

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 Wednesday

9:00 a.m. 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

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Weekly Readings April 8- April 14 Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church Saturday Apríl 6, 2024 Mass 5:00 pm Monday: Isaiah 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b Sunday, Apríl 7, 2024 Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am -9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10: Lk 1:26-38 Second Sunday of Easter **Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93; Apríl 7, 2024 Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34; Jn 3:16-21 Blessed are those who have not seen and Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps have believed. -John 20:29 34; Jn 3:31-36 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27; April 8 - April 14 Jn 6:1-15 Ray E. Whaley by Alan & Christy Whaley † Monday: Saturday: Acts 6:1-7: Ps **Tuesday:** Donny & Kelly McCaa 33; Jn 6:16-21 by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Wednesday: Paul Boyle III by Parma Boyle † Paul Centilli by Larry & Mary Esther Krantz † Thursday: Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9; 1 Friday: Marvin Sprouse by Walton Smith † Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-Saturday: Betty Nicholas by Jay Benson + 48 Sunday: For the People Valerie Kern by Jerry & Brenda Kern 🕇 <u>Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:</u> Ron & Diana Markevich, Juanita Crowson, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Fred Brown, Silvia Moten, Herb 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 La Fleur, Marcia Mortek, Margaret Banks, Jose Riveria, Helen Turner, George Sobolowski, Jimmy Hollis, Konnor Stone, Pat Roberts, Bill & Dee Watkins. Emily Bell Smith, Mary La Fleur, Micky Zielinski, Jim Reilly, Connie Parsons, Gayle Huff, Randy Gray, Jackie Gross, Mary Esther Krantz, Bill Hereford, Thomas Mark Jones, Robert Menefee <u>Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:</u> Today's Readings First Reading— With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus and great favor was accorded them all (Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35).

Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments (1 John 5:1-6).

Gospel — Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you (John 20:19-31).

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 <u>sharonstice46@gmail.com</u> or call 205-613-1053.

Father Bill's Weekly Message

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

One of the priests of the Diocese of Birmingham once remarked, "Every Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday." That is true. However, Pope St. John Paul II, declared during his pontificate that the Second Sunday in the Octave of Easter would be observed as the Sunday of Divine Mercy in all Catholic dioceses.

The devotion to the Divine Mercy comes from the writings of St. Faustina Kowalska, a polish nun who died in 1938. She received communications from Jesus that instructed her of the nature of God's mercy for the world. Her spiritual director told her to write down the messages she received. These became known as her diary. It was published after her death.

The devotion to the Divine Mercy is as easy as ABC. A- Ask for God's Mercy; B- Be Merciful; C- Completely trust in Jesus. There is a Chaplet of Divine Mercy, prayed on a rosary, though with different prayers.

The Gospel reading for the Second Sunday of Easter is always John, 20, 19-31. In that passage, Jesus returns to the disciples on Easter Monday and says to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." The disciples are to be instruments of God's mercy in imitation of Jesus.

On this Sunday a special indulgence is granted that remits the temporal punishment of all sins. The usual conditions apply. You must go to confession within two weeks of Divine Mercy Sunday. You must have a complete detachment from all sins. You must perform a pious act: in this case, recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

At Our Lady of the Lake, we will have a celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday afternoon beginning at 2:00 p.m. There will be Eucharistic Adoration and confession from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Then the Knights of Columbus of our parish will lead a recitation of the chaplet beginning at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament– Saturday April 20th

If you have signed up for the pilgrimage please pay the \$25 fee as soon as possible. You may drop your check off at the office or put in the dropbox. You may also put in the offertory basket, be sure and note the check is for the pilgrimage.

> Divine Mercy Sunday April 7, 2024 Celebration Adoration-2:00 pm Chaplet-3:00 pm



Mass at St Vincent's Chapel

Wednesday morning Mass is held at St. Vincent's Hospital St. Clair. at <u>8:30 am</u>. The Mass is held in the chapel on the first floor. It is held every Wednesday, as long as Father Sexton or Father Bill are available.



