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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. - 4:45 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, December 31, 2022  
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 1, 2023  
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

### The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God January 1, 2023



Mary kept all these things;  
reflecting on them in her  
heart—Luke 2:19



January 2 - January 8

- Monday:** Sue Durham by Pat & Brenda Monte †
- Tuesday:** Frances Matukus by the Surfsiders †
- Wednesday:** Alfredo Amaya by James & Gloria Raynor †
- Thursday:** Sr. Madeline Contorno  
by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore
- Friday:** Lillie Rumore by Bob & Karen Hand †
- Saturday:** Betty & Yolie by Susan Moseley †
- Sunday:** Frances Matukus by Sharon Stice †  
For the People

#### *Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:*

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, Janice Stella, Frank Troncilli,  
Angela Ledlow, Michael Brayman, Shannon  
Ray, Lee Walser, Geri Bunt, Jay Benson, Charles  
& Libby LaFleur, Marcia Mortek, Benny  
Goodman, Margaret Banks, Jose Riveria, Helen  
Turner, George Sobolowski, Darrell & Teresa  
Reeser, Jimmy Hollis, William Konnor Stone,  
Bit Thomaston, Marti Baird, Pat Roberts

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](mailto:sharonstice46@gmail.com) or call 205-613-1053.

## Weekly Readings January 2—January 8

- Monday:** 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4;  
Jn 1:19-28
- Tuesday:** 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps  
98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
- Wednesday:** 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-  
9; Jn 1:35-42
- Thursday:** 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-  
5; Lk 4:14-22a
- Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-  
15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11
- Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-  
6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11
- Sunday:** Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8,  
10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6;  
Mt 2:1-12

## Today's Readings



**First Reading** — The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! (Numbers 6:22-27).

**Psalm** — May God be merciful and bless us (Psalm 67).

**Second Reading** — God sent the Spirit of the Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba Father!" So you are no longer a slave but an heir, through God (Galatians 4:4-7).

**Gospel** — The shepherds glorified and praised God for all they had heard and seen (Luke 2:16-21).

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## **THE PRECEPTS OF THE CHURCH**

As we begin a new calendar year, it might be helpful to publish the Precepts of the Church. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, these are: "Positive laws made by Church authorities to guarantee for the faithful the minimum in prayer and moral effort, for the sake of their growth in love of God and neighbor." (Glossary)

There are five:

You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor. In the Diocese of Birmingham, that would include all Sundays; The Assumption of Mary (Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>); All Saints Day (Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>); The Immaculate Conception (Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>); and Christmas (Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>).

You shall confess your sins at least once a year.

You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season. (From Easter Sunday (April 9<sup>th</sup>) through Pentecost Sunday (May 28<sup>th</sup>)).

You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church. (Required days of fasting: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for those ages 18-59. Required days of abstinence from meat: Those days, plus all the Fridays of Lent for those ages 14 or older.)

You shall help provide for the needs of the Church.

These are minimum requirements. You can do more. If you want to grow in love of God and neighbor, you will do more. May you have a holy and prosperous new year!

## **HOLY MOMENTS**

As a Christmas gift, the parish is giving all parishioners a free book! It is Matthew Kelly's latest book, Holy Moments. You can take one for yourself or give it to someone who can benefit from it. Father Bill will lead a four-week book study on Holy Moments during the month of January. It will take place between the masses on Sunday and on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m., beginning January 8<sup>th</sup>.



### **MISSA EN ESPANOL (MASS IN SPANISH)**

Beginning on January 11<sup>th</sup>, the monthly Second Wednesday Mass and Holy Hour will be in Spanish. The new missalette contains the English translation on the facing page. All are invited to attend, but the readings and prayers will be in Spanish.

*Empezando el 11 de Enero, el segundo Miercoles la misa y Hora Santa serán en español.*

*El nuevo missal contiene la traduccion al Ingles en la pagina principal. Todos estan invitados pero las lecturas y oraciones serán en español.*

## Offertory Collection

July 2022 — June 2023

**Actual**

**Needed  
weekly**

**December  
25  
Offertory**

No data to  
report due to  
early production  
of the bulletin.

## *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**  
Please consider donating \$1 per week



**Chair: Jeff Reach**  
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**Council meetings are open to all  
parishioners, and are typically on the  
third Wed. of the month after Mass.**



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### **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

## Change of Address or Contact Information?

Please let us know at the parish office if you have changed any of the below information so we can keep our records up to date.

- Change of address
- Change of phone number, including dropping a landline
- Change of email address

Call us at 205-525-5161 or email at [parish@ollpellcity.com](mailto:parish@ollpellcity.com).

