



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.

Weekdays

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00-4:45 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

**MIRACULOUS
MEDAL NOVENA**

Mondays following Mass

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY

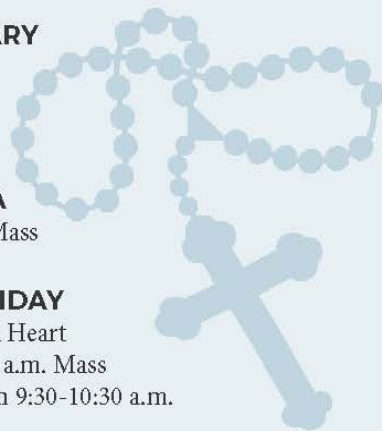
Novena to the Sacred Heart
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION

Third Sunday of every month 7:00 p.m.
Second Wednesday of every month | *Exposicion del
Santisimo el segundo Miércoles de cada mes* 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

August through May
Ages 3 years through High School



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Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, February 11, 2023
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, February 12, 2023
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 12, 2023



Be reconciled with your brother, and then come
and offer your gift. —Matthew 5:24



February 13 - February 19

- Monday:** David Knall by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore †
- Tuesday:** Oliver Curran by Sharon Stice †
- Wednesday:** Angela Cashio by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore †
- Thursday:** Fr. Henry McDaid by Fr. William Lucas †
- Friday:** Margaret Funderburg by Sharon Stice †
- Saturday:** Ethel Nunez by Susan Moseley †
- Sunday:** For the People
John Burgin Smith by Bob & Karen Hand †

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 Troncalli,
Angela Ledlow, Michael Brayman, Shannon
Ray, Lee Walser, Geri Bunt, Charles & Libby
LaFleur, Marcia Mortek, Benny Goodman,
Margaret Banks, Jose Riveria, Helen Turner,
George Sobolowski, Darrell & Teresa Reeser,
Jimmy Hollis, William Konnor Stone, Marti
Baird, Pat Roberts, Tommie Ann Johnson,

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 February 13- February 19

- Monday:** Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1,
8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk
8:11-13
- Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps
29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-
10; Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday:** Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps
116:12-15, 18-19; Mk
8:22-26
- Thursday:** Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-
21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-
33
- Friday:** Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15;
Mk 8:34—9:1
- Saturday:** Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5,
10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Today's Readings



First Reading — God allows us to make
choices, but we are not to choose injustice or
sinfulness (Sirach 15:15-20).

Psalm — Happy are those who observe God's
commands (Psalm 119).

Second Reading — God's wisdom is
mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

Gospel — Jesus has come not to abolish but
to fulfill the law and the prophets
(Matthew 5:17-37).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997,
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SHOWER OF BLESSINGS

Next Sunday, February 19th, our parish will observe our annual Shower of Blessings to support Ann's New Life Center in Pell City. We have been running an announcement in the bulletin for the past three weeks listing items that the Center needs in order to serve the women of our community.

Ann's New Life Center offers confidential help and services completely free. They offer pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, post abortion counseling, peer counseling, material aid (e.g., diapers), prenatal classes, parenting classes, bible studies, and resource information.

Their Mission Statement says: "Life is a precious gift from God. Our mission is to provide life giving alternatives to abortion for expectant mothers considering abortion and help them choose life for their unborn baby by parenting or making an adoption plan. We believe in the sanctity of all human life and help support mothers and their children with that decision."

In his encyclical, The Gospel of Life, Pope St. John Paul, II called on Catholics and all people of good will to promote a "culture of life" to counter what he called "the culture of death so pervasive in the modern world." Ann's New Life Center is an example of promoting a culture of life. It serves women who are not considering abortion as well as those who are.

To be pro-life means more than being anti-abortion. It means promoting the dignity of all human life because we believe human beings are made in the image and likeness of God. The Shower of Blessings is a way to promote the dignity of human life as created and loved by God.

There are free brochures in each vestibule, which detail fundraising and volunteer opportunities for Ann's New Life Center.



You are invited to a Baby Shower to benefit Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center on **February 19, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church**, in the parish hall. **Mary Beth Yeager, the Director of Campus Ministry at St. Stephen the Martyr, which encompasses UAB, Birmingham Southern and Samford University will be our speaker.** Coffee and donuts will be served. Please bring your filled baby bottles to the shower.

