



**HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**WEBSITE:** [www.holyspiritmacon.org](http://www.holyspiritmacon.org)

**ADORATION & ROSARY:**

One hour before Masses

**Parish Council**

**RECONCILIATION:**

SATURDAY 4:15-4:45 PM

or by Appointment

**PARISH ADDRESS**

4074 Chambers Road,

Macon, GA 31206

MONDAY-THURSDAY	9 A.M.
FIRST FRIDAY	9 A.M.
SATURDAY VIGIL	5 P.M.
SUNDAY MASS	10 A.M.
HOLY DAY	9 A.M. & 7 P.M.

**August 24. 2025**

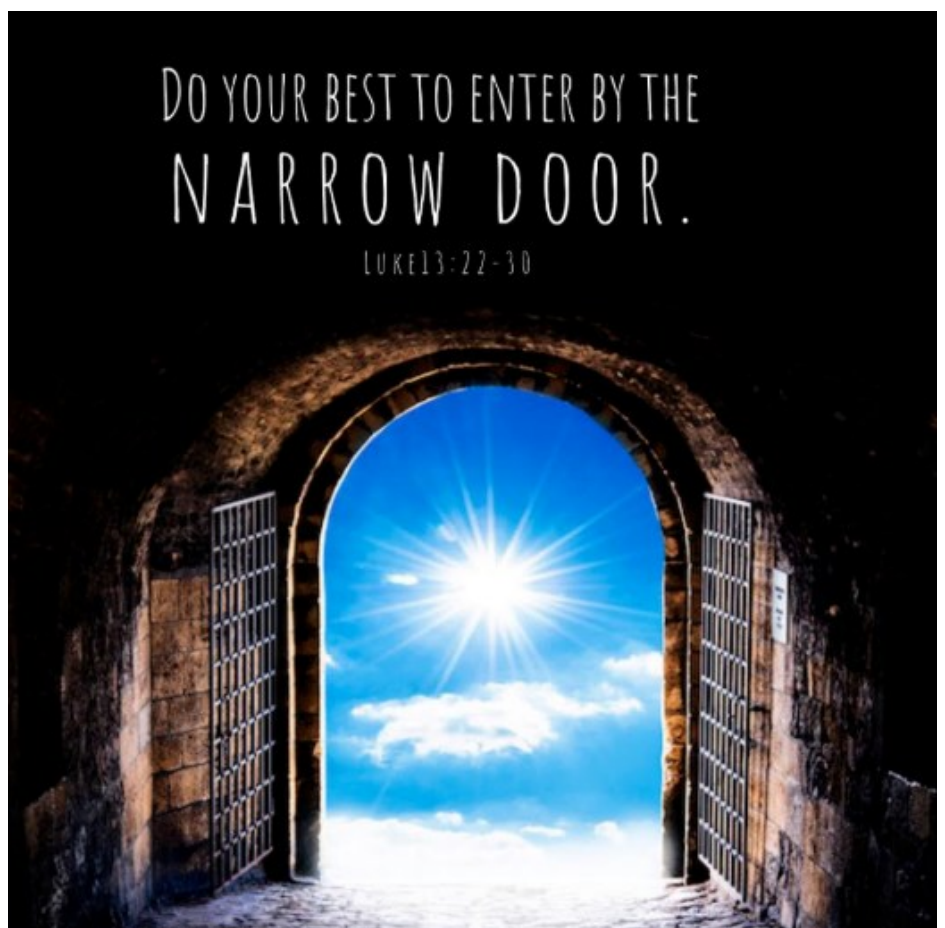
**Our Readings:**

**Isaiah 66:18-21**

**Psalms 117**

**Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13**

**Luke 13:22-30**



### **Burn with 'fire' of God's love,**

### **pope says at Mass and lunch with the poor**

ROME (CNS) -- Spending the day with the poor, Pope Leo XIV prayed that Catholics would make sure their parishes are welcoming of all people and would be "on fire" with God's love.

"We are the church of the Lord, a church of the poor -- all precious, all active participants, each one bearing a unique word from God," the pope said Aug. 17 as he celebrated Mass at the Shrine of Santa Maria della Rotonda in Albano Laziale with about 110 clients and volunteers of the Diocese of Albano's Caritas programs, including people experiencing homelessness and residents of its shelter for families.

