



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

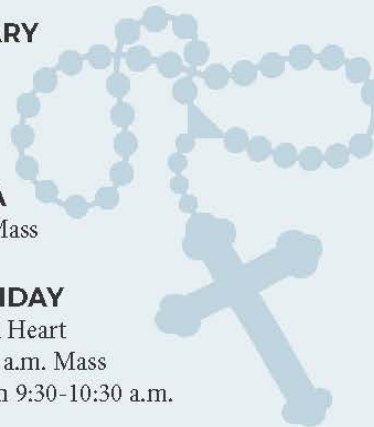
Novena to the Sacred Heart
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION

Third Sunday of every month 7:00 p.m.
Second Wednesday of every month | *Exposicion del
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, July 19, 2025
Mass 5:00 pm

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



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 20, 2025

“There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.” -Luke 10:42



July 21 - July 27

- Monday:** Ruth Lee by Mark & Tracy Finke †
- Tuesday:** Mark Welford by KOC 12270 †
- Wednesday:** John Rodgers by James & Gloria Raynor †
- Thursday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & Mary Burns †
- Friday:** Don Naman by KOC 12270 †
- Saturday:** Joe Yester by James & Gloria Raynor †
- Sunday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Bill & Mary Burns †
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 or call 205-613-1053.

Weekly Readings July 21 - July 27

- Monday:** Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15; Mt 12:38-42
- Tuesday:** Sg of Sgs 3:1-4b; Ps 63; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
- Wednesday:** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78; Mt 13:1-9
- Thursday:** Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dan 3; Mt 13:10-17
- Friday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126; Mt 20:20-28
- Saturday:** Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50; Mt 13:24-30
- Sunday:** Gen 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

Today's Readings



First Reading— “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son (Genesis 18:1-10a).”

Psalm — He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 5).

Second Reading— It is he whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ (Colossians 1:24-28).

Gospel — “Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her (Luke 10:38-42).”

WITNESS TO HOPE

In the July-August edition of OneVoice, Bishop Steven Raica wrote his column about young people. The words he wrote apply to all of us. He quoted the Apostolic Exhortation, Christus Vivit, by the late Pope Francis. This was the pope's reflection on the Synod on Youth, which occurred in 2019.

The Bishop wrote, "In a world that often tries to define people by their status, their productivity, or their image, Christus Vivit cuts through with a liberating truth: "You are not defined by what others say about you, but by what God says about you." And what does God say? He says you are beloved and chosen. You are not an afterthought, but you are "a vital heartbeat in the Church's mission.""

As Christians, our lives must be centered on God and not on ourselves or something or someone else. As St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians puts it, "We live no longer for ourselves, but for him who for our sakes died and rose again." (5, 15) We can still live our lives to the full, but the focus is on what we can give rather than what we can get. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus says, "Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides." (Matthew 6, 34)

I am encouraged by the youth I encounter. They are more mature, more serious, than I was at their age. The Church in the Northern Hemisphere is experiencing a renaissance of Church participation. The numbers of vocations are growing. The missionary impulse of the Church will always be necessary. That is why our lives must be centered on Christ and not on something else.

Surfsiders

The Surfsiders will have their monthly meeting Wednesday, July 23rd at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall. This includes a potluck lunch, games and fellowship. All seniors are invited!



Holy Land Gifts

Holy Land Gifts will be at Our Lady of the Lake August 2 and 3, 2025. They will sell their gifts in the foyer after each Mass.

Our Lady of the Lake Stewardship Fair

Mark your calendars for the Stewardship Fair held after each Mass the weekend of August 16th and 17th. More information will be in next week's bulletin.



Interested in Cub Scouting?



JOIN TODAY

Pack 316

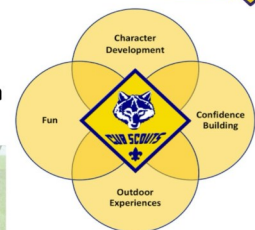
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Call or Text

CUBMASTER
Jake Smith

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Offertory Collection

July 2025 — June 2026

	Actual	Needed weekly
No offertory reported this week.		\$7,865
Year to Date		

Building Fund Collection

July 2024 — June 2025

	Actual	Needed Monthly
Building Fund— Month of June 2025	\$4,097	\$3,850
Year to Date	\$63,826	\$40,000



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.



Let's Remember a Priest Killed in the Line of Duty

**Annual Father James E. Coyle
Memorial Mass**
Celebrant, Bishop Steven J. Raica
Monday, August 11, 2025 at 10:00 A.M./C.T.
**Followed by Reception and Reflections on
Father Coyle**
**Cathedral of St. Paul · 2120 3rd Ave. North,
Birmingham**
**Eternal Word Television Network to
Broadcast Mass Live Worldwide**
205.447.8796 · www.fathercoyle.org
"Father Coyle was a martyr to duty"
The Rt. Rev. Edward Allen, Bishop of Mobile
– 8/12/1921

**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 or call Ray Makofsky at 205-999-8947. To register, visit 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 2nd 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.

For more information, contact Brenda Rochford at 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 23, 2025 – July 27, 2025

WEDNESDAY MASS

7/23/2025 7:00 PM

Lector: Bernie Funderburg

SATURDAY MASS

7/26/2025 5:00 PM

Greeters: Rita Rumore, Allen Ross
Lectors: Christy Whaley, Susan Moseley
Ministers: Allen Ross, Martha Hayes
Altar Servers: Dennis Veigl, James Raynor
Ushers: Bob Nicholas, Jay Benson

SUNDAY MASSES

7/27/2025 8:30 AM

Greeters: Poteracki/Alvarez, Stephens/Bunt
Lectors: Robert Lewis, Kathy Bryant
Ministers: Stephen Reese, Paul Thomas, Sonya Lewis, Ronni Thomas
Altar Servers: John Bryant, Otto Mueller
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Phillip Thomaston, Bit Thomaston, Paul Thomas

7/27/2025 11:15 AM

Greeters: R & C Betz, Grace Troncalli
Lectors: Michael Poteracki, Bernie Funderburg
Ministers: James Raynor, Michael Poteracki
Altar Servers: Jhon Paul & Natlie 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 7- First Day of Religious Education



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 to date July 2025– 41 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!

Is God calling you to become a Lay Dominican?

Did you know that Birmingham has a Lay Dominican chapter? Adult men and women who have been Sacramental Catholics for at least two years are invited to learn about the Dominican Laity and see if this is where God may be calling you. The pillars of Lay Dominican life center around prayer, study, apostolate (sharing our faith with others in ways appropriate to the laity), and community (monthly meetings on Sunday afternoons in Birmingham). As lay members of the Dominican Order, we are drawn together by the love of St. Dominic, and invite you to consider joining us! To learn more, contact Amanda Lang, chapter president, at justin.amanda.lang@gmail.com.

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 20, 2025—July 27, 2025

Sunday – July 20

Masses- 8:30 am & 11:15 am
Spanish Mass- 3:00 pm
Holy Hour- 7:00 pm

Monday – July 21

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday – July 22

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

Wednesday – July 23

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

Thursday – July 24

Mass– 9:00 am
Legion of Mary- 6:30 pm

Friday – July 25

Mass- 9:00 am

Saturday – July 26

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm
Mass– 5:00 pm

Sunday – July 27

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