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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday : 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.
Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Thursday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m. or
by appointment.

MARRIAGES:

Must be scheduled with the Priest
at least 6 months in advance.

MORNING ROSARY:

8:30 a.m. before Mass.

MONDAYS:

Miraculous Medal Novena following Mass.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY:

Novena To The Sacred Heart
of Jesus - before 9 a.m. Mass.
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION:

Third Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m.
Exposición del Santísimo el segundo Miércoles
de cada mes @ 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

August through May. Ages 3 yrs. through
High School.

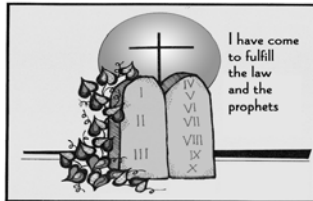
Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

*Saturday, February 15 2020
Mass 5:00 pm*

*Sunday, February 16, 2020
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am*

*Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

February 16, 2020



What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love him, this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

—1 Corinthians 2:9-10



Feb. 17 - Feb. 23

Monday: Wilma Finn by Edgar & Sharon Finn †
Tuesday: Fr. Glen Sayers by Fr. Bill Lucas †
Wednesday: Fr. Kevin McGrath by Fr Bill Lucas †
Thursday: Larry Martens by The Brazzolottos †
Friday: Daniel Centilli by Jerry & Brenda Kern †
Saturday: James Gutsell by KOC 12270 †
Sunday: Donna Mealer by Deacon & Rita Rumore

****Sunday's Mass Intentions are offered at the 11:15 am Mass****

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Paul Boyle, Jacky Johnson, Peggy Gessler, Gail Layton, Tom Michaels, Teresa Wolf, Diana Markevich, Dorothy DiMattia, Walton Smith, Juanita Crowson, Kelly Dale, Glenda Marston, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Mary Franklin, Sarah Svetlay, Charles & Libby Lafleur, Kevin Reilly

Please pray for all our loved ones who are ill and our shut-ins. To add a name, call the church office; or to add to the Prayer Hot Line call Sharon Stice at 205-338-0207, or email: sharonstice46@gmail.com.

Weekly Readings ~ Feb. 17—Feb 23

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34-9:1

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Today's Readings



First Reading — God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness. (Sirach 15:15-20).

Psalm — Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Psalm 119).

Second Reading — God's wisdom is mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

Gospel — Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets. (Matthew 5:17-37) [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37].

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CONVERSION

A recent anonymous column in the newspaper of the Diocese of Birmingham stated that the Catholic Church doesn't call people to conversion. Nothing could be farther from the truth. As Catholics, we are called to daily conversion. The Church's liturgy and sacraments and its teaching call us to a daily change of mind and heart to conform them to the mind and heart of Jesus Christ. The phrase used for this is "growth in holiness."

For example, in the Eucharistic Prayers used at Mass we ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit upon the gifts of bread and wine to change them into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. We also ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit upon the members of the Church to make them what St. Paul calls, "the Body of Christ." In other words, we ask God to convert the bread and wine into the real presence of the risen Jesus Christ and to convert the members of the Church and make them more like Christ, the Son of God. To emphasize the point, the next line of Eucharistic Prayer III states, "May he make of us an eternal offering to you." Eucharistic Prayer IV states, "That we might live no longer for ourselves but for him who died and rose again for us." That is what it means to live a life of conversion. That is what holiness is.

So you see, the anonymous author of the column in the diocesan newspaper fails to understand the Catholic faith. The Church calls us to conversion every day. We are called to live for Jesus rather than for ourselves. As Jesus says in the Gospels, "Whoever wishes to follow me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." To accomplish that takes daily conversion. To do that leads to a life of holiness.

Sunday - February 16

Mass 8:30am & 11:15am

RE 9:45-11:00 am

Sr. Youth 5:30-8:00pm

Holy Hour 7:00-8:00pm

Shower of Blessings—
between Masses



Monday— February 17

Mass 9:00am

Legion of Mary

Parish Council— 7:00 pm

Tuesday— February 18

Mass 9:00am

RCIA—7:00pm

Wednesday— February 19

Surfsiders-10:00 am

Confirmation Mass 6:30 pm

Thursday— February 20

Mass 9:00am

Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm

Friday— February 21

Mass 9:00am

Saturday—February 22

Mass 5:00pm

Reconciliation 4:00 –4:50pm

KOC Prayer Service-10:00 am at the
Grotto

Sunday - February 23

Mass 8:30am & 11:15am

RE 9:45-11:00 am

Burning of Palms-after 8:30 Mass
Lenten Study of the Gospel—9:45

Weekly

July 2019 — June 2020

	Actual*	Needed
Last Week	\$7,289.00	\$6,692.00
Year to Date	\$255,201.58	\$220,836.00

*Please note the actual total includes Seminarian Fund, Building Fund & Special Collections which are not part of the general operating budget.



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Council meetings are open to all parishioners, and are typically on the third Wed. of the month after Mass.



The Love Pantry

The Love Pantry has requested that we bring cans of soup each week to help meet the needs of our Community.

Goal -100 cans/week.

Total cans last week – 67 cans.

Please consider donating \$1 per week!

ALL ARE INVITED

The Knights of Columbus
Council #12270

will sponsor a

Prayer Service

Saturday, February 22nd
10:00am at the
Virgin Mary Grotto

Donuts and coffee will be served

Contact Bernie Funderburg
205-405-6382

**Be a Religious Leader
in your family!**



Pro Life Corner



Shower of Blessings to Benefit Ann's New Life Center

February 16, 2020 following 8:30 mass

**Speaker is John Martignoni, Catholic
Apologist at the Office of Evangelization,
Founder of Bible Christian Society and Host to
EWTN, "Open Line".**

Please bring your filled baby bottles to the
shower. Breakfast will be provided.

