



# Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

4609 MARTIN STREET SOUTH  
CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054



## Rev. William P. Lucas, Pastor

Deacon Terrence Rumore  
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Deacon E. Lee Robinson

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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

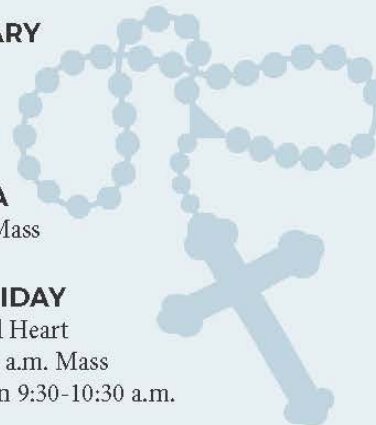
Novena to the Sacred Heart  
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass  
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

## 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, July 5, 2025  
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, July 6, 2025  
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,  
3:00 pm (Spanish)



### Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 6, 2025

*"Go on your way; behold, I am sending you  
like lambs among the wolves."* -Luke 10:3



July 7 - July 13

- Monday:** Deacon Bill Alexiou by the Brazzolottos †
- Tuesday:** Joe Stanley by James & Gloria Raynor †
- Wednesday:** John Joyner by Jay & Enid Willi †
- Thursday:** Edward Smallwood by Bob & Karen Hand †
- Friday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & Mary Burns †
- Saturday:** Billy Weber by Bob & Karen Hand †
- Sunday:** Mack & Eva Lambert by Christy & Alan Whaley †  
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 Troncalli, 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, Jane & Randy Gray,  
Mary Esther Krantz, Thomas Mark Jones,  
Phillip Thomaston, Bobby Johnson, Marti  
Baird, Deacon Lee Robinson, Lucas Stice,  
Mary Habrat, Roger & Linda Carreker, Chris  
Shields, Jane Galleghy, Doug Armitage, Benny  
Goodman, David Paulitzky, Robert 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 July 7 - July 13

- Monday:** Gen 28:10-22a;  
Ps 91; Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday:** Gen 32:23-33; Ps  
17; Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday:** Gen 41:55-57,  
42:5-7a, 17-24a;  
Ps 33; Mt 10:1-7
- Thursday:** Gen 44:18-21,  
23b-29; 45:1-5;  
Ps 105; Mt 10:7-  
15
- Friday:** Gen 46:1-7, 28-  
30; Ps 37; Mt  
10:16-23
- Saturday:** Gen 49:29-32;  
50:15-26a; Ps  
105; Mt 10:24-33
- Sunday:** Deut 30:10-14;  
Ps 69:14, 17, 30-  
31; 33-34, 36,  
37; Col 1:15-20;  
Lk 10:25-37

## Today's Readings



**First Reading**— Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad because of her (Isaiah 66:10-14c).

**Psalm** — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20).

**Second Reading**— From now on, let no one make troubles for me; I bear the marks of Jesus on my body (Galatians 6:14-18).

**Gospel** — The seventy-two returned rejoicing, and said, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us because of your name (Luke 10:1-12, 17-20)."

## INDEPENDENCE DAY

This week we will hear a lot about freedom. People may even quote Paul's words, "For freedom Christ set us free." (Galatians 5, 1) But the biblical meaning of freedom and society's meaning of freedom are different.

Sometimes we understand freedom as the ability to do what I want, when I want, how I want, without interference. That is the two-year-old's definition of freedom. Some people never grow out of it.

The biblical definition of freedom is the ability to do what God wants, when God wants, how God wants, without the interference of sin. That is what St. Paul means when he writes that Christ has set us free. Because Christ conquered sin and death, we are free to do God's will. Without Christ, we might know God's will, but we would be unable to do it. That is why Paul goes on to write, "But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love." (Galatians 5, 13)

By "the flesh", Paul means putting ourselves ahead of everyone else. Paul encourages Christians to live by the Spirit. The fruits of the Spirit are, "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control." (Galatians 5, 23) To the extent that we live these, we are cooperating with the Spirit.

Though the Constitution of our country contains rights and responsibilities, it cannot grant freedom. That must come from within a person. The same is true about the Gospel. Faith in the Gospel grants us freedom to do God's will from inside us. We can be clear-headed when it comes to recognizing God's will for us. That is the freedom the Gospel offers us.

That is why any day can be Independence Day for us if we put our faith in God rather than in ourselves.

