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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.

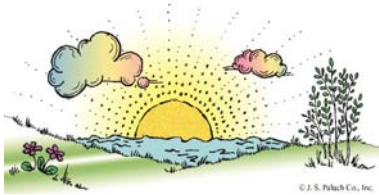
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

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

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, April 23, 2022
Mass 5:00 pm

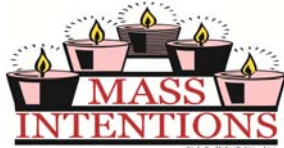
Sunday, April 24, 2022
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



Second Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)

April 24, 2022

Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever.
—Revelation 1:18a



April 25 - May 1

- Monday:** Barbara & Dave Stubblefield family
by Madelyn & Ernie Guald
- Tuesday:** Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore
by Pat & Ann Reddy
- Wednesday:** Marie Battaglia by Parma Boyle †
- Thursday:** Joe Yester by James & Gloria Raynor †
- Friday:** Katherine Nannenhorn by the Zielinskis †
- Saturday:** Carolyn O'Grady family
by Madelyn & Ernie Guald
- Sunday:** Lance & Janice Stella
by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore
For the People

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

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, 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 sharonstice46@gmail.com or call 205-613-1053.

Weekly Readings April 25—May 1

- Monday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
- Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
- Friday:** Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
- Sunday:** Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

Today's Readings



First Reading — The apostles perform many signs and wonders among the people. Many are added to their numbers (Acts 5:12-16).

Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — John, caught up in the spirit, envisions the glorified Lord, the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19).

Gospel — The risen Christ comes to the disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

One of the priests of the Diocese of Birmingham once remarked, "Every Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday." That is true. However, Pope St. John Paul II, declared during his pontificate that the Second Sunday of the Octave of Easter would be observed as the Sunday of Divine Mercy in all Catholic dioceses.

The devotion to the Divine Mercy comes from the writings of St. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun who died in 1938. She received communications from Jesus that instructed her of the nature of God's mercy for the world. Her spiritual director told her to write down the messages she received. These became known as her diary. It was published after her death.

The devotion to the Divine Mercy is as easy as ABC. A- Ask for God's Mercy; B- Be Merciful; C- Completely trust in Jesus. There is a Chaplet of Divine Mercy, prayed on a rosary, though with different prayers.

The Gospel reading for the Second Sunday of Easter is always John, 20, 19-31. In that passage, Jesus returns to the disciples on Easter Monday and says to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." The disciples are to be instruments of God's mercy in imitation of Jesus.

On this Sunday a special indulgence is granted that remits the temporal punishment of all sins. The usual conditions apply. You must go to confession within two weeks of Divine Mercy Sunday. You must have a complete detachment from the sins you confess. You must perform a pious act: in this case, recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

At Our Lady of the Lake, we will have a celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday afternoon beginning at 2:00 p.m. There will be Eucharistic

Adoration and confession from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Then the Knights of Columbus of our parish will lead a recitation of the chaplet beginning at 3:00 p.m. All

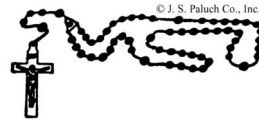


Legion of Mary

Join us for our weekly meetings
each Thursday night at 7:00 pm in
the Parish Hall.



May Crowning
Sunday, May 8, 2022
Our Lady of the Lake Grotto
After 8:30 am Mass



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Rosaries

If you are in need of rosaries for a group or event, please be sure and contact Our Lady of the Lake Rosary Guild. The Guild is able to supply custom rosaries as needed. Contact Lexie Smith or Marti Baird for more information.

Lexie.Smith@me.com or 205-966-5922

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Bible Study Group

Please join us for a special Bible Study from
Easter through Pentecost studying the
Book of Acts.

We will meet on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am
in the Parish Hall.