"Let us not leave the Lord outside of our churches, our homes or our lives," the pope said in his homily at the Mass. "Rather, let us welcome him in the poor -- and then we will make peace even with our own poverty, the kind we fear and deny when we seek comfort and security at all costs."



**LECTOR Liturgical Minister** after both Saturday and Sunday Masses this weekend. Parishioners wanting to be a LECTOR should participate in one of these sessions.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us to "strive to enter through the narrow gate." Our call to be disciples and to follow Jesus demands that we learn to live for the sake of others.



**In the last month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist 350 families with food, and provided \$1,102 for utility bills and other needs. Thank You!**

We invite you to learn more about getting involved in our local conference by calling Margaret Skene (678-358-3590) to learn more about how you can help.

*Donations are always welcome:*

St. Vincent de Paul, PO Box 6953, Macon, GA 31208-6953

For Assistance: 478-745-7000

*Love your Neighbor  
Live Vincentian*



**The Council of Catholic Women invites  
All Men and Women to a  
Morning of Reflection with  
Fr. John Johnson, Pastor,  
St Joseph Catholic Church**

**Topic: Maintaining Hope in Difficult Times**

**When:** Saturday, September 6, 2025

**Time:** 9am—12 noon (Mass starts at 9:00am)

**Where: Sacred Heart Church-Social Hall/Rooms 101/103**

300 South Davis Drive, Warner Robins, GA 31088

**Registration Forms are available in the narthex.**

**Please pre-register by Monday, September 1, 2025.**

**Children's Faith Formation** will host **Parent Orientation on Sep 7**, in the parish hall immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. *All parents are expected to attend this brief informational session.* All registration paperwork must be completed at this time. You'll receive the 2025-26 *Children's Faith Formation Calendar* and revised *Parent Handbook* at this meeting. Children are welcome to attend with parents. Coffee and donuts will be served. We look forward to seeing everyone there!



**Children's Faith Formation** classes will begin on **September 14**, in the classroom building immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Children will be provided snacks and beverages. Dismissal is at 12:30. For additional information, see the display and handouts in the narthex.

### **DIOCESAN HARVEST OF HOPE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:**

Funding for long-term Diocesan needs, investing in a more secure future. The Diocesan Goal is \$25 millions. Funds will be used to: assist Parish Growth and Development; Parish Endowments; Vocation Endowment; Evangelization Endowment; Land acquisition. More information coming.



### **Diocesan Jubilee Celebration on October 11, 2025**

#### **at Sacred Heart in Warner Robins.**

This is a **FREE** event, including lunch. Catholic merchandise and a midday caffeine/refresher from Travelin' Tom's Coffee Truck will be available to purchase.

The gathering will feature **keynote talks** from Fr. Brian O'Shaughnessy and Mother Adela Galindo, SCTJM.

**Breakout sessions** topics have been chosen to inspire a deeper dive into personal discipleship. The sessions will also include options for family friendly activities (including a children's track) and a LIFETEEN led session for youth.

**Sign-up form on bulletin boards,  
deadline September 7th.**

Schedule of Events:

- 8 am Check-in Begins
- 9 am Procession and Adoration Reflection from Bishop Parkes
- 10 am Morning Session Keynote Speaker Fr. Brian O'Shaughnessy
- 11:30 am – 3 pm Lunch, Breakout Sessions, and Activities for All! Teen and Children Tracks Available
- 3 pm Afternoon Session Keynote Speaker Mother Adela Galindo, SCTJM
- 5 pm Vigil Mass



**Jubilee Year of Hope**

Intention for the week of

August 24, 2025

24 hours for the Lord



WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE	
OFFERTORY BUDGET YEAR TO DATE	\$ 41,075.72
OFFERTORY RECEIVED YEAR TO DATE	WILL BE UPDATED
SUNDAY, AUGUST 10 & 17, 2025	NEXT WEEK
DAILY READINGS	
MON 8/25	1 Thess 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, and 9b/ Mt 23:13-22
TUE 8/26	1 Thess 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mt 23:23-26
WED 8/27	1 Thess 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32
THU 8/28	1 THESS 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5A, 12-13, 14 AND 17/ Mt 24:42-51
FRI 8/29	1 THESS 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 AND 2B, 5-6, 10, 11-12/ Mk 6:17-29
SAT 8/30	1 THESS 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30
SUN 8/31	SIR 3:147-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11/ HEB 12:18-19, 22-24A/Lk 14:1, 7-14

