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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 18, 2015

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, July 19, 2015

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 19, 2015

*Behold, the days are coming,
says the LORD, when I will raise up
a righteous shoot to David.*



— Jeremiah 23:5a



Mass Intentions July 20– July 26



Monday: Our Lady's Intentions

Tuesday: Gini Kerr *by the Brazzolottos* †

Wednesday: Betsy Spencer *by the Brazzolottos* †

Thursday: John Rogers *by Gloria Raynor* †

Friday: Irene Lopes Bryant *by her family* †

Saturday: Don Naman *by KOC 12270* †

Sunday: Marlene Catalino *by Sam Catalino* †

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 20- July 26

Monday:	Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday:	Ex 14:21 — 15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday:	Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday:	Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52-56; Mt 13:10-17
Friday:	Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday:	2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Sunday:	2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

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Pastor's Message

"People were coming and going in great numbers, and they had no opportunity even to eat" Mark 6:31.

After watching the vast crowds coming out to celebrate Masses with Pope Francis last week in Latin America we are drawn back today to a similar scene in the Gospel. People were coming to Jesus in great numbers and he and his Apostles had no opportunity even to eat.

Jesus is moved with pity at the sight of the crowd and notes that they are like sheep without a shepherd. Perhaps he is referring to the lack of guidance on the part of the religious leaders of the time. Mark tells us that he began to teach the crowds. Jesus is the Good Shepherd who will nourish their spiritual thirst.

Pope Francis' view of the role of a Bishop today is summed up in a single, thoroughly pastoral image: that of the shepherd with the odor of sheep. At his first Holy Thursday Chrism Mass in St. Peter's he said: "I want shepherds with the smell of sheep - - and a father's smile". By this he means Bishops and Church leaders who are deeply caring and walk among their people so as to know them and reflect them.

The words of the Lord that Jeremiah proclaims in the First Reading (23:1-6) are harsh. The leaders of God's people have not been good shepherds. Jeremiah is addressing the kings who rule Judah and who were appointed by God to lead the people. But they have failed in their task and God intends to make things right.

Psalm 23, the Responsorial Psalm for today's Liturgy is surely the most popular and beloved of the Psalms. It speaks of the tender care and unconditional love that the Lord bestows on his people. The shepherd image is an apt one and ties in well with the First Reading and the Gospel.

The invitation of the gospel to "come away by yourselves and rest awhile" is a welcome one for all of us. Our spirits tire and our bodies grow weary in the demands of every day work. Hope you are finding some time this summer to "rest a while". For Mark, Jesus is the wisdom of God and his teaching imparts rest. When we read the Scriptures we find rest there too!

A Busy Summer: For Rodney Martin, our hard-working and dedicated volunteer who keeps our facilities in top shape, it has been a busy summer. He has coordinated and supervised the painting of the Religious Education building and it looks great. - - - Rodney has also coordinated the replacement of the lighting in the Sanctuary of the Church. Modern, efficient, and long lasting lighting has been installed and much needed re-wiring of the Sanctuary area has been completed in keeping with the latest safety codes. For this highly technical and professional work we are indebted to two very generous parishioners, Mike Aiello and Jay Benson. A big "Thank You" to Rodney, Mike and Jay and those who helped with the scaffolding. You have done a great job!

A Grief Observed: We offer deepest sympathy and prayers to Joan Conrad of our Parish on the death of her husband, Jim Conrad who died recently. He was a man of great faith and goodness who suffered much of late but was a faithful witness to the end. - - - And to Julie

Calendar of Events July 19—July 26

Sunday-July 19

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

* SR Youth Social Hour 5 pm

* Praise and Worship 6:30 pm

* **Holy Hour 7 pm**

Monday-July 20

Mass 9 am

* Bridge

* Legion of Mary

Tuesday-July 21

Mass 9 am

*Catechist Mtg. Back to School 6 pm

Wednesday-July 22

Mass 7 pm

Thursday-July 23

Mass 9 am

Friday-July 24

Mass 9 am

Saturday-July 25

Mass 5 pm

Reconciliation 3:30- 5:00 pm

Sunday-July 26

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Pastor's Message-cont.

