



Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King!



HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



DECEMBER 25 & DECEMBER 26, 2010

St. Joseph Catholic Church ■ 2300 Beasley Avenue ■ Huntsville, AL 35816
256-534-8459 telephone ■ 256-534-8450 fax

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays:	Tuesday-Friday	7:00am
	Saturday	8:00am
Weekends:	Saturday (Anticipated)	5:00pm
	Sunday	8:15am, 11:15am

On Mondays, there will be a Communion Service instead of Mass at 7:00 am.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

4:00-4:45pm each Saturday or by appointment.

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

- *Infants.* Parents are required to be registered members of the parish and attend a baptism preparation session before scheduling a baptism. Classes are held on an as-needed basis. Contact Carmen Amato at the parish office.
- *Initiation Sacraments.* Adults and children of catechetical age are welcomed into the Church through a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA. Anyone inquiring or desiring to join the Catholic faith should arrange an initial interview with Carmen Amato at the parish office.
- *Youth Confirmation.* Catholic youth participate in a one-year preparation program. Prior formation in the faith is required. Please contact Carmen Amato for more information.
- *Adult Confirmation.* Please call Carmen Amato at the parish office for a consultation.

MARRIAGE. Couples planning marriage should contact the parish at least six months prior to the wedding date. Initial contact and subsequent sessions with the pastor and Carmen Amato should be made through the parish office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK. This sacrament is conferred upon request as the person's health warrants it by calling the parish office. In any case, please let us know when any parishioner is ill at home or in the hospital.

FUNERALS. Our parish community mourns with parishioners as they grieve the loss of a loved one. In order to ease the burden at this time, we offer a number of funeral ministries, that help in planning funeral liturgies and in setting up funeral luncheons. Please contact the parish office if you would like to learn more about what is offered through these services. If the office is closed, please call Cathy Wissel at 426-5855.

PARISH REGISTRATION. New parishioners are asked to complete and submit a registration form to the parish office to indicate a commitment of belonging to our parish.

Change of Address/Phone Number

Please notify the Parish Office if you change your address or phone number.



St. Joseph Parish Week-at-a-Glance



December 27-31	Holy Family School Closed Christmas Break
December 30-31	Church Office Closed New Year Holiday
Sunday, January 2	No RE or RCIA Happy New Year!

Our giftbearers for this weekend's masses are Rick & Ann Marie Szccepanski, Robert & Ellen Styles, and John & Natalee Weir.

MASS MINISTRIES



Dec. 31, Jan. 1 & Jan. 2, 2011

ALTAR SERVERS

Friday, Dec. 31, 5:00pm	
Saturday, Jan. 1, 9:00 am	
Saturday, Jan. 1, 5:00pm	Emily Farley Sam Farley Daniel Martin Steven Pohl
Sunday, Jan. 2, 8:15 am	Barbara Brodeur Kathleen Greer
Sunday, 11:15 am	

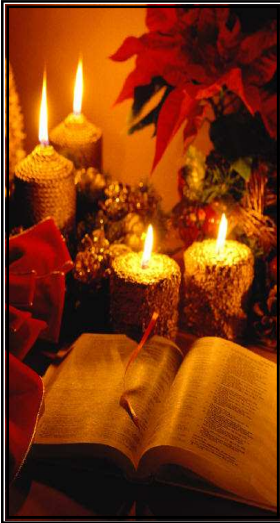
LECTORS

Friday, Dec. 31, 5:00pm	Rose Zarzour Patrick Reardon
Saturday, Jan. 1, 9:00 am	Florence Okafor Jennifer Groves
Saturday, Jan. 1, 5:00pm	Marie Pentecost Ann Gunderman
Sunday, Jan. 2, 8:15 am	Gina Bain Andrew Stewart
Sunday, Jan. 2, 11:15 am	Kanobia Blackmon ElAnie Briggs

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Friday, Dec. 31, 5:00pm	Jan Price Patricia Kuhn Barbara Vines Gina Yates William Yates
Saturday, Jan. 1, 9:00 am	Agnes Wissel Nonda Sloan Ed Wissel Ester Wissel Bob Maloney
Saturday, Jan. 1, 5:00pm	Jan Price Gina Yates Lou Rizzo Adolph Schlies William Yates
Sunday, Jan. 2, 8:15 am	Lola Light Matthew Rizzio Ellen Styles Gerald Wocken
Sunday, Jan. 2, 11:15 am	Linda Billingsley Nnenna Anakor John Beckman