ALL ARE INVITED!

Catholic Business and Professional Network Pre-MardiGras Networking and Trivia Night

*Monday, February 24, 5:00-7:30 pm at Sol Azteca
Mexican Restaurant
1360 Montgomery Hwy, Vestavia Hills, AL*

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sional men and women in the teachings of Jesus Christ
and His Church, by encouraging one another, building
relationships and deepening our faith.*

Magnificat Prayer Luncheon

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Hall

Saturday, February 22

11:00 am—2:00 pm

**Stephanie Burke, Director of Avila Foundation, in
Bessemer will be the speaker.**

**Contact Donna Chmielarski
205-408-0308 for more information.**

Assignments—Feb. 19~ Feb 23

WEDNESDAY **2/19/2020**

7:00 PM

Lectors Sarah Brazzolotto
Ministers Susan Moseley

SATURDAY MASS **2/22/2020**

5:00 PM

Altar Servers Peter Boyle, Chris Gallegly
Greeters Tammy McRae, Connie H & Gisela S
Lectors Marguerite Gorman, Tony Hollis
Ministers Deacon, Larry Reese, Tom Graffo
Ushers Mark McRae, Jim Dale,
Bob Nicholas, Clayton Martin

SUNDAY MASS **2/23/2020**

8:30 AM

Altar Servers Natalie Newcomb, Bailey Nail, Jacob Wiley
Greeters Rosemary Mateer, Jamillia Sayles
Lectors Megan Price Alexis Allor
Ministers Deacon, Anita Allor, Matthew Reese,
Stephen Reese. Anna Emerick
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Paul Emerick,
Laura Headley, Tommie Ann Johnson

11:15 AM

Altar Servers Destiny Markevich, Jhon Paul Rodgers,
Natalie Rodgers
Greeters A & W Struzik, Shirley Skeivelas
Lectors Gannon Osborne, Douglas Ross
Ministers Deacon, Martha Hayes, Maria Jimenez,
Anna Rosato Brown, Sarah Brazzolotto
Ushers Chris Gallegly, John Bluhm,
Jerold Bluhm, Andy Payant

**If you are unable to keep your assignment,
please find a substitute.**

Youth

Youth Choir Practice

February 23, 6:00 pm

March 8

Little Ones

K4—2nd Grade

Contact Jackie Summar

(205) 405-7825

2nd Sunday 12:30—2:30pm

Retreat March 21

Junior Youth

3rd—6th Grade

Contact Jordan Rawson

(205) 863-5787

2nd Sunday 12:30—2:30pm

February 16

Senior Youth

7th—12th Grade

Contact Carly Sadler

(205) 837-8888

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday 5:30pm-8:00pm



Please pray for our RCIA catechumen
and candidates:

**Bill Burns, Doug MacMurdo,
Cristy McKinney, Teri Shields,
Jerry Spradley, Janet Stevens
Joshua Frady**

Parish School of Religion Religious Education Dates to Remember!



February 16—RE 9:45 -11:00am

Shower of Blessings

Sr. Youth 5:30-8:00 pm

Holy Hour 7:00pm

February 18 —RCIA 7:00pm

February 19—Confirmation 6:30 pm

February 23 —Burning of Palms after 8:30 Mass

RE 9:45-11:00am

Lenten study of the Gospel 9:45am

Burning of Palms

Please Bring old palms and place them in
the baskets in the foyers.

Burning of Palms Ceremony

Feb. 23 after 8:30 Mass



Lenten Companion

A personal Encounter with the Power of
the Gospel.

Starts Feb 23 after 8:30 Mass
or Feb 24 at 7:00 pm

February 24— Lenten study of the Gospel 7:00 pm

February 25—RCIA 7:00 pm

February 26—Ash Wednesday

March 1—RE 9:45-11:00 am

Lenten study of the Gospel 9:45 am

Youth Mass 11:15 am

Rite of Sending 11:15 am

March 2 —Lenten study of the Gospel 7:00 pm

March 3 --RCIA 7:00 pm



**Please join us for Choir Rehearsal on
February 20th at 6:30 pm**


**ULTREYA!
ONWARD AND UPWARD!**

Our Lady of the Lake Ultreya will meet on **Sunday, February 16, 2020 at 5:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. A potluck dinner with a Mardi Gras theme will be served. Guest speakers will be George and Lisa Lake from the Tuscaloosa Ultreya. George is presently serving on the Secretariat as the Post Cursillo Chair.

If you have ever made a Cursillo Weekend and would like to reconnect, please come and join us for this fun-filled event. **REMEMBER...CHRIST IS COUNTING ON YOU!**

Child Safety

Fr. Bill requests that parents accompany their small children when the children go to the restroom. They pass through the South Foyer, which is often unoccupied by parishioners. A few months ago, someone came in from the street during mass and stole the poor box located in that foyer. Let us all be mindful of our young children and do our best to protect them

 The family of Daniel Centilli deeply appreciate your expressions of sympathy. Thank you for the Masses and prayers during this difficult time. We are grateful for our OLL family at this time of sorrow.

 We also appreciate the prayers for Mary Esther's healing.



Marriage Enrichment Day
Sat. February 22, 2020
8:30am- 4:00pm - Cathedral Life Center
Snacks and Lunch provided.
Day will begin with Mass 8:30am at the Cathedral of St. Paul Birmingham, Al.

Join Fr. Tim Pfander and Presenting Priest for WWME, along with couples from WWME for a fun and practical day of enrichment. Send email with name, address and phone: enrichday@gmail.com

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