



# Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

4609 MARTIN STREET SOUTH  
CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054



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Jim Mathis, *Director of Religious Education*  
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## 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

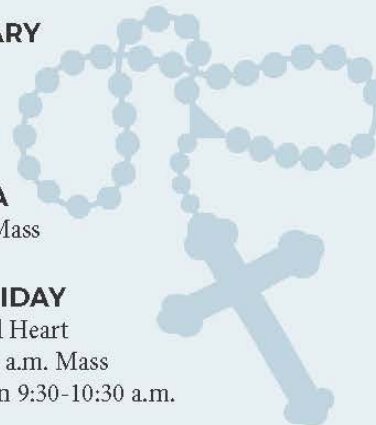
Novena to the Sacred Heart  
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass  
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

## 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



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*Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church*

*Saturday, August 16, 2025  
Mass 5:00 pm*

*Sunday, August 17, 2025  
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,  
3:00 pm (Spanish)*



*Twentieth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
August 17, 2025*

*"I have come to set the earth on fire, and  
how I wish it were already blazing!"  
-Luke 12:49*



**August 18 - August 24**

- Monday:** Larry Krantz by Jeff Bowman †  
**Tuesday:** Al Rohling by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore †  
**Wednesday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & Mary Burns †  
**Thursday:** Connie Parsons by Jeff Bowman †  
**Friday:** Mary Lynn Williams by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore  
**Saturday:** Chester Lambert by Jerry & Brenda Kern †  
**Sunday:** Paul Boyle Sr. by Parma Boyle †  
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, Jane & Randy Gray,  
Thomas Mark Jones, Phillip Thomaston, Bobby  
Johnson, Marti Baird, Deacon Lee Robinson,  
Lucas Stice, Mary Habrat, Roger & Linda  
Carreker, Chris Shields, Jane Gallegly, Doug  
Armitage, Benny Goodman, David Paulitzky,  
Robert Paulitzky, Brian Young, Frances  
Crapet, Teresa Stubblefield*

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 August 18 - August 24*

- Monday:** Judg 2:11-19; Ps  
106; Mt 19:16-22
- Tuesday:** Judg 6:11-24a; Ps  
85; Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday:** Judg 9:6-15; Ps  
21; Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday:** Judg 11:29-39a;  
Ps 40; Mt 22:1-14
- Friday:** Ruth 1:1, 3-6,  
14b-16, 22; Ps  
146; Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday:** Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11;  
4:13-17; Ps 128;  
Mt 23:1-12
- Sunday:** Is 66:18-21; Ps  
117:1,2; Heb 12:5  
-7, 11-13; Lk  
13:22-30

***Today's Readings***



**First Reading**— Jeremiah ought to be put to death; he is demoralizing the soldiers who are left in this city (Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10).

**Psalm** — Lord, come to my aid (Psalm 40:2, 3, 4, 18).

**Second Reading**— In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood (Hebrews 12:1-4).

**Gospel** — "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth (Luke 12:49-53)?"

## STEWARDSHIP

This weekend our parish will have a stewardship drive. Different organizations and ministries will be looking for volunteers to give their time and talent to bring Jesus Christ's love to those in need of it.

In the New Testament Jesus tells parables about stewards who are left in charge of their masters' possessions while the master is absent. That is what a steward is: someone who takes care of what belongs to another. They are not the owner, but they are to do what the owner would do in the owner's absence. St. Paul refers to the apostles as, "stewards of the mysteries of God." (1Corinthians 4, 1)

Stewardship in the Church means serving God by using our time and talent to be His instruments in representing the Catholic Church wherever we are. There are many ministries sponsored by the parish and the Diocese of Birmingham that need people to serve.

The Stewardship Fair in our parish this weekend is not about getting something. It is about giving our time and talent to make our parish an instrument Jesus Christ can use to bring His mercy and salvation to all in need of it.

Following all masses, representatives from the different ministries will be available in the parish hall to answer questions and to sign up volunteers. Later, each ministry will have its own training or orientation to get you started in service. We also ask those who are already serving to re-commit themselves for another year.