PARISH LIFE



MASS INTENTIONS

Dec25 9:00am +Frank Cole
 Dec26 8:15am +Mary Rizzo
 11:15am For the Parish
 Dec27 7:00am **Communion Service**
 Dec28 7:00am +All Souls in Purgatory
 Dec29 7:00am +Sir Anthony Chuka Ojhi
 Dec30 7:00am +Javier Trujillo
 Dec31 5:00pm +Mahlon Boren
 Jan01 9:00am +O.P. Kohler
 5:00pm +Eva Banks
 Jan02 8:15pm For the Parish
 11:15am Ezeokafor Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK December 26 through December 31, 2010

Sunday: Sir 3:2-7,12-14 Ps 128:1-5
 Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 Mt 2:13-15,19-23
 Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4 Jn 20:1a,2-8
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2 Mt 2:13-18
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11 Lk 2:22-35
 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17 Lk 2:36-40
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21 Jn 1:1-18

Readings for the Week

January 2, 2011 through January 9, 2011

Sunday Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-13
 Eph 3:2-3a,5-6 Mt 2:1-12
 1 Jn 3:22-4:6 Ps 2:7-8,10-12a
 Mt 4:12-17,23-25
 Monday 1 Jn 4:7-10 Ps 72:1-4,7-8
 Mk 6:34-44 1 Cor 13:4-13
 Lk 10:38-42 or 737-742
 Tuesday 1 Jn 4:11-18 Ps 72:1-2,10,12-13
 Mk 6:45-52
 Wednesday 1 Jn 4:19-5:4 Ps 72:1-2,14,
 15bc,17 Lk 4:14-22a
 Thursday 1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-15,19-20
 Lk 5:12-16
 Friday 1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-6a,9b
 Jn 3:22-30
 Saturday Is 42:1-4,6-7 Ps 29:1-2,3-4,9-10
 Acts 10:34-38 Mt 3:13-17



George Sauro, Clovice Lewis, Hattie Bell, Louise Cox, Jeanne Wilson, Cynthia Campbell, Winnie Burns, Jane Dodd, Jane Desmond, Louise Tucker, Mary Rose Holotanko, Louise Joiner, Mary Windlin, Dawn Reich, LaVeta Stiles, Dwight Brown, Jewell Gardner, Jimmy Boyd Sanders, Mary Thompson, Jesse Sanders, Magdalene Fonsa, Angie Nelson, Freddie Blackburn, Bill Gooley, Gina Dodson, John Robert Marks, Betty Dewan, Mark Wheeler, Gayle Franklin, Louise Hilkey, Robert Campbell, Randy Buckner, John Guidos, Sandra Lynn Samuel, Joanne Hollman, Henry Hollman, Carolyn McDonald, Pat Tobey, Shri Moore, Dorothy Simpson, LeVon Nunn, Wayne Smith, Madeline Reynolds, Courtney McCauley, Frederick McCauley, Betty Orillion, Drew Howard, Linda Ferguson, Barbara Johnson, Louise Wilson, Lisa McGraw, Joan Porthouse, Grandmere Ngantio, Jeanne Pentecost, Pat Davidson, Dottie Campbell and Tandra Lavallee.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND: Eucharistic Ministers and priests are available, by appointment, to bring Communion to parishioners who are homebound or confined to a hospital, hospice or assisted living facility. Please call the church office at 256-534-8459 to request a pastoral visit.

Thanks to Marie Pentecost and Mary Segelhorst for their contributions to our church pointsettia fund.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S STUDY AT REDSTONE ARSENAL: Wednesdays, January 12 – March 2, 2011.

Morning, 9:30-11:00: *Discover Your Dignity, A Woman's Journey through Life* Leads a woman from birth through mid-life. Each chapter will discuss events and milestones in a woman's life from four different perspectives -- the biological, psychological, philosophical and theological.

