



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

4609 MARTIN STREET SOUTH
CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054



Rev. William P. Lucas, Pastor

Deacon Terrence Rumore
Deacon Serge Brazzolotto
Deacon E. Lee Robinson

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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

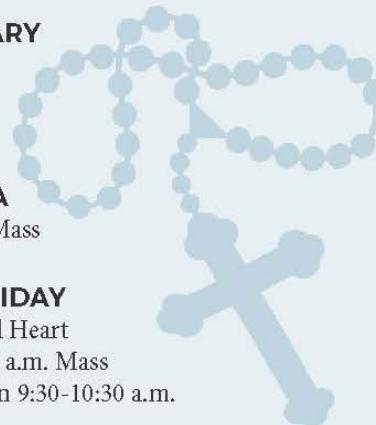
Novena to the Sacred Heart
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

August through May
Ages 3 years through High School



www.ollpellcity.com

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday May 13, 2023
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, May 14, 2023
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023



If you love me, you will keep my commandments. —John 14:15-21



May 15- May 21

- Monday:** Bill Gossett by Sharon Stice †
- Tuesday:** Fr. Henry McDaid by Fr. William Lucas †
- Wednesday:** Susan Smith Cantor by Walton Smith
- Thursday:** Bud Vollmann by the Zielinskis †
- Friday:** The Stubblefield Family by Madelyn Guald
- Saturday:** Trudi & Andy McClay by the Zielinskis †
- Sunday:** Tom Porter 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, 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 Walsler, 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, Connie Parsons

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 15- May 21

- Monday:** Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Jn 15:26—16:4a
- Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1,2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 16:16-20
- Friday:** Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28
- Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11, Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

Today's Readings



First Reading — Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:5-8, 14-17).

Psalm — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66).

Second Reading — For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil (1 Peter 3:15-18).

Gospel — Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father (John 14:15-21).

CATHOLIC CHARITIES AND COMMUNITIES

This week I authorized the transfer of \$20,134 from our Parish Unrestricted Diocesan Reserves to Catholic Charities and Communities. With that contribution, we reached the goal set by the Diocese for our parish of \$60,000.00.

I did this so that the Centers of Concern would not have to turn away hungry people who need food.

I did this so that women in crisis pregnancies would not be turned away from Catholic Family Services.

I did this so college students would be able to find a Catholic presence at the universities and colleges in our diocese.

I did this so that the religious education and youth ministries of our parish would have support from the Diocese.

I did this so that no young man discerning a call to the priesthood for our diocese would be turned away because of the inability to pay for his seminary education.

I did this so that the Catholic Church in North Alabama could fulfill its mission of reaching out as an instrument of Christ's love for those most in need of it.

I have no idea why we as a parish decreased our giving to Catholic Charities and Communities this year compared to last year. But I believe the poor, pregnant women, college students, children, and seminarians do not need to be punished because of it.

If anyone needs to speak with me about this, feel free to call me and set up an appointment.

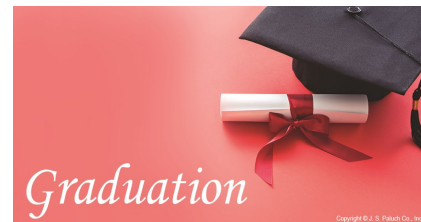
Senior Sunday and End of the Year RE Reception

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.



Help Wanted- Altar Linen Cleaning

Our Lady of the Lake is in need of volunteers to join our current team that washes and irons altar linens. We have set the schedule up on a rotating basis so as to not make this job overly burdensome. Current volunteers are scheduled for 2 months/year.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact the parish office at 205-525-5161 or Parish@OilPellCity.com



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!



Offertory Collection

July 2022 — June 2023

	Actual	Needed weekly
May 7 Offertory	\$6,406	\$6,774
Year to Date	\$349,306	\$304,830

Building Fund Collection

July 2022 — June 2023

	Actual	Needed Monthly
Building Fund— Month of April	\$6,162	\$2,540
Year to Date	\$48,736	\$27,940



Chair: Jeff Reach jreach@protonmail.com

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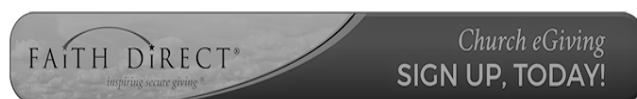
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Council meetings are open to all parishioners, and are typically on the third Wed. of the month after Mass.