St. Theresa of Avila (1515-1582) wrote, "Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes with which Christ looks out with compassion to the world. Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which he is to bless us now."

The Stewardship Fair is an opportunity to become Christ's instrument in the world.

## Our Lady of the Lake Stewardship Fair August 16th and 17th after Mass OLL Parish Hall

**Please join us for our annual Stewardship Fair. It is an opportunity for parishioners to commit to serving in the many ministries we have in our parish.**

**Representatives from the various ministries active in our parish will be available to answer any questions you may have about their ministry and to sign up new parishioners and recommit current volunteers.**



## Pre-Planning for Final Arrangements Seminar Saturday, August 23, 2025 OLL Parish Hall- 6:00 pm

Learn the simple steps to take to plan for final arrangements for yourself and love ones.

- Learn the four simple steps to ensuring your final arrangements are complete.
- How to start discussing the funeral planning with loved ones.
- How to secure today's prices from inflation and price increases.
- Dignity Difference
- Personal Planning Guide
- Cemetery
- Veterans Benefits

Please sign up in the foyer.

## Offertory Collection

July 2025 — June 2026

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Needed weekly</b>
<b>August 10 Offertory</b>	\$11,182	\$7,865
<b>Year to Date</b>	\$53,321	\$47,190



**Chair: Jeff Reach**  
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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.**

## **ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)**

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is for adults 16 years of age and older, who are looking to join the Catholic Church or, who were baptized Catholic and are interested in completing their initiation into the Church. Classes start on Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. For more information, contact Father Bill at 205-525-5161.

### **Faith Direct (E-Giving) Upgrade**

For those of you who contribute via E-giving, we want to notify you that Faith Direct will soon be upgrading to ParishSOFT Giving—a new, secure giving platform. This upgrade will happen automatically and securely. No action is required from you—your gift schedules and payment details will carry over seamlessly.

What's new about ParishSOFT Giving?

Weekly Giving: If you selected weekly giving, your gifts will now be deducted each week instead of in one monthly batch.

More Flexibility: Adjust your giving schedule to any date that works for you—not just the 4th or 15th.

More Ways to Give: Now you can donate using PayPal, Venmo, Apple Pay, or Google Pay.

You'll receive more information as Faith Direct gets closer to launch.



### **Ann's 5K Run & Walk for Life Saturday, October 11, 2025**

Join us for the 3rd Annual 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run for Life! A fun and fast 5K, the race will start & finish at Ann's New Life Center and run through the neighborhood streets. Enjoy spectacular views running beside Logan Martin Lake. There will be an option this year to get performance shirts for a small extra fee if you so desire; otherwise, shirts will be regular cotton t-shirts. Shirt choice and size is guaranteed to those who Pre-Register by September 1st. Post race there will be an awards ceremony, door prizes, and refreshments available for purchase.

7:00 AM – Race Day Registration begins  
8:00 AM – 5K Run Starts  
9:15 AM – 1 mile fun run starts  
9:45 AM – Awards Ceremony

\$35 for the 5K and \$20 for Mile Fun Run

Go to RunSignUp.com to register and support Ann's.

## Knights of Columbus Labor Day Barbecue Sale

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church  
Friday, August 29, 2025 at 8:00 a.m.  
through Saturday, August 30, 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.

## Surfsiders

The Surfsiders will have their monthly meeting  
Wednesday, August 20th at 10:00 am in the  
Parish Hall. This includes a potluck lunch,  
games and fellowship. All seniors are invited!