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
Revenue and Expenses
For the Nine Months Ending March 30, 2022

	YTD Actual	Budget	Over/under Budget	% of Budget Used
Contributions	\$412,752	\$300,724	\$112,028	137%
Other Income	\$938,262	\$0	\$938,262	
Total Income	\$1,351,014	\$300,724	\$1,050,290	
Total Operating Expense	\$271,058	\$279,995	(\$8,937)	97%
Total Capital Expenditures	\$188,820	\$135,000	\$53,820	140%



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

**Offertory
Collection**

July 2021 — June 2022

	Actual	Needed weekly
April 17 Offertory	\$9,522	\$6,500
Year to Date	\$292,806	\$273,000

Divine Mercy Sunday
April 24, 2022
Chaplet and Benediction
2:00-3:30 pm



COME BE A PILGRIM

St. Francis of Assisi, Tuscaloosa, has organized two pilgrimages for 2022.

June 14-25, 2022-Travel to Oberammergau, Germany for a 5 hour production of the Passion Play that is offered only every 10 years. After the play, we travel to Paris and Lourdes visiting beautiful churches, holy sites and the grotto where Our Blessed Mother appeared to St. Bernadette.

August 23-September 2, 2022- Travel to the Holy Land. We will experience the Sea of Galilee, pray at Jesus' birthplace, walk the Via Dolorosa to Calvary and celebrate Mass at Jesus' tomb in Jerusalem.

Our pilgrimage priests will offer Mass daily on both pilgrimages

Email Patti Remmert at pattiremmert@gmail.com or call at 2056-799-5741 for a brochure and more information.
Patti and Deacon Bill Remmert



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 April - 233 cans

Please consider donating \$1 per week

Eucharistic Ministers

Reminder: One of your responsibilities is to clean and store the sacred vessels after the Mass. If you have any questions, please call the office. Thank you!

Annual Men's Retreat

Gospel of St. Luke

Message of Joy and Courage

April 29-May 1, 2022

Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat

Check-in from 6-7 pm EST. Retreat begins 7:00 pm EST and ends after lunch on Sunday, May 1.

Fee \$190.00/person

Day Hop Fee \$85/person

See msbt.org/btsr for more information.



Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat
Peace in the Pines

Assignments

April 27, 2022 - May 1, 2022

WEDNESDAY MASS

4/27/2022 7:00 PM

Lector: Sarah Brazzolotto
Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS

4/30/2022 5:00 PM

Greeters: Pat Sobolowski, Jan Spencer
Lector: Susan Moseley
Ministers: Deacon, Allen Ross
Altar Servers: Bernie & Corey Funderburg
Ushers: Bob Nicholas, Jay Benson

SUNDAY MASS

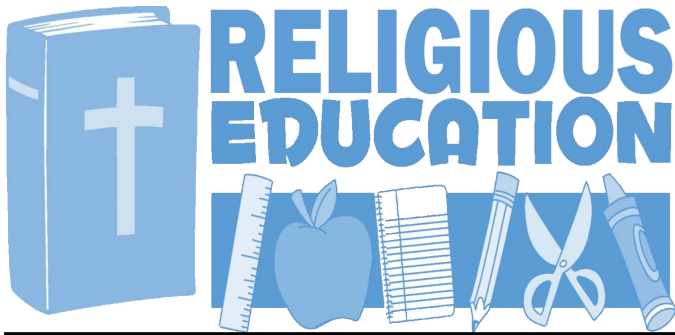
5/1/2022 8:30 AM

Greeters: Shelly Hamman, F&S Poteracki
Lectors: Patrick Everett, Shelly Hamman
Ministers: Deacon, Carly Sadler
Altar Server:
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Bart Perry
Dennis Veigl, Bill Bethel

5/1/2022 11:15 AM

Greeters: The Bluhm family
Lectors: Bernie Funderburg, Lexie Smith
Ministers: Deacon, Doug Ross
Altar Servers: Destiny Markevich,
Ethan Myers
Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith,
John Bluhm, Emily Bluhm

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



Divine Mercy Sunday

In today's Gospel we hear about the first time that Jesus came to the Apostles after he rose from the dead. He breathed on them and told them that they had the power to forgive sins. Jesus had just given us the Sacrament of Confession—now a priest could hear our sins and tell us that God forgives us.