Our Lady of the Lake Bible Study

Join us at 9:45 am on Tuesdays in the Parish Hall Conference Room. We are currently studying St Paul's Letters from Prison.

Offertory Collection		
July 2023 — June 2024		
	Actual	Needed weekly
March 24, 2024	\$7,481	\$7,264
Year to Date	\$290,693	\$283,296



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

Redemptive Healing in Christ and His Church April 12-14, 2024

Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat Center

107 Holy Trinity Road Fort Mitchell, AL 36856 Begins: 6:00 pm Central on Friday

Speaker: Tom Riello, Chair of Theology and Director of Faith Formation at Montgomery Catholic Preparatory School and Adult Director of Faith Formation at Holy Spirit Parish in Montgomery.

Retreat discussions will include:

- The Lord my Healer
- The life and cry of Jacob
- Paul and the Cross
- The Suffering Servant
- St. John Paul II theology of suffering

Retreat Fee: \$198 per person (includes \$90 non-refundable deposit)

Day Hop Fee: \$90 per person (includes \$45 non-refundable deposit) Register online at msbt.org/event/bible-institute-2024

Job Postings

The Diocese of Birmingham Chancery is accepting applications for the positions of Maintenance Technician and Director of Camp Tekakwitha.

Interested applicants are asked to submit a completed <u>Application for Employment</u>, along with their cover letter and resume to ethibodeauz@bhmdiocese.org. Go to bhmdiocese.org/employment to see the full position descriptions.



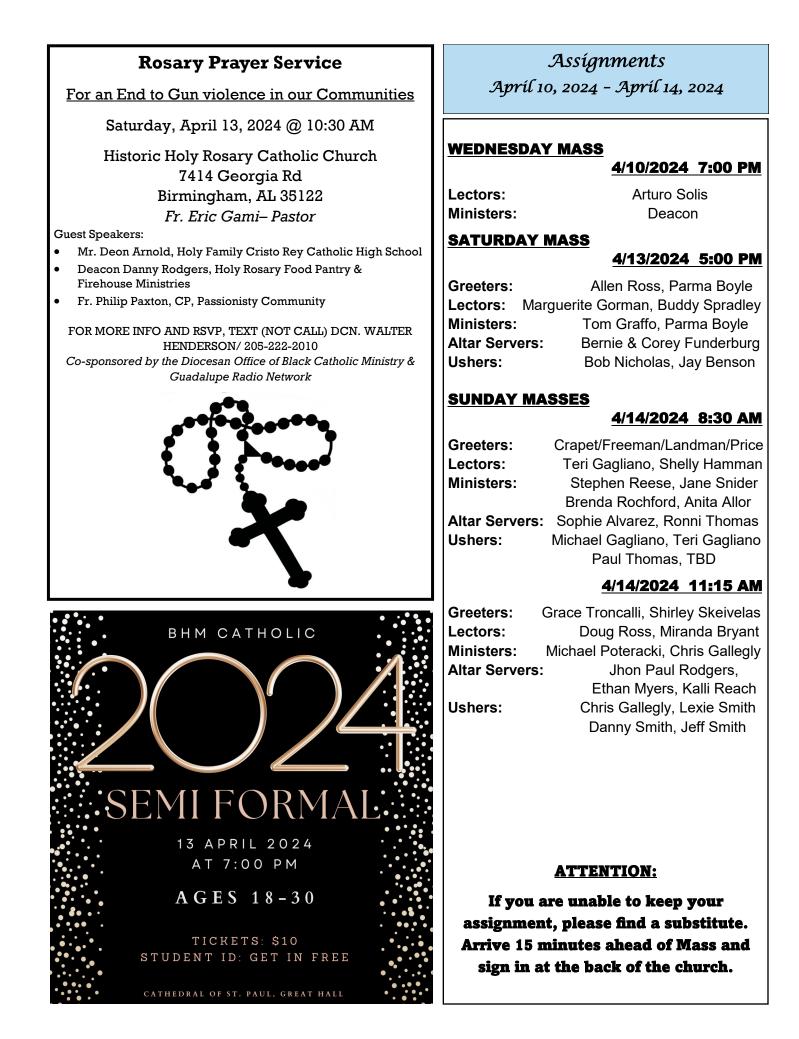
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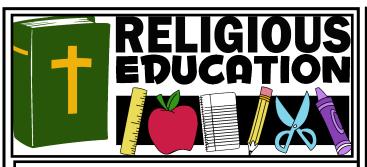
Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center Wish List

