

Our Lady of the Lake

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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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, October 10th, 2026
Mass 5:00 pm

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

The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2026

The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.'



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, Sydney Goble, Karen Hand, Cheryl Robinson, Barbara Walsh, Deacon Serge Brazzolotto, Father Matthew Brennan, Gary Maylon, Robert Bentell, Eleanor Garrett, Debbie Adams, Michelle DeMello, Owen Falkner

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 Oct. 12th to Oct. 18 2026

Monday: Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31–5:1; Psalm 113; Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday: Galatians 5:1-6; Psalm 119; Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday: Galatians 5:18-25; Psalm 1; Luke 11:42-46

Thursday: Ephesians 1:1-10; Psalm 98; Luke 11:47-54

Friday: Ephesians 1:11-14; Psalm 33; Luke 12:1-7

Saturday: Ephesians 1:15-23; Psalm 8; Luke 12:8-12

Sunday: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6; Psalm 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b; Matthew 22:15-21

Today's Readings



First Reading - "Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us! This is the LORD for whom we looked; let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!" (Isaiah 25:6-10a)

Psalm - I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Second Reading - "I can do all things in him who strengthens me." Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel - "Many are invited, but few are chosen." Matthew 22:1-14

Father Bill's Weekly Message

HUMAN GRANDEUR

Pope Leo XIV published an encyclical on May 15, 2026, entitled, Magnifica Humanitas. In English, "Human Grandeur." This year marks the 135th anniversary of Pope Leo XIII's encyclical, Rerum Novarum, in English, "New Things." The subtitle for Pope Leo XIV's encyclical is, "On Safeguarding the Human Person in the time of Artificial Intelligence."

Pope Leo XIV is not for or against the use of Artificial Intelligence. He is trying to remind people that any human endeavor can benefit human beings or harm them. The Church's question about all human endeavors is, "How does this affect human beings?"

The Pope writes, "New technologies open up a horizon extending in directions that are imaginable but not yet fully predictable. This complicates the assessment of their potential impact and the long-term effects they may have on both the dignity of individuals and the common good." (#4)

The Pope then uses two biblical images of construction: The Tower of Babel in the Book of Genesis and the rebuilding of Jerusalem in the Book of Nehemiah. The Pope wrote the Tower of Babel, "was a project conceived without reference to God." (#7) He wrote the rebuilding of Jerusalem was, "an undertaking with God at the center, which rebuilds relationships before rebuilding with stones." (#8)

The Pope goes on to write, "We must, then, avoid the 'Babel syndrome,' namely the idolatry of profit that sacrifices the weak, a uniformity that neutralizes differences, and the pretense that a single language- even a digital one -can translate everything, including the mystery of the person, into data and performance." (#10)

Human beings are made in the image and likeness of God. (Genesis 1, 26-27) How new technologies affect them is the primary question to be asked. Should we do something? is more important than can we do something?

October 12 - October 18, 2026

Monday: Herb & Sherry Kuntz ✝
by the Brazzolotto's

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

Wednesday: Father Tim Pfander
by the Brazzolotto's

Thursday: Rodney Martin by the Brazzolotto's

Friday Ernestina Gonzalez ✝
by James & Gloria Raynor

Saturday: Matthew Brazzolotto by The Gagliano's
Karen Hand by Jerry & Brenda Kern

Sunday For the People!

Dawn Boteler by Kathy Boteler ✝
Nancy Ross by Shirley Skeivelas ✝

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

OCIA meets Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
in the parish hall.
Registration forms are still available in the foyers. For more information,
contact Father Bill Lucas at 205-525-5161.

The Magnificat Breakfast will be held on Saturday, October 24th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Elias Maronite Church in the Parish Hall. Our speaker, Lynn Pepe, will share events throughout her journey when she felt God was saying, "Be patient, I've got you."

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 October 18.

Offertory Collection

July 2026 to June 2027

	Actual Offertory	Weekly Need
September 27th		
Offertory	$6,229	$9,327
Building Fund	$747	$2,404

PARISH COUNCIL

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

You are Cordially Invited!

Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center-Fund Raising Banquet

"Everyone Deserves a Second Chance at Life!"

Keynote: George Delgado, M.D.

Pioneer Abortion Pill Reversal

8,000 Lives Rescued!

Thursday, November 5, 2026, 7:00pm The Club

1 Robert S. Smith Drive

Birmingham, Alabama 35209

6:30 p.m. Seating Begins

7:00-9:00 p.m. Dinner & Program

Reservations,

HCBanquet@herchoicebirmingham.org

205.447.8796 / 252.0706

Consider hosting a table of eight, or make a life-saving donation. There is no cover charge to attend but an appeal will be made to help support this work of mercy and hope.

Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center, the only Pregnancy Help Center in Birmingham proper, exists to help women facing a crisis pregnancy to choose life, and to help support them with that decision. Her Choice also offers post-abortion recovery services.

To register or donate: 205.447.8796

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Surfsiders



The Surfsiders will have their monthly meeting Wednesday, October 21st at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall.

Potluck lunch at noon

Legion of Mary **Everyone Is Invited!**

Legion of Mary Auxiliary Event

Sunday, October 11th

Between the Morning Masses (9:45am-11:00am) in the Parish Hall.

Please join us for a light breakfast and the Legion prayers and rosary!

MEMORIAL MASS



Monday, November 2nd, is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, also known as All Souls Day. It is a day to remember and pray for the eternal salvation of the Departed Faithful. The laity who have died. We will be offering Mass twice that day. The normal 9:00 a.m. Mass and also 7:00 p.m. Mass. Please come and pray for your loved ones who have died.

Assignments

October 14, 2026 to October 18, 2026

WEDNESDAY MASS

10/14/2026 7:00 PM

Lector: Anita Allor

SATURDAY MASS

10/17/2026 5:00 PM

Greeters: Geri Bunt/Diana Stephens, Rita Rumore

Lectors: Amy Cobasky, Shelly Hamman

Ministers: Parma Boyle, Amy Cobasky

Altar Servers: Buddy Adamson, Jaime Limbaugh

Ushers: Sam Marston, Dan Vandervoorde

SUNDAY MASSES **10/18/2026 8:30 AM**

Greeters: Brenda Rochford, Carson/Amelia Falkner

Lectors: Karen Reese, Teri Gagliano

Ministers: Anita Allor, Sophie Alvarez, Michael Gagliano, Ronni Thomas

Altar Servers: Allison Schillaci, Kalli Reach, Blaze Smith

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

10/18/2026 11:15 AM

Greeters Chuck Treece, Shirley Skeivelas

Lectors: Stephanie Fischer, Shelly Schillaci

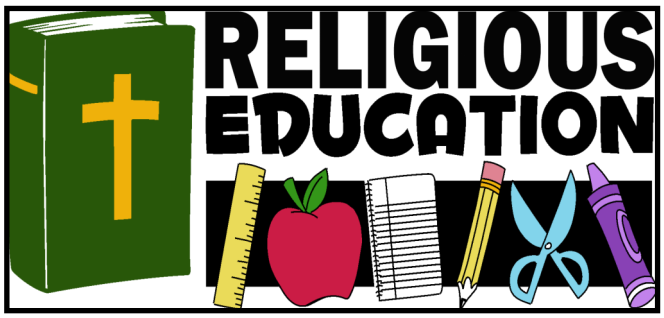
Ministers Chris Gallegly, TBD, James Raynor, Sean Ahonen

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 15 minutes ahead of Mass and sign in at the back of the church.



Looking ahead

Oct. 14 - Youth Group 5:30 pm

Oct. 18 - Religious Education at 9:45 am

Oct. 25 - Religious Education at 9:45 am and Fall Festival at 4:30 pm



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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!



Columbarium Niches

Please contact the parish office if you are interested in purchasing a niche in the Our Lady of the Lake Columbarium.

Contract for selection and use of the niches is allowed after full receipt of payment which

Our Lady of the Lake
Fall Festival

October 25th

4:30-6:30 pm



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 the week of 9-27-2026, $34 and 26 cans.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE

ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Catholic married couples are invited to attend and enrich your relationship and family life.

October 16-18, 2026

St. Bernard Abbey in Cullman

Flyers are located in the lobby

Calendar for Oct. 11 to Oct. 18 2026

Sunday – October 11

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

No Religious Ed - Fall Break

9:45 am Legion of Mary Auxiliary Event

Spanish Mass & Activities- 3:00 pm

Monday – October 12

Mass- 9:00 am

Cor Men's Bible Study- 6:15 pm

Tuesday – October 13

Mass- 9:00 am

Bible Study- 9:45 am

OCIA- 7:00 pm

Wednesday - October 14

Youth Group- 5:30 pm

Spanish Mass- 7:00 pm

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

Thursday – October 15

Mass- 9:00 am

Legion of Mary - 6:30 pm

Friday – October 16

Mass- 9:00 am

Saturday - October 17

Confessions: 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Mass- 5:00 pm, World Mission Weekend

Pilgrim Virgin- 6:30 pm

Sunday - October 18

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

World Mission Weekend

Spanish Mass & Activities - 3:00 pm

Holy Hour- 7:00 pm