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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, January 17, 2015

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 18, 2015

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 18, 2015

Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit
within you.

— 1 Corinthians 6:19a



Mass Intentions Jan. 19- Jan. 25



Monday: Gregory Szyszuta by The Boyles †
Tuesday: Jenny Hand Rolling by Karen & Bob Hand †
Wednesday: Matthew by Wayne & Chere Lowery †
Thursday: Special Intentions
Friday: Robert Wood, Sr. by The Stice Family †
Saturday: Denny Gentry by Giesela Scruggs †
Sunday: Jantze Jones by Terry & Rita Rumore †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

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

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

Jan. 19 – Jan. 25

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer

Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

We have found the Messiah



Pastor's Message

Liturgically speaking, we are back in Ordinary Time until the beginning of Lent (February 18th). The Vestments are in the color green which is a symbol of hope.

We are familiar with the call story of Samuel in the Old Testament. Samuel was the child born to Hannah after much prayer and visits to the Temple of Shiloh. Hannah dedicated her son to the service of the temple under the guidance of the priest, Eli.

Eli was getting old and already partially blind. He became a faithful mentor to Samuel as they both spent their days in the temple, studying God's word and discerning God's call.

When the young Samuel heard his name being called at night he presumed it was Eli calling him. At first Eli told his young student to go back to sleep. How often did you tell your children that when they were young?

When the call persisted, Eli realized that it was God who was calling Samuel. He coached Samuel on the proper response should that call come again in the night: "Speak Lord for your servant is listening".

Samuel went on to become one of Israel's great leaders and replaced the priestly sons of Eli since they betrayed their calling and sinned greatly.

Who have been our mentors in sharing the faith with us and guiding us? Would we point to parents or godparents, sponsors or other parishioners, saints we have known? And have been a mentor to others. So many people crave guidance and good example.

The question of Jesus in today's Gospel is timeless. To the two would-be disciples he asked: "What are you looking for?" One of these disciples was Andrew who went and found his brother, Peter and brought him to Jesus. This is a trademark of John's Gospel account. Disciples call other Disciples.

We are being encouraged more than ever now to be more deliberate in our discipleship and to be willing to share our faith. We are to invite neighbors, coworkers, and friends to "Come and see where we stay". Come and see our Church where we find meaning and hope.

What are you looking for? What am I looking for? What is our deepest hunger and our greatest need?

The Ministry of Preaching: One of the principal ministries of the Church's Deacons is to proclaim the word of God. To preach the Gospel "in season and out of season". We are very blessed to have two Deacons in our Parish who are very much at home with the Word of God and have a great desire to share the Scriptures through the ministry of preaching. Deacon Terry and Deacon Serge will each preach at all the weekend Masses on the first and third weekend of the month. We are grateful to them for their generous service. And, oh yes the Pastor will still preach at the second and forth weekend Masses. Three different styles of preaching and yet one Gospel and one message. What can be more important than to preach the Gospel, except to hear and respond to the Gospel?

Peace and Blessings,
Fr. Sexton

Calendar of Events Jan 18 - Jan. 25

Sunday—January 18

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am

- * RE
- * Scapular Sunday
- * Ultreya 5:45pm
- * Holy Hour 7pm

Monday—January 19

Mass 9 am

- * Bridge
- * Legion of Mary
- * Finance Mtg. 6 pm

Tuesday—January 20

Mass 9 am

- * RCIA

Wednesday—January 21

Mass 7 pm

- * SR Youth 5:30 pm
- * Surfsiders 10 am
- * Parish Council after Mass

Thursday—January 22

Mass 9 am

- * National March for Life

Friday—January 23

Mass 9 am

- * Bible Study 10 am

Saturday—January 24

Mass 5 pm

Sunday—January 25

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

- * Bring in last years blessed palms for Palm Burning Ceremony Feb.15th.
- * BLOOD DRIVE Parish Hall
- * Religion Bowl 9:45 am

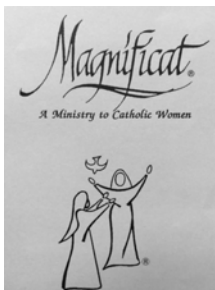
FINANCE NEWS
July 2014-June 2015
Last week

