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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 10, 2015

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 11, 2015

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



*Twenty-eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
October 11, 2015*

*The word of God is living  
and effective,  
sharper than any two-edged sword.*

*— Hebrews 4:12a*



### Mass Intentions

Oct 12– Oct. 18



**Monday:** Evelyn McGuire by Kathy Bryant †  
**Tuesday:** Special Intentions  
**Wednesday:** Tim Carley by Paul & Parma Boyle †  
**Thursday:** Sara & Larry Reese in celebration of  
50th Anniversary by Patricia & Frank Norris  
**Friday:** Imelda Gentle by Terry & Rita Rumore †  
**Saturday:** Andy & Trudi McClay by the Zielinskis †  
**Sunday:** James Hayes by Martha Hayes †

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, Mary Adams.*

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](mailto: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 October 12– October 18

**Monday:** Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4;  
Lk 11:29-32

**Tuesday:** Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-  
5; Lk 11:37-41

**Wednesday:** Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3,  
6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46

**Thursday:** Rom 3:21-30; Ps  
130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-  
54

**Friday:** Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2,  
5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

**Saturday:** Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps  
105:6-9, 42-43;  
Lk 12:8-12

**Sunday:** Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5,  
18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16;  
Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

## Today's Readings



**First Reading** — I pleaded, and the spirit of  
wisdom came to me. All good things together  
came to me in her company. (Wisdom 7:7-11)

**Psalm** — Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we  
will sing for joy! (Psalm 90)

**Second Reading** — Indeed the word of God is  
living and effective. (Hebrews 4:12-13)

**Gospel** — It is easier for a camel to pass  
through the eye of a needle than for one who is  
rich to enter the kingdom of God. (Mark 10:17-  
30 [17-27])

## Pastor's Message

It is often said that we live in a consumer society. This means among other things, that there are many things for us to consume and to own. Some of them are good and necessary, some of them are superfluous but still desirable. Such an array of options also means that we inevitably have to make choices. The challenge is to make wise choices.

The Scripture readings for this Sunday are about wisdom in making choices that enrich the spiritual life of the believer.

In the first reading (Wisdom 7:7-11), the speaker is a king who seeks wisdom for his role as leader of the people. He avoids earthly riches of gold and silver and desires only to have the gift of wisdom. In the Wisdom literature of the Old Testament, wisdom is personified as a woman. She brings fulfillment to a human being as a companion would do. "I preferred her to a scepter and throne, and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her".

It would be refreshing and even rewarding if our political leaders (and would-be leaders) were to cultivate wisdom, rather than reading opinion polls. If leaders were to speak to our deepest aspirations and our noblest hopes and dreams, political speech might be transformative again. It might commit us to the common good and not shameless self-interest.

Mark in the Gospel (10:17-30) recounts a fascinating conversation between Jesus and a rich man. The man appears sincere in his question to Jesus and he presents himself as a devout and faithful person who has kept all the commandments from his youth.

Mark states that Jesus looked at him and "loved him". What follows is an invitation to make a choice that will ensure that the man has treasure in heaven. Jesus does not condemn him for being wealthy.

He requests that the man seek a different wisdom than what is needed to amass many possessions. Jesus asks that he share his earthly riches with others; that he would choose to let go of what he owns to possess what God alone can provide. The sadness of the man as he walks away, unable, at least for now, to part with his possessions, is our sadness too. What we own can also own us and our vision is clouded by our attachment to things.

I like to think that the rich man came back later and did indeed give away his riches and follow Jesus fully. That loving gaze from Jesus must surely have lingered on and worked its way into his heart. We all stand under the loving gaze of God as Pope Francis loves to remind us. Surely it will work its way with us too!

**In Memoriam-** We acknowledge the passing of some dear family members of our Parishioners recently: Teri Wood, daughter of Bob Wood; Bill Pendergast, brother of Nancy Ross; James Hayes, father of Martha Hayes; Peggy Banks, sister-in-law of Margaret Banks. They each left their imprint on our world by doing good and keeping faith. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Peace and Blessings,

*Fr. Sexton*

## Calendar of Events Oct. 11- Oct. 18

### Sunday-Oct. 11

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

- \* RE 9:45 am
- \* Pro Life Rosary
- \* Little Ones in Christ PK3-Gr3 12:30-2:30 pm
- \* Jr Youth Gr 3-6 5-7 pm

