



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

4609 MARTIN STREET SOUTH
CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054

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Deacon Serge Brazzolotto

Deacon E. Lee Robinson

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Hours Monday-Thursday

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

Jim Mathis, *Director of Religious Education*

Charmaine Welch, *Music Director*

Shelly Hamman, *Parish Secretary*

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 Santisimo el segundo Miércoles de cada mes* 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

August through May

Ages 3 years through High School

www.ollpellcity.com

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, January 25, 2025
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 26, 2025
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,
3:00 pm (Spanish)



*Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
January 26, 2025*

*Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your
hearing —Luke 4:21*



Jan 27 - Feb 2

- Monday:** Jeff Hahn by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore
- Tuesday:** Jim Busby by Buddy & Dawn Adamson †
- Wednesday:** Cindy Thomas by Buddy & Dawn Adamson †
- Thursday:** Faye Staples by Sulman Morales †
- Friday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & Mary Burns †
- Saturday:** Deacon Lee Robinson by Jerry & Brenda Kern
- Sunday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & Mary Burns †
For the People

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 Morteck, Jose Riveria, Helen Turner,
George Sobolowski, Jimmy Hollis, Pat Roberts,
Bill & Dee Watkins, Emily Bell Smith, Mary
LaFleur, Micky Zielinski, Gayle Huff, Randy
Gray, Jackie Gross, Mary Esther Krantz, Thom-
as Mark Jones, Phillip Thomaston, Bobby John-
son, Marti Baird, Tracy Finke, Deacon Lee Rob-
inson, Lucas Stice, Mary Habrat, Roger &
Linda Carreker, Barbara Mathis, Christopher-
Williams, Chris Shields, Jane Gallegly,
Patricia Blum, Doug Armitage, David Hogan

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 Jan 27 - Feb 2

- Monday:** Heb 9:15, 24-28;
Ps 98; Mk 3:22-30
- Tuesday:** Heb 10:1-10; Ps
40; Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday:** Heb 10:11-18;
Ps 110; Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday:** Heb 10:19-25;
Ps 24; Mk 4:21-25
- Friday:** Heb 10:32-39;
Ps 37; Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday:** Heb 11:1-2, 8-19;
Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Mk
4:35-41

Today's Readings



First Reading— Today is holy to the LORD your God. Do not be sad, and do not weep (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Psalms — Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15).

Second Reading— For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. (1 Corinthians 12:12-30).

Gospel — Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

January 26th through February 1st is Catholic Schools Week in the Diocese of Birmingham. As someone who attended Catholic schools at St. Francis Xavier and John Carroll Catholic in Birmingham, I am grateful for the opportunity to have had a Catholic Education. It prepared me for life as a practicing Catholic.

Pope Benedict XVI wrote, "Education is integral to the mission of the Church to proclaim the good news. First and foremost, every Catholic institution is a place to encounter the living God, who in Jesus Christ, reveals His transforming love and truth." This is true of authentic Catholic education.

The School System of the Diocese of Birmingham consists of 14 elementary schools, 3 high schools, and 2 early learning centers. Other parishes are in the process of beginning Catholic schools. The recently enacted Choose Act in the State of Alabama will provide \$7,000.00 from the state to assist parents in choosing a private education for their children.

As a child and young person, I did not have a choice about attending Catholic schools. My six siblings and I were going to a Catholic school! As I look back, I'm glad I did. It instilled in me the importance of faith in my daily life. I have always been interested in practicing my Catholic faith, even before I went to the seminary. Catholic education implanted in me a desire for learning that is always alive. Even if I didn't always know specifics about the Catholic faith, I knew it was important.

The parochial school system existed in the United States before the public school system. Education was always seen as a key to success in life in our country. We recognize the important place Catholic Schools have played in the life of the Church.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Married Couples "Live Your Best Life in Love"

Enrich and Renew your Sacramental relationship by attending a Marriage Encounter Experience, a retreat where you will learn the tools to restore communication, renew your commitment, and rekindle the Joy of your Sacrament!

**It is the perfect gift for your spouse on this
Valentine's Day.**

**Join us February 14-16, 2025
St. Bernard Abbey
Cullman, AL**

For more info: wwme.org or call Frank & Kathryn
205-530-3607

Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center

OLL Baby Bottle Drive and Shower of Blessings

The Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church Baby Bottle Drive starts this weekend, **January 25th and 26th**. It will end with a baby shower to benefit our local crisis pregnancy center, Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center (ANLC) on Sunday, **February 23th** between the Masses.

Please fill your bottles with the change you may have in the cup holder of your car, between the cushions in your couch, or wherever you keep your spare change, and return your baby bottles to the Shower of Blessings.

Everyone is invited to the Shower. Coffee and refreshments will be served and we will have a special speaker.



Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
Revenue and Expenses
For the Quarter Ended December 30, 2024

	Actual	Budget	Over/(under) Budget	% of Budget Used
Operating Revenue	\$ 216,694	\$ 215,750	\$ 944	
Building Revenue	\$ 47,922	\$ 51,322	(\$ 3,400)	
Social Concerns Revenue	\$ 8,227	\$ 12,900	(\$ 4,673)	
Other Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Revenue	\$272,843	\$279,972	(\$ 7,129)	98%
Total Operating Expense	\$191,316	\$208,279	(\$16,963)	92%
Total Capital Expenses	\$ 5,712	\$ 10,000	(\$ 4,288)	58%



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



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.



eGiving with Faith Direct

***Faith Direct* enables parishioners to make contributions even when you can't make it to church. Through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card, you can apply the convenience of online banking to your parish offerings in much the same way as you do for other expenses. You may enroll by visiting our website, or logging in directly to faith.direct/AL1065. You may also call Faith Direct at 866-507-8757.**

Our Lady of Our Lake Bible Study

Every Tuesday 9:45 am

Studying the Book of Exodus

***Exciting discussion and faithful
fellowship! Join us!***



**The Magnificat Luncheon
Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Hall
Saturday, February 22, 2025
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Speaker, Christina Fritz, was a former Olympic gymnast. A very intense athletic path in childhood and in college caused her to lean deeply into her faith. Come to our luncheon to hear how she fought to regain her physical health with God's help.

