



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

4609 MARTIN STREET SOUTH
CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054



Rev. William P. Lucas, Pastor

Deacon Terrence Rumore
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

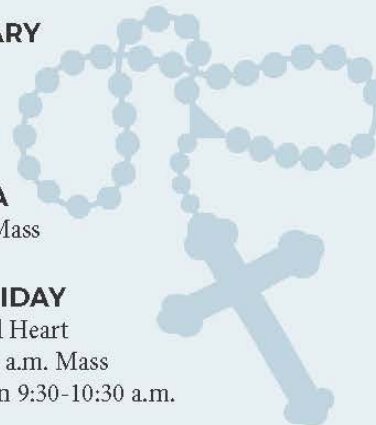
Novena to the Sacred Heart
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION

Third Sunday of every month 7:00 p.m.
Second Wednesday of every month | *Exposicion del
Santísimo 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, May 17, 2025
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, May 18, 2025
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,
3:00 pm (Spanish)



Fifth Sunday of Easter. May 18, 2025

*As I have loved you, so you also should love
one another.*

-John 13:34



May 19 - May 25

- Monday:** Shelly Hamman by the OLL Bible Study Group
Tuesday: Maria Louisa Chacon by Sulman Morales †
Wednesday: All Souls in Purgatory by Mary & Billy Burns †
Thursday: Robert Menefee by the Brazzolottos †
Friday: Don Giardina by Bob & Anita Dempsey †
Saturday: Andy McClay by Bob & Karen Hand †
Sunday: OLL Parishioners by the Brazzolottos
For the People

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Ron & Diana Markevich, Juanita Crowson,
Toni James, Fred Brown, Silvia Moten, David
& Audrey Springer, Christine Jaks, Janice
Stella, Frank Troncilli, Angela Ledlow, 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, 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 or call 205-613-1053.

Weekly Readings May 19- May 25

- Monday:** Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115; Jn 14:21-26
- Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145; Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122; Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96; Jn 15:9-11
- Friday:** Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57; Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100; Jn 15:18-21
- Sunday:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

Today's Readings



First Reading— It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God (Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27).

Psalm — I will praise your name forever, my king and my God (Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13).

Second Reading— The One who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new (Revelation 21:1-5a)."

Gospel — My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).

POPE LEO

On May 9th, Robert Francis Prevost, was chosen to be the 267th Bishop of Rome. He selected the name Leo. He is the 14th Pope to select that name. He is the first United States citizen to be selected as Pope. He is also a citizen of Peru.

Pope Leo XIV was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1955. He is a member of the Augustinians and was ordained a priest in 1982. From 1983 through 1998 he served in Peru. He was the head of the Augustinian Order for 12 years, during which time he travelled around the world. In 2015, he was selected as a Bishop of Chiclayo, Peru by Pope Francis. He was later elevated to the rank of Cardinal. Since 2023, he has served as head of the Dicastery of Bishops in the Vatican.

The first Pope Leo reigned from 440-461. He was canonized later and became known as Pope St. Leo the Great. His feast day is November 10th. He held the city of Rome together during a period of chaos. This was the beginning of the popes being civil as well as religious leaders.

The last Pope Leo reigned from 1878-1903. It was following the dissolution of the Papal States. He became more of a spiritual than a civil leader. He is known for three things. *The Syllabus of Errors*, which listed some modern thought patterns that were opposed to Church teaching. *Rerum Novarum*, which was the first Papal Encyclical about the dignity of work and workers' rights. And *The St. Michael Prayer*, which we recite at each Mass in our parish.

Anyone who says that they know what Pope Leo XIV is going to do is guessing. It may be an educated or an uneducated guess. The best approach is to pray for our new Pope. He will have a heavy burden to bear.



Senior Recognition Sunday

The following High School Seniors from Our Lady of the Lake Parish will be honored at the 8:30 am Mass this Sunday, May 18th. A reception will be held in the Parish Hall following Mass.

Jhon Paul Rodgers
Jason Carter Cash
John Bluhm



Surfsiders

The Surfsiders will have their monthly meeting Wednesday, May 21st at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall. This includes a potluck lunch, games and fellowship. All seniors are invited!



Worldwide Marriage Encounter June 6-8, 2025

Easter brings us new hope. Let us bring new hope to our marriage by attending a Marriage Encounter Experience to learn how Jesus gives us the graces for a strong Sacrament. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience will be a virtual one hosted by the Atlanta WWME community. It is scheduled for **June 6-8, 2025**. A \$100 non-refundable registration fee applies. Early registration is highly recommended. Sign up at wwme.org/apply (look for weekends in Atlanta). For more information contact Doug and Maureen Newlands at 678-242-9963.

Offertory Collection

July 2024 — June 2025

	Actual	Needed weekly
May 11 Offertory	\$5,726	\$7,500
Year to Date	\$350,243	\$337,500



Guadalupe Radio Network

2025 Summer Share-a-thon

Conversations with God

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June 9 - 13, 2025
GRNonline.com



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Meagan Price: meaganfprice@gmail.com

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

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.

