



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Deacon Serge Brazzolotto

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Hours Monday-Thursday

9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Jim Mathis, *Director of Religious Education*

Charmaine Welch, *Music Director*

Shelly Hamman, *Parish Secretary*

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

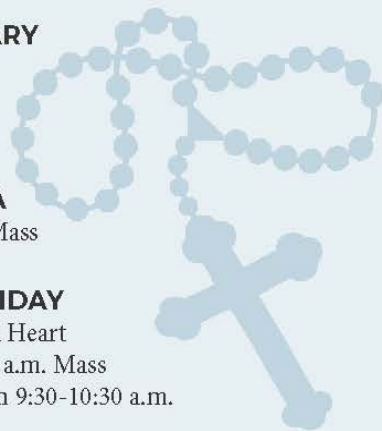
Third Sunday of every month 7:00 p.m.

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, March 25, 2023
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 26, 2023
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Fifth Sunday Of Lent March 26, 2023



*Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.
—Psalm 130:1*



March 27 - April 2

- Monday:** Oliver Curran by Sharon Stice †
- Tuesday:** Ron Stasko by KOC 12270 †
- Wednesday:** James Tyus by Sharon Stice †
- Thursday:** Gisela Scruggs
by Deacon Lee & Cheryl Robinson †
- Friday:** Rita Brown by Pat Roberts †
- Saturday:** Trudi & Andy McClay by the Zielinskis †
- Sunday:** Marti Baird by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore
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, Charles & Libby
LaFleur, Marcia Morteck, Benny Goodman,
Margaret Banks, Jose Riveria, Helen Turner,
George Sobolowski, Darrell & Teresa Reeser,
Jimmy Hollis, William Konnor Stone, Pat
Roberts, Tommie Ann Johnson,
Bill & Dee Watkins, Emily Bell Smith,
Mary LaFleur, Greg & Robin Becnel

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 March 27- April 2

- Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
- Tuesday:** Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
- Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
- Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
- Friday:** Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
- Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
- Sunday:** Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14—27:66

Today's Readings



First Reading — Thus says the LORD GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them and settle you on your land (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

Psalm — The Lord is kind and saves us (Psalm 130).

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name. Many of those who had seen what had happened began to believe in Jesus (John 11:1-45).

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.

THE ORDER OF PENANCE

The Introduction to the revised Order of Penance includes instructions for the celebrations of both individual and communal celebrations of the sacrament.

One important paragraph speaks of the preparation of the priest and penitent before the individual celebration: "The priest should call upon the Holy Spirit, that he may receive light and charity from the Spirit; the penitent, should compare his (her) life with the example and commandments of Christ and pray to God for the forgiveness of his (her) sins."

There are some changes to the English translation of the Act of Contrition and Formula for Absolution (**Any expression of contrition by the penitent is valid**):

"O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you, and I detest all my sins because of your just punishments, but most of all because they offend you, my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasions of sin. Amen."

"O my God, I am sorry and repent with all my heart for all the wrong I have done and for the good I have failed to do, because by sinning I have offended you, who are all good and worthy to be loved above all things. I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid the occasions of sin. Through the merits of the Passion of our Savior Jesus Christ, Lord, have mercy."

The Formula for Absolution (**Changes in Bold**): "God, the Father of mercies, through Death and Resurrection of his Son has reconciled the world to himself and **poured out** the Holy Spirit for the forgiveness of sins; through the ministry of the Church may God **grant** you pardon and peace. *And I Absolve You From Your Sins, In the Name Of The Father, And Of The Son, And Of The Holy Spirit.*"

The Penitent Replies: "Amen."



Stations of the Cross

Our Lady of the Lake
Catholic Church

February 24 through
March 31, 2023



COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

The Communal Penance Service for Lent will be **Wednesday, March 29th at 7:00 p.m.** There will be a Liturgy of the Word, a communal Examination of Conscience, and opportunity for individual confessions. This is a great way to prepare for Holy Week. All are invited to attend.

ADORATION FOLLOWING HOLY THURSDAY MASS

Following the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 6th, we will have Eucharistic Adoration in the church until Midnight. Everyone is invited to attend. A sign-up sheet is available in either foyer.



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 at 7:00 pm. The menu will be 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.