	Actual	Budget
*Offertory:	\$ 8760.37	\$ 5481.00
<u>Year-to-date</u>		
*Offertory:	\$ 192,535.80	\$ 153,468.00



Offertory Envelopes

2015 Offertory Envelopes are ready for pick up in the Church foyer. Please pick up yours today!



**Melinda McNamee
 To Speak At Magnificat
 Luncheon**

January 24, 2015

The Magnificat Prayer Luncheon will be held on Saturday, January 24, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at St. Elias Parish Hall. The speaker, Melinda McNamee, will testify to the powerful works the Lord has performed in her life. She is a member of St. Francis Xavier Parish.

Tickets are \$10 and are available by contacting Catherine Patton (205) 680-6007, and from Alpha Church Supply and from any Service Team Member. Ticket sales end January 21 at 5 p.m. No tickets will be sold at the door.

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 - 102 cans.



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.**

Next Meeting Jan. 21st



**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.

Next meeting January 26th, 7:00 pm.



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

Announcements



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 January 16-18, 2015. 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.***

A Lenten Journey: Exploring the Writings and Reflections of Pope Francis

February 20-22, 2015

Lenten retreat focusing on the writings of Pope Francis to be led by Fr. Muscolino.

The Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center in Cullman is pleased to announce a Lenten Retreat to be led by Rev. Frank Muscolino, Priest of the Diocese of Birmingham. The weekend retreat, to be held February 20-22, will focus on Pope Francis – his life, his writings, and a particular vision which he lives out in a practical way from day to day. The program will begin Friday evening and will end after the noon meal on Sunday. The cost for the weekend is \$210/person for a private room and \$185/person for a shared room; lodging, meals, and linens are included.

For registration information, please contact the Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center at (256) 734-8302 or by e-mail at retreats@shmon.org.

ASSIGNMENT LIST FOR Jan. 21- Jan. 25

WEDNESDAY MASS 1/21/2015 5:00 PM

Altar Servers
Lectors Charmaine Welch
Ministers

SATURDAY MASS 1/24/2015

Altar Servers Peter Boyle, Chris Gallegly
Greeters Janice/Lance Stella, Karen Hand
Lectors Micky & Ron Zielenski
Ministers Marty Poteracki, Sue Poteracki, Connie Hertrich
Ushers Cecil Rodgers, Bob Hand, Karen Hand, Jerry Noto

SUNDAY MASS 1/25/2015 8:30 AM

Altar Servers Matthew Reese, Jimillia Sayles, Amelia Reese, Carson Faulkner
Greeters Laura Headley, Mike/Kitty Gordon
Lectors Karen Reese, Dennis Veigl
Ministers Deacon, Chere Lowery, Stephen Reese, Yolie Roy, Rosemary Mateer
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Lance Stella, Laura Headley, Anita Allor

11:15 AM

Altar Servers Sawyer Stice, Ryan Murphree, Travis Cooley, John Himmler
Greeters Marsha Armstrong, Jay/Enid Willi
Lectors Bernie Funderburg, Mary Adams
Ministers Deacon, Brenda Rochford, Tiffany Rochford, Jim Morteck, Marcia Morteck
Ushers Don Frederick, Larry Foltz, Gloria Rodgers, Jeanne Macon

**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.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 18, 2015

Theme: God calls us to follow Christ.

Question for Youth: Andrew seemed to know immediately that he should follow Jesus. Do you have that same sense of confidence in your faith in Jesus? What helps? What makes it hard?

Pregunta para los jóvenes: Andrés parecía saber inmediatamente que debía seguir a Jesús. ¿Tienes ese mismo sentido de confianza en tu fe en Jesús? ¿Qué te ayuda? ¿Qué te lo hace difícil?

Question for Adults: : In what ways do you experience being called by Jesus? What does he want you to do?

Pregunta para los adultos: ¿De qué maneras vive el llamado de Jesús? ¿Qué desea Él que usted que haga?

Religious Education 2014-2015

Every Sunday at 9:45 am.

Grs PreK4 thru 12



COMING UP * MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Jan 18 RE*Scapular Sunday for Communion Students.

