

Our Lady, Help of Christians

Latin Mass Parish of the Diocese of Birmingham, AL

1201 Kingsbury Ave | Huntsville, AL | 35801

O Mary, powerful virgin, thou art the mighty and glorious protector of the Church; thou art the marvelous help of Christians; thou art terrible as an army in battle array; thou alone hast destroyed every heresy in the whole world. In the midst of our anguish, our struggles, and our distress, defend us from the power of the enemy, and at the hour of our death receive our souls in paradise. Amen.

Prayer to Our Lady, Help of Christians composed by St. John Bosco

MAY 2026

The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The May Crowning will take place on May 10 at the 8:45am High Mass.

Meditation:

Complete docility to the motion on the Holy Spirit is precisely the characteristic of the state of union with God. Mary was “raised to this lofty state from the beginning,” according to the teaching of St. John of the Cross; and this is evident if we consider that Mary was not only created in grace but that she had, from the very beginning, a degree of grace far superior to that attained by the greatest saints at the end of their lives. Therefore, this state of perfect union with God, which is our ideal and the goal of all our efforts, was Mary’s portion from the dawn of life. Furthermore, by her free, faithful correspondence to grace, she advanced to towering heights in this lofty state. O Mary, faithful Spouse of the Holy Spirit, look upon my wretchedness and my weakness. Considering these truths, therefore, we can easily see that after Jesus the Virgin Mary is the surest model and guide for those who aspire to union with God; her very creaturehood makes her more accessible to us, and more easily imitable. Mary teaches us that the great secret of quickly reaching union with God is entire detachment from creatures, especially from that creature we love so much, ourself. Mary lived only for God.

-From *Divine Intimacy*, “Spouse of the Holy Spirit”



AD JESUM PER MARIAM

May Mass Calendar & Intentions

FRIDAY, May 1 – Mary Jo Fernandes

SATURDAY, May 2 – (+) Jacob Hill

SUNDAY, May 3 –

7:00 — Simon Duryea

8:45 High Mass — *Missa pro populo*

10:45 — Father’s intention

MONDAY, May 4 – Samuel Duryea

TUESDAY, May 5 – Ashlea Mckenzie

WEDNESDAY, May 6 – Clayton Knutson & sons

THURSDAY, May 7 – (+) Richard Gomez

FRIDAY, May 8 – Peter Clark

SATURDAY, May 9 – Ambrose DeLaurentis

SUNDAY, May 10 –

7:00 — Dr. Patrick Tomeny III & family

8:45 High Mass — *Missa pro populo*

10:45 — Father’s intention

MONDAY, May 11 – Clayton Knutson & sons

TUESDAY, May 12 – Jessica Moms Knutson

WEDNESDAY, May 13 – Shiloh Peterson

THURSDAY, May 14 – Peg Gravely

FRIDAY, May 15 – Mikyla Clark

SATURDAY, May 16 – (+) Holy Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, May 17 -

7:00 — Jacob Shull

8:45 High Mass—*Missa pro populo*

10:45 – Father’s intention

MONDAY, May 18 – Raphael Palmer

TUESDAY, May 19 – (+) Dorothy Gagliano

WEDNESDAY, May 20 – Joe & Maryanne Durso

THURSDAY, May 21 – Citori Branham

FRIDAY, May 22 – (+) Allen Brinkley

SATURDAY, May 23 – (+) Holy Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, May 24 –

7:00 — John Paul Green

8:45 High Mass—*Missa pro populo*

10:45 – Father’s intention

MONDAY, May 25 – Joe Durso

TUESDAY, May 26 – James Anthony Palmer Jr.

WEDNESDAY, May 27 – Mr. & Mrs. Valencia & family

THURSDAY, May 28 – Fried Family

FRIDAY, May 29 – (+) Ross Gagliano

SATURDAY, May 30 – Green Family

SUNDAY, May 31 – Mary Hand

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The blessing of religious articles:

Leave items to be blessed in the hall in the designated basket. Items are blessed every Friday.

Sacraments:

All Sacraments at Our Lady, Help of Christians are performed according to the *usus antiquior* of the Roman Rite, with the 1962 liturgical books.

To submit a Mass request intention:

Use the Mass request form (in the social hall) and submit to the office inbox. Please do not submit more than 2-3 Mass requests at a time. Only 1 intention can be scheduled per day.