



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

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Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

*Saturday, July 18 2026
Mass 5:00 pm*

*Sunday, July 19 2026
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,
3:00 pm (Spanish)*

The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 19, 2026



*"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed
that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the
smallest of all the seeds, yet when full grown, it
is the largest of plants."*



*Please pray for the
ill and shut-ins*

Dianna & Ron Markevich, Juanita Crowson,
Toni James, Silvia Moten, David & Audrey Springer,
Christine Jaks, Janice Stella, 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, Roger & Linda
Carreker, Chris Shields, Jane Gallegly, Doug
Armitage, David Paulitzky, Robert Paulitzky, Brian
Young, Lloyd Brown, Sarah Svetlay, Marsha
Manning, Chuck & Sharon Treece, Michael
Brayman, George Wolf, Madelyn Gauld, Alicia
Myrick, Sydney Goble, Mary Adams, Karen Hand,
Cheryl Robinson, Barbara Walsh, Tom Graffo,
Deacon Serge Brazzolotto, Father Matthew
Brennan, Gary Maylon, Robert Bentell,
Eleanor Garrett, John Limbaugh

*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 20, July 26, 2026

- Monday:** Mic 6: 1-4, 6-8;
Ps 50; Matt 12: 38-42
- Tuesday:** Mic 7: 14-15, 18-20;
Ps 85; Matt 12: 46-50
- Wednesday:** Song 3: 1-4b; Ps 63
John 20: 1-2, 11-18
- Thursday:** Jer 2: 1-3, 7-8, 12-13
Ps 36; Matt 13:10-17
- Friday:** Jer 3: 14-17; Ps 31;
Matt 13: 18-23
- Saturday:** 2 Cor 4: 7-15;
Ps 126; Matt 20: 20-28
- Sunday:** 1 Kgs 3: 5, 7-12;
Ps 119;
Rom 8: 28-30
Matt 13: 44-52

Today's Readings



First Reading— "For your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things make you lenient to all." (Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19)

Psalm — The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest. (Psalm 86: 5-6, 9-10, 15-16)!

Second Reading— "The spirit comes to the aid of our weakness;" (Romans 8: 26-27)

Gospel — "He who sows good seed is the son of man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom." (Matthew 13: 24-43)

EVANGELIZATION

The word "evangelization" means "sharing a good message" or "sharing the good news". The early Church thought of its primary mission as evangelization, sharing the Good News, the Gospel, with the whole world.

The media that is used to evangelize has changed over the centuries. Now there are radio, television, movies, the internet, social media, including podcasts, written media that can be read, and many more. The early Church had letters, but mostly the faith was spread by word of mouth: one person telling another about the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Pope Benedict XVI wrote that the Good News is a person, Jesus Christ. Evangelization is about inviting people to have a relationship with Jesus Christ. He is more than an idea. He is a living person. We can have a relationship with Him just as we can with any living person.

Pope Francis's first Apostolic Exhortation was entitled, The Joy of the Gospel. In it he writes that there is no substitute for a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The Church's primary mission is to introduce people to Jesus. That is not the whole mission, but it is an indispensable part.

This weekend, Nate Davis, the General Manager of Guadalupe Radio Network (GRN) for Alabama, will be speaking at all masses. The purpose of GRN is evangelization, to share the Good News with its listeners. As a fundraiser, they will be hosting a "Fishers of Men" banquet in August. Nate will be telling us about that and inviting us to partner with GRN in its mission of evangelization.

There will be no special collection, but any monetary or other contributions will be accepted. Please be generous.

July 20 - July 26, 2026



Monday: Robert & Vivian Hollis †
by Bob & Karen Hand †

Tuesday: All Souls in Purgatory †
by Billy & Mary Burns †

Wednesday: Mark Welford by KOC 12270 †

Thursday: John Rodgers †
by James & Gloria Raynor †

Friday: Fred Brown †
by John & Kathy Bryant †

Saturday: Don Naman by KOC 12270 †

Sunday: Joe Yester by James & Gloria Raynor †
Eugene Manik by Gina Biddle & Family †
For the People! †

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)

Surfsiders



The Surfsiders will have their
monthly meeting Wednesday, August
19th at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall.
Potluck lunch at noon.

Offertory Collection

July 2025 — June 2026

	Actual	Needed weekly
Offertory June 28, 2026	\$5,123	\$7,865
Building Fund June 28, 2026	\$10,439	\$962

Maintenance Technician Position Chancery, Birmingham

The Diocese of Birmingham is currently accepting applications for a Maintenance Technician. The Maintenance Technician is responsible for the maintenance, upkeep, and mirror remodeling of diocesan plant properties. This includes the Chancery Office Building, Camp Tekakwitha, and Saint John Vianney Residence for Priests. For further details, please visit:

careers@bhmdiocese.org



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

2026 Charismatic Conference

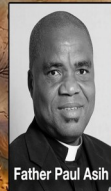
Psalm 111: A Personal Walk With Jesus:

Daily Union with God in Difficult Times

Conference Speakers

July 24th & 25th, 2026

**CHANGE OF VENUE
OUR LADY OF SORROWS
1728 OXMOOR ROAD
HOMEWOOD, AL 35209**



Registration:
5:00 pm Friday

Talks Begin:
6:00 pm Friday

Registration:
8:00 am Saturday

Talks Begin:
9:00 am Saturday

Hosted by The
Catholic Charismatic
Renewal of
Birmingham AL, Inc.

