



Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CROPWELL, ALABAMA 35054

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9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

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.
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.

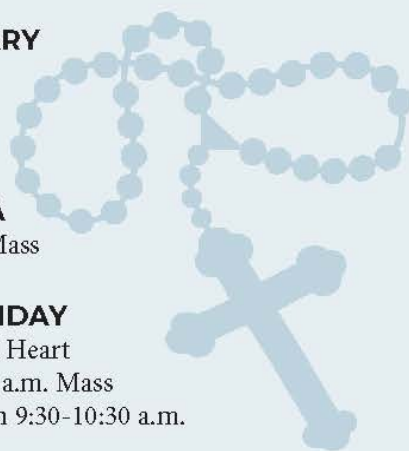
HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION

Third Sunday of every month 7:00 p.m.
Second Wednesday of every month | *Exposición 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 8, 2026
Mass 5:00 pm*

*Sunday, August 9, 2026
Masses 8:30 am, 11:15 am,
3:00 pm (Spanish)*

The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 9, 2026



*At once Jesus spoke to them,
"Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."*



*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,
Debbie Adams, Tracy Finke

*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 August 10 to August 16, 2026

Monday: 2 Cor: 9: 6-10; Ps 112;
John 12: 24-26

Tuesday: Ezk 2: 8-3:4; Ps 119:
Matt 18: 1-5, 10, 12-
14

Wednesday: Ezk 9: 1-7; 10:18-22
Ps 113:
Matt 18: 15-20

Thursday: Ezk 12: 1-12; Ps 78:
Matt 18: 21 - 19:1

Friday: Ezk 16: 1-15, 63;
Resp. Isa 12: 2-3, 4bcd,
5-6; Matt 19: 3-12

Saturday: Rev 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a,
10ab; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15: 20-
27; Luke 1: 39-56

Sunday: Isa 56: 1, 6-7; Ps 67;
Rom 11: 13-15, 29-32;
Matt 15: 21-28

Today's Readings



First Reading— "After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak, and went and stood at the entrance of the cave." (1 Kings 19-9a, 11-13a)

Psalm — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. (Psalm 85: 9, 10, 11-2, 13,14)!

Second Reading — "What will separate us from the love of Christ?" (Romans 9: 1-5)

Gospel — "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" (Matthew 14: 22-33)

STEWARDSHIP

A steward is someone who takes care of something that belongs to someone else. In 1 Peter 4, 10 we read, "As stewards of God's manifold grace, put your gifts at the service of one another." Our lives were given to us by God, but as stewards, not owners. God is the owner of our life.

Years ago, there was a group of Catholic laypeople in the United States who called their organization, "We are the Church". That's not quite correct. The Church belongs to Jesus Christ. He is the owner of the Church, but He has chosen to give us responsibility for how the mission of the Church is lived out. We are stewards of the Church. We take care of the Church, which belongs to Jesus Christ.

God has blessed each of us with talents, which are to be used for God's benefit rather than our own. To paraphrase President John Kennedy, "Ask not what God can do for you, but what you can do for God." God does not need us, we need God, but He has chosen us

to be the instruments of His merciful presence in the world.

The bishops write, "Stewardship always starts with the personal experience of the Risen Christ in our midst and in our hearts. It is a vocation to discipleship. A disciple is both a learner and a companion of Jesus Christ, as well as one open to the movement of the Holy Spirit toward a gracious generosity of heart."

This weekend we will have a Stewardship Fair in our parish. You are invited to go to the parish hall and see the opportunities to share your time and talent to serve God by being a steward of His manifold grace. Pray

August 10 - August 16, 2026



Monday:	Hugh J. Crowson by KOC 12270	†
Tuesday:	All Souls in Purgatory by James & Gloria Raynor	†
Wednesday:	Deacon San and Carolyn Anzalone by the Brazzolotto's	
Thursday:	Natalie Gonzalez by James & Gloria Raynor	
Friday:	Thomas M. Zopfi III by KOC 12270	†
Saturday:	Fred Brown by John & Kathy Bryant	†
Sunday:	All Souls in Purgatory by Billy & Mary Burns For the People!	†

Attention Liturgical Ministers!

If you are scheduled to serve or substitute for someone at Mass as an Altar Server, Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Usher or Greeter, please be at the Church at least 15 minutes before Mass and recognize your presence on the schedule at the back of the church. It is important to know that everyone is here before Mass starts.

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)

Offertory Collection

July 2026 to June 2027

	Actual	Needed Monthly
July 26, 2026	\$4,922	\$9,327



Chair: Laura Cash

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

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION

The Solemnity of the Assumption falls on August 15th. Because that day is a Saturday, it is not a Holyday of Obligation this year. There will be Mass celebrated at 9:00 am on Saturday, August 15th to mark the Assumption for those who would like to attend. (You are not required to attend.)

