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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.-11:00 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION:

Third Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m.
Exposición del Santísimo el segundo Miércoles
de cada mes @ 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

August through May. Ages 3 yrs. through
High School.

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, December 8, 2018

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 9, 2018

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



Second Sunday of Advent December 9, 2018

*God has commanded that every
lofty mountain be made low.*

— *Baruch 5:7*

Mass Intentions



Dec. 10 – Dec. 16

Monday: Edward Smallwood *by Karen & Bob Hand* †

Tuesday: : Special Intentions

Wednesday: Janice Schweitzer *by Larry & M.E. Krantz* †

Thursday: Special Intentions

Friday: Special Intentions

Saturday: Special Intentions

Sunday: Special Intentions

****Sunday's Mass Intentions are offered
at the 11:15 am Mass****

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Paul Boyle, Crystal Welford, Jacky Johnson,
Nicki Brasfield, Michael Gagliano, Jennie
Haynes, Peggy Gessler, Lance Stella, Bill Shivers,
Rita Martens, Gail Layton, Tom Michaels,
Cecil Rodgers, Daniel Centilli, Teresa Wolf, Tom
Mateer, Ruth Stanley, Walton Smith, Diana
Markevich.

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: sharonstice46@gmail.com.

Please note that names remain on the prayer list for
30 days and then are removed unless the Church
Office is notified.

Weekly Readings ~ Dec 10—Dec. 16

Monday:	Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday:	Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday:	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39- 47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
Thursday:	Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
Friday:	Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday:	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday:	Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2- 6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

Today's Readings



First Reading — Take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God. (Baruch 5:1-9).

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. (Psalm 126)

Second Reading — I am confident that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11)

Gospel — The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth. (Luke 3:1-6)

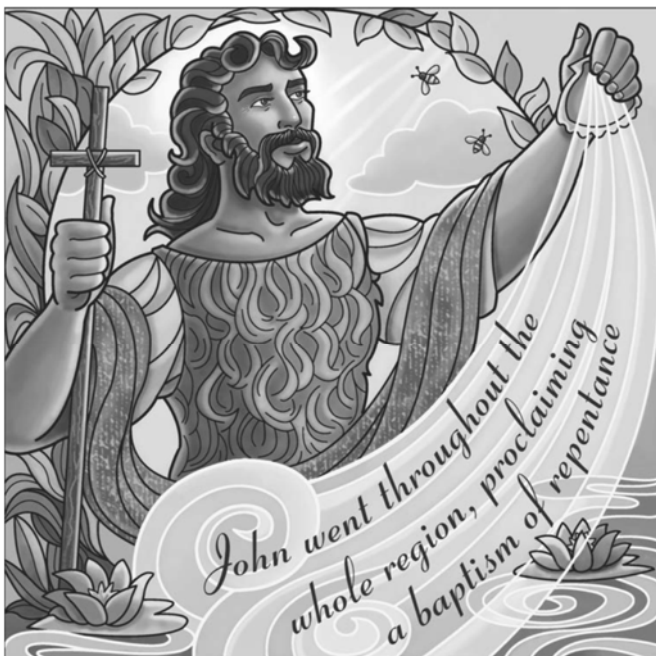
AWAITING THE SALVATION OF GOD

The world does not seem big enough to contain the jubilation of the first reading. In the Gospel reading, the Roman empire isn't big enough, either. The great powers of Rome are named and made to stand waiting for the arrival of God's salvation. And we find Paul meditating joyfully on what really matters.

According to Baruch, the city of Jerusalem is like a person standing on tiptoe looking for God's salvation, which is coming from the east. Those who were led away on foot, heads down, now come back, a proud people. Why, the very way is smoothed out. The path is lined with fragrant, lush trees.

It can't get any better than this, can it? Well, yes, it can. For a voice calls out in the desert. Here is the beginning of the salvation of God.

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Sunday-December 9

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Second Sunday of Advent

*RE 9:45 am

*Sr. Youth 5:30 pm-8:00 pm



Monday-December 10

Mass 9:00 am

*Legion of Mary

Tuesday-December 11

Mass 9:00 am

*RCIA 7:00 pm

Wednesday-December 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Mass 7:00 pm

*Fiesta after Mass

*NO Holy Hour

Thursday-December 13

Mass 9:00 am

*Choir Practice 7:00 pm

Friday-December 14

Mass 9:00 am

Saturday-December 15

Mass 5:00 pm

*Reconciliation 3:30 pm-5:00 pm

Sunday-December 16

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Third Sunday of Advent

*RE 9:45 am

*Reconciliation HS

*Sr. Youth 5:30-8:00 pm

*Holy Hour 7:00 pm

*Reconciliation 7:00-8:00 pm



Weekly Offertory

July 2018 — June 2019

	Actual*	Needed
Last Week	\$7969.00	\$5384.00
Year to Date	\$139,799.80	\$123,832.00

*Please note the actual total includes Seminarian Fund, Building Fund & Special Collections which are not part of the general operating budget.



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**Council meetings are open to all
parishioners, and are typically on the
third Wed. of the month after Mass.**



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 – 88 cans.

Please consider donating \$1 per week!