Offertory Collection

July 2022 — June 2023

	Actual	Needed weekly
March 19 Offertory	\$10,371	\$6,774
Year to Date	\$299,946	\$257,412



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Cristy McKinney: cmckinney9839@gmail.com

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The parish's Pastoral Council is a consultative body of nine parishioners who advise Father Bill on the pastoral needs of the parish. If you or someone you know would be interested in serving a three-year term on the Council, please contact Father Bill or Jeff Reach. See Jeff's contact information above.



Pro Life Corner

2023 Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center Statistics from Center Director, Gabrielle Martin.

- 61 Individuals as of today
- 3 of them males ~Thank God for getting the Daddy's involved!
- 129 Total appointments
- 34 of those Appointments were for Pregnancy Tests
- 36 of those Appointments were for Ultrasounds

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO WILL BE RECEIVING SACRAMENTS DURING THE EASTER SEASON

RCIA (To be received into the Church, Confirmed and receive Communion on Easter Sunday)

Gary Francis

Vicki Hogan

Julie Hawkins

Marianne Mueller

RCIA (To be received into the Church on April 11th)

Jerry Patty

Confirmation (Saturday, May 20th at Sacred Heart in Anniston — John Sorci

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION

It is traditional on Holy Thursday to take up a collection for the poor. This year's collection will go to Catholic Charities and Communities to make up for the shortfall in parish pledges and contributions during the Catholic Charities and Communities annual Pledge Drive.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The latest report from the Catholic Charities and Communities office shows the following for Our Lady of the Lake parish: Goal- \$60,000.00. Pledges and Contributions to date- \$37,931.00. That means we have only reached 63% of our goal.

If you have been planning to make a pledge or contribution to Catholic Charities and Communities, now is the time. The mailing address is:

Catholic Charities and Communities

P. O. Box 12047

Birmingham, AL 35202-2047

You can also pledge or contribute online at catholiccharitiesbhm.org. Please help.

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 website.

Magnificat Prayer Breakfast

April 15, 2023

9:30 am-12:30 pm

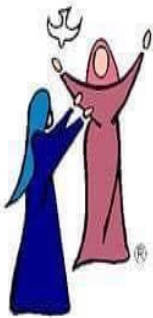
**Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Hall
1728 Oxmoor Road
Birmingham, AL 35209**

**Speaker: Michelle Laque Johnson, Author of
Walking the Way of the Cross for Caregivers**

Cost \$20.00 (Ticket sales end April 10)

E-mail: magnificat0296@gmail.com

Contact: Donna 205-408-0308



What is Magnificat?

Magnificat is a ministry to Catholic women whose purpose is to help women be open to the Holy Spirit through a deeper commitment of their lives to Jesus Christ. The entire scene of the Visitation in Luke 1:46 is the inspiration for the Magnificat Ministry, which adopts the name of Mary's hymn of praise and the spirit of this Biblical encounter between Mary and Elizabeth.

Magnificat meals are held four times a year. The program includes a shared meal, praise and worship, and a speaker who shares God's work in her life. The Magnificat Ministry also provides other opportunities for spiritual growth, such as: Retreats, Bible Studies, Life in the Spirit Seminars, and Intercessory Prayer Groups.

Assignments

March 29 2023 - April 2, 2023

WEDNESDAY MASS

3/29/2023 7:00 PM

Lector: Susan Moseley
Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS -Palm Sunday

4/1/2023 5:00 PM

Greeters: Allen Ross, Loretta Frost
Lectors: Susan Moseley, Dennis Veigl
Ministers: Dawn Adamson, Parma Boyle
Altar Servers: Buddy Adamson, Dennis Veigl
Ushers: Amy Carreker, Jim Gorman

SUNDAY MASS -Palm Sunday

4/2/2023 8:30 AM

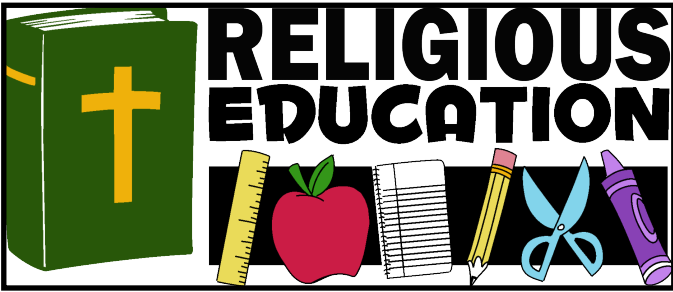
Greeters: Alexis Allor, Bill Bethell
Lectors: Carl Rochford, Robert Lewis
Ministers: Jane Snider, Patrick Everett
Edgar Solis, Ronni Thomas
Altar Servers: Roger Carreker, Jeff Reach
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Bart Perry,
Phillip Thomaston

