



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

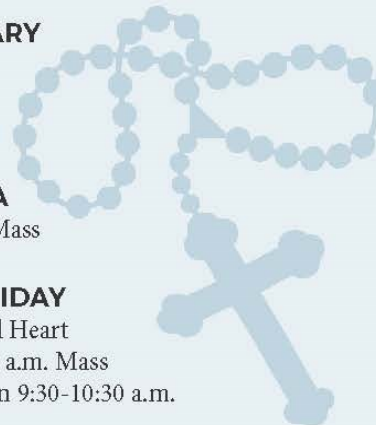
Novena to the Sacred Heart
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION

Third Sunday of every month 7:00 p.m.
Second Wednesday of every month | *Exposicion del 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 10, 2024
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, February 11, 2024
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
February 11, 2024

Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand,
touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be
made clean. -Mark 1:41



February 12 - February 18

- Monday:** Paul Centilli by Larry & Mary Esther Krantz †
- Tuesday:** Annamma Gupu by Fr. William Lucas †
- Wednesday:** Tom Welch by the Brazzolottos †
- Thursday:** Beth Martin by Jay Benson †
- Friday:** Paul Boyle Sr. by Parma Boyle †
- Saturday:** Malvina Cueria & Ethel Nunez
by Susan Moseley †
- Sunday:** Nancy Ross by the Brazzolottos †
For the People

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

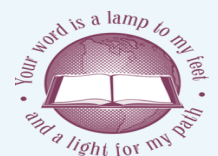
Ron & Diana Markeyich, Juanita Crowson,
Toni James, Bob Walsh, Fred Brown, Silvia
Moten, Herb & Sherry Kuntz, Bill & Loretta
Frost, David & Audrey Springer, Christine Jaks,
Jeanie Reid, Ruth Stanley, Janice Stella, Frank
Troncalli, Angela Ledlow, Michael Brayman,
Lee Walser, Geri Bunt, Charles & Libby LaFleur,
Marcia Mortek, Benny Goodman, Margaret
Banks, Jose Riveria, Helen Turner, George
Sobolowski, Jimmy Hollis, William Connor
Stone, Pat Roberts, Bill & Dee Watkins, Emily
Bell Smith, Mary LaFleur, Micky Zielinski, Jim
Reilly, Connie Parsons, Gayle Huff, Randy
Gray, Karen Hand, Jackie Gross, Mary Esther
Krantz, Bill Hereford

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 12- February 18

- Monday:** Jm 1:1-11; Ps 119;
Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday:** Jm 1:12-18; Ps 94;
Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-
4, 5-6ab, 12-13,
14 & 17; 2 Cor
5:20—6:2
- Thursday:** Deut 30:15-20; Ps
1; Lk 9:22-25
- Friday:** Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51;
Mt 9:14-15
- Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14; Ps
86; Lk 5:27-32
- Sunday:** Gen 9:8-15; Ps
25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1
Pet 3:18-22; Mk
1:12-15

Today's Readings



First Reading—If the man is leprosy and unclean, the priest shall declare him unclean by reason of the sore on his head (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).

Psalm — I turn to you in times of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1).

Gospel — A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said "If you wish you can make me clean" (Mark 1:40-45).

MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2024

"Lent is a season of conversion, a time of freedom. Jesus himself, we recall each year on the first Sunday of Lent, was driven into the desert by the Spirit in order to be tempted in freedom. For forty days, he will stand before us and with us: the incarnate Son. God does not want subjects, but sons and daughters."

"It is a time to act, and in Lent, to act also means to pause. To pause in prayer, in order to receive the word of God, to pause like the Samaritan in the presence of the wounded brother or sister. Love of God and love of neighbor are one love. Not to have other gods is to pause in the presence of God beside the flesh of our neighbor. For this reason, prayer, almsgiving and fasting are not three unrelated acts, but a single movement of openness and self-emptying, in which we cast out the idols that weigh us down, the attachments that imprison us."

"I invite every Christian community to offer its members moments set aside to rethink their lifestyles, times to examine their presence in society and the contribution they make to its betterment. Woe to us if our Christian penance were to resemble the kind of penance that so dismayed Jesus. To us too, he says, "Whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others they are fasting." Instead, let others see joyful faces, catch the scent of freedom and experience the love that makes all things new, beginning with the smallest and those nearest to us."

"To the extent that this Lent becomes a time of conversion, an anxious humanity will notice a burst of creativity, a flash of new hope. For faith and charity take hope, this small child by the hand. They teach her to walk, and at the same time, she leads them forward."



Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center OLL Baby Bottle Drive and Shower of Blessings

The Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church Baby Bottle Drive has begun. It will end with a baby shower to benefit our local crisis pregnancy center, Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center (ANLC) on Sunday, **February 25th** between the Masses.

