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MASSES: Saturday: 5:00pm.,

Sunday: 8:30am. and 11:15am.

WEEKDAYS: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 9:00am.

Wednesday at 7:00pm.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday –Thursday 9:30am – 1:30pm.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 3:30pm. – 5:00pm. Or by appointment.

MARRIAGE PLANS: Must be made 6 months before date of wedding

MORNING ROSARY: 8:30am. before Mass.

MONDAY: Miraculous Medal Novena, following Rosary.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY: Novena To The Sacred Heart of Jesus – before 9am Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am – 12:30pm

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION: Third Sunday of every month at 7:00pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: August through May/ Ages 3 through high school

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, Sept. 7, 2013

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, Sept. 8, 2013

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

*Twenty-Third
Sunday in Ordinary Time*

✠ Mass Intentions Sept. 9-Sept 15 ✠

Monday: Paul Smith by Walton & Gene Smith ✠

Tuesday: Jim Gregg by Frank Troncalli ✠

Wednesday: Harry Scruggs by the Rochfords ✠

Thursday: Trudi Mc Clay by the Hands ✠

Friday: Richard Siegel by the Elie Family

Saturday: Harry Scruggs by P&P Boyle ✠

Sunday: Pruitt Smith by the Kern Family ✠

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Betty Brennan, Frank Dickinson, Dianna Markovich, Anne Forister, Alice Reid, Doris Gregg, Elaine Stephens, Linda Riemenschneider, Lexie Smith, Gene & Walton Smith, Guy Veasey, Daniel Centilli, Andrew Centilli, Denny Gentry, Lance Stella, Cindy Naro, Carla Rockhill, Sherry Manning

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 call Sharon Stice at 256-338-0207, or email:

cocoapuff@centurytel.net

Please note that names remain on the prayer list for 30 days and then are removed unless the Church Office is notified.

Weekly Reading Sept 9-15

Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11;
Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab;
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5
7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday &
Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13,
17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

**Reminder
Liturgy Committee Mtg.
Monday, September 9, 2013**

STEWARDSHIP

Not everyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord, will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. Mt 7:21



PASTOR'S MESSAGE

For all we have learned we have learned so little. The Reading from the Book of Wisdom in today's Mass is a reality check. "The deliberations of mortals are timid, and unsure are our plans". Again we read in the text: "And scarce do we guess the things on earth, and what is within our grasp we find with difficulty". Compared with the immense mind of God our knowledge is miniscule. No room for pride here.

Our nation debates and deliberates on whether to launch a so-called "strike" on Syria. We muster up what collective wisdom we can find and hope the decision will be wise and prudent. It should be noted that all the Church leaders in Syria (Patriarchs and Archbishops) have spoken our against an attack, fearing the consequences for an already endangered Christian Community.

The Gospel reading from Luke (14:25-33) speaks of the cost of discipleship. The language in verse twenty six: "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple", seems harsh to our ears. The Semitic language likes to use exaggeration or hyperbole to make a point. To "hate" in this instance is more accurately rendered "to love less". Commitment to Christ must come before all else and our commitment to all others must be for the sake of Christ.

To impress on his hearers (and on us) the importance of the demands of discipleship, Jesus tells two parables about two possible fools: one at work, the other at war. As builder and king both men are well known so to fail in what they set out to do will be a cause of great shame (a sign of weakness).

Would-be disciples too must carefully calculate the cost of following Jesus. There will be losses as well as gains. When Luke was writing his Gospel the choice to become a Christian carried a high price such as being disowned by family or the loss of a job. Has there been a loss for me in being or becoming a Catholic. The Cross is never far away.

Annual Catholic Charities Drive: The annual appeal will be held on September 21st & 22nd. The goal is over four million dollars for the whole Diocese. The goal for Our Lady of the Lake Parish is \$46,000.00. I am confident that we will exceed our goal as we have in the past. Pray for the success of this vital work.

Something to think about: "Half of the jobs in this country pay less than \$27,000.00 per year. More than forty-six million people live in poverty, including 16 million children" (MS. Bishops' Labor Day Statement.)