4/2/2023 11:15 AM

Greeters: Brenda Monte, Gracie Troncalli
Lectors: Mary Adams, Doug Ross
Ministers: Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith
Bernie Funderburg, Buddy Spradley
Altar Servers: Jhon Paul & Natalie Rodgers
Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith,
Jeff Smith, Danny Smith

ATTENTION:

**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.**



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

God Raises People from the Dead!

In today's Old Testament reading God promised His people that he would raise them from their graves. In the Gospel story Jesus raised His friend Lazarus from the dead. At the end of time God will raise everyone from the dead.

God does not like death. We all have to die because we are sinful, but God wants to raise us from the dead, like Lazarus.

Did you know that there is something worse than dying? Sinning is worse than dying, because when you commit a mortal sin you kill God's life in your soul. When you die you know that your body will rise again, but if you are not sorry for any serious sins then your soul will go to Hell because it doesn't have God's life in it. In Lent we should try to get rid of all sin in our souls by going to Confession so that our souls will have God's life in them and be ready to celebrate Jesus' resurrection at Easter!

Looking Ahead:

March 26th - R.E. 9:45-11am. /
Confirmation Class Confessions

April 2nd - Palm Sunday / R.E. 9:45-11am / Living Stations –8:00 pm

April 9th - Easter Sunday
Easter Egg Hunt 9:45am

CRS Rice Bowls

Please turn in your Rice Bowls during Holy Week. You may leave them in the foyers to be picked up.

PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS PREPARING TO RECEIVE SACRAMENTS:



First Communion:

Alex Sorci
Aiden Le
Allison Schillaci
Tyus Boyle
Julissa Luis Vasquez
Elizabeth Palomera
Blaze Smith

Confirmation:

Karter Perry
Boyce Yancey
Kelly Medrano
Hunter Smith
Tyran Taylor
Raul Torres
Emily Bluhm
Isabelle Boyle
Emily Boyle
Harper Taylor

First Communion:
May 7, 2023 | 8:30am
Our Lady of the Lake

Confirmation:
May 20, 2023 | 10:00am
Sacred Heart - Anniston

I'd like to give my heartfelt thanks to all who prayed for me during my illness. I am convinced your prayers brought me back from the edge of death, and for that I am sincerely grateful. I'm privileged to be a member of such a loving parish.

**God bless,
Marti Baird**



Calendar for March 26, 2023—April 2 2023

Sunday— March 26

Mass— 8:30 & 11:15 am
RE— 9:45 am

Monday— March 27

Mass 9:00 am
KOC Meeting— 6:00-8:00 pm

Tuesday— March 28

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

Wednesday—March 29

Youth Group— 5:30 pm
Communal Penance Service 7:00 pm

Thursday— March 30

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

Friday— March 31

Mass 9:00 am
KOC Fish Fry— 5:00-6:30 pm
Stations of the Cross— 7:00 pm

Saturday — April 1

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

Sunday— April 2— Palm Sunday

Mass— 8:30 & 11:15 am
Confessions between Masses
Living Stations-8:00 pm



**Holy Week
Worship Schedule
April 3-7th**

Services at Noon followed by lunch
(Nursery available)

Monday, April 3
Rev. Dr. John Thweatt
First Baptist Church

Tuesday, April 4
Rev. Dr. Jordan Wilson
Harvest Center Church of God

Wednesday, April 5
Father Bill Lucas
Our Lady of the Lake

Thursday, April 6
Pastor Shulanda Keller
Greater New Destiny Church

Friday, April 7
Rev. Dr. Rachel Gonía
First United Methodist Church

Mundy Thursday Service - April 6th @ 7pm in the Sanctuary
Good Friday Service - April 7th @ 7pm in the Beacon