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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, July 4, 2015

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, July 5, 2015

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 5, 2015*

*My grace is sufficient for you,
for power is made perfect
in weakness.
— 2 Corinthians 12:9*



*Mass Intentions
July 6– July 12*



Monday: Gini Kerr *by the Zopfi Family* †
Tuesday: Marion Hopper *by the Brazzolottos* †
Wednesday: Sydney Sellers *by a parishioner* †
Thursday: Skip Boswell *by the Morteks* †
Friday: Niki Harrell *by the Zopfi Family* †
Saturday: Sydney Sellers *by the Zopfi Family* †
Sunday: Tom Bryant *by KOC #12270* †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

*Dianna Markevich, Anne Forister, Alice Reid,
Lexie Smith, Gene & Walton Smith, Daniel Centil-
li, Wilson Fletcher, Hildie Bowman, Matt Joiner,
Pat Roberts, Mildred Brownlow.*

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 pray-
er list for 30 days and then are removed un-
less the Church Office is notified.

*Weekly Readings
July 6– July 12*

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday: Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-14; Eph 1:3-14 [1:3-10]; Mk 6:7-13

MY



GRACE

IS
ENOUGH
FOR YOU



Pastor's Message

A Major Event: An Urgent Appeal! A papal Encyclical on the environment has been written and published by Pope Francis. The title of the encyclical is: **Laudato Si**. The words come from the opening words of the Canticle of St. Francis of Assisi in praise of creation. The title in English means: Praise be to You, my Lord. The sub-title is: The Care for Our Common Home.

It is the most eagerly awaited papal Encyclical for decades. It is a major Church document of 184 pages in six chapters.

It draws on theology and the best scientific research available to challenge all people to be better stewards of creation. It raises questions about environmental concerns as well as the deeper questions of human existence and the need to safeguard all creation and all people, however poor, small, or vulnerable.

Pope John Paul II in 2001 spoke of humanity's need for an "ecological conversion", while Pope Benedict XVI spoke so often on the subject he was called "The Green Pope". Pope Francis follows up on this topic with an increased sense of urgency. It is as if we have come to the eleventh hour and time is running out. This is why he devotes an entire Encyclical to the topic of the environment.

He draws on a rich theology and spirituality going all the way back to Genesis to remind us of our moral responsibility to care for creation and protect it for future generations. He reminds us that "people occasionally forgive but nature never does". In language sometimes poetic and mystical, the Pope calls for a restored relationship between God, humanity and the natural world. A world that forgets God soon degrades nature; a degraded nature disrupts the relationship between people.

As a first step we all need to read this timely and prophetic document of Pope Francis. It has been unfairly criticized by people who have not read it.

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**A Glorious Fourth:** We mark the birthday of our nation on July 4th. A time to pause and give thanks for the blessings of peace and freedom.

As one writer has it: "We can only marvel at the faith and courage that moved the brave men—56—who signed the Declaration of Independence, placing their lives and possessions on the line. Many of them were hunted down like common criminals and killed. Others lost everything—their homes burned, their lands confiscated. Such was their faith in the rightness of their cause. They were given opportunity to recant but they never did. They believed with total conviction".

It was a noble experiment that gave rise to yearnings for freedom around the world.

We pray for our nation with its daunting challenges and we hope to be a people just and peaceful.

Peace and Blessings,

*Fr. Sexton*

## *Calendar of Events July 5—July 12*

### **Sunday-July 5**

**Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am**

\* Youth Mass 11:15 am

### **Monday-July 6**

**Mass 9 am**

\* Bridge

\* Legion of Mary

### **Tuesday-July 7**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Wednesday-July 8**

**Mass 7 pm**

### **Thursday-July 9**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Friday-July 10**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Saturday-July 11**

**Mass 5 pm**

**Reconciliation 3:30– 5:00 pm**

### **Sunday-July 12**

**Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am**

\* Pro Life Rosary/Spanish

**FINANCE NEWS**  
**July 2014-June 2015**  
Last week

|                    |                   |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                    | <b>Actual</b>     | <b>Budget</b>     |
| <b>*Offertory:</b> | <b>\$ 5815.98</b> | <b>\$ 5481.00</b> |

