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MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5 pm **Sunday: 8:30 am & 11:15 am**
Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday— 9:00 am
Wednesdays:- 7:00pm

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Thursday 9:30 am-1:30 pm

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:30 p.m.—5:00 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

MONDAYS:

Miraculous Medal Novena following Rosary

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY:

Novena To The Sacred Heart of Jesus—before 9 a.m. Mass

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION:

Third Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

August through May. Ages 3 yrs. Through High School

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, August 23, 2014

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, August 24, 2014

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time August 24, 2014

“Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

— Matthew 16:19

✠ Mass Intentions Aug. 25 -Aug. 31 ✠

Monday: Tom & Gina Elie for Anniversary

Tuesday: Marlene Catalino by Sam Catalino ✠

Wednesday: Lucille Broadbent by The Reids ✠

Thursday: Special Intentions

Friday: Shelby Musgrove by David & Audrey Springer

Saturday: Judy Diane Marston by Sam Marston ✠

Sunday: Deceased Members of the KOC Council 12270 ✠

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Betty Brennan, Frank Dickinson, Dianna Markovich, Anne Forister, Alice Reid, Doris Gregg, Lexie Smith, Gene & Walton Smith, Daniel Centilli, Wilson Fletcher, Hildie Bowman, Matt Joiner, Pat Roberts, Tom Moseley

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 205-338-0207, 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 Readings

Aug. 25 -Aug. 31

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5;
Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13;
Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 124:1-2, 4-5;
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11;
Mk 6:17-29

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21;
Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2;
Mt 16:21-27



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

"Corruption in High Places" might well be a headline for the first Scripture reading (Isaiah 22:19-23) today. Shebna enjoyed a position equivalent to that of a prime minister in the country of Judah. He has done something unjust or dishonorable and he is to be removed from office.

We do not know the precise nature of Shebna's misconduct. An earlier verse in Chapter 22 of Isaiah suggests ambition and vanity as a problem. It seems that Shebna had ordered an impressive tomb to be carved in a prominent place for his future use. Did it cost too much? What was the source of the funding? Was the tomb more ornate than that which belonged to the king? Not a good thing to do when you work for the king. Anyway we don't know the full story, only that Shebna did something really bad and must lose his job.

Eliakim is appointed to take his place. He is invested with the symbols of his office. His authority is symbolized by a key. It is said that "What he unlocks none may shut, and what he locks none may open". He will serve as an anchor ("a peg in a sure spot") holding the country together. If we read verse 25 (which is not included in our reading today) we will find that Eliakim didn't succeed either and soon fell from power.

The prophet Isaiah, like the other Biblical prophets, seems to suggest that human power is fallible and corruptible and usually cannot bear the weight of our expectations. We expect so much (maybe too much) of our political and civil leaders and then discover that, like all of us, they too have feet of clay. The great American theologian, Reinhold Niebuhr, used to say: "All things human eventually turn out badly". Was he on to something?

Following the challenge of the prophet Isaiah, the Responsorial Psalm (138) calls us to recommit ourselves to the central reality of God in our lives. Unlike Shebna, we must not trust in making a name for ourselves. It's not about us at all. We must simply believe that God's ways are all we need.

Back to College - - Many of our students are off to college for the first time or returning to college after summer vacation. We have a number of students from our Parish who are strong and committed in their Catholic faith and who give great example and witness to the Faith in their college life. We are proud of them and their families and wish them the best.

A Double Loss - A Double Grief: We bade farewell in death this week to a much beloved and devoted couple, Joe and Zackie Bosarge. Death came to them only nine days apart. They were a shining witness to us all. Their final months were weighted down with painful illness. In all of this, to use a scriptural phrase, "They were more than conquerors" by their steadfast faith. They loved each other greatly in life. Our prayer is that they are now happily united in a life beyond life that knows no end. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Sexton

Calendar of Events Aug. 24-Aug. 31

Sunday—August 24

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am

* RE Soup Drive

* General Parent Mtg. after 8:30 Mass

Monday—August 25

Mass 9 am

* Bridge

* Legion of Mary

* K of C Mtg. 7pm

* Ladies Auxiliary Mtg. 7pm

Tuesday—August 26

Mass 9 am

Wednesday—August 27

Mass 7 pm

Thursday—August 28

Mass 9 am

Friday—August 29

Mass 9 am

* KOC Labor Day BBQ Sale

Saturday—August 30

Mass 5 pm

* Confessions 3:30-5pm

* Funeral Mass for

Joe & Jackie Bosarge 11am

* Summer Baptism 1pm

Sunday—August 31

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

* KOC Mass 8:30am

* No RE Happy Labor Day!

