



# 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

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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

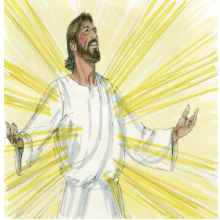
Ages 3 years through High School

[www.ollpellcity.com](http://www.ollpellcity.com)

*Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church*

*Saturday, February 28, 2026  
Mass 5:00 pm*

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



*2nd Sunday of Lent  
March 1, 2026*

*And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. --Matthew 17:2*



*Please 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 DeCastra,  
Michael Brayman, George Wolf, Sara Reese,  
Madelyn Gauld, Pat Monte, Mary Adams,

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 March 2- March 8*

|                   |                                                           |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Monday:</b>    | Dan 9:4b-10; Ps 79; Lk 6:36-38                            |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50; Mt 23:1-12                         |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31; Mt 20:17-28                          |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1; Lk 16:19-31                            |
| <b>Friday:</b>    | Gen 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46   |
| <b>Saturday:</b>  | Mic 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32              |
| <b>Sunday:</b>    | Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 |

*Today's Readings*



**First Reading**— Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you (Genesis 12:1-4a).

**Psalm** — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22).

**Second Reading**— Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:8b-10).

**Gospel** — “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well please; listen to him (Matthew 17:1-9).”

## PRIESTHOOD OF THE BAPTIZED

In the Catechism of the Catholic Church, we read, "The baptized have become "living stones" to be "built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood." By Baptism they share in the priesthood of Christ, in his prophetic and royal mission. They are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that (they) may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called (them) out of darkness into his marvelous light." *Baptism gives a share in the common priesthood of all believers.*" (#1268)

One of the things a priest does is pray for the needs of others. People ask me and I promise to pray for others, either the person asking me or someone else. Prayer changes things. As Christians, one of our duties is to pray for ourselves and others. It may change the situation, or it may change people, sometimes the person praying.

Priests also give example. We all need people who are striving to live a Christian life to give us the motivation to do the same. Scandal hurts the Christian faith. I wonder if I have permanently damaged some people's faith by my reactions to them and my actions. I pray for God's mercy for me and them.

Priests act *in persona Christi*, in the person of Christ. St. Theresa of Avila wrote a prayer entitled, "Christ has no body now, but yours." She understood how Jesus Christ uses the members of His Church to continue His mission to draw all people to God the Father. If we seek to serve the Lord each day, He will put us in a situation to do so.

Lent is an opportunity to become more active in the priesthood granted to us in our baptisms. The way we live our lives can either build ourselves up or tear us down. It can do the same for others.



March 2 - March 8

- Monday:** Deacon Terry Rumore by Bob & Karen Hand  
**Tuesday:** All Souls in Purgatory by Bill & Mary Burns †  
**Wednesday:** Dorothy DiMattia by Shirley Skeivelas †  
**Thursday:** Delayne Banks  
by Deacon Terry & Rita Rumore  
**Friday:** Deacon Lee Robinson by Susan Moseley  
**Saturday:** Malvina & Ethel Nunez by Susan Moseley †  
**Sunday:** Eugene Manik by Gina Biddle & family †  
For the People

## DEACON TERRY RUMORE

Beginning in January, Deacon Terry Rumore transitioned to "Senior Status". He is not retired. He still preaches one weekend per month. He sits in the pews other weekends along with his wife, Rita. He is available for weddings, funerals, baptisms, and other events at our parish.

People have asked if we might have a reception honoring Deacon Terry for his 25 years of service at our parish. His response was that, since Lent is a time of almsgiving, people can contribute in his honor to Ann's New Life Center. That will be a fitting tribute to him.

Deacon Terry and Rita know that they are loved by the members of the parish. They have no doubt about that. A reception won't change that. Please honor his request.

Daylight Savings Begins Next  
Weekend, March 8th

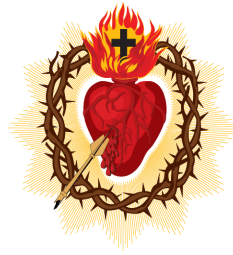
Move your clocks forward one hour!



