



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054



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9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Jim Mathis, *Director of Religious Education*
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.

Weekdays

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00-4:45 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

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Mondays following Mass

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY

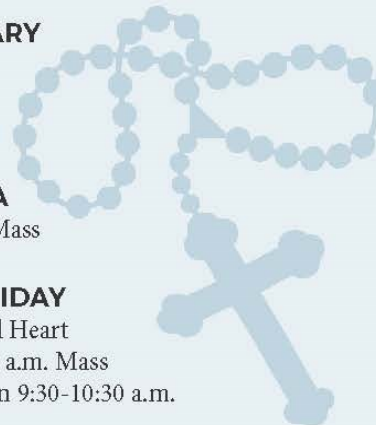
Novena to the Sacred Heart
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION

Third Sunday of every month 7:00 p.m.
Second Wednesday of every month | *Exposicion del
Santísimo el segundo Miércoles de cada mes* 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

August through May
Ages 3 years through High School



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Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

*Saturday September 7, 2024
Mass 5:00 pm*

*Sunday, September 8, 2024
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,
3:00 pm (Spanish)*



*Twenty-Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 8, 2024*

*He has done all things
well. He makes the deaf
hear and mute speak.
—Mark 7:37*



Sept 9 - Sept 15

- Monday:** Paul Smith by Walton Smith †
- Tuesday:** Frances Matukus by Marti Baird †
- Wednesday:** Deacon San & Caroyne Anzalone
by the Brazolottos
- Thursday:** Wayne Adams by Mary Adams †
- Friday:** Ethan Pendergast by Fr. William Lucas †
- Saturday:** Frank K. Connell by KOC 12270 †
- Sunday:** For the People
Walton Smith by the Legion of Mary †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

*Ron & Diana Markevich, Juanita Crowson,
Toni James, Bob Walsh, Fred Brown, Sylvia
Moten, Bill & Loretta Frost, David & Audrey
Springer, Christine Jaks, Janice Stella, Frank
Troncalli, Angela Ledlow, Michael Brayman,
Lee Walser, Geri Bunt, Charles & Libby
LaFleur, Marcia Mortek, Jose Riveria,
Helen Turner, George Sobolowski, Jimmy
Hollis, Pat Roberts, Bill & Dee Watkins, Emily
Bell Smith, Mary LaFleur, Micky Zielinski,
Connie Parsons, Gayle Huff, Randy Gray,
Jackie Gross, Larry & Mary Esther Krantz,
Thomas Mark Jones, Phillip Thomaston, Buddy
Spradley, Bobby Johnson, Marti Baird, Tracy
Finke, Deacon Lee Robinson, Lucas Stice, Chet
Lambert, Mary Habrat, Scott Gibson,
Roger & Linda Carreker*

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 please email Sharon Stice at sharonstice46@gmail.com or call 205-613-1053.

Weekly Readings Sept 9- Sept 15

- Monday:** 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5; Lk 6:6-11
- Tuesday:** 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149; Lk 6:12-19
- Wednesday:** 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45; Lk 6:20-26
- Thursday:** 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139; Lk 6:27-38
- Friday:** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84; Lk 6:39-42
- Saturday:** Num 21:4b-9; Ps 78; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
- Sunday:** Is 50:4c-9a; Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jm 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Today's Readings



First Reading— Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you (Isaiah 35:4-7a).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul (Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10)!

Second Reading — Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5).

Gospel — He ordered them not to tell anyone. But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it (Mark 7:31-37).

THE SCAPEGOAT

In the Old Testament, on the Day of Atonement, sin offerings were made by the Chief Priest for himself, his family, and for all the Israelites. He sacrificed a young bull and a male goat to the Lord. (Leviticus, 16)

Then he led another male goat outside the meeting tent and placed his hands on the head of the goat and confessed all the sins of the Israelite people. This goat was led outside the camp and taken into the wilderness, where it was supposed to take away the people's sins. Everyone who touched the goat had to purify themselves afterwards. Since the goat escaped being sacrificed to the Lord, it was called "the scapegoat."

We modern people are always looking for scapegoats. We like to blame others for our problems. Our sins always seem to be someone else's fault. We are adept at recognizing other people's responsibility, but not our own. If you follow political campaigns, it is always "the other side" who is responsible for everything wrong in our society.