Peace & Blessings
Fr. Sexton

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 8-Sept 15

Sunday—Sept. 8

Mass 8:30 & 11:15am

*Pro Life Rosary (Sp) after

8:30 Mass

*RE/Soup Drive

*Adult Ed 9:45 Peter Ann Ryan on the Rosary

*Little Ones in Christ PK3-Gr3

12:30-2:30

*JR Youth Gr. 3-6, 5-7:00pm

Monday— Sept 9

Mass 9am

*Liturgy Mtg-6pm

*Legion of Mary

*Bridge

Tuesday— Sept 10

Mass 9am

*RCIA begins 7pm

Wednesday— Sept 11

Mass 7pm

Thursday—Sept 12

Mass 9am

Friday—Sept 13

Mass 9am

*Bible Study 10am

Saturday—Sept 14

Mass 5pm

*Confessions 3:30-5pm

*WATW 10am

*Catholic Charities Promotion

Sunday—Sept. 15

Mass 8:30 & 11:15am

*RE/Soup Drive

*Catechetical Sun 11:15 Mass

*Parish Picnic at Lakeside Park

1-3:30pm

*Ultreya-5:45pm

*Holy Hour 7pm Sr. Youth

FINANCE NEWS
July 2013- June 2014

Last week

Actual	Budget
* Offertory: \$ 7218.52	\$ 5199.00

Year-to-date

Actual	Budget
*Offertory: \$ 53,228.64	\$ 51,990.00

*Includes Holy Days

The Love Pantry!!!

The Love Pantry has requested that we bring cans of soup each week to help meet the needs of our Community.

Total cans last week — 395 cans.

Thank you for your generosity!



Adult Choir Practice will resume on Thursday evenings at 7pm beginning Sept. 12th. If you are interested in joining the choir please contact Charmaine Welch 205-913-4967.



Surfsiders: Fun and Games

Meets every third Wednesday of the month in the church hall. For more information call Larry Martens 256-338-6927.



The Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is a worldwide organization of Catholic men and women, who offer their services to their pastor to assist in performing spiritual works in the parish. Meets Mondays following Mass.

Contact: Jeanie Reid 753-3967.

Knights of Columbus
Council 12270

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal service organization open to Catholic men, 18 and older, in good standing with the faith. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie: it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your church, while enhancing your family life. Come see what we are all about. Contact: James Raynor (205-884-1777) or J.P. Willi (205-338-3131).



Mark Your Calendars

For The
Olds Women at the Well
Saturday, September 14, 2013
10:00 am

Please join us Saturday, September 14, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., to share in a very special morning as we resume Women at the Well for a new year. The morning will be relaxed, and will be a time of “catch up” from the summer break. If you haven’t attended before, this is a wonderful way to start!

Get to know the wonderful women of our parish and our community before we begin a new series of guest speakers and programs.

We can’t wait to see you there!

Don’t forget to bring a dish to share for lunch. Should you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact Elizabeth (Bit) Thomaston at (205)338-1080 or email at philip050@centurytel.net

Faith Fellowship Friendship

Junior Youth

Meeting September 8th
5:00 – 7:00

Come to the first Junior Youth group meeting of the year! Help plan our Schedule for the year, eat dinner and visit with church friends.

Remember all 3rd through 6th graders are welcome! We will eat dinner, socialize, have a discussion, play games, pray and have free time. **See you then! Sonya Lewis (205)814-1078**



Pro Life Corner

Our Lady of the Lake
Spiritual Adoption Program
Month 4

Thank you for praying for me.
I am bigger and stronger now.

I am about 6 inches long and I weigh about 4 ounces.
When my mommy goes to the doctor, she can even listen to my heartbeat. I hope that one day I will run and play with friends like you.

A Reminder:

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion

Please remember to pray daily for your Spiritual Adopted Baby and the baby’s mother and father.

Retreats and Other Programs

Saint Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church

Invites you to join in prayer and song to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church a turning point in our struggle for justice & civil rights.
Sunday, September 15, 2013 Birmingham, AL 35242
Reception to follow in the Social Hall
 For more information call 205-980-1810.