## Offertory Collection

July 2025 — June 2026

|                          | Actual    | Needed<br>weekly |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| February 22<br>Offertory | \$8,506   | \$7,865          |
| Year to Date             | \$297,495 | \$267,410        |



## COR-Men's Bible Study "The Heart of our Mission"

*Cor*

Inviting all Men of the  
Parish, please join us on  
Monday, March 9th at 6:15 pm  
in the parish hall for:  
Session #4  
Marriage and Family



**Chair: Jeff Reach**  
jreach@protonmail.com

**Vice Chair: Jorge Solis**  
Jorge.Solis@butlersnow.com

**Secretary: Buddy Adamson**  
dawn-buddy@outlook.com

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**Mary Burns:** angels4maryb@gmail.com

**Paul Thomas:** paulcthomas4@gmail.com

**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.**



## Divine Mercy Chaplet

In the Church each Friday  
at 3:00 pm through the  
end of Lent.



## Knights of Columbus Prayer Service

**Columbarium  
Garden  
March 14, 2026  
10:00 am**

Everyone is welcome!

Coffee & Donuts will be served.  
Contact Bernie Funderburg at  
205-405-6382 with questions.



### KOC Council 12270 Lenten Fish Fries

Knights of Columbus Council 12270 will be sponsoring Lenten fish fries every Friday evening **through March 27th**. Serving will be from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm. The menu will consist of fried fish, baked fish, hush puppies, steamed vegetables, French fries, macaroni and cheese, and coleslaw.

- 2-piece dinner (2 sides) \$10
- 1-piece dinner (2 sides) \$8
- Child’s plate (cheese pizza, 1 side) \$4

All proceeds will be used to fund the numerous charitable activities KOC Council 12270 supports.



### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

#### Married Couples

#### “Live Your Best Life in Love”

Enrich and Renew your Sacramental relationship by attending a Marriage Encounter Experience, a retreat where you will learn the tools to restore communication, renew your commitment, and rekindle the Joy of your Sacrament!

**It is the perfect Easter gift for your spouse to begin this new year.**

**Join us April 24-26, 2026**

**St. Bernard Abbey, Cullman, AL**

For more info: [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or call Frank & Kathryn  
205-530-3607



### Stations of the Cross

Every Friday evening during Lent at 7:00 pm. Please join us in commemorating the final hours of Jesus Christ’s life, from his condemnation to his burial.

## Assignments

March 4, 2026 - March 8, 2026

### WEDNESDAY MASS

**3/4/2026 7:00 PM**

**Lector:** Charmaine Welch

### SATURDAY MASS

**3/7/2026 5:00 PM**

**Greeters:** John Paul Bryant, Debbie Adams

**Lectors:** Susan Moseley, Buddy Adamson

**Ministers:** Parma Boyle, Tom Graffo

**Altar Servers:** Otto Mueller, Andy Payant

**Ushers:** Amy Carreker, Tabor Wolff

### SUNDAY MASSES

**3/8/2026 8:30 AM**

**Greeter:** The Gaglianos, Paul & Ronni Thomas

**Lectors:** Jane Snider, Robert Lewis

**Ministers:** Jane Snider, Sophie Alvarez  
Michael Gagliano, Sonya Lewis

**Altar Servers:** Tom Graffo, John Bryant

**Ushers:** Michael Gagliano, Phillip Thomaston  
Bit Thomaston, Bart Perry

**3/8/2026 11:15 AM**

**Greeters:** Dianna/Ron Markevich, Brenda Monte

**Lectors:** Doug Ross, Stephanie Fischer

**Ministers:** Lexie Smith, Michael Poteracki  
Sammy Schillaci, Shelly Schillaci

**Altar Servers:** Natalie Rodgers, Marie Dean,  
AnnLeigh Bluhm

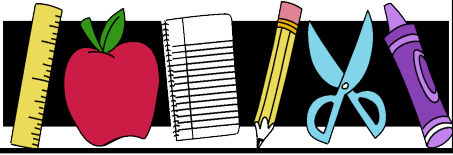
**Ushers:** Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith,  
Doug Ross, Jeff Smith