Prayer to Saint Joseph for Vocations

O glorious St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, behold, the great need for priests and consecrated religious here in the Diocese of Birmingham!

Help the good men and women whom God is calling to respond promptly and courageously to His call. During this Year dedicated to you, obtain for us many holy vocations. Take from our number those needed for the Lord's service!

Graciously hear and answer our prayer through the love you bear to Jesus Christ and His Mother, Blessed Mary, your spouse, and for the glory of His holy Name.

Amen.

Imprimatur:

Robert J. Baker, S.T.D.
Bishop of Birmingham in Alabama
May 16, 2018
Beginning of the Year of St. Joseph

Parish Christmas Dinner



The Parish Christmas Dinner will be held on **Sunday, December 9th from 4:00-6:00 pm** at Celebrations. Please bring a dish to share.

Volunteers are also needed to set up the tables and to clean up afterwards.

**For more info contact
Karen Hand: 205.338.9737 or
wmkhand@yahoo.com.**

Advent Wreath Candle Lighters



First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 1st

5 pm Mass - [The Moseley Family](#)

Sunday, December 2nd

8:30 am Mass - [The Beavers Family](#)

11:15 am Mass - [The Boyle Family](#)

Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 8th

5 pm Mass - [The Kern Family](#)

Sunday, December 9th

8:30 am Mass - [The Rochford Family](#)

11:15 am Mass - [The Sorci Family](#)

Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 15th

5 pm Mass - [The Luter Family](#)

Sunday, December 16th

8:30 am Mass - [The Poteracki Family](#)

11:15 am Mass - [The Mann Family](#)

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 22nd

5 pm Mass - [The Krantz & Macon Family](#)

Sunday, December 23th

8:30 am Mass - [The Reese Family](#)

11:15 am Mass - [The Myers Family](#)

Assignments—Dec. 12~ Dec. 16

WEDNESDAY MASS

12/12/2018

7:00 PM

Altar Servers

Lectors

Charmaine Welch

Third Sunday of Advent

SATURDAY MASS

12/15/2018

5:00 PM

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

Bernie Funderburg, Cory Funderburg

Janice Stella, Parma Boyle

Allen Ross, Sonia Dale

Deacon, Parma Boyle, Mary Burns

Bob Nicholas, Sam Marston, Jay Benson

SUNDAY MASS

12/16/2018

8:30 AM

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

Amelia Reese, Anthony Emerick,
Matthew Reese

B&L Menefee, D&S Veigl

Alexis Allor, Teri Gagliano

Deacon, Brenda Rochford, Anita Allor,
Stephen Reese, Matthew Reese

Michael Gagliano, Laura Headley, Cristy
McKinney, Joaquina Reyes

11:15 PM

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

James Lewis, Brennan Cardenas, Amy
Cardenas

Routzahn Family, Shirley Skeivelas

Mary Adams, Robert Lewis

Deacon, Sarah Brazzolotto, Chere
Lowery, Catherine Lewis, Tommie Ann
Johnson

Chris Gallegly, Larry Foltz, Jeanne
Macon, Tyler Johnson

**If you are unable to keep your assignment,
please find a substitute.**

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope, and I love you. I ask pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope, and do not love you. Amen



Please pray for the children preparing for
their First Reconciliation on Jan. 28th!

Hana Lee, Presley Forman,
Ethan Brockner, Aurora Mann,
Reese Keel, Parker Everett,
Avery Zukunft, Cesar Valencia,
Eric Villanueva Cruz, Valentina
Pedrazo, Ethan Everett, Jacob
Everett, Ixcel Canuto, Cinthia
Canuto



Parish School of Religion Religious Education

Dates to Remember!

Dec. 9—Second Sunday of Advent

RE 9:45am—11:00am

Reconciliation 6—8 grade

Jr. Youth—Christmas party 2:30—3:30

Christmas Dinner 4:00pm—6:00pm

Dec. 11—RCIA 7:00pm

Dec. 13—Christmas Parade

Dec. 16—Third Sunday of Advent

RE 9:45am—11:00am

Reconciliation HS

Holy Hour 7:00pm

Dec. 18—RCIA 7:00pm

Dec. 23—Forth Sunday of Advent

No RE

Dec. 24—Youth Mass 4:30pm

Carols start at 4:00pm

Dec. 25—Christmas Day

Dec. 30—No RE



Prolife Rosary—2nd Sunday after 8:30 Mass

Youth Groups

Junior Youth

Grades 3— Grade 6

Contact Jordan Rawson

(205) 863-5787

2nd Sunday 12:30—2:30pm

Senior Youth

Grades 7-12

Contact Carly Gagliano

(205) 837-8888

1st & 3rd Sunday 5:30-8:00pm



Witness to Love

2019 BIRMINGHAM MARCH FOR LIFE

Saturday, January, 12th, 10:45 AM

Brother Bryan Park

22nd Street South at 10th Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama

Rain, Snow, or Shine - Bring your family and your friends!

Information: 205.705.9158

BirminghamMarchForLife.org

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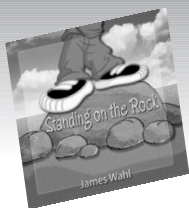
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