



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054

Rev. William P. Lucas, Pastor

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Deacon Serge Brazzolotto

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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.

Sunday 3:00 p.m. - Spanish

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 Miercoles de cada mes* 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

August through May

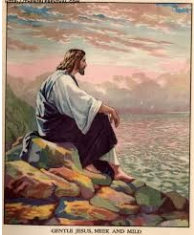
Ages 3 years through High School

www.ollpellcity.com

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, January 31, 2026
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, February 1, 2026
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,
3:00 pm (Spanish)



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 1, 2026

*Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is
the kingdom of heaven. --Matthew 5:3*



February 2 - February 8

- Monday:** Grace Hill by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore †
Tuesday: All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & Mary Burns †
Wednesday: Alfredo Amaya by James & Gloria Raynor †
Thursday: Mark Feretti by Clare & Jeff Moss
Friday: Flor Gonzalez by James & Gloria Raynor †
Saturday: Matthew Brazzolotto by Susan Moseley
Sunday: For the People
Laisvunas Skeivelas by Shirley Skeivelas †

Pease pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Ron Markevich, Juanita Crowson, Toni James, Silvia Moten, David & Audrey Springer, Christine Jaks, Janice Stella, Frank Troncalli, Angela Ledlow, Lee Walser, Geri Bunt, Charles & Libby LaFleur, Marcia Mortek, 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, Mary Habrat, Roger & Linda Carreker, Chris Shields, Jane Gallegly, Doug Armitage, Benny Goodman, David Paulitzky, Robert Paulitzky, Brian Young, Lloyd Brown, Sarah Svetlay, Marsha Manning, Chuck & Sharon Treece, Michael DeCastrá, Michael Brayman, George Wolf, Sara Reese, Helen S. Bell, Tom Graffo

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 February 2- February 8

- Monday:** Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
- Tuesday:** 2 Sam 18:9-10; 14b 24-25a, 30-19:3; Ps 86; Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday:** 2 Sam 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32; Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chron 29; Mk 6:7-13
- Friday:** Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18; Mk 6:14-29
- Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119; Mk 6:30-34
- Sunday:** Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

Today's Readings



First Reading— Seek the Lord, all you humble of the earth, who have observed his law (Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13).

Psalm — Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs (Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10)!

Second Reading— “Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).”

Gospel — “Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven (Matthew 5:1-12a).”

I HAVE LOVED YOU

Pope Leo XIV published his first Apostolic Exhortation, *Delexi Te*, or *I Have Loved You*, on October 4, 2025, the Feast of St. Francis Assisi. Pope Francis began this Apostolic Exhortation. Pope Leo finished it.

In Chapter Four of the document Pope Leo surveys 100+ years of the Church's Social Doctrine. He begins by mentioning Pope Leo XIII's Encyclical Letter, "Rerum Novarum". He writes, "(The Encyclical) addressed the labor question, pointing to the intolerable living conditions of many industrial workers and arguing for the establishment of a just social order." (#83)

He cites the teachings of Pope St. John XXIII, Pope St. Paul VI, the Second Vatican Council, Pope St. John Paul II, Pope Benedict XVI, and Pope Francis. These popes and this council wrote about the structures of sin that create poverty and extreme inequality. He writes, "Unjust structures need to be recognized and eradicated by the force of good, by changing mindsets but also, with the help of science and technology, by developing effective policies for societal change." (#97)

Then Pope Leo discusses the poor as subjects. He writes, "(The Document written by the Latin American Bishops) insists on the need to consider marginalized communities as subjects capable of creating their own culture, rather than being objects of charity on the part of others." (#100) The poor have their own solutions to their poverty. They should be listened to.

Pope Leo goes on to write, "All this entails one aspect of the option for the poor that we must constantly keep in mind, namely that it demands of us an attitude of attentiveness to others." (#101) All people have faith. All people need to repent. We can learn from each other. First, we need to listen to each other



Feast of St. Blaise

Blessing of the throats will take place after Mass this weekend, January 31st and February 1st.

Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center OLL Baby Bottle Drive and Shower of Blessings

It's Baby Bottle Time!

This is one of our easiest fundraisers.

Please take a baby bottle located in the foyers. Empty your change from your cup holder/console, underneath the couch cushions... place it in a bottle and return it to the foyer, church office, or bring it with you to the OLL Annual Shower of Blessings to benefit Ann's New Life Pregnancy Medical Center.