FINANCE NEWS
July 2014-June 2015
Last week

Actual	Budget
*Offertory: \$ 4396.05	\$ 5481.00
<u>Year-to-date</u>	
*Offertory: \$ 39391.08	\$ 38,367.00

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 - 528 cans.

Thank you for your generosity!



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: Audrey Springer 205-365-0211

Surfsiders: Fun and Games

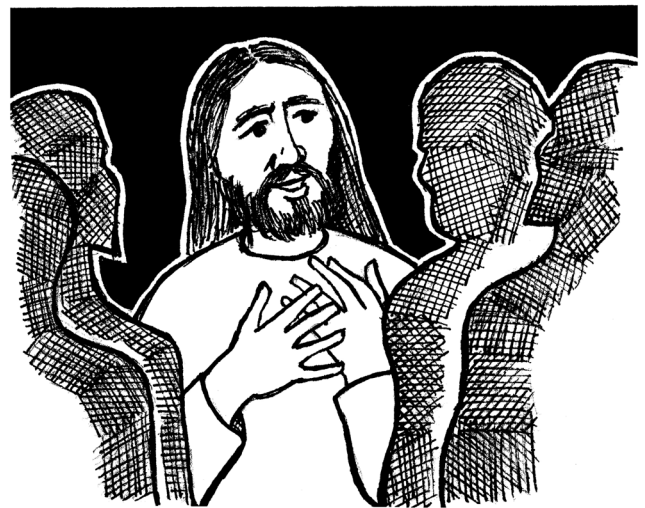
Meets every third Wednesday of the month in the church hall.

For more information call:

Larry Martens 256-338-6927.



WHO DO YOU SAY



THAT I AM?

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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).

Our website is : www.ollkofc.com.

Reminder: BBQ Sale this Weekend!

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



**BENEDICTINE
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Centering Prayer Introductory Retreat

An Introduction to Centering Prayer retreat will be held at the Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center in Cullman, AL; August 29-31, 2014. 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.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat



If you or someone you know is suffering with emotional and spiritual pain after an abortion, you can experience the healing love of Jesus Christ.

A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be held in Cullman, Alabama on October 31-November 2, 2014 at the St. Bernard Retreat and Conference Center.

Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, compassion and forgiveness.

For more information, please contact Maria at maria_vineyard@yahoo.com or (901) 356-2259. Please visit our website www.rachelsvineyard.org.

ASSIGNMENT LIST FOR Aug. 24-Aug. 31

WEDNESDAY 8/27/2014 7:00 PM

Altar Servers
Lector Charmaine Booker

SATURDAY MASS 8/30/2014 5:00 PM

Altar Servers Peter Boyle, Jim Gorman
Greeters Gisela Scruggs, Janice Stella
Lectors Sonia Dale, Marguerite Gorman
Ministers Lloyd & Terri Brown, David Springer
Ushers Cecil Rodgers, Mike Gordon, Jerry Noto, Jim Gorman

SUNDAY MASS 8/31/2014 8:30 AM

Altar Servers Stephen Poteracki, Sophie Poteracki, Andrew Thomaston, Will Thomaston
Greeters Jennifer Euler, Denis Veigl
Lectors Robert Lewis, John Stice
Ministers Deacon, Wayne Adams, Chris Gallegly, Marty Poteracki, Larry Reese
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Lance Stella, Laura Headley, Veronica Zubia

11:15 AM

Altar Servers Sawyer Stice, Monica Liverman, Will Pittman, Brennan Cardenas
Greeters Ashley Castaneda, Frank Troncalli
Lectors Betty Huetteman, Joe Stanley
Ministers Deacon, Yolie Roy, Sarah Brazzolotto, Ruth Stanley, Maria Jimenez
Ushers Ron Markevich, Johnny Armstrong, James Pittman

**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 Sunday Readings.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: God is creating a church, built on rock.