The Magnificat Breakfast

will be held on Saturday, August 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Elias Maronite Church in the Parish Hall. Our speakers, Mary Margaret Rohling and her son, Frank, will share an inspiring journey of an addiction survivor's recovery through faith in God and the fierce, unconditional love of a mother and her fervent prayers.

A ticket is \$20 or a student rate is \$15 for ages 13 to 22 and includes a catered breakfast. 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 August 23rd.

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.

Volunteers Needed ALTAR LINENS

Our Lady of the Lake is in need of volunteers to join our team that washes and irons altar linens. We set up the schedule on a rotation basis. Volunteers currently serve 2 months per year.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact the parish office at 205-525-5161 or send an email to Parish@OILPellCity.com

Surfsiders



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

Assignments

August 12 to August 16, 2026

WEDNESDAY MASS

8/12/2026 7:00 PM

Lector: Arturo Solis

SATURDAY MASS

8/15/2026 5:00 PM

Greeters: Parma Boyle, Teri Shields

Lectors: Sarah Brazzolotto, Shane Shields

Ministers: Susan Moseley, Teri Shields

Altar Servers: Tom Graffo, James Raynor

Ushers: Sam Marston, Dan Vandervoorde

SUNDAY MASSES **8/16/2026 8:30 AM**

Greeter: Sonya Lewis, Diana Stephens & Geri Bunt

Lectors: Carey Monistere, Meagan Price

Ministers Sonya Lewis, Paul Thomas, Stephen Reese, Brenda Rochford

Altar Servers: Renee Bentell, Kalli Reach, Allison Schillaci, Blaze Smith

Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Phillip Thomaston, Bart Perry, Dennis Veigl

Ushers: **8/16/2026 11:15 AM**

Greeters: Ray & Charlene Betz, Sean Ahonen

Lectors: Gloria Raynor, Bernie Funderburg

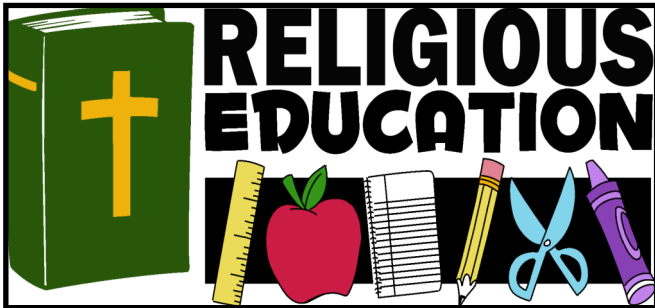
Ministers Chris Gallegly, Charlene Betz, James Raynor, Sean Ahonen

Altar Servers: Ethan Myers, Ethan Brockner, Alex Sorci

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

ATTENTION:

If you are unable to keep your assignment, please find a substitute. Arrive



Looking ahead

- ♦ August 16, 2026 Catechist Meeting 9:45 am
- ♦ August 23, 2026 Kick-off and meet the teacher 9:45 am
- ♦ August 30, 2026 RE begins 9:45 am



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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!*



Let's Remember a Priest Killed in the Line of Duty

Annual Father James E. Coyle
Memorial Mass

Celebrant, Bishop Steven J. Raica
Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 10:00 am CST

Followed by Reception and Reflections
on Father Coyle

Cathedral of St. Paul · 2120 3rd Ave. North,
Birmingham

Eternal Word Television Network to
Broadcast Mass Live Worldwide
205.447.8796 · www.fathercoyle.org

"Father Coyle was a martyr to duty"



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.

For week ended 8-2-26, 4 cans and \$26.

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 August 9 to August 16, 2026

Sunday – August 9

Stewardship fair after all morning Masses

Masses 8:30 & 11:15 am

Spanish Mass & Activities- 3:00 pm

Monday – August 10

Mass- 9:00 am

COR Men's Bible Study - 6:15 pm

Tuesday – August 11

Mass- 9:00 am

Bible Study- 9:45 am

Wednesday - August 12

Spanish Mass- 7:00 pm

Holy Hour/Adoration- 7:30-8:30 pm

Thursday – August 13

Community Food Distribution 5:00 pm

Mass- 9:00 am

Legion of Mary - 6:30 pm

Friday – August 14

Mass- 9:00 am

Saturday - August 15

Mass for Holy Day: 9:00 am

Confessions: 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Mass- 5:00 pm

Pilgrim Virgin- 6:30 pm

Sunday - August 16

Masses 8:30 & 11:15 am

Spanish Mass & Activities - 3:00 pm

Holy Hour - 7:00 pm