Evening, 6-7:30, *Lumen Gentium: Light of the Nation*, Vatican II – The Dogmatic Constitution of the Church. Provides the blueprint for an authentic understanding of the Church by returning to, and delving into, the original scriptural and patristic sources.

RSVP: DianaRuzicka53@aol.com or 256-852-5519. Limit of 15 participants (No homework). All studies have the imprimatur of Archbishop Charles Chaput of the Denver Archdiocese.

GLASS RECYCLING AT ST. JOSEPH. Our parish is working with Green Mountain Glass Recycling to collect empty glass containers. A white recycling bin is located in front of the garage at the convent. We encourage you to bring your empty glass containers and join us in the "Catholics Going Green" movement.

ROSE OF SHARON CHRISTIAN BOOKS & GIFTS is now offering Rosary-making classes. Classes will take place on Mondays and Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. To make a reservation, schedule a group, or for more information, call us at (256) 532-4121.

ST. JOSEPH HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec. 25 9am; no vigil mass for Sunday
 Sunday, Dec. 26 8:15am & 11:15am
 Friday, Dec. 31 5pm
 Saturday, Jan. 1 9am; 5pm vigil mass for Sunday
 Sunday, Jan. 2 8:15am & 11:15am

PRO-LIFE RALLY & MARCH: Saturday, January 15, at 10:45 a.m., Brother Bryan Park, 22nd Street South at 10th Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama. There will be a pre-march Mass with Bishop Baker at 9:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Paul. For more information, please call 800-.239-.0611 or visit us at www.SanctityofLifeMinistries.org.

STATUS CHANGES. Please call the parish office with any changes in your address, telephone number or parish registration so that we can update our records. Thank you for your cooperation.

FAITH FORMATION

Carmen Amato, Director of Religious Education
(256) 534-8459
amatore54@knology.net

CALENDAR

Jan. 2

NO RE or RCIA
Happy New Year!

Jan. 9

RCIA - 9:30 - 11:00 am - RE Center
RE - Pre-K -8th - Holy Family School - 9:30 - 11:00 am
RE - High School - Youth Room - 9:30 - 11:00 am
Adult Formation - 9:30 - 11:00 am - RE Center Library

Jan. 16

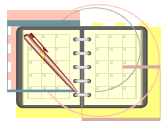
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Jan. 23

RCIA - 9:30 - 11:00 am - RE Center
RE - Pre-K -8th - Holy Family School - 9:30 - 11:00 am
RE - High School - Youth Room - 9:30 - 11:00 am
Adult Formation - 9:30 - 11:00 am - RE Center Library

Jan. 30

RCIA - 9:30 - 11:00 am - RE Center
RE - Pre-K -8th - Holy Family School - 9:30 - 11:00 am
RE - High School - Youth Room - 9:30 - 11:00 am
Adult Formation - 9:30 - 11:00 am - RE Center Library



ADULT EDUCATION ON WEDNESDAYS IN JANUARY

January 5, 12, 19 & 26

10:00 am - 11:00 am - RE Center - Bible Blueprint
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm - RE Center - Bible Blueprint



**Do You Want To Know More
About The Catholic Faith?**



A process called the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) helps you do just that! Currently, a group meets on Sundays at 9:30 am in the RE Center. If you or someone you know is interested in the Catholic Church, please have them call Carmen Amato at the parish office.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Linda Pohuski, Youth Director
(256) 534-8459

A high school youth ministry program, serving St. Joseph Parish. High school youth and friends are welcome at all Trinity Youth Club activities. Permission forms can be picked up and returned to the shelf in the breeze way.



2010 Winter Calendar



Civil Rights Institute Forms Due	Jan. 16
Donut Sale	Jan. 16, all masses
Civil Rights Institute	Jan. 22, all day
Spaghetti Dinner Set-up	Jan. 29, 3pm
YM Sunday	Jan. 30, 9:30-11am

Civil Rights Institute: We will travel to Birmingham, visit the museum, eat lunch and shop at the Galleria Mall. You will need money for entrance fees, plus food and extras.

Mission Trip: June 26-July 1. Please let me know ASAP if you are planning to go. A \$100 non-refundable deposit is due January 1. This is the LAST day to sign up for the trip.

FISH Band: Practice every Monday in January at 6:30pm in the new church.