Please fill your bottles with the change you may have in the cup holder of your car, between the cushions in your couch, or wherever you keep your spare change, and return your baby bottles to the Shower of Blessings.

Everyone is invited. Coffee and refreshments will be served. Susan Meredith, the Director of ANLC in Cropwell and Leeds will give the center update.

Michelle Schachle will return with her 13th child, Michael McGivney Schachle. He is the child that had his life approved as one of the miracles for the cause of beatification of Fr Michael McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus.

Current Needs at the Center

- Baby Wipes
- Car Seats (pumpkin style for infants)
- Size 4, 5, and 6 Diapers
- Baby Bottles (Dr. Browns)
- Baby Monitors
- Cool Mist Humidifiers
- Diaper Bag Backpacks
- Baby Bottle Sterilizers
- Baby Wash and Shampoo
- Dreft Newborn Laundry Detergent
- Baby Bottle Warmer
- Portable Changing Pad
- Gallon Size Zip Lock Bags



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National Black and Indian Missions 2nd Collection – Feb 17 and 18, 2024

Next weekend we will take up a 2nd collection for the Black and Indian Missions. The Black and Indian Mission Collection exists to help local African American and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the United States spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and respond to real and pressing needs on the ground.

Offertory Collection

July 2023 — June 2024

	Actual	Needed weekly
February 4 Offertory	\$7,382	\$7,264
Year to Date	\$230,093	\$232,448



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



Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat would like to extend a special invitation to you and all of the men of the parish to the Annual Men's Retreat – Into the Deep with Fr. Peyton Plessala, a priest of the Archdiocese of Mobile. The retreat is scheduled for March 8-10, Friday to Sunday.

The retreat will focus on inviting men into a deeper relationship with Jesus while teaching men how to pray more intentionally, how to be more available to God's healing grace, and how to enter into spiritual combat. The retreat will include Mass, Confession, and time for Adoration.

It is easy to register online!

Here is the link to the [online registration](#).

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament

The parish is sponsoring a pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville on **Saturday, April 20th**. The cost for the bus trip will be \$25.00.

We will depart from the church at 7:00 a.m. and will return at 5:00 p.m. The day will include a tour of the grounds, Mass, lunch, a healing service, and a spiritual talk. The bus holds 55 passengers, so reservations are required. The deadline for reservations is March 31st. Sign-up sheets are available in each foyer.

ST. JOHN DE BREBEUF RELIC ON TOUR

The skull of St. Jean de Brebeuf, Jesuit missionary and North American martyr, will be at the Cathedral of St. Paul in Birmingham on Friday, February 23rd as part of a monthlong relic tour. Veneration of the holy relic will be from 3:30-5:00 p.m. and 7:30-9:00 p.m., with a presentation on the life of the martyr at 7:00 p.m. Both the presentation and veneration are open to the public.

Lenten Regulations

Lent runs from Ash Wednesday (February 14) until the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday (March 28). "The faithful, listening more intensely to the word of God and devoting themselves to prayer, are prepared through a spirit of repentance to renew their baptismal promises (at Easter)." (Ceremonial of Bishops, #249)

Fasting: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fast for those ages 18 through 59. Only one full meal is allowed, though a person may eat two smaller meals to maintain strength.

Abstinence: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, plus all the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat for those ages 14 and older.

Confession: It is recommended that all Catholics celebrate the sacrament of Penance during the Lent or Easter seasons (February 14-May 19).

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
Knights of Columbus

LENTEN FISH FRY

February 16, 2024-March 22, 2024

Friday 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

2-Piece Fish Dinner \$10.00

Two pieces fried catfish or baked tilapia; two sides; 2 hush puppies; tea, lemonade, or water.

1-Piece Fish Dinner \$8.00

One piece fried catfish or baked tilapia; two sides; 2 hush puppies; tea, lemonade, or water.

Childs Plate \$4.00

One piece fish or one piece cheese pizza; one side; 2 hush puppies; tea, lemonade, or water.

All Proceeds Go To Charity

Thank You for Your Support!

