



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

4609 MARTIN STREET SOUTH
CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054

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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

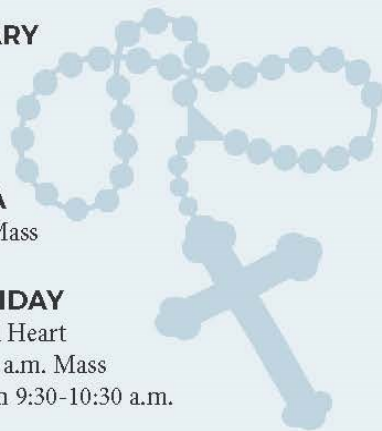
Novena to the Sacred Heart
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

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



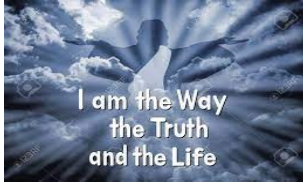
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Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday May 6, 2023
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, May 7, 2023
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 7, 2023



No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. —John 14:1-12



May 8- May 14

- Monday:** Audrey Springer by Jared Musgrove
- Tuesday:** Diana Mitchell by Walton Smith †
- Wednesday:** Paul Boyle III by Parma Boyle †
- Thursday:** Art DiMattia by Shirley Skeivelas †
- Friday:** Carolyn O'Grady by Madelyn Guald
- Saturday:** Marie Battaglia by Parma Boyle †
- Sunday:** For the People
Ernest Guald by Madelyn Guald

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, 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, Pat Roberts, Tommie Ann Johnson, Bill & Dee Watkins, Emily Bell Smith, Mary LaFleur, Greg & Robin Becnel, Micky Zielinski, Jim Reilly, Pat Cannon

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 8- May 14

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

Today's Readings



First Reading — The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly (Acts 6:1-7).

Psalms — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone (1 Peter 2:4-9).

Gospel — Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do (John 14:1-12).

MOTHER AND TEACHER

In 1961, Pope St. John XXIII wrote an encyclical about the Church entitled, "Mater et Magistra", which in English translates as "Mother and Teacher". It revealed a different understanding of the nature of the Church from what many people believe.

The New Testament uses an image of the Church as a mother because, through the Church, new "brothers and sisters" of Jesus Christ are "born" at the font of Baptism. God is the Father of these new offspring, but the Church is the instrument God uses to bring spiritual life to His children.

In the sacramental rites, the Church is sometimes referred to as "she" or "her". This implies the image of the Church as our mother. The Church gives "birth" to new Christians through the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation and feeds her children through the Eucharist. She reconciles her children to the Father through the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Some Catholics speak about the Church as a human institution. They reveal this belief when they speak of the Church's teachings as "man-made" rules or laws. Most people who use this terminology seek to justify their rejection of that teaching as not rejecting God. They believe that they determine what comes from God and what comes from "man." In other words, these individuals believe they are the Church.

Archbishop Thomas Toolen, former bishop of Mobile-Birmingham, wrote, "The Church must be of divine institution. If it was a human institution, it would have destroyed itself long ago through the foolishness of its members."

Individual members of the Church, both clergy and laity, need correction. But Jesus promised that "the gates of hell" would not prevail against the Church. The Church is more than the sum of its parts. The "more" is the Triune God. Because human beings populate the Church, it is imperfect. But the Church is still our "mother" and should be treated with respect.

Senior Sunday and End of the Year RE Reception

Sunday, May 21, 2023

8:30 Mass

We will honor our High School Seniors graduating with the Class of 2023 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.



MAY CROWNING

May 14, 2023

After 8:30 am Mass

Join us by the Grotto to crown our Blessed Mother. In the event of inclement weather, the Crowning will take place in the Hall.



SURFSIDERS

The Surfsiders group will be meeting on Wednesday, May 17th at 10:00 am.

Potluck lunch will be at 11:30 am.

Join us for food and fun every third Wednesday of the month!



Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
Revenue and Expenses
For the Nine Months Ending March 31, 2023

	Actual	Budget	Over/(under) Budget	% of Budget Used
Operating Revenue	\$318,496	\$268,825	\$49,671	
Building Revenue	\$75,940	\$31,576	\$44,364	
Social Concerns Revenue	\$16,281	\$19,313	(\$3,032)	
Other Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Revenue	\$410,717	\$319,714	\$91,003	128%
Total Operating Expense	\$298,253	\$281,946	\$16,307	106%
Total Capital Expenses	\$158,001	\$10,000	\$148,001	



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



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/**

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

Knights of Columbus Memorial Day Barbecue Sale

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
Friday, May 26, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.
through Saturday, May 27, 2023.

\$40 for Boston butts

\$30 for large pork ribs

\$15 for a whole chicken



All meat will be freshly smoked
with KOC "special dry rub". All
proceeds will be used to fund the numerous charitable
activities KOC Council 12270 supports. Our Lady of the
Lake is located at 4609 Martin St (Hwy 231 South) in
Pell City.

