

**ST CHARLES CATHOLIC CHURCH**

308 7th Street NE Jacksonville, AL 36265

**ST JOACHIM CATHOLIC CHURCH**

555 Babbling Brook Road, Piedmont

Fr. Frankline Fomukong: 240-579-8902

St. Charles Office: 256-435-3238



We're on the web:  
www.stcharlescatholicchurch.com

- Mass Intentions Mass intentions are published weekly and may be reserved by contacting the office.
- Reconciliation Saturday @ 4 pm or by appointment
- Baptism & Marriage Prep Call Pastor for appointment. Marriage Prep must take place at least 6 months prior to wedding.
- Anointing of the Sick If you or a family member are ill or hospitalized call the parish office for a visit from the priest.

When planning a funeral at St. Charles/St. Joachim, many details need attention. Please call the Church Office or the Pastor 240-579-8902 to plan the funeral Mass and other arrangements.



**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

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| <u>U.S. AIR FORCE</u>      | <u>U. S. ARMY</u>         |                          |
| SSGT Jeffrey T Brown       | MAJ Matthew J. Polek      | Andrew Dorman            |
| CMSGT Clinton Ellis        | MAJ Christopher Treuting  |                          |
| A1C Tristan L. Gavia       | MAJ John Mendoza          |                          |
| A1C Joseph Harris          | PFC James Hare            | <u>U.S. Marine Corps</u> |
| SSGT John P. Thompson      | LTC John Curry            | 1LT Anthony Bradbury     |
| AMN Jorge L. Mejias        | COL Roland M. Gaddy, Jr.  | 2LT Hugh Hajdik          |
| CPT Jonathan Zurek         | CPT Jack Eagly            | GYSGT D.J. Korff         |
| Airman Jason Ellis         | SGT James H. Turley III   | GYSGT Jerry L. Yates     |
|                            | SGT John Anderson         | SGT Jacob Cypher         |
| <u>Army National Guard</u> | SSG William Cisneros      | SGT Joey Mashburn        |
| SGT Manuel F. Valencia     | PFC P.J. Brown            | SGT Boo C. Rochester     |
| PVT William C. Langelier   | SGT Jennifer Jones        | SGT Heath A. McKlearey   |
| SPC Joseph Cimalore        | SPC Brad Bush             | CPL Timothy Thompson     |
|                            | SG Victoria Cisneros      | CPL Crissy Juricich      |
| <u>U.S. Coast Guard</u>    | SGT James Morgan          | LCPL Chris A. Oakley     |
| LTJG Andrea Manuel         | SPEC Angelo L. Lopez      | PFC Kyle Knight          |
| LT Michael Manuel          | WO Greg DeMoss            | CPL Aaron Prater         |
| Michelle Santiago          | Eric Wade                 | Mary Ellis               |
| Kristopher Armprester      | SPC Jennifer L. Halcom    |                          |
|                            | LTC Robin Morales         |                          |
| <u>U. S. Navy</u>          | Larry McConathy           |                          |
| E4 Jerramy R. Sollami      | PFC Makenna Ellis         |                          |
| SR Brian Hopper            | PFC Caterina Hare         |                          |
| MD Heidi Morgan            | 1LT Joe L. Childress,     |                          |
| ENS Trevor Carlson         | SGT Heather Knoop         |                          |
| SN Olivia Martin           | SGT James E. McConathy II |                          |
|                            | Taylor Oblinger           |                          |

**Reading**

- MON Isaiah 2:1-5; Matthew 8:5-11
- TUE Isaiah 11:1-10; Luke 10:21-24  
Saint Francis Xavier, Priest
- WED Isaiah 25:6-10a; Matthew 15:29-37  
Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- THUR Isaiah 26:1-6; Matthew 7:21, 24-27
- FRI Isaiah 29:17-24; Matthew 9:27-31  
Saint Nicholas, Bishop
- SAT Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8  
Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- SUN Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6  
2nd Sunday of Advent



**Liturgy Schedule/Mass Intentions**

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| SAT 11/30 | 4 pm confessions 5 pm Mass                            | +Doug Lipsey                  |
| SUN 12/01 | 8:30 am Mass St. Joachim<br>11 am Mass at St. Charles | +Ron Simmons<br>+Gene Griffin |
| TUE 12/03 | 4:30 pm Holy Hour 5:30 pm Mass                        |                               |
| WED 12/04 | 4:30 pm Holy Hour 5:30 pm Mass                        |                               |
| THU 12/05 | 10 am Holy Hour 11 am Mass                            | +Theodore and Evangeline Long |
| FRI 12/06 | 10 am Holy Hour 11 am Mass                            |                               |
| SAT 12/07 | 4 pm confessions 5 pm Mass                            | +Obie Guyer                   |
| SUN 12/08 | 8:30 am Mass St. Joachim<br>11 am Mass at St. Charles |                               |

**ST.CHARLES BORROMEIO CATHOLIC CHURCH Jacksonville, Alabama**

**ST. JOACHIM CATHOLIC CHURCH Piedmont, Alabama**

**OFFICE HOURS**  
M, T, TH 9:30-1:30

Wednesday, December 4th the Church Office will be closed.