Jesus was a scapegoat. He died for our sins. He took all our sins on His head and removed them from our midst. But, unlike the scapegoat, He rose from the dead and lives to take away our sins. In every Mass we pray, "Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us." Jesus takes the place of the scapegoat in removing our sins.

But Jesus was also sacrificed for our sins. Like the other male goat, He died to make atonement. He lives to unite us to the Father. He is the mediator between God and us.

If other people are responsible for our sins, we do not need to be forgiven. They do. Jesus Christ's mercy is of no use to us unless we have sinned. Jesus Christ can only be our savior if we need to be saved.



Our Lady of the Lake Parish Picnic Sunday, September 29, 2024- 12:45 pm

Please join us at the annual parish picnic, here on the church grounds. The meat and drinks will be provided. Please bring your favorite side dish to share. Sign up sheets are in the foyers.

We will have a 50/50 drawing, bouncy house for the kids and Bingo! Look forward to seeing you there!

Surfsiders

The Surfsiders will have their monthly meeting Wednesday, September 18th at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall. This includes a potluck lunch, games and fellowship. All seniors are invited!



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the Catholic Church, the RCIA classes started on **September 3rd**. There is still time to join this process of prayer, study, and fellowship which will last until Easter. For more information or to register, contact Father Bill at the church office.

Offertory Collection

July 2024 — June 2025

Actual **Needed**
weekly

No offertory
report this
week

Year to Date

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



Legion of Mary

Meetings every
Thursday at 6:30 pm
in the Parish Hall.

Knights of Columbus Prayer Service



**Our Lady of the Lake
Columbarium Garden
September 14, 2024
9:00 am**

Everyone is welcome!
Coffee & Donuts will be served.
Contact Bernie Funderburg with questions at
205-405-6382

New Pictorial Directory

Sign up for your family portrait today! Every family who participates in photography/viewing will receive a complimentary 8x10 professional portrait, one printed directory, smart phone app access, and online directory access. All appointments are on a first-come, first-serve basis, so make your appointment today! We need everyone to participate to help make this directory complete. Additional quality family portraits will be offered at competitive prices.

Thank you for your participation!



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Scan the QR Code to go directly to the appointment scheduler or call Brenda Rochford at 423-242-5029 after 3:30pm weekdays or anytime on the weekends. **We will also have some volunteers in the church hall after all weekend Masses this weekend, September 7th & 8th to help you schedule an appointment if needed.**

Columbarium Niches

Please contact the parish office if you are interested in purchasing a niche in Our Lady of the Lake Columbarium. Contract for selection and use of the niches is allowed after full receipt of payment which is \$3,500 per niche.

Our Lady of the Lake Memorial Wall

In addition to the Columbarium niches, a Memorial Wall has been constructed in our Columbarium courtyard.

If you would like your loved one(s) remembered by engraving a Memorial Plaque, please call the parish office at 205-525-5161.

Pricing for Plaques are as follows:

10" X 6" plate- \$600 (one name)

10" X" 12" plate- \$1,200 (two names)