Paulitzky of our Parish whose Mother, Muriel Parr, died recently after a long and full life- - -And to Sarah Brazzolotto on the death of her Aunt, Brenda Seward- - -and Michaela Young whose Father, Roy Rodgers, died recently- - -May all our departed loved ones rest in peace and rise in glory.

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Sexton

FINANCE NEWS
July 2014-June 2015
Last week

*Offertory:	Actual \$ 5335.15	Budget \$ 5769.23
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Year-to-date

*Offertory:	\$ 12,739.80	\$ 10,962.00
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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 – 48 cans.



School Supply Drive

School starts the first week in August, and we will be collecting supplies during July. **If your child needs supplies, applications are available in the Church office.** Please turn in your child's application and supply list to the office.

Needed donations include:

Computer Paper	Eraser Packs
Backpacks	Folder, Plastic with brads all colors
Glue, Liquid or stick	Jump Drive
Notebook, Comp & Spiral	Markers, All types
Pencil Sharpener, hand	Pencil, Pouch zippered, 3 ring
Page Protectors/Tab Sheets	Pencils, Colored
Binders, 1 inch	Binders, 3 inch
Paper, Lined	Watercolors
Scissors, metal (Fiscars)	Kleenex Tissue
Crayons	Paper, Graph

**For more info contact the office or
 Mari Culver: 205-525-0071.**

Ministry Spotlight



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

Pro Life Committee

Our Mission: To create awareness of the sacredness of all human life from conception until natural death, by our prayers and involvement in pro-life activities in the church and community.

**For additional information:
 Marcia Morteck at 205-873-2095**



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

Smoking on Church Grounds:

The Parish Council, in response to concerns expressed by some parishioners, has been discussing the question of smoking on Church grounds and the impact this has on people's health.

In an effort to be considerate for all our Church members and visitors the Council has recommended the following which I fully endorse and support:

"In keeping with the smoking ordinance of the city of Pell City, we request that there be no smoking within 50 feet of all Church buildings including the Church, Parish Hall, Religious Education building, and Church offices. This is to protect the health of children and adults who are entering or exiting these buildings. We ask this as a sign of care and concern for our fellow Parishioners and visitors."

I know you will want to follow this directive in a spirit of mutual respect and care for one another. Thanks for your kind consideration.

Fr. Michael Sexton
Pastor



Give the Gift of Life!

The Red Cross will conduct a **Blood Drive** at Our Lady of the Lake on **August 2nd** in the Parish Hall.

Blood supplies are always lower during the summer months and the need is critical.

Your donation of life-saving blood is needed now!

Assignment List

July 22– July 26

WEDNESDAY MASS **7/22/2015** **7:00 PM**

Altar Servers
Lectors Sarah Brazzolotto

SATURDAY MASS **7/25/2015** **5:00 pm**

Altar Servers James Raynor, Stephen Reese
Greeters Janice/Lance Stella, Kathy Shivers
Lectors Sara Reese, Sonia Dale
Ministers Deacon, David Springer, Marty Poteracki, Sue Poteracki
Ushers Cecil Rodgers, Bob Hand, Karen Hand, Jerry Noto

SUNDAY MASS **7/26/2015** **8:30 AM**

Altar Servers Michael Emerick, Anthony Emerick, Matt Frey, Natalie Newcomb
Greeters Brenda Rochford, Julie Paulitzky
Lectors Meagan Freeman, Carey Monistere
Ministers Deacon, Janice Stella, Chere Lowery, Jim Morteck, Marcia Morteck
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Gregg Becnel, Chris Frey, Laura Headley

11:15 AM

Altar Servers Ryan Murphree, James Lewis, Will Pittman, Brennan Cardenas
Greeters Patrick Cowart, Patsy LopezdeVictoria
Lectors Sarah Brazzolotto, Robert Lewis
Ministers Deacon, Brenda Rochford, Tiffany Rochford, Wayne Adams, Mary Adams
Ushers Don Frederick, Ron Sellers, Jennifer Sellers

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.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19, 2015

Theme: Sometimes we need to pause for rest with Jesus.