Question for Youth: Question for Youth: Today's Gospel is about identity – the revealing of Jesus' true self. How difficult is it to you to reveal your true self? What holds you back from being who God created you to be?

Pregunta para los jóvenes: Cómo respondes a la pregunta contundente y personal de Jesús del Evangelio de hoy: ¿Cómo dirías que es él?

Question for Adults: If Jesus turned and asked you the same question, who would you say he is? How would you describe Jesus to someone who did not know him?

Pregunta para los adultos: Si Jesús se volteara y te hiciera la misma pregunta, ¿quién dirías que es él? ¿Cómo le describirías a Jesús a alguien que no lo conoce?

YOUTH GROUPS GEARING UP!! LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING



LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST

Grs PreK-Gr 2 every 2nd Sunday

First Meeting * Sept 14* 12:30-2:30PM Lunch will be served! Call Joanna Murphree 473-1444

JR YOUTH Grs 3-6 every 2nd Sunday

Next Meeting * Sept 14 * 5-7pm * Dinner will be served! Call Sonya Lewis 863-7305.

SR YOUTH Grs 7-12 **Check it out!!!** The SR

YOUTH invites ALL to the **Atlanta Braves Game & Newsboys Concert August 31st.** All are invited! Game starts at 5pm and concert follows. . WE NEED 20 people to get the best price.



Contact Chris Frey 473-4661 for more information and permission slips. A great Family affair!

Religious Education 2014-2015 Every Sunday at 9:45 am.

Grs PreK4 thru 12



ANNUAL SOUP DRIVE.

Our goal 2000 cans.

Collected 8/17* 528 cans

Total Collected 850 cans

Bring your cans to 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!

Aug 24 RE 9:45am Soup Drive Continues

GENERAL PARENT MEETING * 9:45am
for all parents of RE students (in the hall)

Aug 31 No RE Happy Labor Day

SR YOUTH Faith Weekend Event

Atlanta Braves Game & Newsboys Concert

Sept 5 **First Friday Adoration** 9:30am -12:30pm

Sept 7 RE 9:45am **Soup Drive** continues

Youth Mass 11:15am

Sept 9 **Tues RCIA** begins 7pm

Sept 12 **Fri 10am Bible Study Matthew 20-22 Lesson 7**

Sept 14 **RE/Soup Drive Continues**

Catechetical Sunday 11:15am Mass

Holy Hour 7pm

LOIC 12:30-2:30 Grs PK thru Gr 2

JR YOUTH 5-7pm Grs 3-6

Another chance to help!

Many families are still struggling financially and having difficulty paying the **Religious Education Fees for Student Books.** Anyone interested in helping to "SPONSOR A CHILD" through Sunday School may drop their donations of **\$15 per child** in the collection basket and mark it:

"Attention Parma...Help for Religious Education Fees...." Every little bit helps!

Together as a church family we can educate our children and

Build the Kingdom of God!

Thank You in advance and God bless you for your generosity!



RCIA... Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults..

What's it all about? It's a time of inquiry for anyone who has an interest and questions about the Catholic Faith. If you

know someone who has expressed that interest, now's the time to invite them to our **Inquiry Classes** beginning **Tuesday, September 9th, at 7 pm in the Church hall.** Sign up sheets are in foyers or contact Parma at the Church Office 525-5161 or 405-0948.

Parish Messages



Labor Day Barbecue Sale

The Knights of Columbus Council 12270 will be selling barbecue for the Labor Day weekend.

Boston Butts- \$35.00
Pork Ribs- \$20.00
Whole Chicken- \$10.00

All meat will be freshly smoked with K.O.C. "special dry rub".

Sales will start Friday, August 29th @ 8:00 a.m. and continue through Saturday, August 30th.

All proceeds will be used to fund the numerous charitable activities K.O.C. Council 12270 supports.

Parish Messages

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