### 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.**

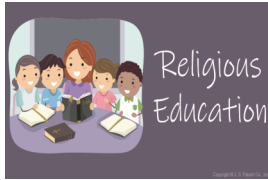


# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



## Looking Ahead:

- March 1- - RE- 9:45 am  
-RE Confessions- 9:45 am  
(2nd-4th grades)
- March 4- -Youth Group- 5:30 pm
- March 8- - RE 9:45 am  
-RE Confessions- 9:45 am  
(5th-7th grades)  
-Confirmation 11:15 am Mass
- March 15- -RE- 9:45 am  
-RE Confessions-9:45 am  
(Confirmation/High School)



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## Our Lady of Our Lake Bible Study

*Every Tuesday 9:45 am, Parish Hall*

*Currently Studying the Letters of St Paul  
to the Thessalonians, Timothy and Titus.*

*Exciting discussion and faithful  
fellowship! Join us!*



## **Lenten regulations**

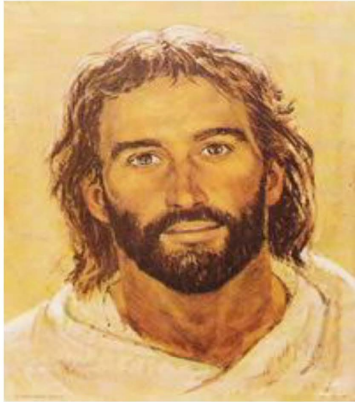
**Fasting:** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fast for those ages 18 through 59. Only one full meal is allowed, though a person may eat two smaller meals to maintain strength.

**Abstinence:** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, plus all the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat for those ages 14 and older.

**Confession:** It is recommended that all Catholics celebrate the sacrament of Penance during the Lent or Easter seasons (February 20-May 24).

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

Bishop Stephen Raica will be confirming the young people from our parish on March 8<sup>th</sup> at the 11:15 Mass. Please pray for the candidates who will be confirmed then: Parker Ahonen, Logan Bluhm, Tevin Diaz, Parker Everett, Reese Keel, Mason Mink, Jose Rojas, and Haliegh Taylor.



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**

### Shower of Blessings Thank You!

Thank you OLL parishioners, for all that you did to make Sunday's Shower of Blessings a success and for those who have prayed for the unborn, prayed for the success of Ann's New Life Center including the Directors, staff and volunteers.

Thanks to Father Bill who allows this to happen, and leads us in prayer and understanding year after year, thank you for your perseverance in teaching us the value of life.

None of this would have been possible without God working through all of you! —Sharon Stice

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 at the Pell City Library on  
Tuesdays at 3:30 pm.**

Contact 205-378-9072 for more information.

### Sunday – March 1

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am

RE- 9:45 am

RE Confessions-2nd-4th grades

Spanish Mass & Activities- 3:00 pm

Confirmation Retreat- 4:00-6:00 pm

### Monday –March 2

Mass 9:00 am

### Tuesday – March 3

Mass 9:00 am

Bible Study- 9:45 am

OCIA- 7:00 pm

### Wednesday-March 4

Mass- 7:00 pm

Youth Group- 5:30 pm

### Thursday – March 5

Mass– 9:00 am

Legion of Mary- 6:30 pm

### Friday – March 6

Mass- 9:00 am

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

Divine Mercy Chaplet- 3:00 pm

KOC Fish Fry-5:00-6:30 pm

Stations of the Cross- 7:00 pm

### Saturday – March 7

First Saturday Mass- 9:00 am

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm

Mass– 5:00 pm

### Sunday – March 8

### Daylight Savings Time Begins

Masses- 8:30 & 11:15 am

RE- 9:45 am

RE Confessions-5th-7th grades

Confirmation-11:15 Mass

Spanish Mass & Activities- 3:00 pm

### **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