Must Needed Items Include:

Aveeno Baby Mommy & Me daily bath time set, Johnson's Baby Body Moisture wash, baby shampoo, Newborn baby caps (boys and girls), hooded baby towels and washcloths, sleep blankets (sleeveless zip-up bag, goes over jammies).

Size 5 Luvs and Huggies diapers, Size 6 diapers (Currently available at Bargain Hunt).

Vitafusion PreNatal Gummy Vitamins, Cowiewie Baby Bassinet with Bed Mattress and storage, Ingenuity Soothing baby bouncer, Ingenuity easy-fold baby swing, Dream on Me Zoom Portable playard (Gray).

Priest Discernment Weekend

Friday, February 17-Sunday, February 19, 2023
Casa Maria Retreat Center, Birmingham AL
Men ages 18-35 years

Father Kevin Bazzel will lead this weekend of prayers, talks and fellowship for men discerning a call to priesthood. Father Wyman Vintson, Vocation Director will be present to answer questions about discernment, the application process and seminary life. The event is free, but registration is required.



Scan the QR code or visit
www.bhmdiocese.org/vocations to register.

Offertory Collection

July 2022 — June 2023

	Actual	Needed weekly
February 5 Offertory	\$8,233	\$6,774
Year to Date	\$244,550	\$216,768

Building Fund Collection

July 2022 — June 2023

	Actual	Needed Monthly
Building Fund— Month of January	\$2,892	\$2,540
Year to Date	\$32,155	\$19,685



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

Thank you!

Thank you so much for the continued support to the Christian Love Pantry in 2022. The \$4,489 and soup provided by your congregation, the oversight from board member, Tommy Graffo and the many volunteers from OLL enabled us to purchase, stock and issue emergency food to our community members in need.

Bob Osborn, Director, Christian Love Pantry

Parish Bulletins

We are now distributing hard copy bulletins for anyone that wants one. We will still e-mail the bulletin to those on the JS Paluch distribution. However, the email will be sent from the church email (parish@ollpellcity.com) and should be received on the Thursday before the weekend.

UPDATE ON THE COLUMBARIUM

On January 10th all parties involved in the building of our columbarium signed the construction contract. The production of the niches by Eikoff Manufacturers has begun. That process will take a minimum of six months. Goodgame Construction, the contractor, will begin site preparation in the Spring.

Niches in the columbarium are still available. If you are interested, call Shelly at the office: 205-525-5161.

KOC Council 12270

Lenten Fish Fries

Knights of Columbus Council 12270 will be sponsoring Lenten fish fries every Friday evening during Lent beginning February 24 through March 31. 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.



Attention, Ladies of the Parish!

If you have left dishes from past parish events, please pick up in the parish hall as soon as possible. If they are not picked up, we will assume they are donated and put them away in the cupboards.
Thank you!

Burning of the Palms

Please bring in your palms from last year and place in the baskets in the foyer. We will have the Burning of the Palms Rite next weekend, February 19 between the Sunday Masses.



**Worldwide Marriage Encounter
Region 5- Alabama
Sean and Angie Murray
Fr. Tim Pfander
Alabama Eclesial Team**

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 10-12, 2023 at St. Bernard Abbey in Cullman.

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

Assignments

February 15 2023 - February 19, 2023

WEDNESDAY MASS

2/15/2023 7:00 PM

Lector: Susan Moseley

Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS-

2/18/2023 5:00 PM

Greeters: Loretta Frost, Karen Hand

Lectors: Susan Moseley, Buddy Spradley

Ministers: Allen Ross, Martha Hayes

Altar Servers: John Bryant, Michael Gagliano

Ushers: Amy Carreker, Jim Gorman

SUNDAY MASS

2/19/2023 8:30 AM

Greeters: Crapet/Landman/Freeman/Price

Lectors: Carly Sadler, Carl Rochford

Ministers: Stephen Reese, Edgar Solis,
Anita Allor, Jorge Solis

Altar Servers: Roger Carreker, Dennis Veigl

Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Matt Allor,
Bill Bethell, Belia Solis

