

JUNE 21ST 2026 | 12TH 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 & 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

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“Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will
acknowledge before my heavenly Father.” - Mt 10:31-33

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Save the Date

**Sunday, July 5th—8:00 Mass
honoring Police & Active
Military**

Financial Contributions

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

June 13/14

Weekly Church Support.....	\$20,409
Holy Family.....	\$255
JPII High School.....	\$90
Building Fund.....	\$3,371

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,

Last week, I had the opportunity to be away from the parish for a few days. I traveled to Kentucky to visit some fellow priests and spent time with a group of religious sisters in Springfield who are originally from India. It was a refreshing and grace-filled visit. Spending time with brother priests and religious sisters reminded me of the beauty of our shared vocation and the universal nature of the Church. I am grateful for the opportunity to reconnect with them and return renewed for ministry among you.

On June 24, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist. St. John the Baptist holds a unique place among the saints because his birth, like that of Jesus and the Blessed Virgin Mary, is celebrated by the Church. He was chosen by God to prepare the way for Christ and courageously proclaimed the truth. May his example inspire us to be faithful witnesses to Jesus in our daily lives.

Today, we also celebrate Father's Day. Let us remember in our prayers all fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, foster fathers, and spiritual fathers. We thank them for their sacrifices, hard work, and loving care for their families. Fatherhood is a noble vocation that reflects God's own love and protection. May St. Joseph, the faithful husband of Mary and foster father of Jesus, watch over all fathers and strengthen them in their responsibilities.

This weekend we celebrate the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time. In the Gospel (Matthew 10:26-33), Jesus encourages His disciples not to be afraid but to trust completely in God's loving care. The Lord knows each one of us intimately and values us greatly. In a world often filled with anxiety and uncertainty, Jesus reminds us to place our confidence in Him and to courageously witness to our faith.

Family Tip #6: Switch off the television during dinner and spend time talking with one another. Share your experiences of the day, discuss family matters, and listen attentively to your children as they talk about their school, classes, friends, and activities. These simple conversations strengthen family bonds and create lasting memories.

May God bless you and your families.

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 21–June 28 For the intentions of:

Sun Mr. & Mrs. Larry Adamski

Mon Mr. & Mrs. Casey Adkins

Tues Ms. Mary Eleen Agee

Wed Mr. & Mrs. Herschel Agrusa

Thurs Ms. Karen Albright

Fri Mr. Joseph Alcorn

Sat Mr. & Mrs. Joshua Alcorn

Sun Ms. Stephanie Alley

Weekly Readings & Observances—Week of June 21, 2026

Sun: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14 and 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

Mon: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5

St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs

Tues: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/ Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wed: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Thurs: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/ Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Mt 7:21-29

Fri: 2 Kgs 25:1-12/ Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Mt 8:1-4

Sat: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/ Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/Mt 8:5-17

St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and 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

Mass July 5th, 2026

At the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, July 5th, we would like to honor **police officers and active military personnel!** If you will be attending this Mass, please contact the Church Office via **phone or email.** A reception will be held after Mass in Treacy Hall. Thank you for your service!

Conference of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Birmingham

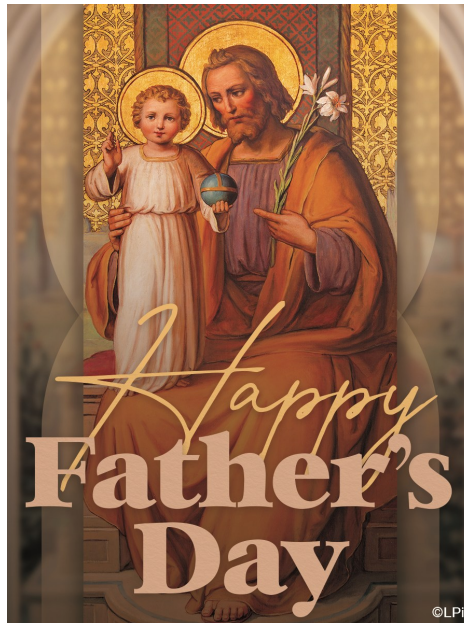
The **26th Annual Conference of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Birmingham** will be held on **July 24th and July 25th.** **CHANGE OF VENUE:** It will be held at **Our Lady of Sorrows Parish**, 1728 Oxmoor Road, Birmingham on July 24 and 25. The conference theme is **"Psalm 111: A Personal Walk with Jesus, Daily Union with God in Difficult Times"** and will feature Father Frankline Fomukong, Father James Hedderman, Father Jacob R Ebong Ntoko, and Father Paul Asih. Registration fee is \$30 for individuals and \$85 for a family of three or more. For more information, please e-mail Jeannie Wade at Jwade3585@outlook.com or Beth Russo at betrusso85@gmail.com. To register, visit www.catholiccharismaticrenewal.org. Everyone is welcome!

Second Collection This Week

There is a second collection on June 21st, 2026 for Mission Cooperative.

Single's Ministry at Mercy Parish

Come visit us and make new friends. We are inviting you to find out more about Mercy Singles Ministry. Looking for anyone above 21 years old to join us. You have to be single, divorced or widowed. Please come to one of our activities. Our purpose is to form a Christ-centered community where singles can grow spiritually, build meaningful relationships, and serve the community. For more information email us at singles@mercyparish.church.



Weekly Schedule & Intentions

PLEASE CHECK THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR UPDATES TO THIS SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 20

7:00am | Into the Breach (PH)

5:30pm | † Laurencia Urot

Sunday, June 21

8:00am | † Marilyn Plonka

11:00am | † Betty Crampton

12:30pm | For the Parish

Noon-1:00pm | Food Distribution

Monday, June 22

3:30pm | Quilting Class (VH)

Tuesday, June 23

8:00am | † Aldo Surpia

5:30pm | Ambassadors (VH)

Wednesday, June 24

8:00am | Jennifer Kilroy (I)

10:00am | Pray & Play (TH)

Thursday, June 25

8:00am | Barbara Martin (I)

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

Friday, June 26

8:00am | † Micky Chambers

Saturday, June 27

7:00am | Into the Breach (PH)

5:30pm | † Elizabeth Kathleen Palmer

Sunday, June 28

8:00am | For the Parish

11:00am | For Poor Souls in Purgatory

12:30pm | For Poor Souls in Purgatory

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: pasta sauce; cereal; Chef Boyardee; soups; ramen noodles; Spam; canned chicken; and 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>



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



**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 Catholic Schools.