Assignments

February 14, 2024 - February 18, 2024

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

2/14/2024 9:00 AM

Greeters: Parma Boyle, Allen Ross
Lectors: Mary Burns, Lexie Smith
Ministers: Anita Allor, Susan Moseley
Ushers: Bob Nicholas, Jay Benson

2/14/2024 7:00 PM

Greeters: B&D Freeman, The Thomastons
Lector: Teri Gagliano, Jorge Solis
Ministers: Buddy Spradley, Edgar Solis
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Paul Thomas

SATURDAY MASS

2/17/2024 5:00 PM

Greeters: Parma Boyle, Karen Hand
Lectors: Allen Ross, Patricia Blum
Ministers: Susan Moseley, Tom Graffo
Altar Servers: Buddy Adamson, Otto Mueller
Ushers: Amy Carreker, Jim Gorman

SUNDAY MASS

2/18/2024 8:30 AM

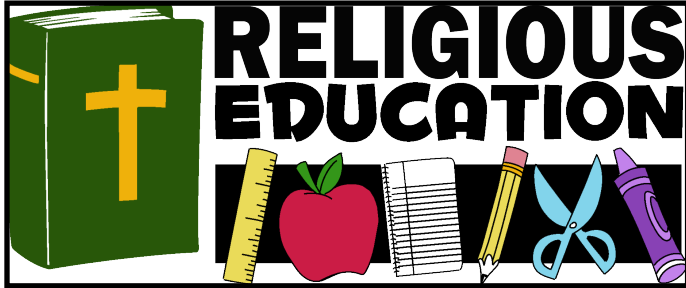
Greeters: Shayla Largadas, Diana Stephens
Lectors: Carey Monistere, Meagan Price
Ministers: Teri Gagliano, Michael Gagliano, Jorge Solis, Edgar Solis
Altar Servers: Sophie Alvarez, Ronni Thomas
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Matt Allor
Dennis Veigl, Phillip Thomaston

2/18/2024 11:15 AM

Greeters: R&C Betz, P Cowart/P Lopez
Lectors: Miranda Bryant, Lexie Smith
Ministers: Martha Hayes, Gloria Raynor
Altar Servers: Jhon Paul & Natalie Rodgers
Ushers: Chris Gallegly, 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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Looking Ahead:

February 11– Burning of the Palms-9:45 am
RE– 9:45 am

February 14– Ash Wednesday
Youth Group– 5:30 pm

February 18- No RE
Rite of Elect (Cathedral) 2:00 pm


February 25– RE– 9:45 am

PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Casa Maria
3721 Belmont Road Irondale, AL 35210

February 16-18, 2024
Retreat Master: Fr. John McDonald

Ages 18-35

For more info & registration 

Join us for Youth Group!

Every other Wednesday evening

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

Pictorial Church Directory

If you are interested in participating in a new church directory, please sign up on one of the sheets in either foyer. We need at least 75 families to participate before we can have the photographer come.

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Magnificat Prayer Luncheon

Our Lady of Sorrows Family Life Center in Assembly Hall
Saturday, March 2, 2024
11:00 am-2:00 pm

Speaker, Jess Echeverry, an advocate for women and families who survived a life of dark times and abuse. Come hear how she found the key to perfect forgiveness through God's grace.

Tickets are \$20 and includes a catered lunch. They are available online at <http://BirminghamMagnificat.org> or by contacting Lucy at (205) 529-0259 or from Alpha Church Supply. No tickets are sold at the door or after February 25th.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

As part of the Eucharistic Revival being observed this year in the United States, there will be a National Eucharistic Congress held July 16-22, 2024 in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Diocese of Birmingham has purchased 200 conference tickets and is taking registrations for adults, at least 19 years of age. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit <https://bhmdiocese.org/revivalpilgrimage>.



*To Our Lady of the Lake family,
We have received so many phone calls,
cards, text messages and expressions
of love, faith and hope for both me and
Bobby. We are grateful for so many
wonderful people.*

*May God bless each of you in His special way!
Karen Hand*

Surfsiders

The Surfsiders will have their monthly meeting Wednesday, February 21st at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall. This includes a potluck lunch, games and fellowship. All seniors are invited!

The Eucharist by Catholic Answers

Please pick up a book in the foyer titled The Eucharist by Catholic Answers to understand the main arguments for and against the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. This is a gift for every person in the parish that wants one, we will order more if needed.

Calendar for Feb 11, 2024—Feb 18, 2024

Sunday— February 11

Masses-8:30 & 11:15 am
KOC Men's Bible Study— 9:45 am
RE— 9:45 am
Burning of the Palms— between Masses

Monday—February 12

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday— February 13

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

Ash Wednesday—February 14

Mass 9:00 am
Mass St. Vincent's Chapel— 12:00 pm
Mass— 7:00 pm
Youth Group- 5:30 pm

Thursday— February 15

Mass-9:00 am
Legion of Mary— 6:30 pm

Friday— February 16

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

Saturday — February 17

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

Sunday— February 18

Masses-8:30 & 11:15 am
KOC Men's Bible Study— 9:45 am
No RE
Rite of Elect-St. Paul's Cathedral— 2:00 pm
Holy Hour— 7:00 pm