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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.-10:30 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, January 1, 2022
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 2, 2022
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



The Epiphany of the Lord January 2, 2022

*Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has
come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.*
—Isaiah 60:1



Jan 3 - Jan 9

- Monday:** David Henry Huguley by Patricia Blum †
Tuesday: Alfredo Amaya by James & Gloria Raynor †
Wednesday: Michael Lombardo by Terry & Rita Rumore †
Thursday: Concepcion Leon by Erasmo Herrera †
Friday: Tim Smith Jr. by Walton Smith †
Saturday: Jan Bowman by Jeff Bowman †
Sunday: Daniel Moynihan by Bill & Loretta Frost †
For the People

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Paul Boyle, Jacky & Tommie Ann Johnson, Ron & Diana Markevich, Walton Smith, Juanita Crowson, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Sarah Svetlay, Fred Brown, Silvia Moten, Mary & Wayne Adams, Herb Kuntz, Bill & Loretta Frost, David & Audrey Springer, Christine Jaks, Jeanie Reid, Ruth Stanley, Jackie Thoma, Frank Troncalli, Angela Ledlow, Michael Brayman, Shannon Ray, Mark Boyle, Lee Walser, Judy Marston, Geri Bunt, Jay Benson, Charles & Libby LaFleur, Bill Trussell

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 January 3—January 9

- Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22—4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
- Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10; Pa 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
- Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
- Thursday:** 1 4:19—5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
- Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
- Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
- Sunday:** Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Today's Readings



First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise of Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

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A NEW YEAR?

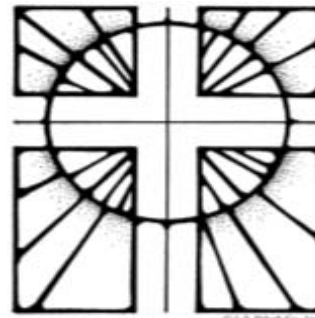
The calendar has flipped. It is a different year than it was a few days ago. But is it new? We mark time by how long it takes the earth to revolve around the sun. Each revolution is one year. The days are marked by the time it takes the earth to spin one revolution on its invisible axis. Part of that time we face the sun and part of that time we face away from the sun. Each month is marked by the orbit of the moon around the earth, which is calculated by the sun's reflection on the moon. Every calculation depends on the sun.

For Christians, every calculation depends on the Son of God, Jesus Christ. Our worlds, our lives, revolve around Him. We are satellites of the Son of God. The Son is our fixed point that does not move. We move in relation to Him.

In the Greek language of the New Testament there are two words that are translated as "time". One is *Chronos*, which is time as seconds, minutes, hours, days, months and years. According to *Chronos*, we have crossed into a different year. The other word for "time" in Greek is *Kairos*. It means an opportunity, as in, "now is the time".

What will make this year new is seizing the opportunity to acknowledge Jesus Christ as the center of our lives. That will require decisions and action in addition to words. If Jesus is not the center of our lives, it may be another year, but not a new year. We must live as if Jesus Christ is the center of our lives because He truly is. Our lives truly revolve around Him.

For centuries people mistakenly thought the earth was the center of the solar system and everything revolved around us. Some people still believe everything revolves around them. Christians believe everything revolves around Jesus Christ.



Columbarium News

We are excited to announce that we are moving ahead on Our Lady of the Lake Columbarium. The Columbarium will consist of 80 niches which can hold the urns of two people. Contract for selection and use of the niches is allowed after full receipt of payment. Niche location selection is on a first come first served basis.

You will hear about the Columbarium plans in a short presentation during Masses the weekend of January 8th.

Information packets will be available after each Mass the weekend of January 15th. You can also contact the office at 205-525-5161 during normal office hours if you need more information.

SILENCE BEFORE AND AFTER MASS

The 15 minutes before Mass and the 15 minutes following Mass are used by some people as a time for prayerful preparation and thanksgiving. That is why we try to maintain a "reverential silence" in the church during those times. Fellowship is also a part of our faith, but the place for that is in the foyers of the church or outside. Please try to be respectful of the needs of others and maintain a reverential silence in the church before and after Mass.

Father Bill

Offertory Collection

July 2021 — June 2022

| | Actual | Needed weekly |
|---------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Dec 19 Offertory | \$5,106 | \$6,500 |
| Year to Date | \$167,979 | \$162,500 |



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

THE LITERACY COUNCIL
OF CENTRAL ALABAMA



The Literacy Council of St. Clair County offers Programs in the following areas:

- *Adults learn to read or improve your reading skills. Our reading classes are normally taught "one on one". The classes will help with your reading skills and comprehension of what you have read.*
- *Assist you in preparing to get your GED.*
- *ESOL Classes (English for Speakers of Other Languages) The classes are offered every Tuesday night, upstairs, at the Pell City Municipal Complex, (The Pell City Library location).*

All classes are free and flexible scheduling is available. Call 205-378-9072 for more information

2022 Offertory Envelopes

Please pick up your offertory envelopes for calendar year 2022 in the Parish Hall. If you do not see yours, please call the office at 205-525-5161.

Annual Respect Life Mass and Witness for Life Saturday, January 15, 2022

Annual Respect Life Mass-Bishop Raica
9:00 am
Cathedral of St. Paul, 2120 3rd Ave. N,
Birmingham, AL

Prayer Vigil and Witness for Life
10:45 am
Planned Parenthood, 1019 1st Ave. N,
Birmingham, AL

For more information call 205-447-8796 or go to
www.birminghammarchforlife.com

One Voice Magazine

A reminder that there will not be an envelope in the 2022 offertory envelopes for a One Voice contribution. You are no longer obligated to send in \$17 annually to help defray the cost of One Voice.