Young Adult Ministry (YAM)

YAM is open to all young adults between the ages of 18 and out of high school, up to 29 years of age. We meet at 1:00 p.m. on the first and third Sunday of every month.

Bible Sharing: Our next meeting is Sunday, Jan. 16, at 1:00 p.m., at Starbucks near the corner of University Drive and Memorial Parkway.

Hospitality: YAM will host Hospitality Weekend on Jan. 2. Please let Ester know if you can help. We need help to set up before and serve after both Sunday masses.

Manna House: We will be serving dinner at Manna House for those in need on Wednesday, Jan. 5. Please let Ester know as soon as possible if you are planning to help Manna House needs to know how many will participate.

Mission Trip: Plan now for our upcoming Mission Trip to St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana, May 22- 28, 2011. A \$50 deposit is due by Jan. 31 to secure your spot on the trip. January is the final deadline to sign up! A second \$50 check is due March 31.

More Information: Ester 256-783-6349.



Holy Family School
A Regional Catholic School
2300 Beasley Avenue NW
Huntsville, Alabama 35816

A SACS CASI Accredited School

The angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people'" Luke 2:10

advent: The coming or arrival, especially of something awaited or momentous.*

Advent: The birth of Christ.*

December 2010

Dear Parents:

Advent is a season of anticipation and hope. We wait with great hope and joy, marking the days with candles and prayer, knowing that our Savior awaits us and that the celebration of his arrival is just around the corner. As Christians we take great comfort in the knowledge that His arrival is assured and that our union with him is real and complete. During our wait, we encounter life's delights and many challenges. We form communities to meet those challenges and to share success with those we love and respect.

Holy Family School is just such a community and now is just such a momentous occasion. We have much to accomplish in the coming months and years and great joys to share. This is your community, every one of you, and during this Advent season, as we await the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ, join our advent – the early awaited future of Holy Family School. Look for opportunities to take an active role in our future – starting now. Be one of our leaders. Holy Family has made history, let's discuss the future together.

May God bless you and your family, keeping them safe throughout this holiday season and blessed through the New Year.

Ms. Patricia Kuhn
Principal

Mrs. Betty Snow
Assistant Principal

*American Heritage Dictionary

ADULT FORMATION

Our Adult Formation Program resumes
with a nine-week study entitled:

The Bible Blueprint

*A Catholic's Guide to Understanding
and Embracing God's Word*

Sundays: January 9,16,23,30 (9:30-11am)

February 6,13,20,27 – March 6

Wednesdays: January 5,12,19,23

February 2,9,16,23 – March 2
(10-11am & 6:30-7:30pm)

The text is \$9.95 and can be purchased in the church office.

Nursery is available on Sundays.

Sign up by calling the parish office!



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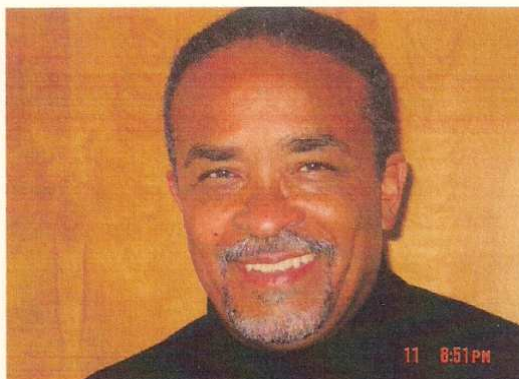
The Adult Lenten series begins

Ash Wednesday, March 9 @ 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 13 @ 9:30 a.m.

The Catholic Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama
The Office of Black Catholic Ministry
Presents
A Diocesan Prayer Breakfast In Commemoration of
The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 8, 2011

Choosing the Right Path!



A Personal Reflection by
Deacon Arthur L. Miller
Director, Office of Black Ministry
Archdiocese of Hartford, Connecticut

Guest Choir
The Voices of the New Testament (Diocesan Gospel Choir)
Mr. Samuel Robinson, Director

Cathedral of St. Paul LifeCenter – 2120 Third Avenue North, Birmingham, AL

Tickets: \$20.00

To purchase, please call the Office of Black Ministry (205) 833-8313
James Watts, Jr. – Director Fr. Vernon F. Huguley - VICAR