**Annual Divino Niño Festival**  
Shrine of the Most  
Blessed Sacrament  
3224 County Road 548  
Hanceville, AL  
**September 6, 2025**



"A celebration of our Patron, the Divine Child Jesus"

7:00 am- Mass w/the Poor Clare Nuns  
9:00 am-Concurrent talks on the Child Jesus (in English &  
Spanish) Confessions Offered  
10:30 am- Rosary w/ the Poor Clare Nuns  
11:00 am- Festival Mass & Procession  
12:30 pm- Lunch available for purchase-Cutting of Divino Nino  
Cake  
2:00 pm- Eucharistic Healing Service  
3:00 pm- Confessions Available

## Assignments

August 20, 2025 - August 24, 2025

### WEDNESDAY MASS

**8/20/2025 7:00 PM**

Lector: Teri Gagliano

### SATURDAY MASS

**8/23/2025 5:00 PM**

Greeters: Teri Shields, Bob Voll  
Lectors: Christy Whaley, Allen Ross  
Ministers: Susan Moseley, Martha Hayes  
Altar Servers: Tom Michaels, Jeff Reach  
Ushers: Sam Marston, Dan Vandevoorde

### SUNDAY MASSES

**8/24/2025 8:30 AM**

Greeters: Shayla Largadas, Amelia Falkner  
Lectors: Sarah Brazzolotto, Mary Burns  
Ministers: Sharon Hamilton, Teri Gagliano  
So phie Alvarez, Anita Allor  
Altar Servers: Michael Gagliano, Ronni Thomas  
Ushers: Paul Thomas, Phillip Thomaston  
Dennis Veigl, Matt Allor

**8/24/2025 11:15 AM**

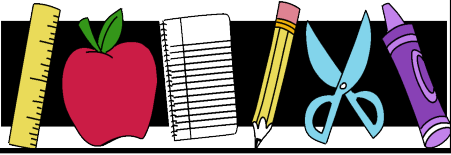
Greeters: Brenda Monte, Ray & Charlene Betz  
Lectors: Miranda Bryant, Bernie Funderburg  
Ministers: James Raynor, Michael Poteracki  
Altar Servers: Ethan Myers, Ethan Brockner,  
Alex Sorci  
Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith  
Danny Smith, Jeff Smith

### **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.**



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



## Looking Ahead:

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

### Catechists!

Please contact Jim Mathis at 205-405-6028 or [Jimmathis.oll@gmail.com](mailto:Jimmathis.oll@gmail.com), if you are returning as a catechist or would like to become one.

### Registration

Registration is now open, paper forms are available in the foyers and a online form will be posted. You may also sign up at the Stewardship Fair.

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## 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!*



**The Magnificat Breakfast** will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows in the Parish Hall on Saturday, August 23, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The speaker, Harriet Cloud, is a centenarian and a member of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish. Come hear how Harriet's life has been enriched by her Catholic faith and given her guidance for accepting the problems and joys that occurred in all aspects of her life. A Ticket is \$20 and includes a catered breakfast. Tickets are available online at [BirminghamMagnificat.org](http://BirminghamMagnificat.org) or by contacting Jan Smith at (205) 381-8481 or from Alpha Church Supply and Holy Roses Flowers and Gifts. No tickets are sold at the door or after August 17th.



## **Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament**

The parish is sponsoring a pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville on **Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**. The cost for the bus trip will be \$25.00/person.

We will depart from the church promptly at 7:00 a.m. (start loading at 6:30 am) and will return at 5:30 p.m. The day will include Mass/Confessions, catered lunch, a healing service, and a spiritual talk. The deadline for reservations is September 14th. Sign-up sheets are available in each foyer and payment can be made at any time.

## 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 Parish Picnic

**Sunday, September 14, 2025  
12:45 pm**

**Please join us at the annual parish picnic on the church grounds. The Knights of Columbus will provide hamburgers and hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Please bring your favorite picnic side dish to share.**

**We will have a 50/50 drawing, door prizes, bouncy house for the kids and Bingo!  
Look forward to seeing you there!**

*Calendar for August 17, 2025—August 24, 2025*

### **Sunday – August 17**

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

### **Monday – August 18**

Mass 9:00 am

### **Tuesday – August 19**

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

### **Wednesday – August 20**

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

### **Thursday – August 21**

Mass– 9:00 am  
Legion of Mary- 6:30 pm

### **Friday – August 22**

Mass- 9:00 am

### **Saturday – August 23**

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

Pre-Planning Final Arrangements Seminar-  
6:00 pm-Parish Hall

### **Sunday – August 24**

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