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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

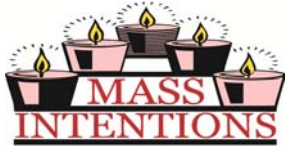
Saturday, May 14, 2022
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, May 15, 2022
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 15, 2022

*"Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race."
—Revelation 21:3*



May 16 - May 22

- Monday:** Fr. Tony D-Angelo by Fr William Lucas †
- Tuesday:** Susan Smith by Walton Smith
- Wednesday:** Bud Vollmann by the Zielinskis †
- Thursday:** Audrey Springer by Jared Musgrove
- Friday:** Joseph Brazzolotto by the Brazzolottos †
- Saturday:** Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore
by Rodney & Elizabeth Martin
- Sunday:** For the People
Alice Mitchell by Walton Smith

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,
Marcia Mortek

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 May 16—May 22

- Monday:** Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
- Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
- Friday:** Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
- Sunday:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

Today's Readings



First Reading — Paul and Barnabas continue their travels, spreading the faith and unifying the churches. (Acts 14:21-27).

Psalm — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — John's vision of God dwelling with the human race (Revelation 21:1-5a).

Gospel — As Jesus has loved us, so we must love one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).

THE IMPORTANCE OF SUNDAY

Not all Christians observe Sunday as “the Lord’s Day.” There are those who observe Saturday as the Sabbath. There are those who treat Sunday like any other day, except that they “go to church” on Sunday morning. What does Sunday mean for a Christian?

In the Acts of the Apostles, Paul begins his missionary preaching trying to convince Jews that Jesus is the Messiah, the Christ. At that time, Jews gathered on Saturday, the sabbath, for worship. In order to get the message about Jesus to as many people as possible, Paul went to the synagogue on Saturday.

But Paul’s message was largely rejected. So, in Chapter 13 of Acts Paul announces that he will begin preaching to the Gentiles. By Chapter 20, we read that Paul worshipped with the Gentiles on, “the first day of the week.” That would be Sunday. In the final book of the New Testament, The Book of Revelation, the apostle John writes, “I was caught up in the spirit on the Lord’s day.” Now Sunday has become known as the Lord’s Day.

The Church chose Sunday as the day of worship because it was the day Jesus Christ rose from the dead. In the words of St. Justin in the early Second century: “We all gather on the day of the sun, for it is the first day when God, separating matter from darkness, made the world; and on this same day Jesus Christ our Savior rose from the dead.”

Sunday is the pre-eminent day for the liturgical assembly, when the faithful gather “to listen to the word of God and take part in the Eucharist, thus calling to mind the Passion, Resurrection and glory of the Lord Jesus, and giving thanks to God who ‘has begotten them again, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead’ unto a living hope.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1167)

Next Week: How Christians live on Sunday.



Senior Sunday and End of the Year RE Reception

**Sunday, May 22, 2022
8:30 Mass**

We will honor our High School Seniors graduating with the Class of 2022 during the 8:30 Mass.

A reception will follow in the Parish Hall for the Seniors and their families as well as RE children and their families to celebrate the end of Religious Education for the year.



Legion of Mary

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

Friendship Place is a respite care program for families that have a loved one with memory loss. We provide 4 hours of purpose driven and meaningful activities in a friendly loving environment every Tuesday and Thursday from 10 am -2 pm giving caregivers time to care for themselves. We also run on Volunteer power!



If you are interested in visiting us with your loved one or as a potential volunteer, please contact Melinda Knepper at 205-884-0877 or director.friendshipplace@gmail.com

It can change your world!

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 9:45 am in the Parish Hall.

Offertory Collection

July 2021 — June 2022

	Actual	Needed weekly
May 8 Offertory	\$5,749	\$6,500
Year to Date	\$310,188	\$292,500



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 May –138 cans
 Please consider donating \$1 per week



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



PROROME

Two Upcoming Pilgrimages to Consider

Join Father Bryan Jerabek, Father Vincent Bresowar and fellow pilgrims from the Diocese of Birmingham on pilgrimage this year! We have two upcoming pilgrimages to consider.

Trip 1 - Catholic Europe and the Passion Play - August 1 - 11, 2022 Join Father Vincent Bresowar on a unique journey that will take you through the Czech Republic, Germany and Austria! The main event is the Passion Play in Germany, but this pilgrimage also features Prague and Český Krumlov (Czech Republic), Altötting, Passau, Munich and Füssen (Germany) and Salzburg (Austria). The cost is \$4490.00 and includes roundtrip airfare from Atlanta on British Airways in economy class. For more information or to register please visit the trip webpage <https://prorometours.com/passion-play/> or contact us directly.

Trip 2 - The South of France - October 15 - 25, 2022 Join Father Bryan Jerabek on a trip that features overnight visits to some of the most incredible places and the holiest shrines found in France, including Toulouse, Lourdes, Rocamadour, Avignon, Aix-en-Provence, Cotignac, Sainte-Baume, Carcassonne and Nice. The cost is \$4590.00 and includes roundtrip airfare from Atlanta in economy class. Everything is included except one meal daily. For more information or to register please visit the trip webpage <https://prorometours.com/france/> or contact us directly.

Visit our website www.prorometours.com or contact us today at office@prorome.com or at (434) 953-1112 for more information.

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

The weekend of June 17-19 the Diocese of Birmingham will sponsor a 40-Hours Devotion at the Cathedral of St. Paul in Birmingham. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 17th and conclude with an evening Eucharistic Procession through downtown Birmingham on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday, June 19th. You are encouraged to make plans to attend. More information to come.

