

THE PEOPLE OF GOD CALLED TO FORM THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF

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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.

Office hours
Tuesday—Friday
9 a.m.—1 p.m.
or by appointment

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.

DATES TO REMEMBER

11/6	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS
11/11	VETERANS DAY: 9 am Mass in the church Anointing of the Sick
11/13	FAMILY NIGHT: Thanksgiving Dinner
11/20	CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
11/24	THANKSGIVING DAY MASS 9 AM
11/27	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 6, 2011

MEDITATION ON DEATH
from "The Imitation of Christ"
by Thomas a Kempis



THE HOUR OF DEATH WILL SOON COME FOR YOU. See to it that you spend your time here well. There is a common saying that human beings are here today and gone tomorrow. And once they are out of sight, they are soon forgotten. How dull we are and hard of heart, for we think only of the present and make little provision for the life hereafter! **If you were wise, you would so order your life as though you were to die before the day is over...**

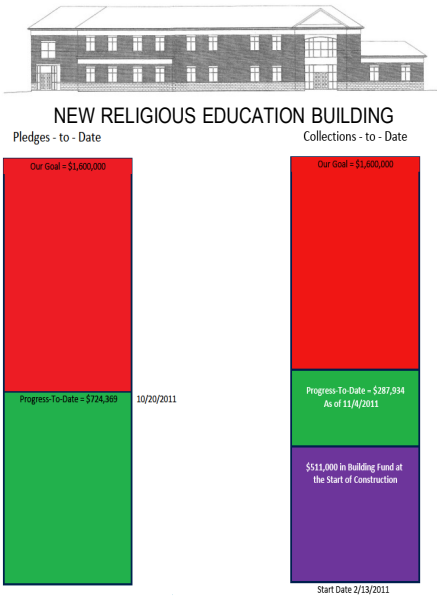
WHAT GOOD IS A LONG LIFE IF WE DO NOT USE IT TO ADVANCE SPIRITUALLY?... You are truly blessed if you keep the hour of your death before you and prepare yourself for it. In the morning think that you may not live till night; and when night comes, do not be sure that you will live till tomorrow. **Therefore always be ready, and so live that you will not have an unprovided death...**

MANY HAVE DIED SUDDENLY AND WITHOUT WARNING; FOR THE SON OF MAN WILL COME SUDDENLY AND WHEN YOU LEAST EXPECT HIM. When the hour of death comes, you will begin to think differently about your past life and **great will be your sorrow then that you have been so negligent and lazy in God's service.**

How happy and wise are those who try now to become what they would want to be at the hour of death. A perfect contempt of the world, an ardent desire to progress in virtue, a love of discipline, a prompt obedience, a denial of self and a patient bearing of all adversities for the love of Christ will give you great confidence of dying happily.

STRIVE TO DO GOOD DEEDS WHILE YOU ARE WELL, for when you are sick you do not know what you will be able to do...Do not put your trust in your friends and neighbors, nor put off the care of your soul's welfare until after death, for you will be forgotten sooner than you think. It is better to provide for your salvation now by doing good deeds that will earn eternal merit for you than to rely on the help of others after your death. **If you have no concern for yourself now, who will be concerned about you later on?...**

IF YOU WILL HAVE A LIFE WITH CHRIST, YOU MUST LEARN HOW TO DIE TO THE WORLD, and if you are to go freely to Christ, then you must learn now to despise all things. *Chastise your body now by penance,* so that you can face death with sure confidence that God will forgive you...*Attend to those things that are to God's honor and glory. Honor the Saints and follow their example* and you will have friends waiting to receive you into everlasting dwellings when your life here is ended. *Live on earth as a pilgrim and a stranger,* unconcerned with the world's business. *Let your heart remain free and lifted up to God,* for you have not here a lasting city. **Persevere in prayer, sending your aspirations daily up to God, so that at the hour of death your soul may depart from this world and go to its Lord.**



PRAYER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BUILDING

O God, with whom every good thing has its beginning, and through whom it is improved and increased: grant, we beseech Thee, that this work, which we have begun for the praise of Thy holy name, may be happily brought to completion through the never-failing gift of Thy fatherly wisdom.

We pray for the safety of all those who are working and who will work on this new building and that they will be blessed for their hard work with the satisfaction of a job well done for Your glory. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Nov 7—Nov 13

Mon 11/7		No Mass
Tues 11/8	5:30 pm	Rosary & Adoration Holy Mass in the Chapel Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wed 11/9	8:00 am 8:30 am	Rosary & Adoration Holy Mass in the Chapel Novena to St. Anthony
Thur 11/10	8:00 am 8:30 am	Rosary & Adoration Holy Mass in the chapel Novena to St. Jude
Fri 11/11	8:30 am 9:00 am 9:30—7 pm	Rosary & Adoration Holy Mass in the Church Adoration in the chapel
Sat 11/12	8:00 am 8:30 am 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	Rosary & Adoration Holy Mass in the chapel Novena to Miraculous Medal Rosary Holy Mass in the Church Hispanic Mass
Sun 11/13	8/8:30 am 11:15 am	Rosary/Holy Mass Rosary/Holy Mass

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

*The weekly bulletin is available on the internet at
www.stpaulcatholicchurchathens.org*

**PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT DROP YOUR
CATHOLIC CHARITIES DONATIONS IN
THE COLLECTION BASKET. PLEASE
MAIL DIRECTLY TO BIRMINGHAM.**

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

- Altar Society:** 1st Tuesday, 9:30 am in Hall
- Bible Study Class:** Sundays 9:50-10:45 in the Chapel Sacristy
- Breakfast Sunday:** Resumes in the spring
- 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:** Resumes in the spring
- Family Night:** OCTOBER 30 after the Rosary Procession
- Knights of Columbus:** - 2nd Tuesday, 6:45 pm in the church hall Youth Room— (Dave Moreau, Grand Knight 256-233-4610)
- RCIA:** New class beginning. **Call the office if interested.**
- RE:** 9:50 am in the church; parents pick up at 10:45 in classrooms.
- Ladies Social Circle:** 4th Wednesday, 9:30 -11:30 am in the church hall.
- Ultreya:** 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 for the repose of the soul of

BETTY VAN WAGNEN

Gary Van Waggen's mother who passed away October 30 in Michigan.