Dear Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church,

*It was our pleasure to host Holy Week Services again
this year. Thank you for your willingness to contribute
to the lunches. We couldn't have done it without you!*

Blessings,

Pell City First United Methodist Church

Job Openings in the Diocese

PART-TIME BOOKKEEPER

The Cathedral of Saint Paul seeks a qualified bookkeeper for a part-time (25 hours), on-site position. Applicants should have some familiarity with accounts payable and receivable. Experience with QuickBooks and Microsoft Excel is preferred. A complete job listing may be found on Indeed at: <https://www.indeed.com/job/part-time-bookkeeper-site-17529c1647568cfe>

PART-TIME BOOKKEEPER AND PART-TIME SECRETARY/ ADMINISTRATION

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Adamsville has two part time positions open. If you are interested in applying for either position, please fill out an application, found on the Diocesan Website. Completed applications can be sent by email to saintpat@catholicjewel.com or brought to the church office Monday – Thursday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm or mailed via USPS.

Assignments

May 10 2023 - May 14, 2023

WEDNESDAY MASS

5/10/2023 7:00 PM

Lector: Edgar Solis
Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS

5/13/2023 5:00 PM

Greeters: Loretta Frost, Dawn Adamson
Lectors: Martha Hayes, Marguerite Gorman
Ministers: Susan Moseley, Dawn Adamson
Altar Servers: Chris Gallegly, Larry Reese
Ushers: Karen Hand, Sam Martson

SUNDAY MASS

5/14/2023 8:30 AM

Greeters: Gagliano/Thomas/Sadler
Sandy Veigl
Lectors: Shelly Hamman, Carly Sadler
Ministers: Anita Allor, Brenda Rochford,
Jorge Solis, Michael Gagliano
Altar Servers: Tom Graffo, Henry Cardenas
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Bill Bethell
Dennis Veigl, Bart Perry

5/14/2023 11:15 AM

Greeters: Charlene & Ray Betz
Maria Jimenez
Lectors: Gloria Raynor, Doug Ross
Ministers: Bernie Funderburg,
Lexie Smith, James Raynor
Altar Servers: Jhon Paul & Natalie Rodgers
Ushers: Jerrold Bluhm, Emily Bluhm,
John Bluhm

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.**



Vacation Bible School!

VBS is coming! July 24-28th, kids will explore the galaxy as part of **Stellar VBS!** Together, they will learn how Jesus shined his light into our world to bring hope, love, forgiveness, and joy! Kids can expect a week full of epic adventures, fun crafts, music, and games to help them grow in friendship with Jesus. Registration forms for both participants and volunteers can be found in the foyers of the church.

Contact Jim Mathis, DRE for any comments, questions, or concerns!

Jimmathis.oll@gmail.com

205-405-6028

Looking Ahead:

May 7 - NO RE. First Communion 11:15am and Reception

May 14 - R.E. 9:45-11am / May Crowning

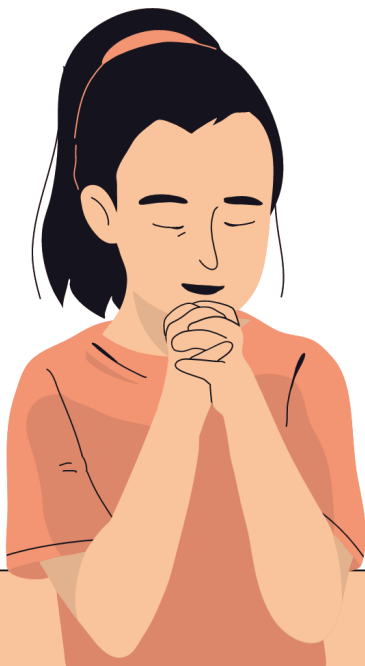
May 21 - Senior Sunday / End of Year Celebration 9:45-11am.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

Senior Sunday and End of Year Celebration

We invite all RE students, seniors, and their families to join us for an end of year celebration in the Parish Hall **May 21st 9:45-11am.** Refreshments will be provided.

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 | 11:15am
Our Lady of the Lake

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

Catholic Charismatic Monthly Mass At Our Lady of Sorrows

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama announces the celebration of monthly Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Church the second Thursday of each month. Come worship and praise and enjoy coming together to give glory to God. Confessions are at 6:15 pm, Praise Music at 6:30 pm and Mass begins at 7:00 pm. Individual prayer is available after Mass.

This month's Mass is May 11. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
For more information, contact Ray Makofsky at 205-999-8947

Bible Study Group

Please join us for a special Bible Study every Tuesday morning at 9:45 am in the Parish Hall. We are studying the Gospel of Matthew.



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

Actual for month of April - 400 cans

Please consider donating \$1 per week



Sunday— May 7

Masses— 8:30 am & 11:15 am
First Communion-11:15 am
w/ Reception following

Monday— May 8

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday— May 9

Mass 9:00 am

Bible Study Group-9:45 am

Wednesday—May 10

Spanish Mass -7:00 pm
Adoration/Holy Hour-7:30 pm (Spanish)

Thursday— May 11

Mass-9:00

Legion of Mary— 7:00 pm

Friday— May 12

Mass 9:00

Saturday — May 13

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass-5:00 pm

Pilgrim Virgin— 6:30 pm

Sunday— May 14 Mother's Day

Masses— 8:30 am & 11:15 am

RE 9:45 am

May Crowning-after 8:30 am Mass