The One Voice Magazine is sent to all registered parishioners. If you are not receiving this magazine, please contact the parish office at 205-525-5161.

The 2022 Calendars are here! Please take one located in each foyer of the church.

Saint Rose Academy Open House

An open house for prospective families and students in 3-year-old kindergarten through 8th grade will take place on Sunday, January 9, 2022, from 2 to 4 p.m. Visitors are invited to tour the school and meet the teachers, staff and administrators who will all be there to answer questions.

Saint Rose is a private, Catholic, co-educational school, owned and operated by the Dominican Sisters of the Saint Cecilia Congregation in Nashville, TN. The school is located at 1401 22nd Street S., Birmingham, AL 35205. Visit us at www.strosebhm.org for more information.



eGiving with Faith Direct

Our Lady of the Lake offers a secure way for you to support our parish offertory and second collections with *Faith Direct*.

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Assignments—January 5 - January 9, 2022

WEDNESDAY MASS

1/5/2022 7:00 PM

Lector: Charmaine Welch
Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY EVENING MASS

1/8/2022 5:00 PM

Greeters: Allen Ross, Karen Hand
Lector: Marguerite Gorman
Ministers: Deacon, Tom Graffo
Altar Servers: Michael Gagliano, Tom Graffo
Ushers: Amy Carreker, Jim Gorman

SUNDAY MASS

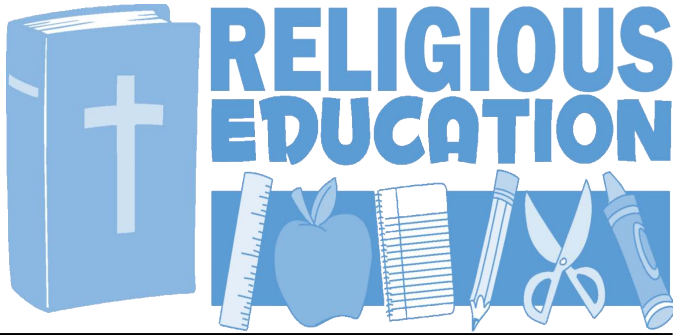
1/9/2022 8:30 AM

Greeters: Shelly Hamman, J&B Paulitzky
Lectors: Bart & Gail Perry
Ministers: Deacon, Patrick Everett
Altar Servers:
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Belia Solis, Henry Cardenas, Dennis Veigl

1/9/2022 11:15 AM

Greeters: P Cowart/P Lopez deVictoria Dawn Adamson
Lectors: Miranda Bryant, Larry Foltz
Ministers: Deacon, Bernie Funderburg
Altar Servers: Ethan Myers, Caleb Bluhm
Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Gregg Becnel Jerrold Bluhm

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



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Epiphany Sunday

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany. On this feast we remember when the wise men came from the East and worshipped baby Jesus.

The wise men wanted to find the great King and give Him their best gifts. They studied long and finally knew where He was. Then they had to travel a great distance to find the baby King. When they found Him, they knelt before Him and gave Him their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, which were all costly treasures.

Do you want to find the greatest King? You know Who He is! You don't have to travel far to find Him— He comes in EVERY Mass!

Do you want to give your best gift to the baby King Who loves you so much? You don't need to give Him gold or frankincense or myrrh. You can give Him your heart! Love Jesus and He will always be with you!

Source: The Kids' Bulletin

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FAITH AT HOME

Parish Code: **JRQNH8**

Looking Ahead:

January 2nd - NO R.E.

January 9th - Religious Education is back from break. 9:45AM-11AM.

January 10th - First Reconciliation 6PM.

January 16th - Religious Education 9:45AM-11AM.



Youth Group will NOT meet until after the 1st of the Year. Enjoy your holidays! More details to come on JUNIOR Youth Group meetings which will begin when we are back from the holidays. Be on the lookout!

“Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Emmanuel.”

- Isaiah 7:14

BOTTLED WATER COLLECTION

Because of Covid, local children are not able to use water fountains in their schools. Our parish will be collecting bottled water to donate to the local schools. Just leave the donations in the foyers of the church or in the parish hall when they are open.

Thank you.

The Catholic Diocese of Birmingham The Office of Black Catholic Ministry

Presents

A Diocesan Prayer Breakfast in Commemoration of

The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Saturday, January 8, 2022
10:00 AM

Cathedral of St Paul Life
Center
2120 Third Avenue North,
Birmingham, AL



*“Where Do We Go from Here?
Chaos or Community”*

A Personal Reflection by Very Reverend Kevin
Fausz, CM— Pastor of Holy Redeemer and Our
Lady of Perpetual Help Churches, San Antonio, TX

Tickets \$25.00

To purchase, call the Office of Black Ministry at
205-838-8313

Sunday January 2
Masses 8:30 & 11:15 am
No Religious Education

Monday— January 3
Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday— January 4
Mass 9:00 am
RCIA— 7:00 pm

Wednesday—January 5
Mass 7:00 pm
Youth Group— 6:00 pm

Thursday— January 6
Mass 9:00 am

Friday— January 7
Mass 9:00 am
First Friday Adoration 9:30-10:30 am

Saturday— January 8
Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday January 9
Masses 8:30 & 11:15 am
RE-9:45 am

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