### Monday-Oct. 12

#### **Mass 9 am**

- \* Bridge
- \* Legion of Mary

### Tuesday-Oct. 13

#### **Mass 9 am**

- \* RCIA 7 pm

### Wednesday-Oct 14

#### **Mass 7 pm**

- \* SR Youth 5:30 pm

### Thursday-Oct. 15

#### **Mass 9 am**

### Friday-Oct. 16

#### **Mass 9 am**

- \* Bible Study 10am

### Saturday-Oct 17

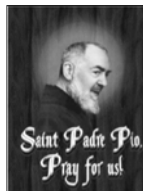
#### **Mass 5 pm**

#### **Reconciliation 3:30- 5:00 pm**

### Sunday-Oct 18

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

- \* RE 9:45 am
- \* YPC for RE classes
- \* Praise and Worship 6:30 pm
- \* Holy Hour 7 pm



The Padre Pio Prayer Group in Birmingham will meet at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church on Saturday, October 17th at 10am in the church. All are welcome in the Diocese! We will have Adoration, Benediction, pray the rosary and have Holy Mass. Please join us! PRAY, HOPE and DON'T WORRY! Padre Pio.. Pray for us! For more information call Angela Kolar at 991-9554.

**FINANCE NEWS**  
**July 2015-June 2016**

**Last week**

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
<b>*Offertory:</b>	<b>\$ 9002.70</b>	<b>\$ 5769.23</b>

**Year-to-date**

<b>*Offertory:</b>	<b>\$ 80,486.88</b>	<b>\$ 76,734.00</b>
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**WHY WAIT? – MAKE A WEEKEND!**



**Vocations**



The first **Come and See** will be held at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans, **Thursday, October 22 – Saturday, October 24, 2015**. Father Michael Deering will accompany the men during this visit. This experience might be most beneficial for men 21 years of age or older.

The second **Come and See** experience will be held at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio. It will be **Friday, November 6 - Sunday, November 8, 2015**. Father Rick Chenault and Father Tom Woods will accompany the men during this weekend. This experience is open to men 16 years or older.

**For additional information please contact the Office for Vocations : 205.838.2184.**



*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 - 153 cans**

**ANNUAL THANKSGIVING  
 FOOD DRIVE**



&

**CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE**



Applications available in the Church Office, Foyers or on the Church website: [www.ollpellcity.com](http://www.ollpellcity.com) under the tab - "Giving Tree".

Soon there will be bags placed in both foyers with a list of needed items. Please take a bag home, fill it and return to the Church.

**"What you do for the least of these my Brothers you do for Me."**

Ann's New Life Center is in need of large plastic totes. Donations may be dropped off at Ann's or the Church Hall.

Thank You!



**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.....

**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

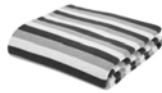
Please remember to pray daily for your Spiritual Adopted Baby and the baby's mother and father.



## Announcements

### ANNUAL OCTOBER USED AND NEW 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!

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.

## Church Yard Sale



**Friday, Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
&  
**Saturday, Oct 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**8am-2pm - both days.**

Now is the time to start cleaning your closets and storage areas and donate your unwanted or unused household items to our sale.

**(Please, no adult clothing).**

**You may drop off your donations now,  
at the Church Hall.**

If you would like to **volunteer** to help price items or work the days of the sale please contact:

**Sharon Stice 205-613-1053 or  
Brenda Rochford 423-242-5029.**

All proceeds go to Social Concerns to help pay for items not donated for the Thanksgiving Food Baskets and the Giving Tree at Christmas.

**Thanks for all your support and donations!**

## Assignment List Oct. 14- Oct. 18

**WEDNESDAY MASS 10/14/2015**  
**7:00 PM**

Altar Servers \*

Lectors Charmaine Booker

**SATURDAY MASS 10/17/2015**  
**5:00 pm**

Altar Servers Tom Graffo, James Raynor  
Greeters Kathy Shivers, Allen & Phyllis Ross  
Lectors Terri Brown, Marguerite Gorman  
Ministers Deacon, Gloria Albright, Parma Boyle  
Ushers Jerry Noto, Jim Dale, Jim Gorman, Bob Nicholas

**SUNDAY MASS 10/18/2015**  
**8:30 AM**

Altar Servers Andrew Thomaston, Jimillia Sayles, Will Thomaston, Brennan Cardenas  
Greeters Mike/Kitty Gordon, Teri Gagliano  
Lectors Teri Gagliano, Dennis Veigl  
Ministers Deacon, Joe Stanley, Ruth Stanley, Tommie Ann Johnson, Anna Emerick  
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Chris Gallegly, Joe Stanley, Ruth Stanley

