



THE PEOPLE OF GOD CALLED TO FORM THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF

SAINT PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 31, 2011

WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS AND PARISHIONERS

If you'd like to join our Parish Family please fill out the parish registration form in the vestibule and place it in the collection basket, mail to Post Office Box 998, Athens, AL 35612 or bring to the church office. Office hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Chapel Hours

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday:

8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Tuesday and Friday:

8 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Other hours are by appointment.



OUT OF RESPECT FOR JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND THE SACREDNESS OF THE SANCTUARY, and in consideration of those who come to Mass early or stay late to pray and meditate, kindly refrain from talking inside the church.

This allows those who wish some quiet time with Jesus, their moments of devotion. **Socializing is always welcome in the vestibule, outside the church, or in the church hall.**

Thank you for your kind observance of this request!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 8/6 Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast at Applebees
- 8/7 Reception for Jeff Davidson after 11:15 Mass
Jeff is leaving for seminary.
- 8/14 Margaret Stonecypher 95th Birthday Party
Church Hall 2: pm to 4: pm
- 8/19 Father Charley returns home from India.



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Excerpt from "The Imitation of Christ"

by Thomas a Kempis

"We Should Show our Needs to Christ and Ask His Grace"



DISCIPLE:

**O MOST KIND, MOST LOVING LORD,
Whom I now desire to receive with devotion,
You know the weakness and the necessity which I suffer,
In what great evils and vices I am involved,
How often I am depressed, tempted, defiled, and troubled.**

TO YOU I COME FOR HELP

To You I pray for comfort and relief.

I speak to Him who knows all things,

To Whom my whole inner life is manifest,

And Who alone can perfectly comfort and help me.

YOU KNOW WHAT GOOD THINGS I AM MOST IN NEED OF

And how poor I am in virtue.

Behold I stand before You,

Poor and naked,

Asking Your grace and imploring Your mercy.

FEED YOUR HUNGRY BEGGAR.

Inflame my coolness with the fire of Your love.

Enlighten my blindness with the brightness of Your presence.

Turn all earthly things to bitterness for me,

All grievance and adversity to patience,

All lowly creation to contempt and oblivion.

Raise my heart to You in heaven and suffer me not to wander on earth.

From this moment to all eternity do You alone grow sweet to me,

For You alone are my food and drink,

My love and my joy,

My sweetness and my total good.

LET YOUR PRESENCE WHOLLY INFLAME ME,

Consume and transform me into Yourself,

That I may become one spirit with You by the grace of inward union

And by the melting power of Your ardent love.

SUFFER ME NOT TO GO FROM YOU FASTING AND THIRSTY,

But deal with me mercifully

As You have so often and so wonderfully dealt with Your saints.

WHAT WONDER IF I WERE COMPLETELY INFLAMED BY YOU TO DIE TO MYSELF,

SINCE YOU ARE THE FIRE EVER BURNING AND NEVER DYING,

A LOVE PURIFYING THE HEART AND ENLIGHTENING THE UNDERSTANDING.

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

AUG 1– AUG 8

Mon 8/01		
Tues 8/02	5:30 pm 6:00 pm	Rosary & Adoration Communion Service-Chapel <i>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i>
Wed 8/03	8:00 am 8:30 am	Rosary & Adoration Communion Service-Chapel <i>Novena to St. Anthony</i>
Thur 8/04	8:00 am 8:30 am	Rosary & Adoration Communion Service-Chapel <i>Novena to St. Jude</i>
First Fri 8/05	7:30 am 8:30 am 9–7 pm	Rosary & Adoration Communion Service-Chapel Adoration
Sat 8/06	8:00 am 8:30 am 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	Rosary & Adoration Communion Service-Chapel <i>Novena to Miraculous Medal</i> Rosary Mass in the Church Hispanic Mass
Sun 8/07	8/8:30 am 10:45/11:15	Rosary/Mass Rosary/Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)
Saturdays: 3:45-4:45 pm or by appointment



The Holy Rosary is prayed thirty minutes before each Mass.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

Altar Society: 1st Tuesday, 9:30 am in Hall

Bible Study Class: Sundays 10:00-10:45 (resumes in the Fall)

Breakfast Sunday: 2nd & 4th Sunday

Choir Practice: Wednesday 6:30 - 7:30 pm in Church (Tim Gibbs, Director—230-0640)

Community Food Pantry Collection:
Basket in Church Vestibule

Donut Sunday: 1st Sunday after the 8:30 Mass

Family Night: 3rd Sunday, 5 pm in church hall

Knights of Columbus:- 2nd Tuesday, 6:45 pm in the old hall— (Eddie Davidson, Grand Knight 256-232-9293)

RCIA: Sundays 9:30 am in the old rectory.
Call the office if interested.