Assignments

September 11, 2024 - September 15, 2024

WEDNESDAY MASS

9/11/2024 7:00 PM

Lector: Anita Allor

Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS

9/14/2024 5:00 PM

Greeters: Teri Shields, Dawn Adamson

Lectors: Sarah Brazzolotto, Shane Shields

Ministers: Parma Boyle, Teri Shields

Altar Servers: Bernie & Corey Funderburg

Ushers: Karen Hand, Sam Marston

SUNDAY MASSES

9/15/2024 8:30 AM

Greeters: Amelia Reese, The Veigls

Lectors: Carey Monistere, Sharon Hamilton

Ministers: Paul Thomas, Sophie Alvarez

Sonya Lewis, Sharon Hamilton

Altar Servers Stephen Reese, Buddy Adamson

Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Phillip Thomaston

Bill Bethell, Robert Paulitzky

9/15/2024 11:15 AM

Greeters: R&C Betz, Shirley Skeivelas

Lectors: Mary Adams, Lexie Smith

Ministers: Michael Poteracki, Lexie Smith

Altar Servers: Logan Bluhm, Nate Cardenas

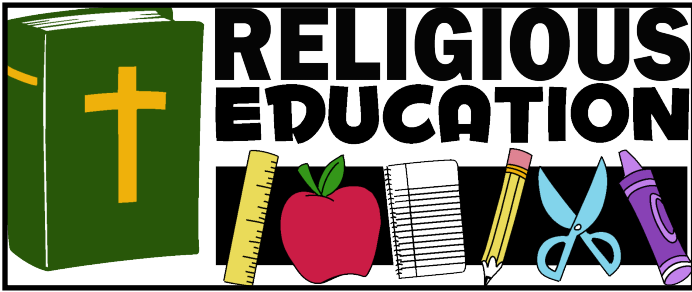
Jhon Paul Rodgers

Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith,

Danny Smith, Jeff Smith

ATTENTION:

If you are unable to keep your assignment, please find a substitute. Arrive 15 minutes ahead of Mass and sign in at the back of the church.



Looking Ahead:

September 8– First day of Religious Education– Orientation and Breakfast
 September 11– Youth Group– 5:30 pm
 September 15– RE 9:45 am
 September 22– RE 9:45 am



Access the Catholic Faith ONLINE and ON DEMAND for FREE with our Parish code:

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The Christian Love Pantry

The Christian Love Pantry is helping the poor in the St. Clair County area. To assist them we are collecting canned soup at the church. You can leave donations in either vestibule.

There is also a box for cash donations in each vestibule. If you prefer, you may drop your donation at the parish office during normal office hours.

Goal –400 cans/month

Total for August 2024 – 732 cans

Please consider donating \$1 per week

Religious Education (RE) Sign-Up

Please sign up your child for Religious Education.

There are sign-up sheets in the foyers and an online option.

PRO LIFE CORNER

Ann's New Life Pregnancy Center

3440 Martin Street South, Suite 1, Cropwell, AL 35054

205-338-4580 Hours of Operation:

Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 am-4:00 pm

24/7 Hotline: 1-800-712-4357

Current Needs:

- Size 6 Diapers (both centers)
- Water Bottles for clients

Run/Walk for Life on October 12th

5K and 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk
Location: Ann's Center-Pell City
8:00 am

Participants and Sponsors needed!
Sign up at RunSignUp.com, Click on Find a Race and search for Ann's.

New Church Directory

Please update your contact information!

We want to be sure we have the most current contact information for you in our new directory. If you haven't already, please contact the church office of any changes since 2019 when the last directory was created.

The directory will include your name, address and phone number besides the photo that will be taken October 11-12th

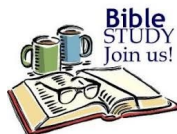
For any changes, call the office at 205-525-5161 or email at parish@ollpellcity.com.

Mass at St Vincent's Chapel

Wednesday morning Mass is held at St. Vincent's Hospital St. Clair. at **8:30 am**. The Mass is held in the chapel on the first floor. It is held every Wednesday, as long as Father Sexton or Father Bill are available.

Our Lady of the Lake Bible Study

Please join us for a special Bible Study every Tuesday morning at 9:45 am in the Parish Hall.



Calendar for Sept 8, 2024—Sept 15, 2024

Sunday— September 8

Masses-8:30 & 11:15 am

First Day of RE— Orientation/Breakfast 9:45 am

Sign-up for Church Directory

Pics-after each Mass

Spanish Mass— 3:00 pm

Monday—September 9

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday— September 10

Mass 9:00 am

Bible Study— 9:45 am

RCIA— 7:00 pm

Wednesday— September 11

Youth Group— 5:30 pm

Spanish Mass— 7:00 pm

Holy Hour/Adoration (Spanish) 7:30-8:30 pm

Thursday— September 12

Mass— 9:00 am

Legion of Mary— 6:30 pm

Friday— September 13

Mass— 9:00 am

Saturday — September 14

KOC Prayer Service— 9:00 am

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass— 5:00 pm

Sunday— September 15

Masses-8:30 & 11:15 am

RE— 9:45 am

Spanish Mass— 3:00 pm

Holy Hour— 7:00 pm