Conference Price
Individuals \$30
Family (3 or more)
\$85

Take a picture of the
QR Code
with your phone to
Register for the
Conference Online



Additional speakers will include:
Allen and Sally Smith
and Ron Sirman

For assistance: email Jeannie Wade at Jwade@outlook.com or Beth Russo at betrusso85@gmail.com. To Register: use the QR code or visit our website: catholiccharismaticrenewal.org **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

RUN FOR LIFE

We wanted to let you know that Ann's New Life Center is hosting another Run for Life this fall. It is scheduled for October 10, 2026 in Pell City/Cropwell, AL. We are looking to expand our audience this year by including a 10K race, as well as the 5K and 1 mile! Your sponsorship of the event would help us continue providing free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting classes, and baby necessities to women and families in our community.

Flyers are available in each foyer.

Assignments

July 22, 2026 to July 26, 2026

WEDNESDAY MASS

7/22/2026 7:00 PM

Lector: Buddy Adamson

SATURDAY MASS

7/25/2026 5:00 PM

Greeters: John Paul Bryant, Teri Shields
Lectors: Shane Shields, Sarah Brazzolotto
Ministers: Susan Moseley, Anita Allor
Altar Servers: Bernie Funderburg, Corey Funderburg

Ushers: Sam Marston, Dan Vandervoorde

SUNDAY MASSES **7/26/2026 8:30 AM**

Greeter: Shelly Hamman, Mary & Billy Burns
Lectors: Karen Reese, Mary Burns
Ministers: Ronni Thomas, Sonya Lewis, Paul Thomas, Stephen Reese
Altar Servers: Jeff Reach, Buddy Adamson
Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Phillip Thomaston, Anita Allor, Matt Allor

Ushers: **7/26/2026 11:15 AM**

Greeters: Melba Willis, Brenda Monte
Lectors: Mary Adams, Larry Foltz
Ministers: Lexie Smith, Michael Poteracki, Sammy Schillaci, Shelly Schillaci
Altar Servers: Natalie Rogers, Logan Bluhm, Marie Dean, Annleigh Bluhm
Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Jerrold Bluhm, Emily Bluhm, John Bluhm

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.

— FRATERNUS PRESENTS —
THE HILLBILLY THOMISTS

WITH A GUEST PERFORMANCE BY
CIPOLLARI
(FORMERLY KNOWN AS COTTON PICKIN KIDS)

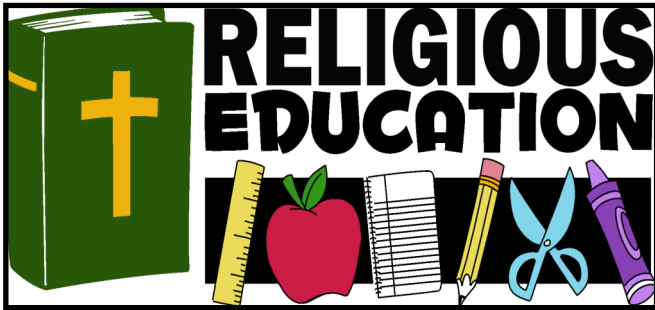
THE LYRIC THEATRE
1800 THIRD AVENUE N

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2026
7:00 PM

SCAN FOR TICKETS

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Looking ahead

- ♦ August 16, 2026 Catechist Meeting
- ♦ August 23, 2026 Kick-off and meet the teacher
- ♦ August 30, 2026 RE begins



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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!*



POSITION OPENING

The Diocese of Birmingham is hiring a new Executive Director for Catholic Social Services. The Executive Director provides strategic and operational leadership for the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama's social ministry efforts across its 39-county territory. The Executive Director advances the mission of Catholic Social Services by directing programs that respond to the needs of the poor, vulnerable, and underserved while promoting the principles of Catholic Social Teaching.

For more information, contact the Diocese of Birmingham at 205-838-8322

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.

*Week ended July 5th donations:
\$163 cash, -0- cans.*

Special Collection Earthquake Relief Venezuela

The weekend of July 25th and 26th we will take up a special collection for Earthquake Relief in Venezuela. The Diocese of Birmingham has already sent \$20,000.00 to Catholic Relief Services to help with immediate needs. This collection will replenish the Bishop's Relief Fund. Any extra contributions beyond \$20,000.00 will be sent to Catholic Relief Services for additional needs in Venezuela.

Seven Sisters Apostolate

It is a privilege to pray for our priests and our Mama Mary asked us to pray for them!

Seven Sisters Apostolate has a mission to pray for individual priests in small groups of only seven. Each woman chooses a different day of the week and offers one Holy Hour.

Thus, the priest receives a Holy Hour every day. It is a blessing for the priest and the intercessor!

We would like to give this gift to our Pastor, Father Bill Lucas!

We still have openings available.

*Please contact the parish office
if you are interested.*

Calendar for July 19 2026—July 26, 2026

Sunday – July 19

Guadalupe Radio Network-
Masses 8:30 & 11:15 am

Spanish Mass & Activities- 3:00 pm

Holy Hour- 7:00 pm

Monday – July 20

Mass- 9:00 am

Tuesday – July 21

Mass- 9:00 am

Bible Study - 9:45 am

Wednesday-July 22

Mass- 7:00 pm

Thursday – July 23

Mass- 9:00 am

Legion of Mary - 6:30 pm

Friday – July 24

Mass- 9:00 am

Saturday – July 25

Confessions: 4:00 - 4:45 pm

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday – July 26

Masses 8:30 & 11:15 am

Spanish Mass & Activities - 3:00 pm