### CATHOLIC POSITIONS: USCCB comprehensive letter to Congress on budget proposal May 20, 2025 (excerpts):

**Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) and Estate Tax:** At \$1.4 trillion over ten years, the AMT is among the most expensive single policies in the entire package. “Enhancing” the estate tax so that no taxes are paid for an estate worth less than \$15 million will cost more than \$200 billion over ten years. As presently written, Congress could give back *all* of the cuts to Medicaid and SNAP and still save billions of dollars if it merely reinstated the AMT, and the estate tax could provide even more flexibility.

**Early Life Wealth Building Accounts:** Early life wealth building accounts are crucial tools for increasing opportunities for wealth building among historically excluded individuals and helping families establish financial security, enabling them to not only survive but also thrive. The creation of Money Account for Growth and Advancement (“MAGA”) accounts and the pilot program to make contributions into these accounts for newborns, are promising developments. These accounts should be inclusive of and targeted at the families who need them most (**Secs. 110115 and 110116**).

### Incentivize Charitable Giving, Nonprofit Organizations, and Development

**Charitable Tax Deduction-individuals:** Researchers at Indiana University and the University of Notre Dame found that following the passage of the TCJA, 23 million households switched to the standard deduction, and charitable giving dropped by \$20 billion. As positive as “above the line” charitable deductions are, \$150 per person will not make up the difference.

### Abuse Hotline Number

To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline at 1.888.357.5330 or 1.912.201.4073/4  
For reports to the Franciscan Province of Our Lady of Guadalupe call 1.800.770.8013

*Please, when adding to your weekly stewardship any appeals for helping with a special collection, make a separate check for the special collection.*  
*Thanks!*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 23**  
**IN MEMORY OF**  
**NGAN VU**  
(REQUESTED BY  
LE NGUYEN)

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 26**  
**IN MEMORY OF**  
**ANNA VU**  
(REQUESTED BY  
LE NGUYEN)

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 24**  
**IN MEMORY OF**  
**AUGUSTIN HAY &**  
**MARY MADELEINE**  
**CHUYEN NGUYEN**  
(REQUESTED BY  
NGOC & PHONG PHAM)

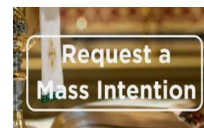
**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27**  
**IN MEMORY OF**  
**NGAN VU**  
(REQUESTED BY  
LE NGUYEN)

**MONDAY, AUGUST 25**  
**IN HONOR OF**  
**ANNA-ELISABETH &**  
**KURT BÖTTGE’S**  
**71ST ANNIVERSARY**  
(REQUESTED BY  
PETRA BAKER)

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 28**  
**IN MEMORY OF**  
**ANNA TRAN**  
(REQUESTED BY  
LE NGUYEN)

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 30**  
**IN MEMORY OF**  
**JOSEPH PHAM CHAU NAM**  
(REQUESTED BY  
NGOC & PHONG PHAM)

*To request a Mass Intention, please call the office at 478-788-6386.  
The suggested stipend is \$10.*



### TYPING TALENT NEEDED!

Fr Steven needs help typing out prayers from a book. You just type them into a computer file that can be given to Fr Steven for future use. Please let Fr Steven know if you can help.



### PRAYER CHAIN



George Levya, Rose Vrabel, Theresa White, Ted Tillery, Gerry Chesnut, Denny Kent, Joye Hadarits, Tori McKinley, Samuel Mitchell, Jerry Clevenger, Jim Majewski, Debbie Sittnick, Johnny Vastakis, Nancy Falcione, Jim Lamarca, Cathe Merschat, Amber Parker, Christina Amabile, JoAnn Sanders, Jeannie Clarke, Felicia Seguin, Linda Cushing, Gymee Sills, Penny Ricketson, Mike Liotta, Bobbie Turner, Dorothy Stolicky, Anna-Elisabeth Böttge, Veronica Garnet, Catherine Hoffman.

*If you have a loved one who is in need of receiving the eucharist at home or in the hospital, please call the church office at 478-788-6386.*