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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.-12:30 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

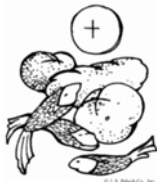
Saturday, April 9, 2016

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 10, 2016

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Third Sunday of Easter
April 10, 2016



*"Worthy is the Lamb that
was slain to receive power and riches,
wisdom and strength,
honor and glory and blessing."*

— Revelation 5:12



Mass Intentions *April 11 – April 17*



Monday: James Lucas Jones by Gene & Walton Smith

Tuesday: John Crapet by Frank Troncalli †

Wednesday: John Crapet by KOC 12270 †

Thursday: Dorothy Zielinski by the Zielinskis †

Friday: Hug Crowson by the Brazzolottos †

Saturday: Betsy Spencer by the Brazzolottos †

Sunday: John Crapet by Phyllis Barrett †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

*Gene & Walton Smith, Matt Joiner, Pat Roberts,
Judy Dawley, Paul Boyle, Marie Battaglia,
Dennis Tyler, Dorothy DiMattia, Jacky Johnson,
Yolie Roy, Crystal Welford.*

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 ~ April 11—April 17

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

Today's Readings



First Reading — Brought before the Sanhedrin, the apostles give witness to Jesus Christ.
(Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41)

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. (Psalm 30)

Second Reading — In his vision John sees all in heaven and on earth give honor and glory to the one on the throne and to the Lamb.
(Revelation 5:11-14)

Gospel — Jesus appears to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias. (John 21:1-19 [1-14])

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Pastor's Message

It is said that Easter is more than a one day celebration; it is a whole season in Liturgical terms. This Sunday the Gospel reading from John (21:1-19) focuses on the aftermath of the first Easter.

This is the astonishing final chapter of John's Gospel. Some scholars think it was added to the Gospel as a later addition. We can be glad that it is part of the Gospel. It enriches our reflection on the gift of Easter.

Simon Peter and six other disciples, having returned to Galilee, go fishing. Simon Peter initiated this, saying: "I am going fishing". They said to him, "We also will come with you".

In a way it is as if nothing had happened. It is as if Jesus had never existed and had never turned their lives around. Peter and the sons of Zebedee were fishermen when Jesus first called them by the shores of Galilee. Now they are going back to their old way of life.

For John, the evangelist, it is the perennial temptation. Going back into the old way of life and refusing to move forward. It is that feeling that settles over the community when Easter has come and gone and we busy ourselves with the old routine, uncertain about what we are to do with Easter.

There are taxes to be filed and bills to be paid. And yes, baseball games to attend and yard sales to cover and graduations on the horizon. What is one to do with the Easter event?

They fished all night, these seasoned fishermen, "and caught nothing". The poverty and the powerlessness of that. Messengers of the resurrection, they have nothing to show, separated from their Lord. Can it be so for the Church—engaged in many activities but coming up with empty nets because not connected to its Lord?

And there is Peter in the end of this Gospel. He is restored to friendship with the risen Christ. Renouncing his three-fold denial, he is forgiven and commissioned to shepherd and feed the flock. It will call him to martyrdom and giving not less than everything.

Jesus had questioned people throughout the Gospel. The end of the Gospel features the only one question. Jesus ever repeats, "Do you love me?". And all is healed and forgiven.

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**Easter Prayer:** Lord Jesus, we ask one thing which is everything. Reveal yourself to us. Speak to us. Assure us of the dawn. Bring us to the shore of eternal life; to the fulfillment of our hope; and the enjoyment of all good things. Amen.

Peace and Blessings,

*Fr. Sexton*

*April 10-April 17*

### **Sunday-April 10**

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

\*RE 9:45 am

\*Pro Life Rosary/English

\*Adult Ed 9:45 am

### **Monday-April 11**

**Mass 9 am**

\*Bridge

\*Legion of Mary

### **Tuesday-April 12**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Wednesday-April 13**

**Communion Service 7 pm**

### **Thursday-April 14**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Friday-April 15**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Saturday-April 16**

**Mass 5 pm**

\*Reconciliation 3:30-5:00 pm

### **Sunday-April 17**

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

\*RE 9:45 am

\*Sr. Youth Social Hour 5 pm

\*Praise & Worship 6:30 pm

\*Holy Hour 7 pm



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

**Last week**

|                    |                   |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                    | <b>Actual</b>     | <b>Budget</b>     |
| <b>*Offertory:</b> | <b>\$ 6664.98</b> | <b>\$ 5770.00</b> |

**Year-to-date**

|                    |                      |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>*Offertory:</b> | <b>\$ 263,015.07</b> | <b>\$ 230,800.00</b> |
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**Thank  
you!**

*It is with heart-felt appreciation I thank my church family for your many calls, cards and prayers as Art had to move to the Veteran's Home in Pell City and as I improve from my recent hospitalizations. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.*

*With love,  
Dorothy DiMattia*

We would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards and food during the illness and death of our beloved Ron Stasko. Our Parish family was truly a blessing during this time.



God Bless,  
Ruby Stasko & Family



**Pro Life Corner**

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

*Please continue to pray for all  
unborn babies and their  
mothers and fathers.*



***The Love Pantry***

The Love Pantry has requested that we bring cans of soup each week to help meet the needs of our Community.