Today, the second Sunday of Easter, is also the feast of Divine Mercy. Mercy means being treated well even though we don't deserve it. God is so merciful that He wants to forgive ALL our sins, no matter how bad. All we have to do is be sorry and go to Confession.

God's Divine Mercy is so great that even the worst sinner in the world can be saved from Hell if he asks for it. But even our little sins hurt Jesus, so we need to ask God for mercy too. Don't ever imagine that God can't forgive you. Jesus died on the cross that you would be able to go to Heaven!

Source: The Kids' Bulletin



Text @ollparents to 81010

Looking Ahead:

April 24th - RE: 9:45-11AM. | Divine Mercy Celebration 2-3:30PM.

April 30th - 1st Communion Retreat, 2:30PM in Parish Hall.
(Banners will be made.)

May 1st - 1st Holy Communion at 8:30AM Mass.

May 8 - May Crowning after 8:30AM Mass/ Mother's Day / No RE.

May 14th - Confirmation Retreat at St. Bernard's, time TBD.

May 15th - Confirmation Rehearsal at Sacred Heart Anniston 4PM.

May 21st— Confirmation at Sacred Heart 10AM

May 22nd—Senior Sunday / Last RE.

***PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO PRAY FOR
THE INDIVIDUALS PREPARING TO
RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS OF 1ST
HOLY COMMUNION AND
CONFIRMATION:***

**1st Holy
Communion:**

Analeigh Everett

Nora Keel

Kalli Reach

José Rojas-Torres

Mason Le

Will Atchinson

Confirmation:

