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MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Thursday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

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.

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

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, October 4, 2014

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 5, 2014

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 5, 2014

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything,
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,
make your requests known to God.

— *Philippians 4:6*



Mass Intentions Oct. 6 –Oct.12



Monday: Arthur “Joe” Raynor by James Raynor †
Tuesday: Joseph Amaro by The Rochfords †
Wednesday: Clarence Ramsey by The Brazzolottos †
Thursday: Patricia Williams by The Reids
Friday: Bert & Amy Lampton by The Brazzolottos †
Saturday: Tom Zopfi by The Brazzolottos †
Sunday: Linda Riemenschneider by The Kern Family †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Frank Dickinson, Dianna Markevich, Anne Forister, Alice Reid, Lexie Smith, Gene & Walton Smith, Daniel Centilli, Wilson Fletcher, Hildie Bowman, Matt Joiner, Pat Roberts, Antoinette Bruno, Richard F. Marston, Rita Martens

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

Oct. 6 –Oct. 12

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]



PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Today's scripture readings introduce us to the world of vines and vineyards, a world of lost opportunities and things that have gone terribly wrong. We do not live in a world of vines and vineyards unless we are farmers. Most of us spend our days at our jobs, plodding along and striving to keep one step ahead of the ever changing world of technology, holding on to our computers for dear life, keeping our heads above water.

Is there something wrong with me if I haven't purchased the I-Phone 6? After all, ten million people have done so. Will they have an edge over me? Will I fall behind in this race to success?

We can only sympathize with the fellow in the first reading (Is. 5:1-7). He did all the right things and worked hard. He was meticulous in his planning and in his planting. He should have had a rich harvest of grapes, juicy and delicious. Alas - all he got out of it were wild grapes, bitter and useless. Surely he had a right to be bitter.

He decides to let the vineyard go. He will tear down the fences and let the weeds and thorns have their way. It all looks like a failed experiment and a keen disappointment.

The Biblical writer sees here a parable about God's choice of a special people who did not respond to his gracious offer of salvation and blessing. They went their foolish ways and never yielded the fruits of Covenant Fidelity. Of course God did not abandon them or write them off for He is a God of great patience and mercy.

There is another parable in the Gospel (MT. 21:23-43). This is about tenants who rented a vineyard. They forgot who they were. Tenants cannot take away the whole harvest. The owner of the vineyard has a claim to a certain portion of the harvest. It seems fair enough. It was rational and logical too.

The tenants got a little greedy and wanted all the harvest and all the grapes. This disordered thinking led to violence and tragedy, even the death of the owner's son. Violence led to more violence. It always does. In the end the greedy tenants lost everything. A sad tale but one so true. If we will not share and respect the order of things we will lose it all.

Stewardship Fair: Thanks to all who visited the displays and found the will to say "yes" to a new ministry or project. You will be blessed beyond measure.

A Gift From the Heart: A special thanks to David Weson, a member of our Parish and a student of Theology and Liturgy at St. John's University in Collegeville, for his very generous donation of a chalice and paten, crafted by a special artist at the University for use at daily Mass in our Parish. May the Lord bless David for his generous spirit and love for the Liturgy.

Thought for the Week: "If the only Prayer you ever say in your life is Thank You, it will be enough" (Meister Eckhart).

Peace and Blessings,
Fr. Sexton

Calendar of Events Oct. 5-Oct.12

Sunday—October 5

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am

- * Respect Life Sunday
- * Youth Mass 11:15 am
- * Adult Ed 9:45 am
- * RE

Monday—October 6

Mass 9 am

- * Bridge
- * Legion of Mary

Tuesday—October 7

Mass 9 am

- * RCIA 7pm

Wednesday—October 8

Mass 7 pm

Thursday—October 9

Mass 9 am

Friday—October 10

Mass 9 am

- * Bible Study 10am
- * Yard Sale 8a-1:30

Saturday—October 11

Mass 5 pm

- * Confessions 3:30 pm-5 pm
- * Yard Sale 8am-1:30

Sunday—October 12

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

- * RE/Living Rosary
- * Living Rosary w/Pro Life Rosary
- * Little Ones in Christ PK3-Gr3
12:30pm-2:30
- * JR Youth Gr.3-6 5pm-7
- * Altar Server Practice 1:00pm-2:00
with Lunch at 12:30pm

FINANCE NEWS
July 2014-June 2015
Last week

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| | Actual | Budget |
| *Offertory: | \$ 4240.50 | \$ 5481.00 |

Year-to-date

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| *Offertory: | \$ 73,919.03 | \$ 71,253.00 |
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If you are in need of assistance this year providing Christmas gifts for your children ages 0-16 yrs. or know of someone who may need some help please contact the Church Office for an application. The deadline to apply for assistance is Sunday, November 9th. If you have any questions please call Brenda Rochford at 423-242-5029.

