



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

4609 MARTIN STREET SOUTH
CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054

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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

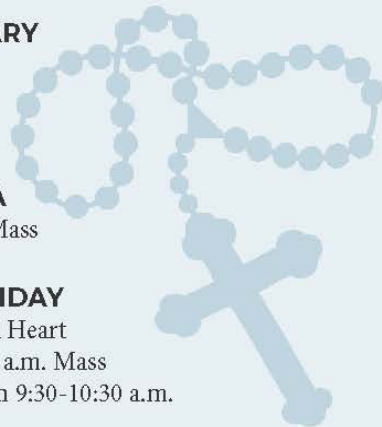
Novena to the Sacred Heart
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

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



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Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday May 4, 2024
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, May 5, 2024
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2024

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. -John 15:13



May 6 - May 12

Monday:	Elizabeth (Gene) Smith by Walton Smith †
Tuesday:	Joseph E. Stanley by KOC 12270 †
Wednesday:	Alvaro Amaya by James & Gloria Raynor †
Thursday:	Paul Boyle III by Parma Boyle †
Friday:	Fr. Charles McCabe by Fr. William Lucas †
Saturday:	Judy Diane Marston by Sam Marston †
Sunday:	For the People Marie Battaglia by Parma Boyle †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Ron & Diana Markeyich, Juanita Crowson, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Fred Brown, Silvia Moten, Bill & Loretta Frost, David & Audrey Springer, Christine Jaks, Jeanie Reid, Janice Stella, Frank Troncalli, Angela Ledlow, Michael Brayman, Lee Walsér, Geri Bunt, Charles & Libby LaFleur, Marcia Mortek, Margaret Banks, Jose Riveria, Helen Turner, George Sobolowski, Jimmy Hollis, Connor Stone, Pat Roberts, Bill & Dee Watkins, Emily Bell Smith, Mary LaFleur, Micky Zielinski, Jim Reilly, Connie Parsons, Gayle Huff, Randy Gray, Jackie Gross, Larry & Mary Esther Krantz, Thomas Mark Jones, Phillip Thomaston, Buddy Spradley

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 6- May 12

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

Today's Readings



First Reading— In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Ratter in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him (Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

Psalm — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — God sent his only son into the world so that we might have life through him (1 John 4:7-10).

Gospel — As the Father loves me, so I also love you (John 15:9-17).

THE CENTRALITY OF HUMAN DIGNITY

The Declaration of the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith, "Dignitas Infinita", was promulgated by Victor Manuel Cardinal Fernandez, Prefect of the Dicastery. The declaration is meant to clarify the Church's teaching on human dignity.

The First Part of the declaration is a survey of biblical teaching on the centrality of human dignity. We read in Genesis that human beings are made in the image and likeness of God. (Genesis 1, 26-27) The document goes on to say, "To be created in the image and likeness of God means to possess a sacred value that transcends every distinction of a sexual, social, political, cultural, and religious nature. Every human being is loved and willed by God and, thus, has an inviolable dignity." (Paragraph #11)

The declaration then goes into the teachings of the New Testament, "For Jesus, the good done to every human being, regardless of the ties of blood or religion, is the single criterion of judgment." (Matthew 25, 31-46) (#12)

The Second part of the declaration summarizes the Church's teaching as a guide for understanding the belief about the sacredness of human life. "The first conviction holds the dignity of the human person comes from the love of the Creator, who has imprinted the indelible features of his image on every person." (# 18)

"The second conviction follows from the fact that the dignity of the human person was revealed in its fullness when the Father sent his Son, who assumed human existence to the full: In the mystery of the Incarnation, the Son of God confirmed the dignity of the body and soul which constitute the human being." (# 19)

"The third conviction concerns the ultimate destiny of human beings. Christ's Resurrection reveals a further aspect of human dignity. The dignity of man rests above all on the fact that he is called to communion with God." (#20)

NEXT WEEK: MISUNDERSTANDINGS OF HUMAN DIGNITY



May Crowning
Sunday, May 12th
After 8:30 am Mass
OLL Columbarium

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION

Since the year 2000 the Mobile Province, which includes the Diocese of Birmingham, has observed the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord on the Seventh Sunday of the Easter Season. **This Thursday, May 9th, is not a Holy Day of Obligation.** By attending Mass next weekend, either at the Anticipated Mass on May 11th at 5:00 p.m. or on Sunday, May 12th at 8:30 or 11:15 a.m., you will fulfill your obligation for The Ascension of the Lord.

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>.



