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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		Weekly Readings March 7—March 13	
Saturday, Mar Mass 5:00 Sunday, Marc	pm	Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8 -10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
2	8:30 am & 11:15 am	Tuesday:	ls 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Fírs	t Sunday of Lent	Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12- 13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Ma	rch 6, 2022	Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
The word is near you, in your m ————————————————————————————————————	nouth and in your heart. ans 10:8	Friday:	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
	March 7 - March 13	Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4 -5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
MASS M INTENTIONS Monday: Jan Bowman by Je	ff Bowman 🕇	Sunday:	Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17—4:1 [3:20—4:1]; Lk
Tuesday: Fernando Vera by E	_		9:28b-36
Thursday:Betty & Yolie by StFriday:Matthew Brazolotte	usan Moseley 🕇 o by Terry & Rita Rumore by Bob & Karen Hand 🕇	Today's :	Readings
Por the People <u>Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:</u> Jacky Johnson, Ron & Diana Markevich, Walton Smith, Juanita Crowson, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Sarah Svetlay, Fred Brown, Silvia Moten, Mary & Wayne Adams, Herb & Sherry 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, Tom Welch, Lance Stella, Monsignor Sexton 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 <u>sharonstice46@gmail.com</u> or call 205-613-1053.		 First Reading — The Israelites show their faith by offering the LORD first fruits of the products of their new land (Deuteronomy 26:4-10). Psalm — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91). Second Reading — All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved (Romans 10:8-13). Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted (Luke 4:1-13). 	
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Father Bill's Weekly Message

JUST WAR

It is very sad to see war begin in Ukraine. Tens of Thousands of people will die to satisfy the greed of a few. Once the aggression has begun, "the genie cannot be put back in the bottle".

In war, the first casualty is always the truth. That has been seen already in the pronouncement of a history that does not exist as a pretext for the invasion. Rather than not believing everything you read, a person should believe nothing that they read or see. Information is tightly controlled by the combatants.

The Church has a teaching about the proper conduct of war. It is called *The Just War Doctrine*. It can be found in The Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraphs 2312-2314. In summary, the teaching is:

- War can only be engaged in as a last resort, once all means of negotiation have been exhausted. **Pre-emptive attacks do not meet this criterion. They are immoral.**
- The Church and human reason both assert the permanent validity of the moral law during armed conflict. If the moral law is violated during conflict, the party violating the moral law is considered guilty of sin.

Non-combatants, wounded soldiers, and prisoners must be respected and treated humanely. This is called "Non-Combatant Immunity." Church teaching also condemns torture in any form, even if it is called "enhanced interrogation."

Every act of war directed to the indiscriminate destruction of whole cities or vast areas with their inhabitants is a crime against God and man, which merits firm, unequivocal condemnation. This refers to "Collateral Damage." It is to be avoided. This also violates the principle of Non-Combatant Immunity.

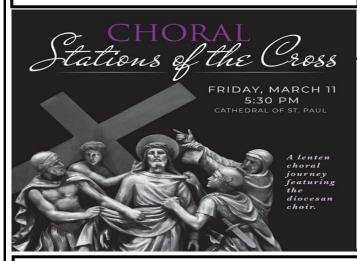
Pope Francis asked that Ash Wednesday be a day of prayer and fasting for peace in Ukraine. I would ask that we dedicate all our Lenten sacrifices for an end to the war there and a just and peaceful solution to the conflict. May Mary, Queen of Peace, intercede for us on behalf of the people of Ukraine.

Church Bulletins

Due to high costs and low number of advertisers, our bulletin print company has informed us they will no longer print bulletins for us starting this weekend (March 5-6, 2022).

If you are on our urgent email distribution listing, you will receive an emailed bulletin from J.S Paluch every week. If you are not on our email distribution and would like to, please call the office at 205-525-5161 or email at parish@ollpellcity.com. The bulletin is also posted on the OLL website every week.

A limited number of printed bulletins are located in each foyer if you do not have the capability of viewing online or receiving email.



Ascension St Vincent's St. Clair Chapel

Wednesday morning Mass has resumed at St. Vincent's Hospital St.

Clair Chapel, Pell City. Mass is scheduled at 8:30 am. The chapel is also open for prayer and meditation 24 hours a day.



THE WORD AMONG US

Please take your family's copy of The Word Among Us which are daily meditations for the Lenten season. The books are located in both foyers of the church.

Offertory Collection					
July	2021 — June	2022			
	Actual	Needed weekly			
Feb 27 Offertory	\$4,951	\$6,500			
Year to Date	\$239,086	\$227,500			



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

Lenten Buy One <u>Give</u> One (BOGO) Food Drive

Pope St. John Paul II stated on Feb. 16, 1997 that "Almsgiving, far from being reduced to an occasional offering of money, means assuming an attitude of sharing and acceptance. We only need to "open our eyes" to see beside us so many brothers and sisters who are suffering materially and spiritually. Thus Lent is a forceful invitation to solidarity." With this in mind we are asking each of you to help us, help those less fortunate than ourselves. An easy way to do this is when shopping at your favorite grocery store and you notice you are buying any dry good or canned good that has a "BOGO" buy one get one for free sale, please consider picking up that second item and donating it to the church.

