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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 Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, Saturday, July 9, 2022 16bc-17, 23; Mt 10:34 — Mass 5:00 pm 11:1 Sunday, June 10, 2022 Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am 11:20-24 Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27 Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:28-30 July 10, 2022 ls 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; ls Friday: Christ Jesus.... is the head of the body, the church. "-Colossians 1:15, 18 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8 Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, July 11 - July 17 14; Mt 12:14-21 Sunday: Gen 18:1-10a: Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38 Monday: Paul Boyle Sr. by John & Enid Willi -42 **Tuesday:** Frances Matukas by Jerry & Brenda Kern Wednesday: Jan Bowman by Jeff Bowman 🕇 nord is a lamp to William Reach by the Brazzolottos **†** Thursday: Today's Readings Friday: Tim Smith Sr. by Walton Smith Saturday: Trudi & Andy McClay by the Zielinskis T a light for my Sunday: For the People Paul Boyle Sr. Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore 🕇 **First Reading** — Heed the voice of the Lord. It is something very near to you, already in your <u>Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:</u> Ron & Diana Markevich, Walton Smith, Juanita Crowson, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Sarah Svetlay, Fred Brown, Silvia Moten, 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, Marcia Mortek, Paula Hereford, Frances Matukus, Margaret Carroll, James Reilly, Benny Goodman, Greg Randle, Julius Beavers Janie Gallegly, Margaret Banks hearts; you only need to carry it out (Deuteronomy 30:10-14). **Psalm** — Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live (Psalm 69). Second Reading — All things were created through and for Christ Jesus (Colossians 1:15-20). **Gospel** — To be a neighbor, show love by treating others with mercy, as did the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37). 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. The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

Weekly Readings July 11—July 17

Father Bill's Weekly Message

There has been another mass shooting. The current definition of a mass shooting is 3 or more people shot by the same person. In 2022 there have been 1.6 mass shootings each day in the United State. There was one in Riverside on May 22^{nd} , though most people don't talk about it anymore. We are too enrapt in the most recent one at <u>(fill in the blank)</u>.

People are worried they could be next. Even churches have tried to come up with "security plans" to prevent these things from happening. The plans have shifted from "if" this happens to "when".

There is another level to these events that is not being discussed. Our culture is rife with grievance. Everyone seems to believe they are victims of injustice either by groups or individuals. Everyone and every group seem to be fighting to "take back" what is rightfully theirs.

An individual who believes they are a victim of injustice is usually filled with resentment. The basis of that resentment is pride. And pride is the door through which the devil enters.

It goes like this: I believe I have been treated unfairly. Therefore, I seek to prove my "enemies" wrong and myself right. That is the entryway for Satan to fill my mind with thoughts of revenge. Standards of right and wrong do not apply. There is only winning and losing. I lost one battle, but I plan to win the final victory. I sabotage the plans of my "enemies" to prove I was "right" all along. I justify myself.

A person who operates this way has been deceived by the Adversary (St. Ignatius of Loyola's term for Satan) into believing they can destroy their "enemies" without negative consequences. There is always "collateral damage". Innocent people suffer the consequences of my pride and resentment.

The reaction I hear most often to a mass shooting is, "I wish they had killed the gunman (it is almost always a man) sooner." My reaction is, "There, but for the grace of God, go I." In the words of the classic Pogo cartoon, "We have met the enemy, and he is us." We need to examine our own consciences rather than the consciences of others. With less pride and resentment, the world will be a safer place.

MEDICAID EXPANSION

With the reversal of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision, abortion is now illegal in Alabama. That means the expansion of Medicaid is a Pro-life issue. With more poor women carrying their babies to term, pre-natal and post-natal care will need to be increased, especially in rural areas of our state.

If you support mothers and their babies, then logically you must support an increase in medical care for women and children as an alternative to abortion. In Alabama, that means the expansion of Medicaid.

Contact your local senator and representative in the Alabama State Legislature and ask them to consider Medicaid expansion in the next legislative session. Use your Pro-life stance as the reason you believe Medicaid needs to be expanded. Write to:

> (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.



Mass at St. Vincent's Chapel

Wednesday morning Mass has resumed at St. Vincent's Hospital St. Clair. Mass is scheduled at <u>8:30 am</u>. 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.

Bible Study Group

Please join us for a special Bible Study studying the Book of Sirach. The group will meet each Tuesday morning at 9:45 am in the Parish Hall.



Offertory Collection July 2022 — June 2023			Building Fund Collection July 2022 — June 2023		
	Actual	Needed weekly		Actual	Needed monthly
July 3 Offertory	\$6,858	\$6,774	July Building Fund	\$1,621	\$3,175
Year to Date	\$6,858	\$6,774	Year to Date	\$1,621	\$3,175



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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend July 30-31, 2022



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: During this summer 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 July 30-31, 2022, at John Carroll High School in Birmingham and will be a non-residential weekend. The weekend will be Saturday and Sunday and you will be able to spend Saturday night in the comfort of your house and return to John Carroll to complete the weekend on Sunday morning.