Everyone likes a good baby shower, right? It will be held **Sunday, February 22nd at 10:00 a.m.** (Between the Masses). There will be refreshments and a speaker. Rumor has it that Gloria is making her famous carrot cake!

Ann's Medical Center Needs:

Infant Car Seats (Pumpkin Seats)

Baby Trend Car Seats

Pack and Plays

Bouncy Seats

High Chairs

Baby Wipes

Size 6 Diapers

Size 2/3 Pull Ups

Infant Clothing Size 0-18 months

VOLUNTEERS

YOUR PRAYERS



Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
Revenue and Expenses
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2025

	Actual	Budget	Over/(under) Budget	% of Budget Used
Operating Revenue	\$ 241,115	\$ 219,000	\$ 22,115	
Building Revenue	\$ 119,478	\$ 52,596	\$ 66,882	
Social Concerns Revenue	\$ 14,273	\$ 10,502	\$ 3,771	
Other Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Revenue	\$374,865	\$282,098	\$92,767	133%
Total Operating	\$213,176	\$214,487	\$ (1,311)	99%
Total Capital Expenses	\$13,309	\$ 0	\$13,309	0%



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

REMINDER ABOUT SCAMS

SCAMS are everywhere and getting more sophisticated. Reminder to be skeptical - trust your instincts not the caller, not the texter and not the emailer. Remember to STOP.

(S) Stop, ignore phone calls, emails and text from someone you don't know. Ask for help from someone you know and can trust.

(T) Think, Do you know who you are sending money or giving your personal information to?

(O) Opportunity, Don't provide an opportunity for a scammer to steal. VERIFY who you are communicating with. Never rely on contract information provided by the suspicious person.

(P) Protect yourself by learning more.

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.

Help Wanted- Altar Linen Cleaning

Our Lady of the Lake is in need of volunteers to join our current team who washes and irons altar linens. We have set the schedule up on a rotating basis so as to not make this job overly burdensome. Current volunteers are scheduled for 2 months/year.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact the parish office at 205-525-5161 or Parish@OllPellCity.com



CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

Caregivers Support Group

A confidential and safe space to help family caregivers learn how to take care of themselves as they take care of their loved ones.

You don't have to walk the path alone.
SPACE IS LIMITED!

Call (205) 324-6561 to register.

Every Second Friday
12:00 - 1:00 pm

Except on Holidays or Holy Days of Obligation

Facilitator

Griena Davis, EdD, LPC-S

1515 12th Avenue South
Birmingham, Alabama 35205

Feel free to bring your own lunch.



Pro-Life Corner

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

Assignments

February 4, 2026 - February 8, 2026

WEDNESDAY MASS

2/4/2026 7:00 PM

Lector: Susan Moseley

SATURDAY MASS

2/7/2026 5:00 PM

Greeters: Ray & Charlene Betz, Paige Everett
Lectors: Shane Shields, Buddy Adamson
Ministers: Anita Allor, Tom Graffo
Altar Servers: Bernie & Corey Funderburg
Ushers: Sam Marston, Dan Vandevoorde

SUNDAY MASSES

2/8/2026 8:30 AM

Greeter: Dawn Adamson, Bit & Phillip Thomaston
Lectors: Karen Reese, Mary Burns
Ministers: Brenda Rochford, Paul Thomas
Sonya Lewis, Michael Gagliano
Altar Servers: John Bryant, Otto Mueller
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Phillip Thomaston
Matt Allor, Anita Allor

2/8/2026 11:15 AM

Greeters: Melba Willis, Sean Ahonen
Lectors: Michael Poteracki, Dianna Markevich
Ministers: Shelly Schillaci, Sammy Schillaci
Sean Ahonen, Charlene Betz
Altar Servers: Natalie Rodgers, Logan Bluhm
Marie Dean
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.