Needed: Size 4 Diapers Size 6 Diapers

3440 Martin Street South, Suite 1, Cropwell, AL 35054 205-338-4580 Hours of Operation: Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 am-4:00 pm 24/7 Hotline: 1-800-712-4357







Looking Ahead:

- **April 7** RE– 9:45 am
- April 14 RE– 9:45 am
- April 17 Youth Group– 5:30 pm
- April 21 RE- 9:45 am
- April 27 Confirmation-5:00 pm Mass Reception to follow in the Hall

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!

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PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS

Please pray for the following people who will be receiving sacraments during the Easter season:

Confirmation (April 27th)

Emily Bluhm Natalie Dempsey Morgan Johnson Shayla Largadas Keller Perry Natalie Rodgers Isabelle Boyle

First Communion (May 5th)

Victoria Escobedo Rylan Knight Annalee Perez-Rodriguez Samuel Vazquez Sophia Zubia

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 <u>https://bhmdiocese.org/</u> <u>revivalpilgrimage</u>.





Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center 20th Annual GOLF FORE LIFE Friday, May 17, 2024 Highland Park Golf Course

Registration 7:45 am–Tee Off 9:00 am Cost-\$250 (\$125 Tax Deductible) per golfer Box Lunch and Prizes awarded immediately following the tournament.

This ministry exists to help women facing a crisis pregnancy choose life, and to support them in that decision. Come and play golf and **defend the culture of life**. Contact Jim Pinto 205-447-8799/252-0706 or email Golf4life@herchoicebirmingham.org. You may pay on the day of the event, go online or mail check to: Her Choice Birmingham, 2120 7th Ave South, Birmingham, AL 35233

Cursillo News

If you have been considering what the next step in your spiritual journey should be, now is the time to attend this "Weekend away with Jesus"!!

Don't question yourself, be open to the Holy Spirit and attend a Weekend that can change your life!!!

Cursillo Weekends will be held at St. Bernard Abbey in Cullman, AL.

Men's Cursillo Weekend: August 15-18, 2024

Contact Parma Boyle at <u>parmie100@yahoo.com</u> (205-405-0948) or Deacon Lee at <u>eleer2000@gmail.com</u> (205 936 9330)

The Cursillo Movement is a recognized charism (an extraordinary power (as of healing) given a Christian by the Holy Spirit for the good of the church) founded on small friendship groups.

Calendar for Apríl 7, 2024—Apríl 14, 2024

<u>Sunday– April 7</u>

Masses-8:30 & 11:15 am RE– 9:45 am KOC Men's Bible Study– 9:45 am Divine Mercy Celebration 2:00-3:30 pm

> Monday–April 8 Mass 9:00 am

<u>Tuesday– April 9</u> Mass 9:00 am Bible Study– 9:45 am RCIA– 7:00 pm

Wednesday–April 10

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

> <u>Thursday– April 11</u> Mass– 9:00 am Legion of Mary– 6:30 pm

> > Friday– April 12 Mass– 9:00 am

<u>Saturday – April 13</u> Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm Mass– 5:00 pm

Sunday– April 14

Masses-8:30 & 11:15 am RE– 9:45 am KOC Men's Bible Study– 9:45 am