

JANUARY 28, 2024 | 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

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: 256.384.3741

Contact Us

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His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee. - Mk 1:28

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Save the Date

Feb 3: Mardi Gras Potluck Dinner & Dance (PH)

Feb 11: Donut Sunday (PH)

Feb 18: Pancake Breakfast (PH)

Entering from Washington Street
Parking Lot Gate Code 222

Financial Contribution

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

Jan 13/14 & Jan 20/21, 2024 Income:

Weekly Church Support.....\$ 23,892

Holy Family School.....\$ 563

JPII High School.....\$ 120

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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.

Jan 28-Feb 4 For the intentions of:

Sun Mr. & Mrs. Patrick McNally
Mon Mr. & Mrs. Lucilio Medallo
Tue Mr. & Mrs. Dashton Merritt
Wed Ms. Joni Mersman
Thu Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Miller
Fri Mr. & Mrs. Jack Miller
Sat Mr. & Mrs. Brian Mitchell
Sun Ms. Alison Montebello



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WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of January 28, 2024

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28 **4th Sunday in**

Ordinary Time, Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6 **St. John Bosco, Priest**

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 **The**

Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34 **St. Blaise, Bishop and**

Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop

Faith Formation

Pray with us!

Please pray for the intentions of our 1st Communion class.



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, Lynn Schneider, Pat Hicks, Holly Cooney, Ben Geist, Marilyn Plonka, Jim Wall, Noah Hebert, Theresa Marlowe, Milton Mantler

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



Homebound Ministry

The Homebound Ministry needs volunteers who can serve at least one hour a month or more to bring Christ's presence into the lives of our homebound parishioners. Training is provided. We are blessed to come together to celebrate Mass as a community and receive Christ in the Eucharist. The Homebound Ministry connects the homebound parishioner with the parish family by bringing the Eucharist to them on Sundays after Mass. What a blessing it is to see the joy on their faces as they are able to connect with the parish by receiving Christ in the Eucharist. Contact is **Liz Montgomery, 281-705-6697** or **elizabeth35758@gmail.com**.



Sponsored by the St. Lawrence Committee.
For more information contact:
Jackie Henderson at cjadk@aol.com

Mary's Prayer Garden

Memorial bricks, 8" x 8", can now be ordered. Suggested donation is \$100. Plan and layout and order forms are in the narthex.



Joyce B. Ellis, January 14, 2024
Mother of Kathy Nerger
Joy Gregoire, January 23, 2024
Mother of Jennifer Kilroy

Food Pantry Request

The Food Pantry needs the following items: Pasta; pasta sauce; Chef Boyardee; Vienna sausages; canned fruit; applesauce; fruit cups; peanut butter, jelly; Ramen noodles; and cereal.

Scan the QR code below to see our Food Pantry's Amazon Wish List. Or type in: <https://linktr.ee/smvpantry>



This Week's Schedule & Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 27

5:30pm | For the Parish

Sunday, January 28

8:00am | † Jess Jones

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation (VH)

9:15am | RCIA (TH)

9:30am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

9:30am | Adult Faith Formation (PH)

11:00am | For the Altar Flower Ministry

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

12:15 pm | High School Apologetics (TH)

Monday, January 29

Tuesday, January 30

8:00am | † Fr. William Krekelberg

6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

7:00pm | Book Club (VH)

Wednesday, January 31

8:00am | Food Pantry Volunteers

11:00am | Bible Study (VH)

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

6:00pm | RC Flying Group (PH)

7:00pm | Bible Study (VH)

Thursday, February 1

8:00am | † Patrick McCoy

8:30 | Ladies Sodality (TH)

6:00pm | Pickleball (PH)

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

7:00pm | First Thursday Adoration (C)

Friday, February 2

8:00am | † Allison Chambers

8:30am | Lite Breakfast (VH)

Saturday, February 3

5:30pm | † Theodore Blair

6:30 pm | Mardi Gras Potluck & Dance (PH)

Sunday, February 4

8:00am | For the Parish

9:15am | Adult Faith Formation

9:15am | RCIA (TH)

9:30am | Youth Faith Formation (PH)

9:30am | Adult Faith Formation (PH)

11:00am | † Joy Gregoire

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, Holy Family Room (HFR)

St. Mary's Book Club is now meeting at 7 pm in Visitation Hall every Tuesday. Our current book is "When the Church Was Young" by Marcellino D'Ambrosio. Who decided what should be in the Bible? If the word "trinity" isn't in Scripture, why is it an integral part of our faith? The Church Fathers provide the answers. These are the men who hammered out the Creed, gave us our understanding of sacraments and salvation. Their stories provide a rich legacy of the early Church, and set the foundation for our worship today.

Join us! Contact **LuAnn at 256-426-8898** if you have any questions.

Men of St. Joseph

Men, you are invited to embark on a journey of spiritual growth, brotherhood, and living the Gospel with the Men of St. Joseph. We develop a deeper understanding of our faith and its relevance in the modern world through shared insights on the upcoming Sunday Gospel, prayer, and fellowship. Discover the power of authentic brotherhood, and unleash your potential to become the man God envisions you to be! We will meet weekly starting Thursday, February 1st in the Holy Family Room from 6:00 -7:00 pm. For more information contact **Deacon Jeff at DeaconJeff@smvparish.org**.

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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