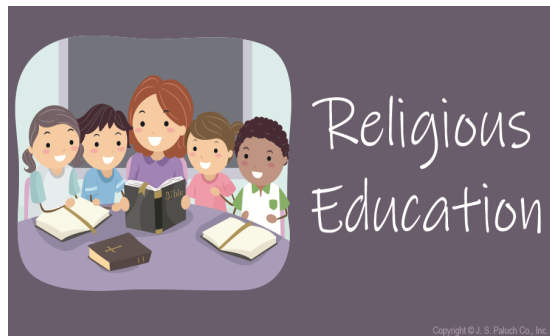


RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Looking Ahead:

- February 1- RE- 9:45 am
- February 4- Youth Group- 5:30 pm
- February 8- RE- 9:45 am
- February 15- No RE
- February 18- Youth Group- 5:30 pm



FORMED

THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

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

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Our Lady of Our Lake Bible Study

Every Tuesday 9:45 am, Parish Hall

Currently Studying the First & Second Books of the Maccabees

On February 3rd, we will start a new session studying the Letters of St Paul to the Thessalonians, Timothy and Titus.

Exciting discussion and faithful fellowship! Join us!

COR-Men's Bible Study

"The Heart of our Mission"

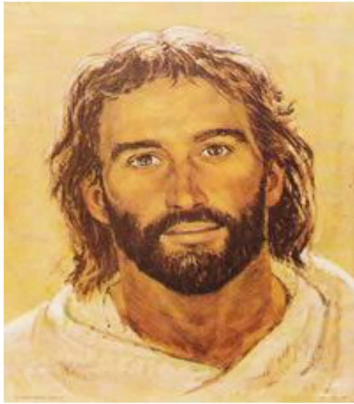
Inviting all Men of the Parish, please join us on Monday, February 9th at 6:15 pm in the parish hall for Session #3

Importance of Fatherhood

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE OCIA CATECHUMEN AND CANDIDATES

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) will be wrapping up with the initiation of the Catechumen at the Easter Vigil on April 4th. The Candidates will be received into the Church, Confirmed, and make their First Communion on February 15th. The Catechumen is Joseph Treadwell. The Candidates (those already baptized) are Charles and Shannon Agby, Dale Bagwell, Aaron Goble, Michole Greenwood, Ashley Hensley, Jamie Limbaugh, Rider Weldon, and Johnny Wills.

Please remember them in your prayers as they complete their preparation to enter the Catholic Church.



AS WE APPROACH EASTER

**Experience a weekend
with Christ
Increase your Faith**

**Attend a CURSILLO
Week End**

For more information

Call: Parma Boyle: 205-405-0948
Deacon Serge Brazzolotto
205-753-3230

**The Joyful Proclamation of Being a Christian
Listen to Christ's call**

Upcoming WOMEN Cursillo Weekend # 148

MARCH 12-15, 2026

The Magnificat Luncheon

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Hall

Saturday, February 21,

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Speaker, Lauren Franklin, is an inspirational creator of Catholic content on social media and a creator of sacred art. Come be inspired by Lauren who has been set on fire with God's love!

A Ticket is \$20 or a Student Rate is \$15 (youth to age 22) and includes a catered luncheon. Tickets are available online at 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 February 15.

THE LITERACY COUNCIL
OF CENTRAL ALABAMA



**Learn to Read
Better**

Do you know someone who needs help learning to read better or speak English?

The Literacy Council offers programs in adult basic literacy and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL).

**There is a class in the Our Lady of the Lake Parish Hall
on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm.**

Contact 205-378-9072 for more information.

Calendar for Feb 1, 2026—Feb 8, 2026

Sunday – February 1

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am

Feast of St. Blaise-Blessing of Throats after each Mass

RE- 9:45 am

Spanish Mass & Activities- 3:00 pm

Monday –February 2

Mass 9:00 am

Tuesday – February 3

Mass 9:00 am

Bible Study- 9:45 am

OCIA- 7:00 pm

Wednesday-February 4

Youth Group- 6:00 pm

Mass- 7:00 pm

Thursday – February 5

Mass– 9:00 am

Legion of Mary- 6:30 pm

Friday – February 6

Mass- 9:00 am

First Friday Adoration- 9:30-10:30 am

Saturday – February 7

First Saturday Mass- 9:00 am

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass– 5:00 pm

Sunday – February 8

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am

RE- 9:45 am

Spanish Mass & Activities- 3:00 pm

POSITION AVAILABLE

Our secretary, Shelly Hamman, is retiring. We have a position open. It is part time. If you are interested, please contact Father Bill at the office phone number, 205-525-5161.