**Goal -100 cans/week.**

**Total cans last week – 174 cans**

**College Scholarships**



The Knights of Columbus Council #12270 is now accepting applications for their annual scholarships of \$1000 and \$500 to be given at the Senior Day Mass, May 15<sup>th</sup>. The requirements and instructions for submitting an application can be obtained by sending an email to [jwilli@coosahs.net](mailto:jwilli@coosahs.net). All applications and supporting material must be submitted by May 2<sup>nd</sup>.



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**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2016**

**4:30PM-6:30PM**

**300 LAKESHORE PARKWAY, BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209**

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## Saints and Special Observances

*Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter*

*Monday: St. Stanislaus*

*Wednesday: St. Martin I*

*Friday: Income Tax Day*

Join Deacon Serge for  
Adult Ed: April 10th  
and learn about:



### Comunita Cenacolo: The Resurrection of Our Youth

*"Today's drug addict tells us that all of society is  
poisoned...Drug addicts, who suffer with  
darkness, sadness, anxiety, and the death of their  
heart, are the prophets of our times. They scream out  
to us with their lives and wrong choices, 'We've  
had everything, but we failed!'  
They are expressing to us the only truth of the  
human heart: we all need God!"*

—MOTHER ELVIRA PETROZZI



### LOVED THE WEDDING; Invite Me To The Marriage, Love, God

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) Weekend can help you do that! The Weekend is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores and phones...and focus on each other. Take this message as a sign and decide to experience a **WWME** Weekend where you will experience greater depth, growth and enrichment in your relationship. Enjoy this opportunity to talk and listen to that special person who loves you! Decide now to enrich your relationship by attending the next weekend in the diocese which is scheduled in Cullman, **May 20-22** at St. Bernard's Abbey.

You can get additional info or register online at [www.ALFL-wwme.org](http://www.ALFL-wwme.org) or by calling Bob & Joy Hernandez at **678-985-0125**.

## Assignments—April 13- April 17

### WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM

4/13/2016

Communion Service

Altar Servers  
Lectors

### SATURDAY MASS

8:00 PM

4/16/2016

|               |                                                   |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Altar Servers | Bernie Funderburg, Cory Funderburg                |
| Greeters      | Susan Mosley, Gloria/Red Albright                 |
| Lectors       | Ron & Micky Zielinski                             |
| Ministers     | Deacon, Connie Hertrich, Susan Mosley             |
| Ushers        | Cecil Rodgers, Jim Dale, Jim Gorman, Bob Nicholas |

### SUNDAY MASS

8:30 AM

4/17/2016

|               |                                                                         |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Altar Servers | Matthew Reese, Amelia Reese, Jimillia Sayles, Carson Falkner            |
| Greeters      | Brenda Rochford, Julie Paulitzky                                        |
| Lectors       | Bart & Gail Perry                                                       |
| Ministers     | Deacon, Chris Gallegly, Tommie Ann Johnson, Stephen Reese, Andrew Reese |
| Ushers        | Michael Gagliano, Rosemary Mateer, Phillip Thomaston, Bit Thomaston     |

11:15 AM

|               |                                                           |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Altar Servers | Paul Boyle, James Lewis, Troy Rosato, Katie Boyle         |
| Greeters      | Mattie Osborne, Shirley Skeivelas                         |
| Lectors       | Sarah Brazzolotto, Rose Ballard                           |
| Ministers     | Deacon, Ken Otto, Edie Otto, Lee Walser, Brenda Rochford  |
| Ushers        | Don Frederick, Ron Sellers, Jennifer Sellers, Alex Walser |

**If you cannot keep your assignment  
PLEASE find a substitute.**

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***"Let the  
little children  
come to me ...."***

MATTHEW 19:14

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Sun. April 10** 9:45am Religious Education  
& 9:45am Adult Education  
1:00pm—3:00pm Jr. Youth

**ADULT  
FAITH  
FORMATION**



— Easter Urbi et Orbi message  
on March 31, 2013

**Sun. April 17** 9:45am Religious Education  
5:00pm Sr. Youth, 6:30pm Praise & Worship  
7:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Wed. April 20** 5:30pm Sr. Youth

**Sunday  
April 10th  
9:45am  
Parish Hall**



**Little Ones in Christ**  
Grades Pre K—Grade 2  
Contact Joanna Murphree  
(205) 473-1444.

**Junior Youth**  
Grades 3—Grade 6  
Contact  
Jordan Murphree  
(205) 863-5787

**Senior Youth**  
Grades 7-12  
1st & 3rd Wednesdays—Sr. Youth Meetings  
& Every 3rd Sunday—Social Night  
Contact Peter Boyle (205) 613-5435



# WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

April 17, 2016

## *Prayer for Vocations*

*Generous God,  
You show us the way that leads to everlasting life.  
Through baptism you have called us  
to proclaim the Good News.  
Bless and strengthen those  
who have made a commitment  
of service in the Church.  
Guide and give wisdom  
to those discerning their vocation.  
Enrich our Church with dedicated  
married and single people,  
with deacons, priests,  
and with people in consecrated life.  
Filled with your Holy Spirit we ask this blessing that we,  
your people, may follow Jesus,  
our Good Shepherd, now and always. **Amen.***

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