## 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

### Interested in Cub Scouting?



# JOIN TODAY

Pack 316

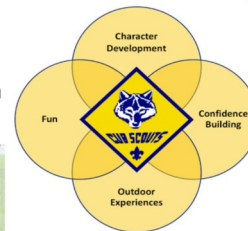
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Call or Text

CUBMASTER  
Jake Smith

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# WELCOME

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

Mary & Steven Sparks

Steve & Elaine McGowan

Catherine & Seth Kent & family

Patricia Mead

Martin & Bettie Keller & family

## Offertory Collection

July 2025 — June 2026

Actual

Needed  
weekly

Offertory not  
reported this  
week

\$7,865

Year to Date

### ***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](http://faith.direct/AL1065). You may also call Faith Direct at 866-507-8757.***

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

**CLASS OF 1970**

**JOHN CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL**

**55th REUNION**

will be held on  
**SATURDAY EVENING, AUGUST 2nd**  
in the Library of

**JOHN CARROLL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

**The Class of 1970**

cordially invites Members of JCHS  
classes of 1969 and 1971 to attend our reunion

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE OUR  
FACEBOOK:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/JCclassof70>  
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EMAIL: [mikegraffeo@mac.com](mailto:mikegraffeo@mac.com)

**Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Birmingham 25th  
Annual Conference  
"Come Holy Spirit With Your Fire"  
July 25 and 26, 2025  
John Carroll Catholic High School  
300 Lakeshore Parkway  
Birmingham, AL 35209**

The main speaker will be **Ralph Martin** of Renewal Ministries, along with **Father James Hedderman** and **Father Frankline Fomukong**. Father James Hedderman will celebrate mass on Friday and **Father Paul Asih** will celebrate a vigil mass on Saturday at 4:00 P.M. **Sister Anne Marie Schreiner D.C.** will offer spiritual direction during the conference.

Registration fee for the conference is \$50 for individuals and \$130 for a family of 3 or more. For further information email Jeannie Wade at [Jwade3585@outlook.com](mailto:Jwade3585@outlook.com) or call Ray Makofsky at 205-999-8947. To register, visit [www.catholiccharismaticrenewal.org](http://www.catholiccharismaticrenewal.org). We hope you will join us for an exciting faith-filled weekend. Everyone is Welcome!



### **Food Assistance Program**

*"For I was hungry and you gave me some-  
thing to eat..." – Matthew 25:35*

Our church is now **accepting applications for food assistance**. If you or someone you know is in need, we are here to help with compassion and confidentiality. Food boxes will be distributed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month starting August 14, 2025.

#### **Who Can Apply?**

Anyone in our church family or Pell City area who is experiencing food insecurity. Applications will need to be updated every 4 months.

#### **How to Apply**

Applications are available in the church office and on our church website: [ollpellcity.com](http://ollpellcity.com).

For more information, contact Brenda Rochford at [edenrochford@yahoo.com](mailto:edenrochford@yahoo.com) or call the church office at 205-525-5161.

#### **Application Deadline**

July 20, 2025 in order to receive a food box August 14, 2025.

**Let us serve one another in love. If you need help, please don't hesitate to reach out.**

## *Assignments*

*July 9, 2025 – July 13, 2025*

### **WEDNESDAY MASS**

**7/9/2025 7:00 PM**

**Lector:** Arturo Solis

### **SATURDAY MASS**

**7/12/2025 5:00 PM**

**Greeters:** Rita Rumore, Paige Everett  
**Lectors:** Kathy Bryant, Allen Ross  
**Ministers:** Susan Moseley, Anita Allor  
**Altar Servers:** Tom Graffo, Chris Gallegly  
**Ushers:** Sam Marston, Dan Vandevoorde

### **SUNDAY MASSES**

**7/13/2025 8:30 AM**

**Greeters:** Poteracki/Alvarez, Shayla Largadas  
**Lectors:** Karen Reese, Meagan Price  
**Ministers:** Teri Gagliano, Paul Thomas  
Jane Snider, Sharon Hamilton  
**Altar Servers:** Michael Gagliano, Ronni Thomas  
**Ushers:** Paul Thomas, Phillip Thomaston  
Anita Allor, Matt Allor

**7/13/2025 11:15 AM**

**Greeters:** The Bluhm Family  
**Lectors:** Larry Foltz, Mary Adams  
**Ministers:** Lexie Smith, Sammy Schillaci  
**Altar Servers:** Jhon Paul & Natalie Rodgers  
**Ushers:** Lexie Smith, Doug Ross,  
Jeff Smith, TBD

### **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:

**July 14-18- Vacation Bible School  
Registration Forms in each  
foyer**

**September 7- First Day of Religious Ed**



## *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 June 2025– 953 cans  
(cash is converted to  
can numbers)**

## Our Lady of Our Lake Bible Study

**Every Tuesday 9:45 am  
Studying The Letters of  
St. James, St. Peter and St. Jude  
Exciting discussion and faithful  
fellowship! Join us!**



**Bible  
STUDY  
Join us!**

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## Vacation Bible School



**July 14-18th 5:30-8:00pm**

**Registration is still OPEN!**

**Forms in each foyer.**

## 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



## 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)

*Calendar for July 6, 2025—July 13, 2025*

### **Sunday – July 6**

Masses- 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Spanish Mass- 3:00 pm

### **Monday – July 7**

Mass 9:00 am

### **Tuesday – July 8**

Mass 9:00 am

Bible Study- 9:45 am

### **Wednesday – July 9**

Spanish Mass- 7:00 pm

Holy Hour/Adoration- 7:30 pm-8:30 pm

### **Thursday – July 10**

Mass– 9:00 am

Legion of Mary- 6:30 pm

### **Friday – July 11**

Mass- 9:00 am

### **Saturday – July 12**

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass– 5:00 pm

### **Sunday – July 13**

Masses- 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Spanish Mass- 3:00 pm