



# Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

4609 MARTIN STREET SOUTH  
CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054



## Rev. William P. Lucas, Pastor

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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

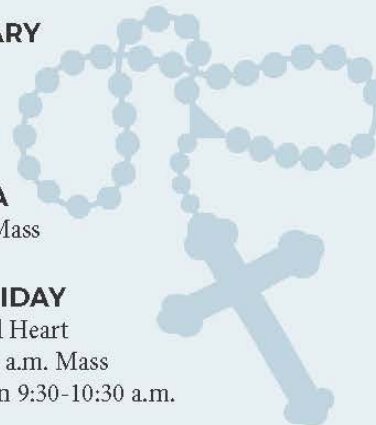
Novena to the Sacred Heart  
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass  
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

## 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



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## Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, April 19, 2025  
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 20, 2025  
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,  
3:00 pm (Spanish)



Easter Sunday of the  
Resurrection of the  
Lord  
April 20, 2025

For they did not yet understand the  
Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.  
-John 20:9



April 21 - April 27

- Monday:** Herb & Sherry Kuntz by the Brazzolottos †
- Tuesday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & Mary Burns †
- Wednesday:** John Burgin Smith by Bob & Karen Hand †
- Thursday:** Valerie Kern by Bob & Karen Hand †
- Friday:** Deacon Lee Robinson by Bob & Karen Hand
- Saturday:** Valerie Kern by Shirley Skeivelas †
- Sunday:** Hazel Smallwood Waldon by Bob & Karen Hand †  
For the People

### Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Ron & Diana Markevich, Juanita Crowson,  
Toni James, Fred Brown, Silvia Moten, Bill &  
Loretta Frost, David & Audrey Springer,  
Christine Jaks, Janice Stella, Frank Troncalli,  
Angela Ledlow, 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, Gayle Huff, Randy Gray,  
Mary Esther Krantz, Thomas Mark Jones,  
Phillip Thomaston, Bobby Johnson, Marti Baird,  
Tracy Finke, Deacon Lee Robinson, Lucas Stice,  
Mary Habrat, Roger & Linda Carreker,  
Barbara Mathis, Chris Shields, Jane Gallegly,  
Doug Armitage, Benny Goodman, Virginia  
Crapet, Paul Hubans, David Paulitzky

To add a name, call the church office or to add to the Prayer Hot  
Line please email Sharon Stice at [sharonstice46@gmail.com](mailto:sharonstice46@gmail.com)  
or call 205-613-1053.

## Weekly Readings April 21- Apr 27

- Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33;  
Ps 16; Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41; Ps  
33; Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10; Ps  
105; Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26; Ps  
8; Lk 24:35-48
- Friday:** Acts 4:1-12; Ps  
118; Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21; Ps  
118; Mk 16:9-15
- Sunday:** Acts 5:12-16; Ps  
118:2-4, 13-15, 22  
-24; Rev 1:9-11a,  
12-13, 17-19; Jn  
20:19-31

## Today's Readings



**First Reading**— He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil for God was with him (Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43).

**Psalm** — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23).

**Second Reading**— Think of what is above, not of what is on earth (Colossians 3:1-4).

**Gospel** — “They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they put him (John 20:1-9).”

## **EASTER MESSAGE**

He is Risen! Alleluia! The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead makes all the difference in the world. As Pope Benedict XVI wrote, "For the Christian, there is always a future." Jesus, in His great love for us, died for our sins. But the Father raised Him from the dead, so that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who for our sakes died and rose again. (2Corinthians 5, 15)

All that Jesus taught and all He did are vindicated in the resurrection. Jesus Christ is, "the way and the truth and the life." (John 14, 6) By following Jesus Christ, we will share in the resurrection and eternal life that He alone gives.

Every Sunday is a celebration of the resurrection. But on Easter Sunday we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ in a more intense way. The period of penance during Lent was meant to prepare our minds and hearts to live this truth.