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

Camp St. Bernard

Camp St. Bernard offers an overnight and day experience for campers ages 6-14. Spaces are still available for this traditional Catholic summer camp. More information is available on the website campstbernard.com. This affordable summer camp runs weekly sessions Sunday afternoon through Friday afternoon for campers to experience God's gifts through nature, friendship, and St. Bernard Abbey. Feel free to contact campstbernard@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Offertory Collection

July 2023 — June 2024

	Actual	Needed weekly
April 28 Offertory	\$4,340	\$7,264
Year to Date	\$330,991	\$319,616



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Meagan Price: meaganfprice@gmail.com

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

Scholarship Announcement

The Italian American Heritage Society is announcing the opportunity for a \$1000 Scholarship based on the winning essay, "What My Italian Heritage Means to Me." To be eligible to participate, the applicant must have a relative who is a society member. Also, the person submitting the essay must be currently enrolled at the college level or a high school senior who has been accepted at a college. **The deadline for submitting the essay is May 31, 2024.** Two (2) \$1000 scholarships will be awarded. Go to the website for Scholarship Guidelines:

iahsbham.com



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/credit 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/AL1065.

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- Women's Ring
- Bracelet

Call the church office to claim
205-525-5161



PRO LIFE CORNER

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

Knights of Columbus Memorial Day Barbecue Sale

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Friday, May 24, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.

through Saturday, May 25, 2024.

\$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.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

We announce the upcoming marriage of Rachel Christine Cotton and Alec Thomas Nittinger, both of Our Lady of the Lake Parish, to be married in our church on May 11, 2024.



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

Total for April 2024 - 128 cans

Please consider donating \$1 per week

Assignments

May 8, 2024 - May 12, 2024

WEDNESDAY MASS

5/8/2024 7:00 PM

Lectors: Anita Allor
Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS-

5/11/2024 5:00 PM

Greeters: Dawn Adamson, Parma Boyle
Lectors: Pat Blum, Allen Ross
Ministers: Parma Boyle, Tom Graffo
Altar Servers: Bernie & Corey Funderburg
Ushers: Karen Hand, Sam Marston

SUNDAY MASSES

5/12/2024 8:30 AM

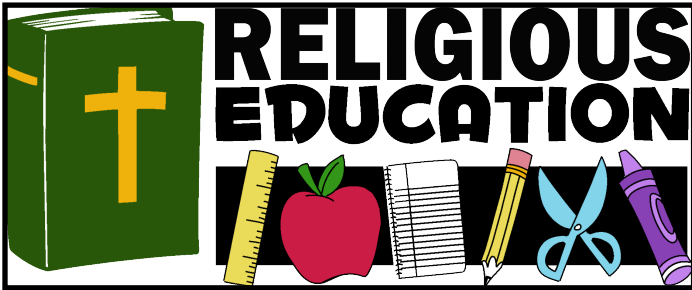
Greeters: Diana Stephens, Alexis Allor
Lectors: Robert Lewis, Carey Monistere
Ministers: Sonya Lewis, Michael Gagliano, Teri Gagliano, Edgar Solis
Altar Servers: Dennis Veigl, Stephen Reese
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Paul Thomas, Bit & Phillip Thomaston

5/12/2024 11:15 AM

Greeters: Shirley Skeivelas, Grace Troncalli
Lectors: Miranda Bryant, Stephanie Fischer
Ministers: James Raynor, Chris Gallegly
Altar Servers: Jhon Paul & Natalie Rodgers
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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Looking Ahead:

- May 5** RE– 9:45 am
First Holy Communion–
11:15 am Mass
- May 8** Youth Group– 5:30 pm
- May 12** May Crowning–after 8:30 am
Mass
RE– 9:45 am
- May 19** Senior Sunday Recognition–
8:30 am Mass
Last Day of Religious Education
- June 17-21** Vacation Bible School
Mark your calendars!

Senior Recognition Sunday

The following High School Seniors from Our Lady of the Lake Parish will be honored at the 8:30 am Mass on Sunday, May 19th. A reception will be held in the Parish Hall following Mass.

Amy Cardenas

Marc Halog

Mattilyn Osborne

If you have a graduate attending Our Lady of the Lake that is not listed, please call the office at 205-525-5161

Join us for the last Youth Group before Summer break!

Wednesday, May 8th

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

FORMED

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and ON DEMAND for FREE with our
Parish code:

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OLL Vacation Bible School

June 17-21, 2024

5:30 pm-8:00 pm each night

Please sign up on the sheets in the foyer if you can help!





**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 parmie100@yahoo.com (205-
405-0948) or Deacon Lee at eleer2000@gmail.com (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 May 5, 2024—May 12, 2024

Sunday— May 5

Masses-8:30 & 11:15 am

RE— 9:45 am

KOC Men's Bible Study— 9:45 am

First Holy Communion-11:15 am Mass
(Reception following)

Monday—May 6

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday— May 7

Mass 9:00 am

Bible Study— 9:45 am

Wednesday—May 8

Youth Group— 5:30 pm

Spanish Mass— 7:00 pm

Holy Hour— 7:30-8:30 pm

Thursday— May 9

Mass— 9:00 am

Legion of Mary— 6:30 pm

Friday— May 10

Mass— 9:00 am

Saturday — May 11

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass— 5:00 pm

Sunday— May 12

Masses-8:30 & 11:15 am

RE— 9:45 am

KOC Men's Bible Study— 9:45 am

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