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/



Pro Life Corner

Thanks so much for all those who came out for Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center's first 5K ever! There was a great turn out with both walkers, runners, adults, children, and one dog named Buttercup!

If you or someone you know is pregnant, scared, needs help, Ann's New Life Center can help. If they are having trouble purchasing diapers, formula, and all that's needed for the baby, Ann's New Life Center can help. Ann's New Life Center in Leeds is open and also has gone medical. They have a nurse and do limited ultrasounds just like the Cropwell Branch.

(205) 338-4580 | Pell City (Cropwell) (205) 702-6500 | Leeds (800) 712-HELP (4357) | 24/7 Hotline

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.



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

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: “Come
Drink the Water of Renewed Love”** Give your
marriage the gift of attending a Worldwide Marriage
Encounter Weekend– a weekend-long retreat to
focus on each other, find deeper intimacy, rekindle
your romance, and revitalize your marriage– and
leave with a marriage that is refreshed and full of
energy!

Next WWME Weekend is June 24-25, 2023 at John
Carroll Catholic High School in Birmingham, AL
(Non-Residential) (Note: Meals are provided but
overnight accommodations are not.)

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

Assignments

May 17 2023 - May 21, 2023

WEDNESDAY MASS

5/17/2023 7:00 PM

Lector: Charmaine Welch
Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS

5/20/2023 5:00 PM

Greeters: Paige Everett, Allen Ross
Lectors: Pat Blum, Martha Hayes
Ministers: Parma Boyle, Tom Graffo
Altar Servers: Michael Gagliano, Andy Payant
Ushers: Amy Carreker, Jim Gorman

SUNDAY MASS

5/21/2023 8:30 AM

Greeters: Sophie & Sergio Alvarez
Francie Poteracki
Lectors: Meagan Price, Alexis Allor
Ministers: Jane Snider, Patrick Everett
Edgar Solis, Ronni Thomas
Altar Servers: Jeff Reach, Stephen Reese
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Matt Allor
Dennis Veigl, Phillip Thomaston

5/21/2023 11:15 AM

Greeters: The Bluhm Family
Lectors: Lexie Smith, Larry Foltz
Ministers: Sonya Lewis, James Raynor,
Gloria Raynor, Chris Gallegly
Altar Servers: TBD, Ethan Myers
Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith,
Danny Smith, Jeff 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.**



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 ONLINE at

vbspro.events/p/ollstellar

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

Jimmathis.oll@gmail.com

205-405-6028

Looking Ahead:

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

May 20 - Confirmation at Sacred Heart Anniston 10am. Students and sponsors arrive by 9:15am.

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 Graduating Seniors:

Troy Rosato

Destiny Markevich

Jacob Everett

Caleb Bluhm

Ethan Duncan

Alexis Allor

Discover the Hidden Dominican Vocation



Vocation Retreat – June 9-11, 2023

We invite young women age 16-26 to draw closer to Jesus and Mary and learn more about our vocation at the heart of the Dominican Order: MarburyDominicanNuns.org/Vocation-Retreat-June23

Cloistered Dominican Nuns, Marbury, Alabama

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 May month to date – 41 cans

Please consider donating \$1 per week



Sunday– May 14 Mother’s Day

Masses– 8:30 am & 11:15 am

RE 9:45 am

May Crowning-after 8:30 am Mass

Monday– May 15

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday– May 16

Mass 9:00 am

Bible Study Group-9:45 am

Wednesday–May 17

Surfsiders– 10:00 am

Mass -7:00 pm

Pastoral Council– 7:30 pm

Thursday– May 18

Mass-9:00

Legion of Mary– 7:00 pm

Friday– May 19

Mass 9:00

Saturday – May 20

Confirmation-Sacred Heart– 10:00 am

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass-5:00 pm

Sunday– May 21

Masses– 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Senior Sunday/ RE End of Year Celebration-reception after 8:30 am Mass