There may have been times in our lives where we did not live for Christ. His resurrection gives us hope that God's love is stronger than sin because God's love is stronger than death, which is the consequence of sin. We can live for Christ in the present because Christ is alive and intercedes to the Father on our behalf. (1John 2, 12)

Easter is also an opportunity to give thanks because, though we may have given up on God, God has never given up on us. The annual celebration of Easter is a reminder of this belief.

The Easter Season lasts 50 days. As we hear the teachings of Jesus, we reflect that these teachings come from the risen Lord rather than from a wise human being. They are what we call, "The True Truth."



## **Divine Mercy Sunday**

**April 27, 2025**

**Confessions-  
1:00 pm**

**Chaplet- 2:00 pm**

## **Catholic Home Missions Appeal April 26 and 27, 2025**

Next weekend, we take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of diocese in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).



*Strengthening the Church at Home*

## **Surfsiders**



**The Surfsiders will have their  
monthly meeting Wednesday, April  
23rd at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall.**

**This includes a potluck lunch,  
games and fellowship.  
All seniors are invited!**

## Offertory Collection

July 2024 — June 2025

	Actual	Needed weekly
April 6 Offertory	\$7,389	\$7,500
Year to Date	\$307,545	\$300,000

## Building Fund Collection

July 2024 — June 2025

	Actual	Needed Monthly
Building Fund— Month of March	\$6,552	\$3,080
Year to Date	\$51,468	\$30,800



**Chair: Brenda Rochford**  
edenrochford@yahoo.com

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**Allen Ross:** allentross5555@gmail.com

**Meagan Price:** meaganfprice@gmail.com

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

## Welcome the Newest Parishioners to Our Lady of the Lake!

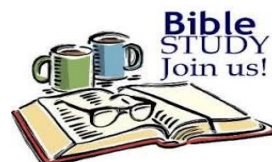
Mike & Ann Pender

Karen & James Branch



### Our Lady of Our Lake Bible Study

**Every Tuesday 9:45 am**  
**Studying the Book of Exodus**  
**Exciting discussion and faithful**  
**fellowship! Join us!**



## Pilgrimage Sites

The following have been chosen as pilgrimage sites in our diocese for the Jubilee Year:

Cathedral of St. Paul in Birmingham  
St. Leo the Great in Demopolis  
Good Shepherd in Russellville  
St. Joseph's Chapel located at Annunciation Church in Decatur  
Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville  
St. Mary of the Visitation in Huntsville  
Our Lady of the Valley in Fort Payne  
St. John the Apostle in Alexander City  
Chapel of Our Savior located at Our Lady of Sorrows in Birmingham  
Chapel of Wisdom in Tuscaloosa

## Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center

### 21st Annual GOLF FORE LIFE

**Friday, May 16, 2025**  
**Highland Park Golf Course**

Registration 7:45 am– Shot Gun Start 9:00 am

Cost-\$250 (\$125 Tax Deductible) per golfer

Prizes awarded immediately following the tournament.

We need 18 people to organize foursomes to make this year's fundraiser the most successful ever. Individual golfers are welcome and will be paired up. We are also asking individuals, families and companies to be a Hole Sponsor-\$500 or half Hole Sponsor- \$250.

This ministry exists to help women facing a crisis pregnancy choose life, and to support them in that decision. Come and play golf and **defend the culture of life.**

Contact Her Choice Women's Center: 205-447-8799 or email [Golf4life@herchoicebirmingham.org](mailto:Golf4life@herchoicebirmingham.org).

## 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

## Assignments

*April 23, 2025 - April 27 2025*

### WEDNESDAY MASS

**4/23/2025 7:00 PM**

Lector: Susan Moseley

### SATURDAY MASS

**4/26/2025 5:00 PM**

**Greeters:** Teri Shields, Allen Ross  
**Lectors:** Christy Whaley, Allen Ross  
**Ministers:** Susan Moseley, Parma Boyle  
**Altar Servers:** Bernie & Corey Funderburg  
**Ushers:** Amy Carreker, Jim Gorman

