



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

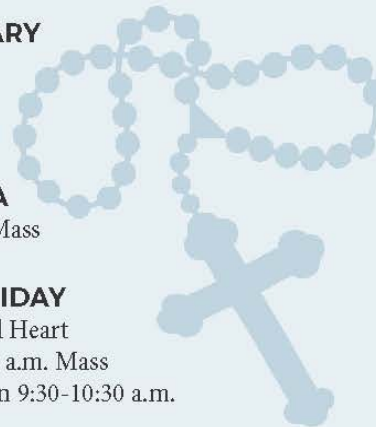
Novena to the Sacred Heart
of Jesus before 9:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30-10:30 a.m.

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



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Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, August 30, 2025
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, August 31, 2025
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,
3:00 pm (Spanish)



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 31, 2025

“Rather when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you” -Luke 14:13-14



September 1 - September 7

- Monday:** Delilah Lambert by Christy & Alan Whaley †
- Tuesday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & Mary Burns †
- Wednesday:** Mari Culver by Bob & Karen Hand †
- Thursday:** William Scoggins by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore †
- Friday:** Connie Parsons by Jeff Bowman †
- Saturday:** Cecil & Jackie Rodgers by Bob & Karen Hand †
- Sunday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & 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 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 or call 205-613-1053.

Weekly Readings September 1 - September 7

- Monday:** 1 Thess 4:13-18; Ps 96; Lk 4:16-30
- Tuesday:** 1 Thess 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27; Lk 4:31-37
- Wednesday:** Col 1:1-8; Ps 52; Lk 4:38-44
- Thursday:** Col 1:9-14; Ps 98; Lk 5:1-11
- Friday:** Col 1:15-20; Ps 100; Lk 5:33-39
- Saturday:** Col 1:21-23; Ps 54; Lk 6:1-5
- Sunday:** Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17; Phil 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Today's Readings



First Reading— My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts (Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29).

Psalm — God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor (Psalm 68: 4-5, 6-7, 10-11).

Second Reading— No, you have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God (Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a).

Gospel — “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor (Luke 14:1, 7-14).”

FISCAL YEAR END REPORT

The parish's Fiscal Year ended on June 30, 2025. The Parish Finance Council approved the final report for the Fiscal Year from July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025. The results are as follows:

Total Unrestricted Operating Contribution	\$438,730
Total Operating Expenses	\$414,003
Operating Surplus	\$24,727

In addition, the following pastoral activity occurred during the same time period:

Sacramental Activity

Baptism	21 Children
Receptions into the Church	3 Adults
Confirmations	Adolescents 6, Adults 3
First Communion	Children 7, Adults 3
Marriages	1

Deaths of Parishioners

Parishioners Who Died	14
Funerals	8

Religious Education

Grades K-12	50*
RCIA	3

*Number Registered. Many were irregular in attendance.

Number of Registered Households
in the Parish 340

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!**



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 4th**. 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.

Offertory Collection

July 2025 — June 2026

Actual

Needed weekly

No Offertory reported this week

\$7,865

Year to Date

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 on September 9th 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.



Chair: Jeff Reach

jreach@protonmail.com

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Oswaldo Jimenez: ozzy9892@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.

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

Current Needs:

Hooded towels and baby bath supplies at Pell City location
Gently used newborn- 2T winter clothes



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.

**The Parish Office will be closed
Monday, September 1st for the
Labor Day holiday.**

**Mass will still be held at
9:00 am that day.**



**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 2nd. For more information, contact Father Bill at 205-525-5161.

**A Winter Pilgrimage to Germany,
Austria and Italy
with Father Bryan Jerabek
February 2 - 13, 2026
\$3496 + \$1190 roundtrip
airfare from Birmingham**

Join the Very Reverend Father Bryan Jerabek on the trip of a lifetime this winter to Germany, Austria and Italy. With overnight stays in Bavaria, Salzburg, Padua, Loreto and Rome, you can expect to be awestruck by the beauty and magnificence of places so near and dear to our Catholic faith. Featuring a daily program that prioritizes daily Mass, exploration of some of Europe's greatest cities - such as Venice, Salzburg, Loreto and Rome - a General Audience with the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV, and a uniquely crafted Catholic itinerary, and you have the trip of a lifetime. The package features four-star hotels, private coach transportation, a highly trained Catholic ProRome tour manager, exclusive private tours and so much more. Everything is included in the cost except one daily meal. For more information or to register, please visit www.prorometours.com/birmingham2026 or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at office@prorome.com

Assignments

September 3, 2025 - September 7, 2025

WEDNESDAY MASS

9/3/2025 7:00 PM

Lector: Sarah Brazzolotto

SATURDAY MASS

9/6/2025 5:00 PM

Greeters: Dawn Adamson, Debbie Adams
Lectors: Shane Shields, Martha Hayes
Ministers: Allen Ross, Parma Boyle
Altar Servers: Chris Gallegly, Andy Payant
Ushers: Bob Nicholas, Jay Benson

SUNDAY MASSES

9/7/2025 8:30 AM

Greeters: Bill Bethell, Joyce Jones
Lectors: Mary Burns, Carl Rochford
Ministers: Anita Allor, Brenda Rochford
Stephen Reese, Paul Thomas
Altar Servers: Renee Bentel, Kalli Reach,
Allison Schillaci
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Phillip Thomaston
Dennis Veigl, Matt Allor

9/7/2025 11:15 AM

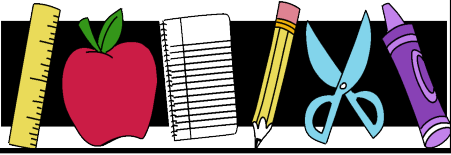
Greeters: Brenda Monte, Ray & Charlene Betz
Lectors: Doug Ross, Larry Foltz
Ministers: Michael Poteracki, Sammy Schillaci
Altar Servers: Ethan Myers, Ethan Brockner
Alex Sorci
Ushers: Lexie Smith, Danny Smith,
Jeff Smith, Doug Ross

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- Breakfast & Orientation

Catechists!

Please contact Jim Mathis at 205-405-6028 or 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.

FORMED

THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

Access the Catholic Faith ONLINE and ON DEMAND for FREE with our Parish code:

JRQNH8

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!



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

LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING

Saturday, September 20, 2025
All new and current liturgical ministers must attend. All training sessions will be held in the church.

Schedule is as follows:

- Lector-9:00 am
- Eucharistic Minister- 9:30 am
- Ushers- 10:00 am
- Greeters- 10:30 am



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

Knights of Columbus Prayer Service

Our Lady of the Lake Columbarium

September 13, 2025

10:00 am



Everyone is welcome!

Coffee & Donuts
will be served.

Contact Bernie
Funderburg with
questions at
205-405-6382.

Calendar for August 31, 2025—September 7, 2025

Sunday – August 31

KOC Mass- 8:30 am

Mass- 11:15 am

Spanish Mass- 3:00 pm

Monday – September 1 - Labor Day

Parish Office Closed

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday – September 2

Mass 9:00 am

Bible Study- 9:45 am

OCIA- 7:00 pm

Wednesday – September 3

Mass- 7:00 pm

Thursday – September 4

Mass– 9:00 am

Liturgy Committee- 6:00 pm

Legion of Mary- 6:30 pm

Friday – September 5

Mass- 9:00 am

First Friday Adoration 9:30-10:30 am

Saturday – September 6

First Saturday Mass- 9:00 am

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass– 5:00 pm

Sunday – September 7

Masses- 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Religious Education Breakfast & Orientation-
9:45 am

Spanish Mass & Activities- 3:00-5:00 pm