Jhon Paul Rogers

Ethan Everett

John Bluhm

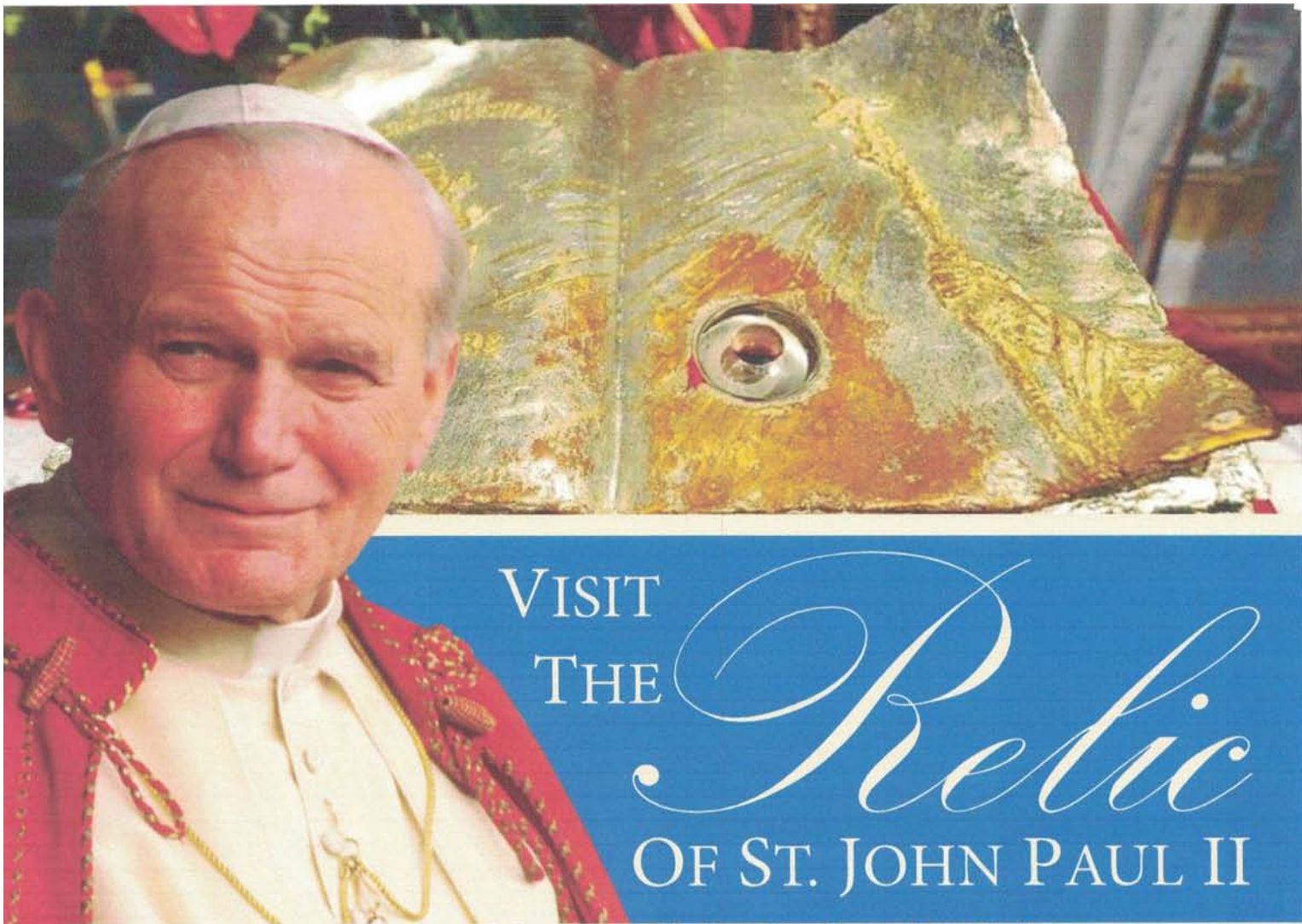
Aiden Medrano

***Keylin Mendez-
Torres***

Elizabeth Atchinson

"The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made."

- Psalm 145:9



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SCHEDULE FOR VENERATION

Tuesday, May 3

- **Holy Spirit School**, Huntsville: 1:30-3pm- Reflection and Veneration in the church. Open to the public and to area schools.
- **Holy Spirit Church**, Huntsville: 6pm Bilingual reflection followed by veneration until 9pm.

Wednesday, May 4

- **Cathedral of St. Paul**, Birmingham: 12:10 pm Mass celebrated by Bishop Steven Raica. Veneration will follow until 3pm. (Open to the public and to area schools).
- **St. Francis Xavier Church**, Birmingham: 6pm Bilingual reflection followed by veneration until 9pm.

Thursday, May 5

- **Chapel of the Holy Cross**, Albertville: 6pm-9pm (Spanish reflection and veneration)

This traveling first-class relic of St. John Paul II, a small vial of blood which miraculously remains liquified, is brought from The Vatican to the United States by the Servants of the Pierced Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

Organized by The Office of Hispanic Ministry, in collaboration with the Catholic Schools Office and the Office of Evangelization

www.piercedhearts.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 8 – May 15 and 16

No Presentation on May 1 and 2 due to First Holy Communion and May 8 and 9 due to Mother's Day.

Mass at St. Vincent's Chapel

Wednesday morning Mass has resumed at St. Vincent's Hospital St. Clair. Mass is scheduled at **8:30 am**. The Mass is held in the chapel on the first floor.

It is held every Wednesday, as long as Father Sexton or Father Bill are available.



Calendar for April 24, 2022—May 1, 2022

Sunday– April 24

Mass 8:30 & 11:15 am

RE 9:45 am

Adult Education-The Chosen 9:45 am

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction– 2:00-3:30 pm

Monday– April 25

Mass 9:00 am

Adult Education-The Chosen 7:00 pm

Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:00-8:00 pm

Tuesday– April 26

Mass 9:00 am

Bible Study Group-9:30 am

RCIA– 7:00 pm

Wednesday–April 27

Youth Groups/Adult Ed– 6:00 pm

Mass 7:00 pm

Thursday– April 28

Mass 9:00 am

Legion of Mary– 7:00 pm

Friday– April 29

Mass 9:00 am

Saturday– April 30

1st Communion Retreat- 2:30 pm- Parish Hall

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday– May 1

Mass 8:30 & 11:15 am

RE 9:45 am

1st Holy Communion-8:30 am Mass

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