Year-to-date

|                    |                      |                      |
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| <b>*Offertory:</b> | <b>\$ 334,187.00</b> | <b>\$ 290,493.00</b> |
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*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 – 50 cans.**



**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](http://www.ollkofc.com).**

**Next meeting July 27th at 7:00 pm.**

**Ladies Auxiliary Meets Aug. 24th, 7:00 pm**

*Ministry Spotlight*



**All ministries need volunteers  
to help in many ways.  
Are you involved in the life of our Parish?**

*Outreach*

**Hispanic Ministry:** We are an outreach to the Hispanic population in hope of making them feel comfortable and more at home.

**Contact: Mari Culver 205-525-0071**

**Caring Hearts:** An outreach ministry for emergency needs for: food for illness & funerals, transportation needs and greeting cards.

**Contact: the Church Office 205-525-5161.**



**July School Supply Drive**

*Sponsored by  
Our Lady of the Lake Social Concerns*

School starts the first week in August, and we will be collecting supplies all through the month of July.

If your child needs supplies, please bring your child's name and supply list to the office so that we can provide your child with a backpack.

**Contact the office or  
Mari Culver: 205-525-0071.**



**Pro Life Corner**

**Our Lady of the Lake Spiritual Adoption Program  
Month 2**

**Keep on praying for me. I am 2 months old now and 2 inches long. I am now called a fetus which means "little one". My teeth, fingers and toes are developing, and my ears, nose, lips, and tongue can now be clearly seen. I will use them to experience God's world after I am born. I can even suck my thumb!**

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.**



## Announcements



**Let us remember a Holy Priest  
Killed in the Line of Duty**

### **Father James E. Coyle Memorial Mass**

**Cathedral of St. Paul,  
Tuesday August 11, 2015**

**12:10 P.M. Mass  
Followed by a Reception**

**2120 3rd Avenue North  
Birmingham, Alabama 35203  
205.705.9158 or 447.8796**

**[www.fathercoyle.org](http://www.fathercoyle.org)**

***"Father Coyle was a martyr to duty"***

**Rt. Rev. Edward Allen,  
Bishop of Mobile - August 12, 1921**



### ***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**

## *Assignment List July 8- July 12*

**WEDNESDAY MASS** **7/8/2015**  
**7:00 PM**

Altar Servers  
Lectors Bernie Funderburg

**SATURDAY MASS** **7/11/2015**  
**5:00 pm**

Altar Servers Bernie Funderburg, Cory Funderburg  
Greeters Susan Moseley, Gisela Scruggs  
Lectors Larry Foltz, Rose Ballard  
Ministers Deacon, Jim Dale, Sonia Dale,  
Connie Hertrich  
Ushers Cecil Rodgers, Bob Hand, Karen  
Hand, Jerry Noto

**SUNDAY MASS** **7/12/2015**  
**8:30 AM**

Altar Servers Matthew Reese, Jimillia Sayles,  
Andrew & Will Thomaston  
Greeters Anna Emerick, Dennis Veigl  
Lectors Bart & Gail Perry  
Ministers Deacon, Chere Lowery, Stephen  
Reese, Rosemary Mateer, Tom  
Graffo  
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Dennis Veigl,  
Cristy McKinney, Joe Pittman

**11:15 AM**

Altar Servers Paul Boyle, Sawyer Stice, Brennan  
Cardenas, Payton Forman  
Greeters Shirley Skeivelas, Ashley Castaneda  
Lectors Jim & Marcia Mortek  
Ministers Deacon, Wayne Adams, Mary Ad-  
ams, Tommie Ann Johnson, Lee  
Walser  
Ushers Don Frederick, Brian Young, Scott  
Fuller, Shane Fuller

**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.

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 5, 2015**

**Theme:** We must believe in Jesus ourselves.

**Question for Youth:** When have you struggled to speak the truth among your friends? What makes this difficult? What are the consequences?