MEDICAID EXPANSION

Hundreds of thousands of Alabama adults have no health coverage. Tens of thousands of them suffer daily because they can't afford treatment for chronic health conditions like cancer, diabetes or heart disease. Hundreds die every year as a result. Meanwhile, eight rural hospitals have closed in Alabama since 2011, and many others are at risk of the same fate.

Medicaid expansion would reduce human suffering and strengthen Alabama's health care system. It would save lives and deliver financial peace of mind to families who desperately need it. And it would create jobs and generate tax revenues by pumping billions of federal dollars into the state's economy. (Source: Alabama Arise)

Contact your local senator and representative in the Alabama State Legislature and ask them to consider Medicaid expansion in the next legislative session:

(Legislator's Name)
Alabama Legislature
11 South Union Street
Montgomery, AL 36130

Legislators also have email addresses and local offices. Information can be found on the Alabama Legislature web site.

Mark your calendar- Knights of Columbus Memorial Day Barbecue Sale

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Friday, May 27, 2022 at

8:00 a.m.

through Saturday May 28,
2022.



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

Assignments

May 18, 2022 - May 22, 2022

WEDNESDAY MASS

5/18/2022 7:00 PM

Lector: Teri Gagliano

Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS

5/21/2022 5:00 PM

Greeters: Dawn Adamson, Paige Everett

Lector: Marguerite Gorman

Ministers: Deacon, Parma Boyle

Altar Servers: Chris Gallegly,
Michael Gagliano

Ushers: Bob Nicholas, Jay Benson

SUNDAY MASS

5/22/2022 8:30 AM

Greeters: Anna Emerick, F&S Poteracki

Lectors: Dennis Veigl, Karen Reese

Ministers: Deacon, Stephen Reese

Altar Server:

Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Bart Perry
Laura Headley, Philip Thomaston

5/22/2022 11:15 AM

Greeters: Maria Jimenez,
Ray & Charlene Betz

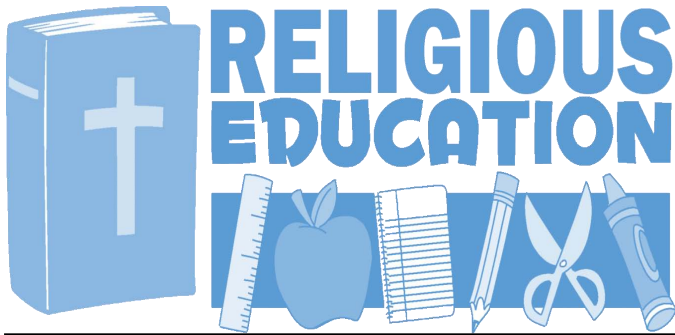
Lectors: Bernie Funderburg,
Gloria Raynor

Ministers: Deacon, James Raynor

Altar Servers: Jhon Paul & Natalie Rodgers

Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Caleb Boyle,
John Bluhm, Emily Bluhm

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



The New Commandment

In the Old Testament, before Jesus came, there were many commandments. They told the people how they should live and what they should and shouldn't do. Jesus obeyed the commandments, but He gave His followers a new one, something different than any of the others:

LOVE ONE ANOTHER!

The love that Jesus is talking about is called charity. It means doing what is best for a person. Here are some way to love others:

Always think kindly of people. Even when you know someone, try to think nice thoughts about them.

Always speak kindly about people. Saying bad things about others can hurt them.

Always act kindly toward others. Treat everyone in the way you would want to be treated. Show that you are a follower of Jesus by how you love others!

Source: The Kids' Bulletin

Looking Ahead:

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

May 21st — Confirmation at Sacred Heart. (Pray for those preparing to receive the Sacrament)

May 22nd—Senior Sunday / End of Year Reception

June 6-10 - Vacation Bible School. Rocky Railway: Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through!



Text @ollparents to 81010

VBS is closing in! If you're interested in volunteering please contact Jim @ 205-405-6028 or email jimmathis.oll@gmail.com.

Also see the interest sheets in the foyers to sign up your kids and let me know if you'd like to volunteer!

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

- Psalm 145:9

Heartfelt Thanks and Appreciation

I want to thank Fr. Bill Lucas, Deacon Terry, Deacon Serge and Deacon Lee for all their support and encouragement in the past few weeks. They ministered to me in a special way as I waited for the special medical procedure on May 2nd. I offer my sincerest thanks and appreciation to all of you for your prayers, good wishes and concern. I truly felt your support and encouragement. How blest we are to live in such a great community.

Thanks to Deacon Terry & Rita who took me into their home and offered me such loving care for several days after the procedure. Such Christ-like. Love and concern is a true blessing.

I ask for your continued prayers as I recover from my recent illness and I promise you a share in my prayers. Praise be to God who is worthy of all praise and glory. Amen.

Sincerely, Fr. Michael Sexton

Sunday— May 15
Mass 8:30 & 11:15 am
Adult Ed-The Chosen 9:45 am
RE-9:45 am
Confirmation Rehearsal-4:00 pm Sacred Heart-Anniston
Holy Hour— 7:00-8:00 pm

Monday— May 16
Mass 9:00 am
Adult Ed-The Chosen— 7:00 pm

Tuesday— May 17
Mass 9:00 am
Bible Study Group-9:45 am

Wednesday—May 18
Surfsiders— 10:00 am
Youth Groups/Adult Ed— 6:00 pm
Mass 7:00 pm
Pastoral Council— 7:30 pm

Thursday— May 19
Mass 9:00 am
Legion of Mary— 7:00 pm

Friday— May 20
Mass 9:00 am

Saturday— May 21
Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday— May 22— Senior Sunday
Recognition of HS Seniors— 8:30 am Mass
Reception for HS Seniors & RE children-9:45 am.
Mass 11:15 am

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.



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