, and that after the consecration, there is present the true body of Christ which was born of the Virgin and offered up for the salvation of the world, hung on the cross and now sits at the right hand of the Father, and that there is present the true blood of Christ which flowed from his side. They are present not only by means of a sign and of the efficacy of the Sacrament, but also in the very reality and truth of their nature and substance." Pope Paul VI, Mysterium Fidei (1965)

Calling All Parishioners—Your Help is Needed for New Ministries

Our parish is growing and help is prayerfully requested for the following ministries:

1. **Arts & Environment Ministry**—Make you church and campus beautiful
2. **Sacristan Ministry**—Service to the church and Holy Sanctuary.

Please prayerfully consider adding your name to serve in one or more of these ministries. Training/guidance is provided. Contact the office, 256.536.6349 or email, smvparish@smvparish.com to sign up. A meeting will be scheduled once there are enough parishioners to establish and serve the ministry.

Food Pantry Donation

Hamburger Helper—Tuna Helper
Small size jars of: Peanut Butter, Jelly, and Pasta Sauce (marinara or Alfredo); Chef Boyardee in tab top cans; Instant Oatmeal packs; Instant mashed potatoes; Cereal

Thank you for your generosity!

Nursery Worker Aide Needed for Masses on Sundays. Must be 16 years or older. Can be for service hours or pay.

Contact the office, 256.536.6349 or smvparish@smvparish.com

Second Collection in June
June 26—Mission Cooperative

Weekly Operating Expenses $12,610

June 18/19, 2022 Income:

Weekly Church Support	$ 9,945
Holy Family School	$ 235
St. JPII High School	$ 50
Mission Cooperative	$ 377

Thank you for your support!

Online Giving

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