

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sacrament Emergency Number is 256-735-6858.** This number is to be used for sacrament emergencies only and during non-office hours.

**There will be no Mass or Confession this Wednesday and this Thursday,** April 22 and 23rd. Father Patrick will be in Cullman for the final retreat for the upcoming Abbot election. Deacon Steve will do a Communion Service at 6pm on Wednesday and at Noon on Thursday.

**Finance Council** will meet this Tuesday at 6pm in the Parish House.

**Diocese Second Collection** is next weekend, April 25-26th, for Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

**Prayer List** - Please help us keep the list up to date!

**Flowers on the Altar** are in memory of Juliet Eck and Magdalen Eck placed by Carolyn Eck.

**Children's Church** - Children ages 4-7 (that are not participating in First Communion preparation classes) are welcomed to follow adults to the Parish House for the duration of the readings, gospel and homily. If anyone is interested in helping please contact the church office or Melanie Connolly. Children's Church is only for the 10am Mass.

**Candles** - All burned candle plastic containers should be thrown away after use. Please do not store/keep them in the flower room/altar server room. We are not saving them. They cannot be recycled due to the leftover wax.

**FlockNote** - Please do not reply to the FlockNote text messages or emails. This is not like facebook or other social media platforms where people can see everyone's responses. Only admins can see the responses.

**Out of Respect** - Please stay home if you are sick, contagious, have covid and/or flu like symptoms. Please do not attend Mass, PSR/OCIA, any parish meetings, meet with Father Patrick or come into the Church office. Please be considerate of others. We want to keep our parish family, staff, volunteers and especially Father Patrick healthy.

**Envelopes!** If you currently have offertory envelopes and no longer want them or would like to start receiving them, please notify the Church office. Our envelope company mails them bi-monthly to parishioners.

**Father Patrick** is leading a Bible Study on the Gospel of Matthew on Thursdays at 7pm in the Parish House. See Father Patrick for more info.

**Book Club** on the Diary of St Faustina book meets at 5:30pm on Mondays in the Church Office. See Father Patrick for more info.

**Friendly reminder** to please silence/turn off phones before Mass starts and also enter and leave Church quietly and respectfully!

PSR DATES & EVENTS

**April 19th and 26th** May Crowning practice after 10am Mass in church

**May 2nd** First Communion practice will be Saturday May 2nd at 9am in church after 8am mass.

**May 3rd** First Communion at 10am Mass,

**May 10th** May Crowning at 10am Mass

**May 17th** PSR Recognition breakfast 8:45-9:45am in gym



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Week of April 19, 2026



**St. Mark the Evangelist**

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so that diseases pressed upon him to touch him. "An spirit beheld him, they fell down before him and cried." "And he strictly ordered them not to make him on the mountain, and called to him those whom he desired. "And he appointed twelve, to be with him, and all have authority to cast out demons. "Simon who was the son of Zebedee and John the brother of James Boanerges, that is, sons of thunder; "Andrew, and now, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Canananaean; "and Judas Iscariot.

**Lectio: Mark**

Join Dr. Tim Gray in this powerful 14-part series to discover the Gospel of Mark like never before. Immerse yourself in this action-packed Gospel that offers Saint Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching



**Via Lucis**

Via Lucis, or the Stations of Light, is a devotional practice for reflecting on the joy and hope of the Resurrection during the Easter season. While the Stations of the Cross commemorate Jesus' journey to his crucifixion and death, the Stations of Light focus on the events that followed the Resurrection.

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## ACTIVITY DIRECTOR NOTES

**Nursery available** in Parish House during 10 am mass. This service is available for your little one ages birth -4 yrs old. A parent must sign in their child when dropping. Anyone who would like to be a greeter or work in Nursery, contact Donna.

**Nursery Schedule for April:** 4/19 Jane Burkhart and Carolyn Eck 4/26 Angie Locker and Janet Ragland

**April 19 this Sunday**, Baby Sprinkle 1-3 pm for Kristina Parasiliti in the Parish House. It's a girl! Baby needs are diapers, wipes, and little girl clothes.

**April 26, 10 am Youth Mass.** If your youth would like to read or participate in any way , please call Donna.

**CYO** going to Pinspiration in Muscle Shoals, Sunday, April 26 @ 2 pm. Enjoy tile painting and splatter painting! For grades 7-12th grade. Watch bulletin for updates.

**Next Soup Kitchen** is May 16. Anyone wanting to help, contact Donna. 256 577-1607.

**VBS** Save the date! July 23,24,25, 9am-12 noon. For ages K-6th grade. SAINTS ADVENTURES is our theme! Watch the bulletin for updates.

**Brick sales** will begin next weekend after all masses 4/18 & 4/19. Cost of bricks are \$50 and will be placed at Mary's Garden to create a rosary. Think about what you would like laser engraved on the brick. Up to 4 lines, 21 letters in each line. Bricks may be made in memory or honor of someone.

**The church sign** is in progress. Any donations may be made marked 'church sign' on check. Thank you for your support.

**If you know** of anyone that is expecting, let us know! We want to love on our church family mamas and offer a shower. Anyone wanting to help with showers/ sprinkles let Donna Peters or Deona Berrens know.

**Beverage tabs** - Next delivery will be April 18. Save your beverage tabs, put in a ziploc bag and place on the white table in vestibule of church or give to Donna Peters. They will be picked up and taken to Bham. The tabs help cover the cost of families staying there who have children that are in Children's Hospital.

*Submitted by Donna Peters, contact Donna for more info at 256-577-1607.*

## ST JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

St. Joseph School is currently seeking passionate and dedicated educators to join our team for the upcoming school year. We have openings for a Music Teacher and a Classroom Teacher. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming part of our faith-filled community, we would love to hear from you.

Please contact Mrs. Courtney Magee, Principal, at [principal@catholicill.com](mailto:principal@catholicill.com) or call the school office at 256-766-1923 for more information.



ST. JOSEPH REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**Step Up Day 2026**

**Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> → 8:30-9:30 am**

Come visit as our Jaguars meet their new teachers, explore the next grade, and get excited for the year ahead!

**RSVP to [secretary@catholicill.com](mailto:secretary@catholicill.com)**

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