You can get more information or register online at www.wwme.org or by calling Frank and Kathryn Wessling at 205-530-3607.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Birmingham 21st Annual Conference Our Lady of Sorrows Church Family Life Center July 29 at 5:00 pm and July 30 at 8:00 am

The conference theme is **"Thy Will Be Done."** The main speaker will be **Andi Oney** along with **Father Frankline Fomukong and Jackie Smoke.**

The registration fee for individuals is \$25 and \$65 for a family of 3 or more. Register online at <u>www.catholiccharismaticrenewal.org</u> or mail registration to: CCROB, 1222 Hueytown Rd, Hueytown, AL 35023. For further information contact Sally Smith at 205-983-4150 or Ray Makofsky at 205-999-8947. You may also register at the conference. Everyone is welcome!



Bucket	Paper towel
Cleanser, Ajax etc	Soap, hand
Oven mitten or hot pad	Shampoo
Deodorant	Toilet paper
Dish cloths	Tooth brush
Dish Detergent	Toothpaste
Dish towel	Towel, standard size
Laundry Powder or Liquid	
Thanks for your generosity!	
Sonia Dale & Mari Culver	

Assignments July 13, 2022 - July 17, 2022

WEDNESDAY MASS

7/13/2022 7:00 PM

Lector: Ministers: **Bernie Funderburg** Deacon

SATURDAY MASS

7/16/2022 5:00 PM

Greeters: L	Greeters: Loretta Frost, Dawn Adamso		
Lector:	Buddy Spradley		
Ministers:	Parma Boyle, Allen Ross		
Altar Servers:	Michael Gagliano,		
	Marty Poteracki		
Ushers:	Amy Carreker, Jim Gorman		

SUNDAY MASS

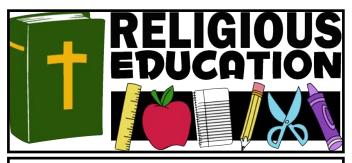
7/17/2022 8:30 AM

Greeters: The Willis Becky & Darren Freeman Lectors: Carey Monistere, Carly Sadler Ministers: Ronni Thomas, Teri Gagliano Altar Server: Stephen Reese, Andy Payant Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Bill Bethel Bart Perry, Laura Headley

7/17/2022 11:15 AM

Greeters:	The Bluhm Family		
Lectors:	Bernie Funderburg, Mary Adams		
Ministers:	Lexie Smith, Doug Ross		
Altar Servers: Ethan Myers,			
	Tommie Ann Johnson		
Ushers:	Chris Gallegly, Emily Bluhm,		
	Katie Boyle, Lexie Smith		

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



Loving God our Neighbor

In today's Gospel reading, we learn that the greatest commandment is to love God with all our heart and soul and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

The most important thing you do in your life is love God. If you really love God, then you will do what is right and love other people as well. The Samaritan in the story loved God even though he didn't worship Him in the proper way like the Jews did. But because he loved God, he wanted to please Him by being kind to his enemy.

If you don't love God, then you will not be able to make good decisions about other things either. You can't even love other people properly if you don't love God the most. The priest and the Levite in the parable probably cared more about themselves than about God. That is why when they saw their own countryman injured and lying by the roadside they just walked past.

Is God the most important person in your life? Talk to Him every day and you will grow to love Him. You can be a good neighbor to everyone by being a good friend of God. "

Source: The Kids' Bulletin



Looking Ahead:

July 11-15th: VBS!

Rocky Railway: Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through!

July 31st - Back to School Bash 4PM at OLL!



VBS will be held July 11-15th from 6-8PM.

One more call for participants and volunteers. We hope that you are able to join us!

Contact Jim at jimmathis.oll@gmail.com for more information.

FAITH DIRECT

eGiving with Faith Direct

Faith Direct enables parishioners to make contributions even when you can't make it to church. Through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card, you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you do for other expenses.

You may enroll by visiting our website, or logging in directly to faith.direct/AL1065.

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 July - 57 cans Please consider donating \$1 per week



Calendar for July 10 2022—July 17, 2022

Sunday– July 10 Masses-8:30 am & 11:15 am

<u>Monday– July 11</u> Mass 9:00 am Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:00 pm

<u>Tuesday– July 12</u> Mass 9:00 am Bible Study Group-9:45 am Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:00 pm

<u>Wednesday–July 13</u> Mass 7:00 pm Adoration/Holy Hour 7:30-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:00 pm

<u>Thursday– July 14</u> Mass 9:00 am Legion of Mary– 7:00 pm Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:00 pm

<u>Friday– July 15</u> Mass 9:00 am Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:00 pm

> <u>Saturday– July 16</u> Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm Mass 5:00 pm Pilgrim Virgin– 6:30 pm

<u>Sunday– July 17</u> Masses-8:30 am & 11:15 am Holy Hour 7:00-8:00 pm