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NEW MEMBERS OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Congratulations to Buddy Adamson, Laura Cash, and Osvaldo Jimenez, who have been selected to serve three-year terms on the Parish Pastoral Council. A word of gratitude to Bernie Funderburg, Debbie Gossett, and Alan Ross, who are completing their second three-year term and are rotating off.

Permanent Diaconate & Formation Program

Men, do you feel God is calling you to serve in a deeper way in your parish and community? Then perhaps you are being called to be a Deacon. The Inquiry period begins August 16th, and a group of men will be selected to continue to the Aspirancy formation starting in January 2026.

There are two inquiry information sessions. Wives are encouraged to attend with their husbands.

Tuesday, June 3rd- 6:00 pm St Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, 2061 Patton Chapel Road, Hoover, AL 352163

Saturday, June 8th-1:00 pm-3:00 pm St. Mary of the Visitation, 222 Jefferson Street N., Huntsville, AL 35801 in the Treacy Hall

Additional information and requirements to enter formation can be found at the Office of Permanent Diaconate website - <https://www.bhmdiocese.org/office-of-permanent-diaconate>. You can also fill out the registration form for the Inquiry period at this website.

Online registration is open now through July 3rd. If you have questions, contact the Director of Formation, Permanent Diaconate Program, Deacon Jeff Montgomery at jmontgomery@bhmdiocese.org.

Knights of Columbus Memorial Day Barbecue Sale

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

**Friday, May 23, 2025 at 8:00 a.m.
through Saturday, May 24, 2025.**

\$45 for Boston butts

\$30 for large pork ribs

\$15 for a whole chicken



All meat will be freshly smoked with KOC "special dry rub". All proceeds will be used to fund the numerous charitable activities KOC Council 12270 supports. Our Lady of the Lake is located at 4609 Martin St (Hwy 231 South) in Pell City.

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.

Assignments

May 21, 2025 - May 25, 2025

WEDNESDAY MASS

5/21/2025 7:00 PM

Lector: Sarah Brazzolotto

SATURDAY MASS

5/24/2025 5:00 PM

Greeters: Bob Voll, Rita Rumore
Lectors: Allen Ross, Christie Whaley
Ministers: Susan Moseley, Parma Boyle
Altar Servers: Bernie & Corey Funderburg
Ushers: Bob Nicholas, Jay Benson

SUNDAY MASSES

5/25/2025 8:30 AM

Greeters: Poteracki/Alvarez, The Muellers
Lectors: Jane Snider, Dennis Veigl
Ministers: Michael Gagliano, Ronni Thomas
Stephen Reese, Sonya Lewis
Altar Servers: Dennis Veigl, Tom Graffo
Kalli Reach, Allison Schillaci
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Phillip Thomaston
Dennis Veigl, Bit Thomaston

5/25/2025 11:15 AM

Greeters: Gracie Troncalli, R & C Betz
Lectors: Larry Foltz, Gloria Raynor
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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Looking Ahead:

May 18- Senior Sunday-8:30 am Mass
Last day of RE

July 14-18- Vacation Bible School
Mark your calendars!



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 Vacation Bible School **Volunteers!**

July 14-18, 2025

5:30 pm-8:00 pm
each night



Please sign up on the sheets in the foyer if you can help!

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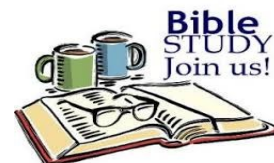
THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

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and ON DEMAND for FREE with our
Parish code:

JRQNH8

Our Lady of Our Lake Bible Study

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



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 with the subject: Veteran Information in the email.



John Paul Stepnowski
and
Andrew Gresham Vickery

have been called to the Sacred Order of Deacons and will be ordained through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by the Most Reverend Steven J. Raica

Saturday, June 7th, 2025
11:00 am

St. Francis of Assisi University Catholic Parish
811 5th Avenue, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Calendar for May 18 2025—May 25, 2025

Sunday – May 18

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am
Last RE- 9:45 am
High School Senior Sunday-8:30 am
Mass

Spanish Mass- 3:00 pm
Holy Hour- 7:00 pm

Monday – May 19

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday – May 20

Mass 9:00 am
Bible Study- 9:45 am

Wednesday – May 21

Surfsiders- 10:00 am
Mass- 7:00 pm
Pastoral Council- 7:30 pm

Thursday – May 22

Mass– 9:00 am
Legion of Mary- 6:30 pm

Friday – May 23

KOC BBQ-8:00 am
Mass- 9:00 am

Saturday – May 24

KOC BBQ- 8:00 pm
Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm
Mass– 5:00 pm

Sunday – May 25

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am
Spanish Mass- 3:00 pm