Thank you,

Social Concerns Committee

Keep Christ in Christmas
Card Sale



The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus will have Christmas Cards for sale during November. Reasonably priced religious cards are available in several languages.

Proceeds to benefit our charitable works.



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.

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 - 100 cans.



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: A Ministry of Fun!

Meets every third Wednesday of the month in the Church hall. Games begin at 10am. Potluck lunch at 11:30.

For more information call:
Larry Martens 256-338-6927.



Pro Life Corner

Our Lady of the Lake
Spiritual Adoption Program



Month 5

I am 5 months old now. I am 12 inches long and weigh about one pound. I'm really getting big and mommy can now feel me kick and move around! Hey! Someday maybe I'll play Soccer! Keep praying for me.....

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.



Announcements



CHURCH YARD SALE

October 10th & 11th

Bring your blankets, bring your vases,
Bring your chipped and scratched up dishes.

Old, new, retro too

Out of style, cramps your style, maybe you
should have stayed on the Isle.

All your worn and cracked up things
to another brings great things!

Please drop your items in the back of the Hall
during normal Church office business hours or
Call to make arrangements.

NO CLOTHES PLEASE!



ASSIGNMENT LIST FOR Oct. 5-Oct.12

WEDNESDAY

10/8/2014

7:00 PM

Altar Servers

Lector

Charmaine Booker

SATURDAY MASS

10/11/2014

5:00 PM

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

from Knights of Columbus

Gisela Scruggs, Kathy Shivers

Sonia Dale, Sarah Brazzolotto

Jim Dale, Parma Boyle, Karen Hand

Cecil Rodgers, Mike Gordon, Jerry Noto,
Jim Gorman

SUNDAY MASS

10/12/2014

8:30 AM

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

Matthew Reese, Andrew Thomaston,
Will Thomaston, Matt Frey

Crapet/Freeman, Crapet/Freeman

Bart Perry, Gail Perry

Deacon, Chere Lowery, Barbara

McGowin, Stephen Reese, Teri Gagliano

Michael Gagliano, Lance Stella, Mike
Gordon, Joe Pittman

11:15 AM

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

Tiffany Rochford, Ryan Murphree,
James Lewis, Will Pittman

Jay & Enid Willi, Frank Troncalli

Larry Foltz, Robert Lewis

Deacon, Wayne Adams, Mary Adams,

Ken Otto, Edie Otto

Don Frederick, Brian Young, Scott
Fuller, Shane Fuller

Respect Life Sunday

October 5, 2014

*Rosary for Life and Vocations
Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament*

Please join us as the Diocese of Birmingham celebrates Respect Life Sunday. The event will be held at the Lourdes Grotto at the Shrine at 3:00 p.m. The Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary will be recited for the intention of an increase in respect for the sanctity of human life, and the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary will be recited for the intention of an increase of vocations within our Diocese. There will also be exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Benediction with Bishop Baker.

For more information visit olamshrine.org.

**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.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time * October 5, 2014

Theme: Whatever is good and true, think about these things.

Question for Youth: How do you thank God for the talents that you have? How do you give back to God through the use of your talent?

Pregunta para los jóvenes: ¿Qué estrategia seguirás como joven para asegurar que, como dice Pablo, dirigirás tus pensamientos a lo que es verdadero, honesto, puro y decente?

Question for Adults: What steps do you take each week to make sure you are doing as Paul directs: "Live according to what you have learned and accepted."?

Pregunta para los adultos: ¿Qué pasos toma cada semana para asegurarse que está haciendo lo que Pablo indica: "Vivir de acuerdo con lo que ha aprendido y aceptado"?



CALLING ALL YOUTH

**YOUTH GROUPS GEARING UP!!
LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING**

LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST

Grs PreK-Gr 2 every 2nd Sunday

NEXT MTG: * OCT 12* 12:30-2:30PM Lunch will be served! Call Joanna Murphree 473-1444

JR YOUTH Grs 3-6 every 2nd Sunday

NEXT MTG: * OCT 12 * 5-7pm * Dinner will be served! Call Sonya Lewis 863-7305.