RE: 9:50 am in the church; parents pick up at 10:45 in classrooms. (RESUMES IN THE FALL)

Ladies Social Circle: 4th Wednesday, 9:30 -11:30 am in the old rectory (RESUMES IN THE FALL)

Utreya: 4th Thursday, 6:45 pm in the chapel

Youth Group: Sundays 6:00-7:30 pm- church hall Youth Room during school year

PLEASE PRAY



Please pray for the repose of the soul of
LINDA WEBB
Kristi AuBuchon's mother who passed away on Wednesday, July 27.

"May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem."

REGISTER BY MONDAY!

**VIAGGIAMO A ROMA!
LET'S TRAVEL TO ROME!
MAY 20—JUNE 2, 2012
14 DAY PILGRIMAGE**

VISIT ROME, ASSISI, FLORENCE, PADUA, NICE,
LOURDES AND FATIMA, AND MADRID

AN AUDIENCE WITH THE POPE!

REGISTER WITH THE PARISH OFFICE BY
****MONDAY—AUGUST 1****

PICK UP A FLYER IN THE VESTIBULE TO
GET MORE DETAILS!



PANCAKE BREAKFAST



The St. Paul of Athens Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast at Applebees

1331 Hwy 72, Athens
**Saturday, August 6
8—10 AM**



The breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, juices, coffee and soft drinks. Tickets are \$5 and will be sold after Mass this weekend.

For more information, *contact Don Wojtal at owls_nest@bellsouth.net or (256) 431-8243, or contact any of the Knights of Columbus of this parish.*



CONGRATULATIONS



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Case & Gena Dalton	4 yrs 8/04
Willy Davis & Lelia Reid-Davis	5 yrs 8/06
Scott & Tonya Farmer	10 yrs 8/04
Jimmy & Deanna Gordon	11 yrs 8/05
Ken & Karen Vadasy	17 yrs 8/06
Danny & Nancy Barksdale	33 yrs 8/05
Steve & Susan Fogg	39 yrs 8/04
Jay & Adair McCook	47 yrs 8/01

May every joy you share and every challenge you face bring you closer together and closer to God, our Father.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. CHARLEY

Dear St. Paul Family,

Thank you so very much for the prayers. I reached here on the afternoon of the 20th. Everything went on well. Thank you for the updates. I miss you all and be sure of my prayers. At home we had a get together in our old school for 3 days and all our family members were there, around 32 people stayed there all the 3 days - Sat., Sun., and Monday all went to their own homes. It was really nice.

Thank you for everything. Let God's will be done always - He will never abandon us - His plan will be better always and the Best for us. All the best for the groundbreaking and keep on going. Be sure of my prayers and please keep me and us in your prayers.

*Thank you, love and prayers.
Regards to all. Fr. Charley*

YOU'RE INVITED!



NEXT SUNDAY, August 7, immediately following 11:15 Mass, there will be reception for **JEFF DAVIDSON**, the young man in our parish who is entering seminary this month.

If you don't know Jeff, come by to meet him and offer him your prayers and support for this life-changing commitment he is making-to serve the Lord as priest.

If you do know Jeff, stop by and wish him well as he embarks on this new journey. Your prayers and support are needed for Jeff that he will submit himself with great confidence to God's holy will and in times of loneliness or despair he will be reminded of all of his fellow parishioners who are praying for him during these years of discernment.

Come, take a moment to wish him well.

FOOD PANTRY



The food pantry is in need of Dried Beans, Crackers, Small Bags of Sugar, and Pancake Mix

*Thank you for your support,
Rachel Thompson*

**AUGUST MONTH OF
THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, full of love for God and mankind, and of compassion for sinners, I consecrate myself entirely to you. I entrust to you the salvation of my soul. May my heart be ever united with yours, so that I may hate sin, love God and my neighbor, and reach eternal life together with those whom I love.

MEDIATRIX OF ALL GRACES AND MOTHER OF MERCY, remember the infinite treasure which your Divine Son has merited by His suffering and which He has confided to you for us, your children. Filled with confidence in your motherly heart, and for the sake of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, obtain for me the favor I ask (*Mention your request here*).

DEAREST MOTHER, if what I ask for should not be according to God's will, pray that I may receive that which will be of greater benefit to my soul. May I experience the kindness of your intercession with Jesus during life and at the hour of my death. Amen.

FEAST OF ST. ALPHONSUS LIGOURI



Feast Day—August 1
FOUNDER OF THE REDEMPTORISTS
DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

**ST. ALPHONSUS
SHORT ACT OF PERFECT LOVE:**

My God, I love Thee above all things, and in all things, with my whole soul, because Thou art worthy of all love!