BENEDICTINE SISTERS SACRED HEART MONASTERY
 in CULLMAN, ALABAMA

Centering Prayer introductory retreat

An Introduction to Centering Prayer retreat will be held at the Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center in Cullman September 13-15. This form of Christian prayer is rooted in the ancient Christian contemplative tradition and is intended to foster a deeper intimacy with Christ. Private rooms and the ability to maintain silence are required.

The cost for the weekend is \$210/person; lodging, meals, and linens are included. For registration information and other details, please contact the Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center at (256) 734-8302 or by e-mail at retreats@shmon.org.

From September 25-November 3

*Our community will take part in **40 Days for Life**, an international, ecumenical pro-life campaign that aims to use prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach to help end abortion in our nation. Our Diocese will have campaigns in three area locations. The Birmingham campaign will take place at Planned Parenthood (1211 South 27th Place) daily from 6am-6pm. The Huntsville campaign will take place at AWCRA (612 Madison Street) daily. The Tuscaloosa campaign will take place at WAWC (535 Jack Warner Parkway NE) daily from 8am-5pm. 2013 is the 40th anniversary of legalized abortion in our nation, and we encourage all people of faith to take part in this campaign and follow the directive of Pope Francis to "be bearers of hope and continue to work to bring an end to abortion throughout the world, everyday." For more information on the campaign, ways to help, and to register please visit the webpages for each campaign. For **Birmingham**: 40daysforlife.com/Birmingham (or call 205-305-0950). For **Huntsville**: 40daysforlife.com/Huntsville (or call 256-881-9621). For **Tuscaloosa**: 40daysforlife.com/Tuscaloosa (or call 703-577-8002)*

ASSIGNMENT LIST

Sept 9-15

WEDNESDAY	9/11/2013	7:00 PM
Altar Servers	Taylor Vernon, Ronni Gagliano	
Lectors	Bernie Funderburg	
SATURDAY MASS	9/14/2013	5:00 AM
Altar Servers	Serge Brazzolotto, Michael Gagliano	
Greeters	Frost, Hertrich	
Lectors	Larry Foltz, Scott Denton	
Ministers	Serge Brazzolotto, Gloria Albright, Chris Gallegly	
Ushers	Cecil Rodgers, Bob & Karen Hand, Mike Gordon	
SUNDAY MASSES	9/15/2013	8:30 AM
Altar Servers	Stephen & Sophie Poteracki, Matt Frey, Natalie Newcomb	
Greeters	Mateer, F Poteracki	
Lectors	Teri Gagliano, Dennis Veigl	
Ministers	Michael Gagliano, Ryan & Will Curran, Tiffany Rochford, Ronni Gagliano	
Ushers	Michael Gagliano, Dennis Veigl, Gloria Rodgers, Joe Yester	
11:15 AM		
Altar Servers	Sawyer Stice, Taylor Vernon, Monica Liverman, Brennan Cardenas	
Greeters	Gracie Troncalli, Willi	
Lectors	Jim Mortek, Martha Hayes	
Ministers	Mary Adams, Ken & Edie Otto, Joe Hoffert, Marcia Mortek	
Ushers	Scott & Daniel Denton, Chris Gallegly, John Smith	

If you cannot keep your assignment PLEASE find a substitute.

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Take time for a Holy Pause

Family Questions of the Week

Questions are based on the Sunday Gospel
September 8, 2013.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Adults: How do you try to discover what God is asking of you?

¿Cómo intentas descubrir lo que Dios quiere de ti?

Child: When is it hard for you to know the right thing to do? Who helps you know?

¿Cuándo te es difícil saber lo que es hacer lo correcto?

¿Quién te ayuda a saberlo?

Religious Education 2012-2013

Every Sunday at 9:45 am.

Grs PreK thru 12

ANNUAL SOUP DRIVE

Collected as of 9/1 * 650 cans

Our goal 2000 cans.

Can we do it! **YES WE CAN...**

3 WEEKS TO GO!!!!

Bring your cans to the class, in the church foyer or RE bldg. if you can't shop, drop your donation in the soup box in the foyers and we'll do the shopping for you! All donations profit the Pell City Love Pantry.