We will collect these items in the foyers throughout the Lenten season and distribute them through local food pantries. This small act of charity can truly change lives.

The Christian Love Pantry

The Christian Love Pantry is helping the poor in the St. Clair County area. To assist them we are collecting canned soup at the church. You can leave donations in either vestibule.



There is also 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

Cans donated to date in February - 418 cans

Please consider donating \$1 per week

EASTER BASKETS FOR THE NEEDY IN OUR COMMUNITY

OLL Social Concerns will be assembling Easter Baskets for the needy in our community. If you would like to donate candy or small toy items, please place in the blue containers in each foyer.

We will collecting items all through March with the goal of giving out 100 Easter baskets. Rosaries and church information will also be included in the basket.

If you have any questions, please contact Cristy McKinney at 256-239-9839.



KOC Council 12270 Lenten Fish Fries

Knights of Columbus Council 12270 will be sponsoring Lenten fish fries every Friday evening during Lent beginning March 4 through April 8. Serving will be from 5:00 to

6:30 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross. The menu will consist of fried fish, baked fish, hush puppies, steamed vegetables, French fries, macaroni and cheese, and coleslaw.

- 2-piece dinner (2 sides) \$10
- 1-piece dinner (2 sides) \$8
- Child's plate (cheese pizza, 1 side) \$4

All proceeds will be used to fund the numerous charitable activities KOC Council 12270 supports.



Daylight Savings Time starts next weekend. Please be sure and set your clocks ahead 1 hour on Saturday evening before you turn in for the night.

Saint Rose Academy Job Posting

St. Rose Academy is seeking a part time Facilities Manager to start in July 2022. This position maintains and oversees the school's grounds, buildings and equipment. Candidates should have supervisory experience in a variety of building maintenance roles. Please contact Sister Mary Juliana, Principal at smjuliana@saintroseacademyop.com.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: During this Lenten season, reflect on God's love for you as a married couple. Enrich and renew your Sacrament of Matrimony by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

The next weekend in the diocese of Birmingham is scheduled on March 25-27, 2022 at St.Bernard Abbey in Cullman. You can get more information or register online www.wwme.org or by calling Frank and Kathryn Wessling at 205-530-3607. Assígnments March 9, 2022 - March 13, 2022

WEDNESDAY MASS-

3/9/2022 7:00 PM

Lector: Ministers: Teri Gagliano Deacon

SATURDAY EVENING MASS

3/12/2022 5:00 PM

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SUNDAY MASS

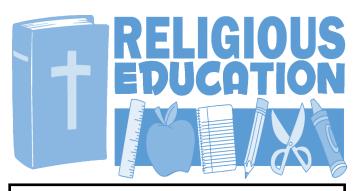
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Greeters:	Dennis & Sandy Viegl, Sonya Lewis			
Lectors:	Bart Perry, Gail Perry			
Ministers:	Deacon, Jane Snider			
Altar Server:				
Ushers:	: Michael Gagliano, Laura Headley			
	Bart Perry, Phillip Thomaston			

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Greeters:	P Cowart/Patsy Lopez deVictoria	
	Jan Spencer	
Lectors:	Doug Ross, Mary Adams	
Ministers:	Deacon, Ryan Murphree	
Altar Servers:	Destiny Markevich, Ethan Myers	
Ushers:	Chris Gallegly, Caleb Bluhm	
	Emily Bluhm, John Bluhm	

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



<u>Lent:</u>

Lent is the special time when we prepare for the celebration of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. We get our souls ready by doing prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Prayer is talking with God. We need to talk with God even more than we need to talk to our family and friends. Lent is a good time to get into a habit of talking with God every day.

Fasting is eating less than you normally would. It's a good idea to give up a little something you like for Lent. Giving things up helps us remember we need God, not just food.

Almsgiving means giving to those who are in need. It helps us to be generous like God. Maybe you have a bit of money you can give to the poor or to the Church.

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Looking Ahead:

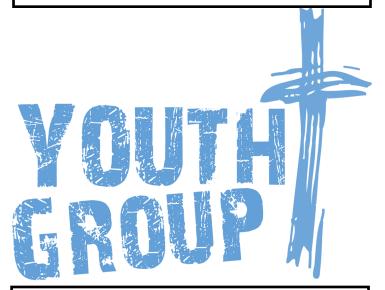
March 6th - Religious Education 9:45AM - 11AM. (Grades 2,3,4,8 Confessions)

March 13th - Religious Education 9:45AM - 11AM. (Grades 5-7 Confessions)

March 20th - Religious Education 9:45AM - 11AM. (Grades 9-12 Confession)

March 27th - SPRING BREAK! No RE.