FIRST FRIDAY



**Friday, August 5
is First Friday**
Adoration of the Most Holy Eucharist begins in the chapel at **7:30 a.m.** followed by a **Communion Service at 8:30** and Adoration **9 am until 7 pm.**

A sign-up sheet is available in the vestibule.

Come spend an hour with Jesus

"In the excess of the mercy of My Heart, I promise you that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in My displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and My Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour."

...Jesus Our Lord to St. Margaret Mary

FIRST SATURDAY



As requested by Our Lady of Fatima, the **First Saturday is dedicated to the Blessed Mother in reparation for the sins of the world.**

The Rosary and a Communion Service will be **Saturday, August 6** beginning at **8 a.m.** in the chapel followed by the Novena of the Miraculous Medal.

"I promise to help at the hour of death, with the graces needed for salvation, whoever on the First Saturday of five consecutive months shall:

1. Confess and Receive Holy Communion
2. Recite five decades of the Holy Rosary
3. Keep me company for 15 minutes while meditating on the 15 mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."

(Our Lady at Fatima, Portugal 1917)



**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
CLASSES WILL
RESUME IN THE
FALL AS USUAL.**

**MORE INFORMATION WILL FOLLOW
WHEN IT IS TIME TO REGISTER.**

MASS READINGS THIS WEEK

Sat 7/30	LEV 25: 1, 8-17 Ps 67: 2-3, 5, 7-8 MT 14: 1-12
Sat Vigil/Sun 7/31	ISA: 55: 1-3 Ps 145: 8-9, 15-16, 17-18 ROM 8: 35, 37-39; MT 14: 13-21
Mon 8/01	NUM 11: 4b-15 Ps 81: 12-13, 14-15, 16-17 MT 14: 13-21
Tues 8/02	NUM 12: 1-13 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd, 12-13 MT 14: 22-36
Wed 8/03	NUM 13:1-2,25-14:1, 26a-29a,34-35 Ps 106: 6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23 MT 15: 21-28
Thur 8/04	NUM 20: 1-13 Ps 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9 MT 16: 13-23
Fri 8/05	DEUT 4: 32-40 Ps 77: 12-13, 14-15, 16 & 21 MT 16: 24-28
Sat 8/06	DAN 7: 9-10, 13-14 Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 9 2 PET 1: 16-19 MT 17: 1-9
Sat Vigil/Sun 8/07	1 KINGS 19: 9a, 11-13a Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 ROM 9: 1-5 MT 14: 22-33

OTHER NOTES OF INTEREST

TORNADO RELIEF INFORMATION

DONATIONS NEEDED

If you are able to donate your TIME or any ITEMS, please contact:
Kelley Smith—233-2323
Disaster Volunteer Coordinator

**SILENT RETREAT
AUGUST 1-5
\$375**

5-day Directed Retreat, Cullman Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center
Silence, Daily Consultation with a spiritual director, time for personal prayer & reflection.
Cost includes program, lodging meals and linens.
To register or for more information:
(256) 734-8302
or retreats@shmon.org

PRAYING WITH LIGHT: A Photography Retreat
Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center, Cullman
August 5-7.

Seeing and praising the glory of God through the camera lens. No photography training is required.
\$195 for a private room/**\$175/person** for a shared room;
Lodging, meals, and linens are included.
For registration information and other details contact the Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center at (256) 734-8302 or by e-mail at retreats@shmon.org.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED

Pope John Paul II Catholic High School is seeking for the 2011-2012 school year. If you are interested, please email a request for an application to the following address: ksmith@jp2falcons.org.



Aug 6/7, 2011 Server Schedule To receive a schedule by e-mail, send your request to Tom at spschedule@bellsouth.net			SERVER LISTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot serve. * Denotes designated temporary Deacon for this Mass.		
Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers	Altar Servers	Music
5 pm	John Frey	John Frey* Patricia Frey John Morgan	Virgil Bartlow, Jr	Sam AuBuchon	Vocals
8:30	Laurel Pfeiffer Dan Pfeiffer	Tom Dollman Becky Dollman Lauretta Viglianco*	Frank Westmoreland	John Thomason Joya Brinkley Matthew Meyer	Organ
11:15	Beverly Toney	Carl McLemore Chris Miller Steve Kirkpatrick*	Michael Gould	Korey Brown Kevin Brown Sarah Niedzwiecki	Guitar

Dear God, we place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore to good physical & spiritual health, Your servants listed here...

