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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.
Second Wednesday of every month— 7:30 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, April 24, 2021
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 25, 2021
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 25, 2021



See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. —1 John 3:1



April 26 - May 2

- Monday:** Tom Lucas by the Brazzolottos †
- Tuesday:** Marie Battaglia by Paul & Parma Boyle †
- Wednesday:** Katherine Nannenhorn by the Zielinskis †
- Thursday:** Paul Boyle by Susan Moseley
- Friday:** Deacon Bill & Mary Alexiou by the Brazzolottos
- Saturday:** Tom Lucas by the Johnson & Ledlow families †
- Sunday:** Andy McClay by the Zielinskis †
For the People

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

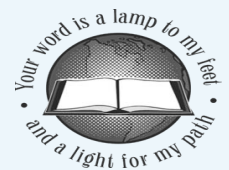
Paul Boyle, Jacky Johnson, Peggy Gessler, Gail Layton, Diana Markevich, Dorothy DiMattia, Walton Smith, Juanita Crowson, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Sarah Svetlay, Charles & Libby Lafleur, Fred Brown, Jan Bowman, Silvia Moten, Wayne Adams, Herb Kuntz, Bill Frost, Audrey Springer, Patsy Lopez de Victoria, Christine Jaks, Jeanie Reid, Ruth Stanley, Nancy Ross, Jackie Thoma, Cathy Funderburg Parker, Fr. Gray Bean, Dan Moynihan, Madelyn Guald, Pat Sobolowski

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 please email Sharon Stice at sharonstice46@gmail.com or call 205-613-1053.

Weekly Readings ~ April 26—May 2

- Monday:** Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
- Tuesday:** Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
- Wednesday:** Acts 12:24—13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
- Thursday:** Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
- Friday:** Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
- Saturday:** Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
- Sunday:** Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

Today's Readings



First Reading — There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalm — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel — The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is called Good Shepherd Sunday in the Catholic Church. That is because the Gospel reading comes from the Tenth Chapter of the Gospel of John, where Jesus says, "I am the Good Shepherd." This Sunday is also World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

The great leaders of the Old Testament, Moses and David, were shepherds before God called them to lead His people. God wanted the leaders of His people to be like shepherds, who brought back the strays and provided safety and sustenance for the "flock" that belonged to Him. The shepherd-leaders were stewards, but God was the owner of the People of God.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He not only tends the flock of those who belong to Him, He is the owner of the flock. In His passion, Jesus laid down His life for His sheep. He died to protect them from the Adversary, who is a predator who wants to destroy whatever belongs to God. Satan wants to snatch those who belong to the Good Shepherd.

If Jesus is the Good Shepherd, then the Church is the flock He shepherds. As members of the flock, we follow where Jesus Christ leads, rather than going where we want to go. Sometimes the Good Shepherd leads us into unfamiliar places. When that happens, we are called to trust that He will provide for us. As we read in Psalm 23: "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage."

When a presiding bishop functions as the leader of the liturgy of His diocese, he carries a staff, called a crozier. It is modeled after a shepherd's staff. The bishop is the shepherd of the local Church. God is the owner of that Church. The model of the bishop is Jesus Christ; the Good Shepherd, who lays down His life for His sheep.

Cross Catholic Outreach

Delivering Food, Shelter and Hope to the Poorest of the Poor

Please join us for the celebration of Mass on May 8-9, 2021, at Our Lady of the Lake as we host a Cross Catholic Outreach Priest and rejoice in the Church's global efforts to serve the poor and vulnerable.

Offertory Collection

July 2020 — June 2021

| | Actual | Needed weekly |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------------|
| April 18 Offertory | \$7,062 | \$5,558 |
| Year to Date | \$262,222 | \$233,436 |

Building Fund Collection

July 2020 — June 2021

| | Actual | Needed weekly |
|----------------------|----------|------------------|
| April 18 Building | \$1,122 | \$678 |
| Year to Date | \$36,899 | \$28,476 |



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

NEW DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our current Director of Religious Education, Kelly Cardenas, will be leaving that position after May 16th. We thank Kelly for guiding the religious education of our parish during this most difficult year.

The parish will be hiring a new Director of Religious Education. If you are interested in finding out more information about this paid, part time position, contact Father Bill at the office. The number is 205-525-5161.

BELL TOWER FUND DRIVE

The parish has received architectural renderings for a tower to house a bell. The bell has been purchased and fitted for automatic ringing. The total cost of the project is approximately \$100,000. **We have a pledge of \$30,000 and collected an additional \$4,357 as of April 1, 2021.** The rest of the cost will need to be raised **before** a contract can be signed by Bishop Raica and construction can begin.

If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation, make the check out to Our Lady of the Lake and write "Bell Tower" on the check. You may also donate online though Faithdirect. Indicate in the donor notes that your contribution is for the Bell Tower. See the OLL website for more information on how to sign up for online giving at ollpellcity.com/collection-basket

Computer-generated renderings of the bell tower can be found in either foyer of the church.

PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION

The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body. The Pastor consults the members to get feedback on pastoral initiatives and to find out the needs of the parish.

The Council is made up of nine members serving staggered three-year terms. The year begins in July and ends the following June. Elections for new members are held in May.



If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else as a candidate, contact the parish office. **If you nominate someone else, be sure to get their permission before nominating them.**



First Annual Ann's New Life Medical Pregnancy Center Benefit Bass Fishing Tournament on Logan Martin Lake

(Date to be Announced)

Sponsorship Levels

Gold Level Sponsor \$1000

2 Social Media posts per week to local Facebook pages.

1 highlighting post on all local fishing Facebook Groups.

Logo included on all materials associated with tournament (social media, printed material and banner).

3-5 mentions during Facebook Live video of tournament and tagged in pictures during the tournament.

Tent area during tournament registration and weigh in (tent not provided).

Silver Level Sponsor \$500

1 Social Media post per week to local Facebook pages.

2-3 mentions during Facebook Live videos during tournament.

Tent area during tournament (tent not provided).

Logo Included on all printed materials and banner.

Bronze Level Sponsor \$250

Logo included on all printed flyers and social media (group posts).

Sponsorship proceeds will go directly to Ann's New Life to raise awareness of the importance of ALL human life. If you want to sponsor, contact Ann's New Life at (205) 338-4580.

Assignments—April 28~ May 2

WEDNESDAY MASS

4/28/2021 7:00 PM

Lector: Charmaine Welch

Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS

5/1/2021 5:00 PM

Greeters: Kathy Shivers, Allen Ross

Lector: Allen Ross

Ministers: Deacon

Ushers: Mark McRae, Amy Carreker

SUNDAY MASS

5/2/2021 8:30 AM

Greeters: Patrick Cowart,
Patsy Lopez de Victoria

Lector: Teri Gagliano

Ministers: Deacon

Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Carly Sadler
Brandon Sadler, Robert Paulitzky

Youth Mass 5/2/2021 11:15 AM

Greeters: TBD

Lector: Natalie Rogers

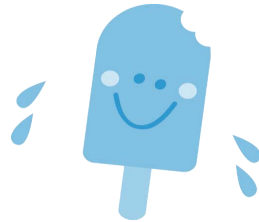
Ministers: Deacon

Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Andy Payant
Caleb Bluhm, Emily Bluhm

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



Congrats to our 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade students! Together, they brought in over \$50.00 for Catholic Relief Services during Lent! Today we will celebrate with a popsicle party at the end of our class time!



**For faith formation this LENT,
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FAITH AT HOME

For free access, use our parish code: JRQNH8

Looking Ahead...

April 25 - RE : 9:45 am—11 am
(Popsicle Party for 1st-5th grade)

May 2—RE : 9:45 am—11 am /

First Communion Mass: 2pm

May 9— NO RE

May Crowning

after the 8:30 Mass

Mother's
DAY

May 16—RE End of Year Reception/
Senior Sunday 9:45 am-11 am

**Please pray for those
preparing to receive first
holy communion on
May 2nd:**

Nate Cardenas, Natalie Dempsey, Ethan Myers, Daniel Vasquez, Tucker Warmus, Dalton Wiley, and Ella Yancey



VISITS TO THOSE STUCK AT HOME

If you or someone you know would like a phone call or a visit from Father Bill or one of the deacons, please let us know. We would like to encourage anyone who feels discouraged at this time. We can visit in person or over the phone. We can bring communion if desired. The phone numbers are:

- Father Bill Lucas, 205-383-8134
 - Deacon Terry Rumore, 205-253-9223
 - Deacon Lee Robinson, 205-936-9330;
 - Deacon Serge Brazzolotto, 205-753-3230.
- You may also call the office at 205-525-5161.



The Christian Love Pantry

The Christian Love Pantry is still trying to help the poor in the St. Clair County area. To assist them we are continuing to collect canned soup at the church. You can leave donations in the South vestibule. There is a box for cash donations in each vestibule.

If you prefer, you may drop your donation at the parish office during normal office hours.

Goal -400 cans/month.
Total cans to date in April -214 cans.

Camp St. Bernard

Camp St. Bernard is back in 2021! We will have our traditional summer camp for boys and girls ages 8-14 in June. Campers can enjoy the campus of St. Bernard Abbey and Prep School, visit with old friends and make new ones, all in a safe, family atmosphere.

Go to campstbernard.com for more information.

Calendar for April 25 -May 2 2021

Sunday-April 25

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am
 RE- 9:45 am

Monday- April 26

Mass 9:00 am
 KOC Meeting-6:00-8:00 pm

Tuesday- April 27

Mass 9:00 am

Wednesday-April 28

Mass 7:00 pm

Thursday- April 29

Mass 9:00 am

Friday- April 30

Mass 9:00 am

Saturday- May 1

Reconciliation 4:00-4:45 pm
 Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday-May 2

Mass 8:30 am
 Youth Mass 11:15 am
 RE- 9:45 am
 First Communion Mass-2:00 pm

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