April 3rd - SPRING BREAK! No RE.



Check out our new youth <u>and</u> adult ministries! Join us on Wednesdays at 6PM for food, fellowship, and reflection on His Word! ALL ages are welcome! Contact Jim Mathis for more information: jimmathis.oll@gmail.com

Jesus answered, "It is written: Worship the Lord your God and serve him only."

- Luke 4:8



Dear Families,

This Lent, our parish will participate in CRS Rice Bowl, a program that invites us to reflect on the challenges of global hunger—and our Gospel call to care for our global human family.

CRS Rice Bowl gives us a wonderful opportunity to encounter different people from around the world, know more about their lives and recognize them as our sisters and brothers. We will see how, through our **prayer**, we encounter Jesus, who is present in the face of every member of our human family. When we **fast**, we encounter the obstacles that prevent us from fully loving God and our neighbor. And when we **give alms**, we share in solidarity with those who need our support.

By joining our prayers, fasts and alms this Lent with those of other parishes and Catholic schools in the United States, we will help millions of women, men and children around the world whose economic challenges have been exacerbated by the pandemic. Together as a Church, through CRS Rice Bowl, we can contribute to the efforts of those who seek to build a better world for themselves and their communities.

CRS Rice Bowl provides many resources for daily reflection throughout the liturgical season. Consider these suggestions in your family's Lenten plan:

- Use your CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar each day to guide your prayer, fasting and almsgiving.
- Read the Stories of Hope and daily reflections to inspire your Lenten journey.
- Use the CRS Rice Bowl recipes to prepare simple, meatless meals on the Fridays of Lent to eat in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world.
- Visit crsricebowl.org to watch videos of the people and communities you support through your Lenten gifts to CRS Rice Bowl.

Your sacrifices during this holy season have the power to change lives by providing enough nutritious food for families to thrive. And by practicing the pillars of Lent through CRS Rice Bowl, I hope both your faith and connection to our one human family deepens.

CRS Rice Bowls will be collected at the end of Lent, so stay tuned to learn more. Thank you for participating in CRS Rice Bowl with your family.

Sincerely,

Jim Mathis



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FOR LENT FOR LIFE



This Lent, be transformed and transform the world—by practicing:

- Daily prayer.
- Weekly fasting.
- Almsgiving.

Journey with CRS Rice Bowl to encounter God and our global family. What you give up for Lent changes lives!

Find stories, videos and more at **crsricebowl.org**



The CHOSEN

As we prepare spiritually to celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord on Easter Sunday, we will be showing Season 2 of The Chosen during Lent.

There will be 8 presentations and each episode will be shown on Sunday between the Masses and again on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm for those who cannot make it on Sunday.

We encourage everyone to come to spend some time in meditation as we learn more about the life of Jesus and his followers.

- Episode 1 March 6 and 7
- Episode 2 March 13 and 14
- Episode 3 March 20 and 21
- Episode 4 March 27 and 28
- Episode 5 April 3 and 4
- Episode 6 April 10 and 11
- Episode 7 April 24 and 25
- Episode 8 May 1 and 2

Morning of Reflection with Bishop Baker St. Paul's Cathedral Saturday, March 26, 2022 8:30 am-1:00 pm

It is a privilege to pray for our priests! Seven Sisters Apostolate has a mission to pray for individual priests in small groups of only seven. Each woman chooses a different day of the week and offers one Holy Hour. Thus, the priest receives a Holy Hour every day. It is a blessing for the priest and the intercessor. We are inviting all Seven Sisters and any women who are interested to come and be refreshed and learn more about the value of these hours. Learn more by contacting Coby Soeherman at 205-835-1792 (call or text) or email: sevensistersbirmingham@gmail.com

Calendar for March 6, 2022–March 13, 2022

Sunday- March 6

Mass 8:30 & 11:15 am Rite of Sending 11:15 am Mass RE– 9:45 AM Confessions- Grades 2, 3, 4, & 8 Adult Ed– The Chosen-9:45 am

Monday– March 7

Mass 9:00 am Adult Ed-The Chosen 7:00 pm

> Tuesday– March 8 Mass 9:00 am RCIA– 7:00 pm

<u>Wednesday–March 9</u> Mass 7:00 pm Youth Groups/Adult Religious Study-6:00 pm Adoration/Holy Hour– 7:30-8:30 pm

> Thursday– March 10 Mass 9:00 am

<u>Friday– March 11</u> Mass 9:00 am KOC Fish Fry 5:00-6:30 pm Stations of the Cross– 7:00 pm

<u>Saturday– March 12</u> Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday- March 13

Daylight Savings Time Begins Mass 8:30 & 11:15 am RE– 9:45 AM Confessions– Grades 5-7 Adult Ed– The Chosen-9:45 am