**Question for Adults:** Name a time when you placed your trust in God even though those around you did not believe.

**Pregunta para los jóvenes:** ¿Cuándo luchaste por decir la verdad entre tus amigos? ¿Por qué es difícil? ¿Cuáles son las consecuencias?

**Pregunta para los adultos:** Mencione un momento en el que depositó su fe en Dios a pesar de que los que lo rodeaban no creían en él.



**Religious Education 2014-2015**

Grs PreK thru 12

Is on **SUMMER BREAK** and will  
**RESUME AUG 9th at 9:45am**

## COMING UP \* MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

July 5 14th Sunday Ordinary Time

Youth Mass 11:15am

July 11 SR YOUTH CANOE TRIP

Permission slips due July 1. See Peter

July 12 15th Sunday Ordinary Time

Blood Drive

July 15 SR YOUTH Mtg. 5:30pm

July 19 16th Sunday Ordinary Time

SR YOUTH Social Hour 5pm

Praise Worship 6:30pm

Holy Hour 7pm



**Register NOW for  
Religious Education 2015-16**

Forms available in the foyers  
and on our Web Page @

[www.ollpellcity.com](http://www.ollpellcity.com) under the

Education link. Return forms to Parma or  
place them in the collection basket labeled  
"Attention Parma". **Help us pass on the Faith.**

Don't wait till the last minute. **Register NOW!**

**HAVE A SAFE, HAPPY, HOLY SUMMER!!!  
COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS!! AMEN!!**

**\*\*YOUTH GROUP INFO\*\***

**LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST** Grs PreK-Gr 2

On Summer Break \* **Resumes Aug 9**

**12:30-2:30pm**



To help contact Joanna Murphree 473-1444

**JR YOUTH** Grs 3-6 We welcome our new JR  
YOUTH leader Isabel Cooley.

**Mtgs Resumes in Aug**

To help contact Isabel 753-9820

**SR YOUTH** Grs 7-12 1st & 3rd Wed **PLUS PLUS**

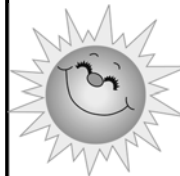
**Next Mtgs: Wed JULY 1** Dinner served at 5:30pm

**SAT JULY 11**

**CANOE TRIP**

**Permission slips due by July 1**

Contact Peter Boyle 613-5435



**FAMILY SUMMER CHALLENGE:**

**Challenge 1:** Family Prayer with Pope Francis.

**Challenge 2:** Family Prayer for our Pope, Priests, Deacons and Religious.

**Challenge 3: Give thanks and Praise for a wonderful VBS week. Climbing Mount Everest** certainly had its challenges, but by God's mightier Power, He provided, He comforted, He Healed, He forgave and He loved us!!! **HOLD ON!!!**

I can't thank Carly Gagliano enough for doing such a superb job! I know God is smiling down on you!



**REMEMBER: GOD HAS THE POWER !!**

*Fun and blessings were had by all!!!*

*Until next year HOLD ON!!!*



## Today's Readings



**First Reading** — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

**Psalm** — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

**Second Reading** — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

**Gospel** — “Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?” (Mark 6:1-6a).

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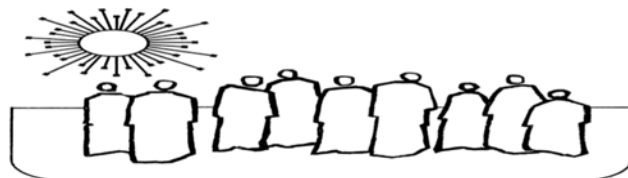
## Saints & Special Observances

**Sunday:** *Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Monday:** *St. Maria Goretti*

**Thursday:** *St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions*

**Saturday:** *St. Benedict*



*Thank You* Thank You to our Parish family for the many prayers, cards, Masses and assistance you have provided for us over the past months. Your thoughtfulness means so much to us and is a blessing to our family.

*Gene & Walton Smith*

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