COMING UP * MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Sept 8 RE 9:45am Soup Drive continues

Adult ED 9:45 Peter Ann Ryan on the Rosary

Sept 10 RCIA begins 7pm

Sept 13 Bible Study Begins 10am 1st Corinthians

Sept 15 RE 9:45am Soup Drive continues

Catechetical Sunday 11:15am Mass

Parish Picnic 1-3:30pm Place TBA

Ultreya 5:45pm Holy Hour 7pm

Sept 20 Fri Bible Study 10am 1st Corinthians

Sept 22 RE 9:45am Soup Drive ENDS

Sept 23 YPC1 6-8pm in the OLL hall

For all Catechists needing to update

For all Adults who are interested in working with our youth. And for anyone 21 yrs and older who would like to gain personal knowledge on the subject of abuse, how to recognize it, how to stop it.

Sept 27 Fri Bible Study 10am 1st Corinthians

Sept 28 & 20 Stewardship Fair after all Masses

Sept 29 RE 9:45am



YOUTH GROUP NEWS*JOIN US!!!

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING

LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST

Grs PreK-Gr 2 every 2nd Sunday

Next Meeting **THIS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8**

at 12:30-2:30

Help up plan the upcoming calendar & get ready for the Fall Festival! Lunch will be served! call Joanna Murphree 473-1444.

JR YOUTH Grs 3-6 every 2nd Sunday

Next Meeting **THIS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8**

at 5-7pm

Dinner will be served!

contact Sonya Lewis for more information 863-7305.

SR YOUTH Grs 7-12 Thanks to all who helped with the car wash and to all those who participated in bringing their cars. Your generosity will help make our WADC trip a lot smoother.

Oct 12 College Football Game Day Party 3pm at the Emericks. For more info contact Chris Frey 473-4661. **Keep your eyes on the mail for your SR Youth Newsletter.**

Open the Door of Faith

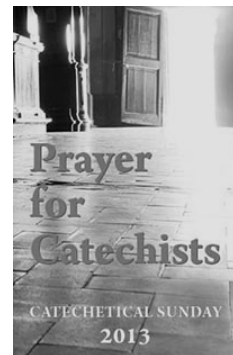
CATECHETICAL
SUNDAY
2013

Next Sunday **September 15th at the 11:15 am Mass** we celebrate: **CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**

2013 Theme **"OPEN THE DOOR OF FAITH"** –

Please pray for our **Catechists** as they volunteer their time to *Hand On The Faith* to your children and our Adults.

Thank You RE catechists: Julie Smith, Carl Rochford, Brenda Rochford, Connie Luter, Amber Boyle, Jordan Murphree, Terri Brown, Karen Reese, Kim Vernon, Jennifer Sellers, Laura Headley, Peggy Denton, Maria Jimenez, Tom Zopfi, Robert Lewis, Lloyd Brown, Sonya Lewis (also Jr Youth leader), Rosemary Mateer, Sharon Stice, Beth Hoffert, Joe Hoffert, Scott Denton, Teri Gagliano, Paul Emerick, Stephen Reese, Paul Boyle Jr. Sr Youth Leader: Chris Frey; LOIC Leader: Joanna Murphree. Adults: Mickey Zielinski, Tom Walsh & Yolie Roy. **May God bless you abundantly for your time, talent and treasures that you share!**



Parish Messages

English Classes
(Classes de Inglés)
Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
4609 Martin St. South
Pell City, AL
1-888-448-7323
205 525-0097
Thursdays 6:00-7:30p.m.
(jueves 6:00-7:30 p.m.)
Sept 12-Nov 14
(12 Sep - 14 Nov)



Inquiry Classes for RCIA begin
Tuesday, September 10th, at
7 pm in the Church hall.

Join us as we explore the Catholic Church.
Contact Parma at the Church Office at 525-5161.

Parish Messages



SAVE THE DATE
LITTLE ROCK BIBLE STUDY
A Ten Week Study on
FIRST CORINTHIANS

Friday, September 13

10am. OLL Conference Room

HUNGRY FOR SCRIPTURE?

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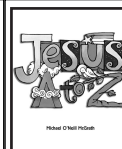


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