**11:15 AM**

Altar Servers Ryan Murphree, James Lewis, John Himmler, Travis Cooley  
Greeters Lydia Jimenez, Mattie Osborne  
Lectors Mary Adams, John Stice  
Ministers Deacon, Ken Otto, Edie Otto, Maria Jimenez, Lee Walser  
Ushers Don Frederick, Ron Markevich, Johnny Armstrong, Jimmy Pittman

**If you cannot keep your assignment**

**PLEASE find a substitute.**

## Fall Festival!

The annual Fall Festival & Saint Walk will be held on **Oct. 25th from 12:30-3:30.** For more info please Contact: **Sonya Lewis 205.814.1078 or Tammy 678.848.9738.**





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†  
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CALM  
WITH GOD  
ALL THINGS  
ARE POSSIBLE**

Go, do not be afraid  
and serve  
*-Pope Francis-*

**M.Y.C. MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR**

- October 18 R.E at 9:45a.am
- October 18 Y.P.C. For R.E. Classes
- October 18 Praise & Worship at 6:30p.m.
- October 18 7:00pm Holy Hour /  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- October 25 Fall Festival & Saint Parade
- October 25 NO Religious Education

PAPAL VISIT 2015

## Seven lessons from Pope Francis' pastoral visit to the United States

Pope Francis may have physically left the United States, but his call to conversion for each of us remains. Here are seven ways in which we can best live out the lessons he gave us.



Pray for  
Pope Francis.



Protect and defend the family.

Be open to opportunities to encounter others, particularly those most vulnerable or marginalized.

Follow the Golden Rule:

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.



Build bridges, not walls.

Be open to the Holy Spirit.



Discern one's mission and move forward with zeal.

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### **Little Ones in Christ**

**Grades Pre K—Grade 2**

Joanna Murphree at 473-1444.

### **Junior Youth**

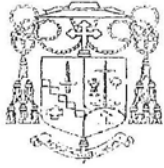
**Grades 3-6**

Contact Isabel Cooley at 753-9820.

### **Senior Youth**

**Grades 7-12**

1st & 3rd Wednesdays—Sr. Youth Meetings  
& Every 3rd Sunday—Social Night  
Contact Peter Boyle 613-5435.



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Office of the Bishop

September 22, 2015

My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every year we remember in a special way our Baptismal call to mission as we celebrate **World Mission Sunday**, this year on **October 18**. On this Sunday, we will gather at the Eucharist, as will Catholics throughout the world, in a spirit of love for Evangelization so that, through our *prayers* and *concrete acts of solidarity*, the gift of faith may be shared with all. This year's celebration is further enriched as we mark the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Second Vatican Council's Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church (*Ad Gentes*) which proclaims, "The pilgrim Church on earth is missionary by its very nature," reminding us that *all of us are called to be on mission*.

In his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis writes, "Mission is part of the 'grammar' of faith, something essential for those who listen to the voice of the Spirit who whispers 'Come' and 'Go forth.' Those who follow Christ cannot fail to be missionaries..."

On World Mission Sunday, as our diocesan family joins our brothers and sisters around the world, responding to the voice of the Spirit, *we connect with our world on mission: ...with Africa*, where six million children receive an education in some 16,000 Church-run elementary schools ...with *Asia*, where those who are sick are provided with loving care at 5,000 Catholic hospitals and small clinics ...with the *Americas*, where catechists travel to remote areas to bring the Good News of the God's great love to families ...with *Oceania*, where young men are supported in their studies for the priesthood, to bring the Lord's healing hope and peace to those in need ...with *Europe*, where new churches are being built to welcome faith communities, renewed after years of persecution.

Your financial help on World Mission Sunday, offered in the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, supports such efforts in 1,150 young mission dioceses in our world, reaching the poorest communities with a message of hope and healing, mercy and peace. Pope Francis emphasizes that "mission is a passion for Jesus and at the same time a passion for his people." Let us have that same passion this World Mission Sunday, as we share the joy of the Gospel and help the poor by our fervent prayer and through generous hearts!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Baker, S.T.D.  
Bishop of Birmingham in Alabama

For more about this important celebration of the universal Church, please visit the special World Mission Sunday web site: [www.IAmAMissionary.org](http://www.IAmAMissionary.org). On that website, you will find information as well about continuing the celebration for the Missions all throughout the year!

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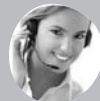
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