## Bible Study Group

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



*Legion of Mary*

*Our weekly meetings every Thursday at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall.*

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## *Assignments*

*January 4, 2023 - January 8, 2023*

### WEDNESDAY MASS

**1/04/2023 7:00 PM**

**Lector:** Bernie Funderburg  
**Ministers:** Deacon

### SATURDAY MASS-

**1/07/2023 5:00 PM**

**Greeters:** Paige Everett, Loretta Frost  
**Lector:** Allen Ross, Sonia Dale  
**Ministers:** Tom Graffo, Parma Boyle  
**Altar Servers:** Bernie & Cory Funderburg  
**Ushers:** Amy Carreker, Jim Gorman

### SUNDAY MASS

**1/08/2023 8:30 AM**

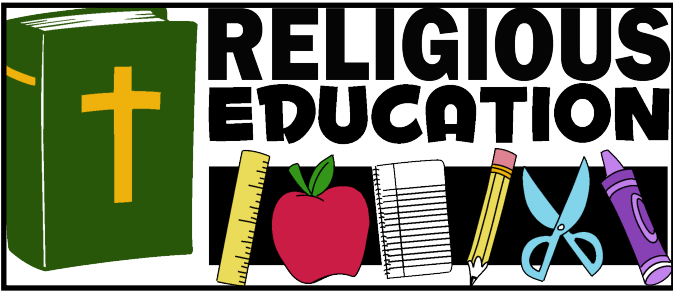
**Greeters:** J&B Paulitsky,  
Harry/Madeline Houk  
**Lectors:** Teri Gagliano, Sarah Brazzolotto  
**Ministers:** Jorge Solis, Ronni Thomas  
Michael Gagliano, Brenda Rochford  
**Altar Servers:** Stephen Reese,  
Buddy Adamson  
**Ushers:** Michael Gagliano, Matt Allor  
Bill Bethell, Belia Solis

### SUNDAY MASS

**1/08/2023 11:15 AM**

**Greeters:** The Bluhm Family  
**Lectors:** Mary Adams, Robert Lewis  
**Ministers:** Sonya Lewis, James Raynor  
Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith  
**Altar Servers:** John Paul & Natalie Rodgers  
**Ushers:** Chris Gallegly, Jerrold Bluhm,  
Lexie Smith, John Bluhm

If you are unable to keep your assignment, please find a substitute. Arrive 15 minutes ahead of Mass and sign in at the back of the church.



### Mary the Mother of God

On the first day of the year we celebrate the feast day of Mary, the Mother of God.

If you didn't have a mother and God let you design your own mother, what would she be like? Well, God did get to make His own Mother! Can you even imagine how perfect she was?

When Jesus was dying on the Cross, he told Saint John that Mary would now be his mother. He meant that for all of us as well. Mary is the Mother of God and our Mother! What can you do to celebrate her special day?



Source: *The Kids' Bulletin*

### Looking Ahead:

January 1st - Happy New Year! No R.E.

January 8th - R.E. Second Semester begins.

January 15th - No R.E. MLK Jr. Holiday

January 22 - RE 9:45-11am

Happy  
New  
Year

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FAITH AT HOME

Parish Code: JRQNH8

### Youth Group!

Join us on Wednesday nights 5:30-7pm for food, fellowship, and fun!

Jr. Youth - K-5

Sr. Youth - 6-12

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.”

- Mark 12:30

## Annual Respect Life Mass and Witness for Life

Saturday, January 14, 2023

Respect Life Mass · Bishop Steven Raica  
9:00 AM · Cathedral of St. Paul  
2120 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. N, Birmingham, AL

Prayer Vigil and Witness for Life  
10:45 AM · Planned Parenthood  
1019 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. North, Birmingham

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### HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITALIZED

If you are unable to get to Mass and would like to receive communion or have a visit from a priest or deacon, please call the parish office and let us know.

The phone number is 205-525-5161.

Also, Deacon Serge's number is 205-753-3230; Deacon Lee's number is 205-936-9330; Deacon Terry's number is 205-253-9223.

### Ushers Needed!

We are in need of Ushers for the 11:15 am Mass on Sundays. Please see Michael Gagliano 205-937-8933 to volunteer.

Calendar for January 1, 2023—January 8, 2023

#### Sunday— January 1— Solemnity of Mary

Masses— 8:30 am & 11:15 am

#### Monday— January 2

Parish Office Closed  
Mass 9:00 am

#### Tuesday— January 3

Mass 9:00 am  
Bible Study Group-9:45 am  
RCIA— 7:00 pm


#### Wednesday—January 4

Mass 7:00 pm

#### Thursday— January 5

Mass 9:00 am  
Legion of Mary 7:00 pm

#### Friday— January 6

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

#### Saturday— January 7

First Saturday Mass— 9:00 am  
Rosary Guild— 10:00 am  
Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm  
Mass 5:00 pm

#### Sunday— January 8

Masses— 8:30 am & 11:15 am  
RE— 9:45 am  
Adult Education— Holy Moments 9:45 am

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