A Ticket is \$20 and includes a catered lunch. Tickets are available online at BirminghamMagnificat.org or by contacting Lucy at (205) 529-0259 or from Alpha Church Supply and Holy Roses Flowers and Gifts. No tickets are sold at the door or after February 16th.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

**In the Church each Friday at 3:00 pm
until the start of Lent**



Assignments

January 29, 2025 - February 2, 2025

WEDNESDAY MASS

1/29/2025 7:00 PM

Lector: Charmaine Welch

SATURDAY MASS

2/1/2025 5:00 PM

Greeters: Dawn Adamson, Teri Shields

Lectors: Kathy Bryant, Marguerite Gorman

Ministers: Susan Moseley, Anita Allor

Altar Servers: Buddy Adamson, Otto Mueller

Ushers: Bob Nicholas, Jay Benson

SUNDAY MASSES

2/2/2025 8:30 AM

Greeters: Poteracki/Alvarez, The Allors

Lectors: Meagan Price, Jane Snider

Ministers: Paul Thomas, Ronni Thomas
Sophie Alvarez, Sonya Lewis

Altar Servers: Michael Gagliano, Stephen Reese

Ushers: Paul Thomas, Phillip Thomaston
Bart Perry, Jim Mathis

2/2/2025 11:15 AM

Greeters: Brenda Monte, Shirley Skeivelas

Lectors: Bernie Funderburg, Mary Adams

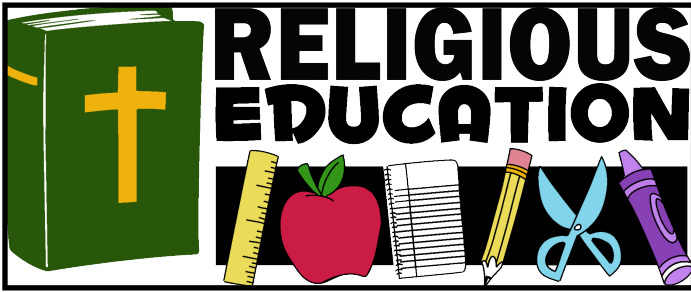
Ministers: Lexie Smith, Gloria Raynor

Altar Servers: Renee Bentel, Logan Bluhm

Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Jerrold Bluhm,
Emily Bluhm, John Bluhm

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:

January 26- RE- 9:45 am

February 2- RE- 9:45 am

February 5- Youth Group Bible Study- 5:30 pm

February 9- RE- 9:45 am



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THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

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

JRQNH8

Registration at Our Lady of the Lake

If you have not registered with our Parish, please take a moment to fill out a form located in the foyer. Complete the form and drop it at the office or in the offertory basket. You may also call the office if you'd like a form emailed to you.

If you are listed under your parents registration and are now not a dependent, you will need to fill out a form to register your family separately. If you have any questions, feel free to call the office at 205-525-5161.

Pro-Life Corner

Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center

3440 Martin Street South, Suite 1, Cropwell, AL 35054
205-338-4580

Hours of Operation: Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 am-4:00 pm

7404 Roosevelt Drive, Leeds, AL 35094
205-702-6500

Hours of Operation: Monday & Wednesday 10:00 am-4:00 pm

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

Current Needs:

- Size 6 Diapers
- Pumpkin style newborn car seats

BUY A TAG = SAVE A BABY

Tag Fee of \$50 = \$41.25 to Alabama Pro-Life Agencies

**Switching to a
Choose Life Tag
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Take your renewal notice to the DMV and ask for the Choose Life Tag. \$50 will be added to your renewal fee. For link to personalize your tag or more information visit: ChooseLifeAlabama.org



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TAG
DESIGN

SILENCE BEFORE AND AFTER MASS

The 15 minutes before Mass and the 15 minutes following Mass are used by some people as a time for prayerful preparation and thanksgiving. That is why we try to maintain a “reverential silence” in the church during those times. Fellowship is also a part of our faith, but the place for that is in the foyers of the church or outside. Please try to be respectful of the needs of others and maintain a reverential silence in the church before and after Mass.

Father Bill

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 to date for January – 272 cans

Please consider donating \$1 per week



Calendar for Jan 26, 2025—Feb 2, 2025

Sunday– January 26

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am

RE- 9:45 am

Spanish Mass– 3:00 pm

Baby Bottle Drive Begins

Monday–January 27

Mass 9:00

KOC Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm

Tuesday– January 28

Mass 9:00

OCIA- 7:00 pm

Wednesday– January 29

Mass- 7:00 pm

Thursday– January 30

Mass– 9:00 am

Legion of Mary- 6:30 pm

Friday– January 31

Mass– 9:00 am

Divine Mercy Chaplet- 3:00 pm

Saturday – February 1

First Saturday Mass- 9:00 am

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass– 5:00 pm

Sunday– February 2

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am

RE- 9:45 am

Spanish Mass– 3:00 pm