SR YOUTH Grs 7-12 every 1st & 3rd Sunday

NEXT MEETING: * WED. OCT 15* 5:30pm

Contact Peter Boyle 613-5435

Support your Youth Groups. It's another wonderful way to grow in our Catholic Faith!!

Religious Education 2014-2015

Every Sunday at 9:45 am.

Grs PreK4 thru 12



COMING UP * MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Oct 5 RE/Youth Mass 11:15am

Oct 7 RCIA 7pm

Oct 10 Fri 10am Bible Study Galatians & Romans

Oct 10 & 11 Fri & Sat Yard Sale

Oct 12 RE/Living Rosary at the Grotto

Little Ones in Christ Gr PK-Gr 2 12:30-2:30pm

Jr Youth Mtg Gr 3-8 * 5-7pm

Oct 13 16 Priest Retreat. Pray for our Priests.

Oct 15 Wed SR YOUTH Mtg 5:30pm

Oct 17 Fri 10am Bible Study Galatians & Romans

Oct 18 Sat Legion of Mary Luncheon 10:15am

Oct 19 RE/YPC for RE classes

Adult Ed w/Deacon Terry 9:45am

'Living the Spiritual Works of Mercy'

Holy Hour 7pm



Oct 21 Tues RCIA 7pm



Oct 24 Fri 10am Bible Study Galatians & Romans

Oct 26 NO RE join us for the Fall Festival 12:30-3:30



This Fri & Sat Oct 10 & 11 * 8am

Your junk is some else's treasure!
Bring your items to the church hall or call Sharon Stice. 613-1053. Shop with us a treasure it there for YOU.

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary



Join the RE classes at the Grotto as they perform and pray a most powerful prayer -

THE LIVING ROSARY

OCTOBER 12th

following the 8:30am Mass

This Rosary will join with the **Pro Life Committee** as we pray for the end of abortion. We will be praying the **Sorrowful Mysteries**. See you at the grotto! (Another great way to pray during the 40 days of fast)

Make an effort this month to gather the family and pray the Rosary. Refresh yourself!

Mon & Wed Joyful Mysteries

Tues & Fri Sorrowful Mysteries

Wed & Sun Glorious Mysteries

Thur Luminous Mysteries

The family that prays together, Stays together!

SEE YOU AT THE GROTTA

HER CHOICE
Birmingham Women's Center
Fundraising Banquet

Thursday, November 6, 2014 7:00 p.m.
 The Club
 1 Robert S. Smith Drive
 Birmingham, AL 35209

Special guest speaker Stephanie Gray an Internationally acclaimed Pro-life speaker, co-founder and Executive Director of the Canadian Center for Bioethical Reform.

Make your reservations now!
 To confirm your participation

Call 205-447-8796 or visit
hcbanquet@herchoicebirmingham.org



Our Lady Queen of Joyful Hope Curia
Legion of Mary
Diocese of Birmingham, Alabama

SAVE THE DATE!

Workshop, Mass and Commissioning
into the C.A.N.E. –Catholic Ambassadors of New Evangelization—Program

Camp Tekawitha
8500 Deer Haven Road
Springville AL 35146

Saturday, November 22, 2014
9:00 am to 2:00 pm



FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Mari Culver, 205-525-0071

DEADLINE TO RESPOND: OCTOBER 26th.



ANNUAL OCTOBER
AIR MATTRESS AND
USED BLANKET DRIVE



Sponsored by the Hispanic Committee

BRR! The weather is starting to turn, and we need used and new blankets for our annual blanket distribution to those who are cold.

Last year we passed out over 100 blankets!
 We are also collecting Single and Double Air Mattresses for the Migrants who are sleeping on the floor. Please get the type that has BLUE VELVETEEN (available at Walmart in Sporting Goods).

Please only buy TWIN and DOUBLE with BLUE top.

Please place used or new blankets and air mattresses in the containers provided in the vestibules, or call Mari Culver, 205-525-0071 for pickup.



Attention
Altar Servers

Altar Server Practice
October 12th
1:00 pm — 2:00 pm
Lunch at 12:30 pm
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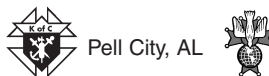
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