Question for Youth: Jesus was moved with pity for the people who were gathered. Who are the people you are moved with pity for? What can you do to help them?

Question for Adults: Why is rest important, and how do you make sure you get enough of it in your own life?

Pregunta para los jóvenes: Jesús sintió compasión de las personas que estaban allí reunidas. ¿De quién te compadeces? ¿Qué puedes hacer para ayudarlos?

Pregunta para los adultos: ¿Por qué es importante descansar y cómo se asegura usted de descansar lo suficiente en su propia vida?



Religious Education 2014-2015
Grades PreK thru 12
Is on **SUMMER BREAK** and will
RESUME AUG 9th at 9:45am

COMING UP * MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

July 18 & 19 RE Registration after all Masses

July 19 16th Sunday Ordinary Time

SR YOUTH Social Hour 5pm

Praise Worship 6:30pm

Holy Hour 7pm

July 21 Catechist Back to School Mtg 6pm (hall)

Light dinner served

July 26 17th Sunday Ordinary Time

AMAZING CATECHISTS

**ATTENTION ALL CATECHISTS! MARK YOUR-
CALENDARS FOR JULY 21st at 6pm.**

**OUR BACK TO SCHOOL CATECHIST MEETING
with a Light dinner will begin at 6pm.**

Important information, dates, class rosters, YPC, Catechist Formation and more will be discussed. Bring you ideas and concerns. Looking forward to seeing you all here!!

Please RSVP to Parma.
405-0948 Thanks,
Peace!

May God bless you for Passing on the Faith! You are so important to our youth and their families!

****YOUTH GROUP INFO****

LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST

Grades PreK-Grade 2

On Summer Break * Resumes Aug 9.

12:30-2:30pm

To help contact Joanna Murphree 473-1444.

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

Meetings Resume in Aug.

To help contact Isabel 753-9820.

SR YOUTH Grades 7-12 1st & 3rd Wed. PLUS

Next Mtgs: Pray for safety, fun and faith!

SUN JULY 19

SR YOUTH SOCIAL HOUR 5:00pm

PRAISE WORSHIP 6:30pm

HOLY HOUR 7:00pm



Eucharistic



Adoration

FAMILY SUMMER

CHALLENGE:

You are needed!

Come and Adore Jesus!
Sunday, July 19th at 7:00pm
in the Church.

This is a personal invitation to you from Jesus.

"Jesus waits for us in this Sacrament of Love." (Pope John Paul II, *Dominicae Canae*)

Jesus wants you to do more than to go to Mass on Sunday.

"Our communal worship at Mass must go together with our personal worship of Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration in order that our love may be complete." (Pope John Paul II, *Redeemer of Man*)

The specific way that Jesus asks you to love Him in return is to spend one quiet hour with him in the Blessed Sacrament.

"Where your treasure is, there is your heart...."

"Could you not watch one hour with Me?" (Mt 6:21; 26:40)



**Register NOW for
Religious Education 2015-16
Forms available in the foyers
and on our Web Page @**

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!

Today's Readings



First Reading — I shall gather the remnant of my flock and bring them back to their meadow (Jeremiah 23:1-6).

Psalms — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once far off have become near by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13-18).

Gospel — When Jesus saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he began to teach them many things (Mark 6:30-34).

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Saints

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Special Observances

Sunday: *Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Monday: *St. Apollinaris*

Tuesday: *St. Lawrence of Brindisi*

Wednesday: *St. Mary Magdalene*

Thursday: *St. Bridget*

Friday: *St. Sharbel Makhlūf*

Saturday: *St. James*



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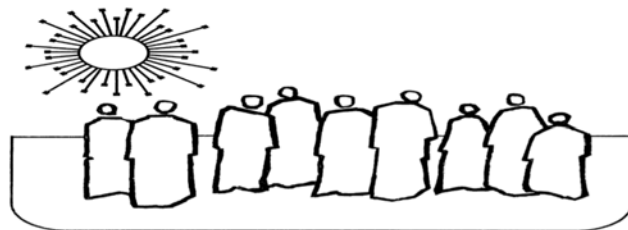
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Next meeting July 27th at 7:00 pm.

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



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