Deacon: A.B. King  
Pastor: Fr. Frankline Fomukong  
Office 256-435-3238

**December 1, 2024**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

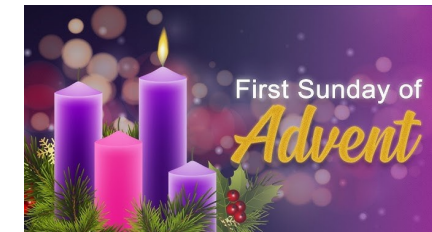
**MASS TIMES**  
MON NO MASS  
TUE 5:30 pm Mass  
WED 5:30 pm Mass  
TH & FRI 11am Mass  
SAT 5 pm Mass  
**SUNDAY MASS**  
8:30am Mass (St. Joachim)  
11am Mass (St. Charles)



Knights of Columbus Council 13513, part of the Knights Cor initiative, is sponsoring a 1-day Men's Advent Retreat Saturday December 7, 2024, in St. Charles' Macey Hall. The retreat will begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude at approximately 3:00 p.m. The 1-day Men's Advent Retreat is open to all men. The retreat is an excellent opportunity to slow down a bit at the beginning of the usually hectic Holiday Season and spiritually prepare for Christmas through prayerful reflection and personal Reconciliation. Email Brother Knight Mike Abrams [kocf.council.13513@gmail.com ] or call 256-453-3840 for more information and to register. Amid the "modern crisis of isolation that comes from ruptured relationships," Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly said, "Catholics need places to grow in friendship with God and one another - places where they can commit together to answer our Lord's call to evangelize. This is the insight that led (the Knights) to create the Cor initiative."

"Men of all ages are hungry for spiritual community." Kelly continued. "And we know many priests want to set up small groups to meet that need, but they can't quite do it on their own. Cor is the solution. It enables priests to draw on the structure and resources of the Knights of Columbus, getting small groups off the ground quickly, and - importantly - sustaining them over time."

On Saturday, December 7, 2024 after the Men's Advent retreat, Fr. Frankline will be available to hear confessions from 3-5pm.



December 1st is the first Sunday of Advent in 2024. After a tumultuous year, there is comfort to be found when we pause to read, pray, and reflect over the course of the Advent season in which believers eagerly anticipate the celebration of Christ's birth. The first Sunday of Advent gives us the opportunity to center our thoughts on hope. It's a beautiful chance to remember the hope God offers to our lost and dying world, and that He's given us through Jesus.

Paul, the writer of Galatians, articulates so perfectly the great hope we celebrate at Christmas! Without God's intervention, we were all slaves...bound up by our sin nature and hopelessly headed to the grave. Because of God's great love for us, He came down and rescued humanity by sending his Son as a sacrifice for our sin—so we could be free from the chains of sin and become fully part of God's glorious eternal family.



**CHRISTMAS PARADES** – We are planning to participate in the Piedmont Christmas Parade on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> and Jacksonville parade on Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Anyone who would like to walk or ride on the float with us is welcome to come. Please let us know if you will be participating so we can let you know where we be meeting and placed in the parade line. You may call/text Brandi at 256-283-9280 to let us know you will be joining us or with any questions.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MASS**

**CSO Students and Parishioners**

We are glad to have you with us!  
 Every Wednesday we will have Adoration and pray the Rosary from 4:30–5:30pm and Mass at 5:30pm.  
 CSO students will meet in Macey Hall at 6:30pm, on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month after Mass.

**Rosary Making** – Would you be interested in learning to make the beaded rosaries held together with metal links, like you often buy? Cathy Causey would like to show you how to make these beautiful rosaries. If you are interested, call the church office and Cathy can get in touch with you. This is a wonderful way to bring out your creativity in a fun atmosphere while growing in devotion in prayer.

**Knights of Columbus**

Instead of the monthly meeting in Macey Hall December 10, the Knights and families of KofC Council 13513 will gather at Top O' The River in Anniston for their annual Christmas Dinner December 10 at 6:30 p.m. Please contact one of the Knights if you want additional information. Council 13513 Knights plan to resume their monthly meeting schedule Tuesday January 14, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in Macey Hall.

**BOOK CLUB**

**December 2024 Meeting:**

**Book Title and Author:** *Helena* by Evelyn Waugh

**Meeting Day/Date/Time/Location:** Monday, December 23, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

**January 2025 Meeting:**

**Book Title and Author:** *The Samurai* by Shusaku Endo

**Meeting Day/Date/Time/Location:** Monday, January 28, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

As always, if anyone needs any additional information, please contact Ann Summers at (1-256-239-9585).

**CCR @ St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church.**

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Prayer group will meet every **fourth Wednesday of the month in conjunction with the Holy Hour.**

We will start 15 minutes before Adoration and will provide music during the Holy Hour.

We hope you can join us starting at 4:15 every 4th Wednesday of the month.

Adoration and Mass are part of our program and we hope to enhance both with the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Any questions?