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| Tim Counihan | Terri Rankin | John O'Neill | Mildred Slaten | Tate Jones | Kathy Foster | Julian Newman |
| Pauline Garlen | Carol Bailey | Virginia Gould | Loretta Gregg | Mary Morgan | Marie Stephens | Rima Feldman |
| Kenny Carwile | Grace Hunt | Bert Beam | Carol Whitney | Karen Hancock | Terry Tyler | James Bowen |
| Cathy Marten | Frank Pitruzzello | Al West | Frank Ladiski | Ryan Hudson | Andy Butcher | Gregg Blythe |
| Wayne Wood | Jim & June Jackson | Jane Hargrove | SPV Bradley Thompson | Millie Bloemer | Howard Vinson | Jim Hill |
| June Maplesden | Jackie Johnson | Lolita Halsey | Irene Vanslager | Susan Giddens | Michael Carrow | Vic Acuff |
| Randy Brinkley | Margaret Stonecypher | Pam Meyer | Lee Becatti & family | Mary Chambers | Kimberly Bush | Susie Lee |
| Bob Khym | Splendi Ward | John Ogle | Dale Borden | Cathy Thompson | Noah Ritchey | Traci Louis |
| Betty Bates | Irene & Robert Lee | Michael Miller | Elliott Malone | Terri Forbes | Annika Glover | Will Pekrul |
| Maria Hetrick | Marjorie Dissottle | Andy Beasley | Rene Zaragoza | Marie Woodham | Jon McAnally | Teresa Vu |
| Luzy Heard | Eva Isdunis | Jim Flynt | Jose Guadalupe Sandoval | Helen Woods | Randy Wales | Billy Griffin |
| | | | Edilberto Aliviado, Sr. | Tom Mingus, Jr. | Marjorie Guenther | Tim Salesky |
| | | | Luis & Josefina Lopez | Bob McDonald | Sgt. Joe Salesky | Julia Ryberg |
| | | | Gregory Carrow | Bobby S. Gilbert | Mathias Grichtmeier | Norm Wilke |
| | | | Wesley Lavender | George Al Roberts | | Della Rumore |

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK, HOMEBOUND, MILITARY, AND OTHERS IN NEED. PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE!

To remove, add/or relist a name, or to submit bulletin information, call 256-232-4191 or e-mail to: stpauloffice@gmail.com by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. Names on the prayer list may be removed after one month unless otherwise notified.

 Mass Intentions  <i>Mass Intention envelopes are available in the vestibule</i>		
7/30	5 pm	Mass in memory of ED & JACKIE WHEELAHAN
7/31	8:30	Mass in memory of JERRY GOULD
	11:15	Mass for the POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY
8/2	6 pm	Communion Service
8/3	8:30	Communion Service
8/4	8:30	Communion Service
8/5	8:30	Communion Service
8/6	5 pm	Mass in memory of ST. PAUL PARISH FAMILY
8/7	8:30	Mass for the POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY
	11:15	Mass in memory of BOB MAPLESDEN (10 Yrs)

PARISH MINISTRIES & CONTACT PERSONS

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:
Parents must be registered members of the parish 4-6 months;
 call the parish office for an appointment—232-4191

HISPANIC MINISTRY:
 Maria Taylor, 233-0226

MARRIAGES:
 Arrangements must be made six months in advance with the priest.

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER:
 Stephen and Kristi AuBuchon, 230-0483,
www.birminghamcee.org

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:
 Tom & Becky Dollman, 233-0705
 Jody & Toni Griffin, 614-0430

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:
 Elizabeth Niedzwiecki, 230-0819

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING:
 Upon request: call the office prior to hospitalization, surgery or during illness.
 After hours, call the rectory at

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS
 Birmingham (8/19-21)
 Nashville (10/7-9); Huntsville (11/11-13)
 Register at www.mealabama.org or (800) 540-9963.

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS:
 Aug 12, Sep 16, Oct 14
 Contact by e-mail at: register.cebirmingham@gmail.com
 or visit the website at www.birminghamcee.org

We're getting closer with the church website. You can now access the bulletin & server schedule. Still under construction! Keep praying!

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Jesus, Eternal Priest, protect all our priests, Your servants, from all dangers and keep them safe in Your Sacred Heart. They are Yours and their life is offered in sacrifice at Your altar. Keep them pure of heart and aflame with the love of God and neighbor. Strengthen Your priests by living constantly in them, with them, and through them, especially in times of loneliness and afflictions, and when their life of sacrifice seems meaningless. Bless all their labors with abundant fruit. May they persevere in their vocation until the end. Mary, our Blessed Mother, wrap them under your mantle and save them from all worldly distractions. May the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation in this world and in Heaven, their beautiful and everlasting crown. Amen

*Mary, Queen of Priests, pray for us.
 St. John Vianney, pray for us.*



Collection Report: July 24, 2011		
THANK YOU	Regular	\$3,145
	Building	\$6,085
	Propagation of the Faith	\$399
	Burse Club	\$177