Little Ones in Christ Grs PK-Gr 1 12:30-2:30pm

Jan 20 Tues RCIA 7pm

Jan 21 Wed SR YOUTH Mtg 5:30pm dinner served

Jan 22 Thurs March for Life WADC trip Pray for our students and leaders.

Jan 23 Fri 10am Bible Study Book of Romans

Jan 25 RE * Religion Bowl 9:45am in church

Start Bringing in your old blessed palms

Palm Burning Ceremony Feb 15

Baskets are in the foyers.

Jan 27 Tues RCIA 7pm

Jan 30 Fri 10am Bible Study Book of Romans

Jan 31 & Feb 1 Blessing of throats Mass

St Blaise Day

Feb 1 RE/Youth Mass 11:15am St Blaise Day

Blessing of Throats after all Masses

Feb 2 Parent Meeting 7pm for ALL PARENTS of students preparing for Sacrament of Confirmation



Please pray for our Youth and Adults who are going to the March for Life in WADC. May their trip be a true witness to supporting life! 1/22-25/15 Be safe and be blessed!



JOIN US AT OUR YOUTH GROUPS

LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST Grs PreK-Gr 2

Next Mtg TODAY*JAN 18 12:30-2:30pm

Contact Joanna Murphree 473-1444

JR YOUTH Grs 3-6 **Next Mtg: FEB 8 * 5-7pm**

Contact Sonya Lewis 863-7305.

SR YOUTH Grs 7-12 Meets every 1st & 3rd Wed++

Next Mtgs TODAY: JAN 18*Sun 6:30pm PRAISE

& WORSHIP SR YOUTH are encouraged to join us

for praise and worship before each Holy Hour. Remember singing is praying twice. Come and share your voice for the Lord!

JAN 21* Wed *5:30pm. Dinner

served.

Contact Peter Boyle 613-5435

ALL YOUTH CHURCH BASKETBALL

LEAGUES...Schedules are posted on the

Youth Bulletin Board going into the RE bldg.

GOOD LUCK, PLAY FAIR AND HAVE FUN!!!



CONFIRMATION DATE HAS BEEN SET

We will Celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation

Monday, May 11, 2015

at 7pm.

Attn all Parents of Students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation there will be a Parent Meeting

Feb 2 at 7pm



Attention Parents of 5th thru 8th

Grade Students: Please take the

time with your children and help them prepare for the

'ANNUAL RELIGION BOWL'.

The Bowl will be held

January 25 * 9:45am

All are invited to come and support our kids!

Together we can grow in faith!

JESUS

Office of the Bishop
Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama

Share Your Faith
Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The family around the world today faces tremendous challenges. In Latin America, where Christian values remain important, many families are wounded by hostility from the surrounding environment and by broken relationships within the family. Yet throughout the hemisphere, the Church continues to point the way to Christ as the source of hope and healing within the family and in society. Many family and catechetical ministry projects funded by the Collection for the Church in Latin America offer families and communities a way to strengthen, affirm, and celebrate their life together in faith, offering a different and hopeful vision of relationships with one another and with God.

In Cuba, migration and economic pressures are only a few of the many internal and external circumstances that pose threats to Catholic families, as they strive to practice and share their faith. A grant requested by the Archdiocese of Havana is addressing these challenges by forming family pastoral ministers who are helping nourish families, so they can live an authentic, integrated experience of faith at home and in the wider community.

Through this project, the archdiocese placed an increased focus on family ministry, supporting ninety-eight communities with existing programs. Monthly, one-day meetings are held with the communities, which includes workshops, interactive exercises, and best practices for family ministry. The project also promotes the Rosary and prepared people for both the National Day of Families held in May and the Annual Diocesan Gathering of Families held in June of 2014. In addition to the monthly meetings, a separate retreat was held for the facilitators of the groups that work with young couples.

Our diocese will take up this collection the weekend of January 24-25. Please be generous in this collection and take this opportunity to share your faith with families in Latin America and the Caribbean. Your help will truly make a difference. Together, let us ask the Lord and Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, to continue to bless us in all that we do.

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