**Call or text Eddie Victoria at 334-300-6253.**

**Rosary of Reparation**

The 1st Friday of each month, following the 11am Mass at St. Charles, after saying Isaiah Chapter 59 and the 7 Penitential Psalms parishioners will then say all the mysteries of the Rosary. Please feel free to join us for as long as you are able to stay.

**CANDY NEED** – We can use some candy for the Christmas Parades. SO, if you see candy for half-price after Halloween or left-over candy that is not given out to trick-or-treaters, please keep us in mind.



**Attention Christmas Shoppers!**  
 The EWTN Gift Shoppe's  
**Christmas Open House**

is Friday, December 13th  
 8am to 5pm

EWTN Gift Shoppe  
 5817 Old Leeds Rd. Irondale, AL 35210  
 205-271-2929  
[www.ewtnrc.com](http://www.ewtnrc.com)



Sunday, November 24, 2024 was our annual Thanksgiving Dinner at Macey Hall. Thank you to everyone who was able to bring a dish or two, and all who attended to join in the feast. Special thanks goes out to Kirstie and Chris McGowan for heading up this large event and to Charlotte Haynes, Ryan Oblinger, Joe Sugar and Paul Guyer for being amazing kitchen helpers! It was a wonderful dinner with great fellowship! May God bless you all.



St. Charles Catholic Church  
 November 24, 2024



St. Joachim Catholic Church  
 November 24, 2024

	Collected	Weekly Need	Short/Long
Offertory	\$ 4985.00	\$ 3000.00	\$ 1985.00
Beacons of Hope	\$ 10.00		
PSR (candy)	\$ 20.00		
B.F. Fund (winter market)	\$ 32.00		
Aid to Needy	\$ 40.00		

	Collected	Weekly Need	Short/Long
Offertory	\$ 619.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 19.00

Please pray for...

*Please continue to pray for the unborn.*

Haley Conroy, Kay Wilbur, Kaylie Ellis & Daniel Zurek, Travis Bailey, Jerald Knight, Charlotte Haynes, Barbara Pitts, Kaylee Miller, Vicki & Sam Everett, Billie Vaughn, Cindy & Fred Craft, Teri Parry, Carolyn Andrews, Christopher Young, Larry Webster, Marilyn, Jane & David Kushma, Cassie & Kaitlyn Smith, Ghadeer Alshamat, Kate Kloss, Adaleigh Zaner, Quintenn Pike, Karlee Knight, Joel Rivera, Garry McElroy, Joe & Laura Lee Herrington, Terra Burrow, Jane McGatha, Terry Batchelor, James Coppola, Frances Dawson, Jean Denny, Anita Knight, Jean Pellagatto, Maria Reneau, Lorrie Robinett, Betty Newsome, Jena Todd Armprester, Deacon A.B. & Nancy King, Karen Rytel, Bob and Penny Pagel, George Moore Jr., Sherrie Valentine, The Nagrone Family, Roseann Falise, Mary Wranich, Francine Batchelor, Bill Batchelor, Melvin Bernier, Marsha Camp, Timothy Wallace, Clarissa Valencia Morales, W.S.B., Rick Pratt, Jeanette Gaddy, Phillip Walls, Butch and Dan Krejci, Mary Cheatwood, Linda Kieper, Lauren "Addi" Stinson, Bert Artzer, Deacon Fred Williams, Marleigh Conley, Georgia Mowery, Andrew Tusio, Cheryl Edmondson, Helen Cote, Sandra Howard, Fred Witsell, Sue Tolleson, Helen Rosier, The Nat-

tekkadan/Shaju Families, Mary Ellis, Jeff Large, Dennis Ott, Kelley Ramsey, Calvin Hicks, Jeanyne Schuler, Kaye Batchelor, Debbie Pritchard, Mike Scheid, Donna Dennis, Ken Klug, Lilian Thacker, Collen Faira, Linda Carroll, Tony Pugh, Jerry and Adele Green, Ozzie and Samdaye Rampaul, Rita Hoskins, Laurie Walker Douthit, Caroline Smith, Leisha Reaves, Laurie Newman, Raphael Christachi, The Underheim Family, Caleb Burrage, Darrell Flinn, Marty Driggers, Evelyn Zurek, Edgar Victoria, Peggy Long, Maureen Patty, Tom Shelton, The Fomukong Family, Jessica Rhinehart, Parthina Prater, Maggie Ritter, Patrick & Debbie Chandler, Ann Cimalore, Maria Joy, Lee Gray, Fran Kennedy



**ROSARY PRAYER GROUP**

Rosary Prayer Group will meet on **Tuesday, December 3, 2024** in Macey Hall. Hope to see you there!

**PSR/RCIA 2023**

Class: Wednesday, December 11, 18, 2024

At St. Charles Education Bldg. Gr K-12 Wednesday's after 5:30pm Mass (6:00pm) until 7:30pm.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Director of Religious Education, Brandi Bright. Office: 256-435-3238



If you would like to come to St. Charles for private prayer, Macey Hall and the office will be open the following times:

**Monday/Tuesday/Thursday 9:30am -1:30pm**