### SUNDAY MASSES

**4/27/2025 8:30 AM**

**Greeters:** Gagliano/Thomas, Joyce Jones  
**Lectors:** Karen Reese, Meagan Price  
**Ministers:** Brenda Rochford, Sharon Hamilton  
Anita Allor, Teri Gagliano  
**Altar Servers:** Michael Gagliano, Ronni Thomas,  
Kalli Reach, Allison Schillaci  
**Ushers:** Phillip & Bit Thomaston,  
Paul Thomas, Bill Bethell

**4/27/2025 11:15 AM**

**Greeters:** Lopez de Victoria/Cowart,  
Shirley Skeivelas  
**Lectors:** Stephanie Fischer, Larry Foltz  
**Ministers:** Lexie Smith, Sammy Schillaci  
**Altar Servers:** Ethan Myers, Ethan Brockner,  
Alex Sorci  
**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:**

- April 20- Easter Sunday- No RE  
Easter Egg Hunt between  
Masses**
- April 27- RE-9:45 am  
Confirmation Retreat- 4:30-  
8:30 pm**
- May 4- RE- 9:45 am  
First Communion- 11:15 Mass**



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and ON DEMAND for FREE with our  
Parish code:

**JRQNH8**

**Social Concerns Fund**

We are in need of monetary donations to assist the St. Clair County Community with paying their utility bills. We have been providing emergency assistance with utility bills for some time now and our funds are getting depleted. If you are wanting to donate, just make sure you indicate on your check that the money is designated to OLL-Social Concerns. Call the church office with any questions.

Thank you for your generosity!

**OLL Church Directory**

The church directories have arrived. If you had a picture taken for the directory this past October, you will receive a complimentary OLL church directory. The directories are in the Parish Hall with the family's last name on the directory.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE RECEIVING  
SACRAMENTS THIS SPRING**

**First Communion**

- Jaxson Ahonen
  - Annleigh Bluhm
  - Roxana Cruz Vasquez
  - Marie Dean
  - John David Funderburg
  - Isabelle May Hill
  - Lourdes Veracruz Canuto
- (First Communion is May 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 Mass)

**Confirmation**

- Ethan Brockner
  - Ixcel Canuto
  - Emma Cash
  - Madi Cash
  - Esmeralda Ramirez
  - Cinthia Veracruz
- (Confirmation will be celebrated with Bishop Raica on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Anniston.)

## Honoring Our Parish Veterans

The Knights of Columbus Assembly and Council are seeking information on all living and deceased members of Our Lady of the Lake Parish who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

If you or a loved one has served, please email us with the following details:

- **Name**
- **Branch of Service**
- **Years Served (Start Year – End Year)**

Our goal is to properly honor and memorialize these dedicated individuals during special observances such as Memorial Day and Veterans Day.

Thank you for helping us recognize the sacrifices made by members of our parish community.

Please send information to: [jeff\\_kofc@pm.me](mailto:jeff_kofc@pm.me) with the subject: Veteran Information in the email.



### **Knights of Columbus Council 12270 High School Senior Scholarships**

The Knights of Columbus are taking applications for their annual scholarships. Our Lady of the Lake high school seniors may request an application by contacting Carl Rochford at [Rochfordc@bellsouth.net](mailto:Rochfordc@bellsouth.net)/205-383-7200, or call the parish office.

Deadline for submission is May 10, 2025 with awards made on Senior Sunday, May 18, 2025.

*Calendar for April 20, 2025—April 27, 2025*

### **Sunday— April 20 Easter Sunday**

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am

Easter Egg Hunt between Masses

Spanish Mass— 3:00 pm

### **Monday—April 21**

Parish Office Closed

Mass 9:00

### **Tuesday— April 22**

9:00 am Mass

Bible Study- 9:45 am

### **Wednesday— April 23**

Surfsiders- 10:00 am

Mass- 7:00 pm

Pastoral Council- 7:30 pm

### **Thursday— April 24**

Mass— 9:00 am

Legion of Mary- 6:30 pm

### **Friday—April 25**

Mass- 9:00 am

### **Saturday – April 26**

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass— 5:00 pm

### **Sunday— April 27- Divine Mercy Sunday**

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am

RE- 9:45 am

Confessions- 1:00 pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet- 2:00 pm

Spanish Mass— 3:00 pm