SUNDAY MASS

2/19/2023 11:15 AM

Greeters: P Cowert/P Lopez, Grace Troncalli

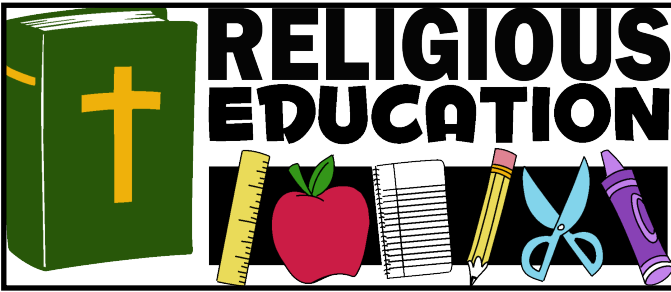
Lectors: Doug Ross, Mary Adams

Ministers: James Raynor, Sonya Lewis
Bernie Funderburg

Altar Servers: Jhon 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.



What does Jesus say about the Commandments?

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus was talking about the laws of God. Some people thought that He would take away the old law that God had given the Jews. But, Jesus said, that He didn't come to take away the law. He came to fulfill the law.

The old law tells us the things that we shouldn't do, like worship false gods or kill people, or steal. Jesus is telling us that just obeying the commandments isn't enough. He wants us to do everything out of love. If you really love a person, then of course you wouldn't kill them! But, He says you shouldn't get angry at them either. You wouldn't steal from someone you love—but wouldn't you want to be generous to them too?

Jesus says that the Ten Commandments are very important, but we have to do more than just obey them. We need to love!

Source: *The Kids' Bulletin*

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FAITH AT HOME

Parish Code: **JRQNH8**

Looking Ahead:

February 12th - R.E. 9:45-11am.

February 19th - Burning of the Palms between Masses.

February 26th - R.E. 9:45-11am

March 5th - R.E. 9:45-11am

March 12th - R.E. 9:45-11am



Join us for Youth Group!

Jr. Youth Group

K-6th - Meets in the RE Building.

Sr. Youth Group

7-12th - Meets in the Parish Hall.

Join us for food, fellowship and fun as we grow closer to each other and our Lord!

“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

SOCIAL CONCERNS NEEDS CORNER

Needed this week of Feb. 12th, 2023:

3 BR House for rent or rent to own (REASONABLE) for a very nice couple and two well behaved older children. Both have jobs and references. Prefer Pell City, but nearby areas are fine.

Prayer answered! Thanks go out to Kathy and John Bryant for the crib donation!

Please contact Mari Culver at **205-447-2626** to see if the item is still needed, or if you know of a basic need in our community.



**Pilgrimage to Portugal,
Spain and France
with Father Vincent Bresowar**

October 9-19, 2023

\$4,600/person

(includes airfare from Atlanta)

Join Father Vincent Bresowar of the Diocese of Birmingham, Alabama on the trip of a lifetime this fall!

This pilgrimage begins in Lisbon, Portugal and concludes in Barcelona, Spain. Along the way we will visit some of the most incredible sacred sites found throughout the Iberian Peninsula, such as Fátima and Coimbra (Portugal); Salamanca, Ávila, Segovia, San Sebastian and Montserrat (Spain); and Lourdes (France). We've selected beautiful four-star hotels for this pilgrimage, a private coach and two professional guides will accompany us throughout the journey. There are only forty spaces available. Everything is included in the cost except daily lunch.

For more information or to register, please visit

www.prometours.com/shrines-of-iberia or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953-1112 or by email at office@prorome.com

Calendar for February 12, 2023—February 19, 2023

Sunday— February 12

Mass— 8:30 & 11:15 am
RE— 9:45 am

Monday— February 13

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday— February 14

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

Wednesday—February 15

Surfsiders— 10:00 am
Youth Group— 5:30 pm
Mass 7:00 pm
Pastoral Council— 7:30 pm

Thursday— February 16

Mass 9:00 am
Liturgy Committee Meeting— 6:00 pm
Legion of Mary 7:00 pm

Friday— February 17

Mass 9:00 am

Saturday — February 18

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm
Mass 5:00 pm
Pilgrim Virgin— 6:30 pm

Sunday— February 19

Mass— 8:30 & 11:15 am
Burning of Palms—after 8:30 Mass
RE— 9:45 am
Shower of Blessings—10:00 am Parish Hall
Holy Hour—7:00 pm