*"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."*

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to
Fabiola Armenta and
Javier Serrato
who were united in the
Sacrament of Marriage
Saturday, October 29.

CONGRATULATIONS

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Richard & Carol Everett	13 yrs 11/7
Milton & Yvonne Dempsey	25 yrs 11/12
Virgil & Dorothy Bartlow, Jr.	39 yrs 11/11

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

FOOD PANTRY



The food pantry is in need of
Stove Top Stuffing, Deluxe Macaroni &
Cheese, Canned Sweet Potatoes,
Holiday Candy and Cooking Oil.

Thank you for all your Continued Support!
Rachel Thompson

THANK YOU



*We greatly appreciate your kind
expressions of sympathy. St. Paul's
is a wonderful, caring parish.*

THE FAMILY OF
DR. PATRICK MCCUE

VETERANS DAY MASS ANOINTING OF THE SICK



**THIS FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 11
9:00 a.m.**

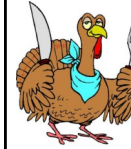
**VETERANS DAY MASS
in the Church
Mass of Healing with
Anointing of the Sick**

If you have a veteran you'd like remembered
on the bulletin board, please contact the office
by November 9.



FAMILY NIGHT

**NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13
THANKSGIVING FAMILY NIGHT
5 pm**



**Turkey and all the Trimmings
Come join us!**

**SIGN UP IN THE VESTIBULE
IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND!**

THANKSGIVING COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDY



This weekend the Altar Society
will be handing out grocery bags
for collecting food for the
Thanksgiving and Christmas
baskets for those in need. Each
bag has a list of groceries to
purchase and bring back to the church the
following week. Also needed are **blankets and
\$25 gift cards** to Wal-mart or a grocery store
for the needy to purchase perishable items.
This is an annual ministry of our Ladies Altar
Society and has always been successful
thanks to the generosity of our parish.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MASS

**REHEARSALS FOR THE
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS
WILL BE
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
6:30-6:30 PM
IN THE CHURCH
BEGINNING
THIS WEEK,
NOVEMBER 9TH**



**ANYONE INTERESTED IN
SINGING OR ACTING IN
THIS SPECIAL MASS IS
REQUIRED TO ATTEND
THESE REHEARSALS.**



CATHOLIC WOMEN MEETING

The Fall meeting of the Catholic Women of the Birmingham Diocese (CWBD), Northern Region will be:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10
at Sacred Heart Retreat Center
Cullman, Alabama

REGISTRATION: 9-9:30 A.M.
followed by a guest speaker and
a short business meeting & installation of new officers.

MASS WILL BE AT 11:30 A.M.
followed by **Lunch and the Holy Rosary.**
*To register, contact Yvonne Dempsey
(256) 233-4899 or yhdempsey@hotmail.com*

**NOVEMBER : MONTH OF
THE HOLY SOULS**



7 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR THE SOULS

Beginning Prayer: My Jesus, by the sorrows You suffered in Your agony in the Garden, in Your scourging and crowning with thorns, in Your journey to Calvary, in Your crucifixion and death, have mercy on the souls in purgatory, and especially on those that are most forsaken; deliver them from the torments they endure; call them and admit them to Your most sweet embrace in paradise, where You live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

SUNDAY

O Lord God omnipotent, I beseech Thee by the precious Blood, which Your divine Son Jesus shed in the Garden, deliver the souls in purgatory, and especially that one which is the most forsaken of all, and bring it into Thy glory, where it may praise and bless Thee for ever. Amen
Our Father, Hail Mary, Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen..

MONDAY

O Lord God, omnipotent, I beseech Thee by the Precious Blood which Thy divine Son Jesus shed in His cruel scourging, deliver the souls in purgatory, and among them all, especially that soul which is nearest to its entrance into Thy glory, that it may soon begin to praise Thee and bless Thee for ever. Amen.
Our Father, Hail Mary, Eternal rest, etc.

TUESDAY

O Lord God omnipotent, I beseech Thee by the Precious Blood of Thy divine Son Jesus that was shed in His bitter crowning with thorns, deliver the souls in purgatory, and among them all, particularly that soul which is in the greatest need of our prayers, in order that it may not long be delayed in praising Thee in Thy glory and blessing Thee for ever. Amen.
Our Father, Hail Mary, Eternal rest, etc.

WEDNESDAY

O Lord God omnipotent, I beseech Thee by the Precious Body and Blood of Thy divine Son Jesus, that was shed in the streets of Jerusalem while He carried on His sacred shoulders the heavy burden of the Cross, deliver the souls in purgatory and especially that one which is richest

in merits in Thy sight, so that, having soon attained the high place in glory to which it is destined, it may praise Thee triumphantly and bless Thee for ever. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Eternal rest, etc.

THURSDAY

O Lord God omnipotent, I beseech Thee by the Precious Body and Blood of Thy divine Son Jesus, which He Himself on the night before His passion gave as meat and drink to His beloved Apostles and bequeathed to His holy Church to be the perpetual Sacrifice and life-giving nourishment of His faithful people. deliver the souls in purgatory, but most of all, that soul which was most devoted to this Mystery of infinite love, in order that it may praise Thee therefore, together with Thy divine Son and the Holy Spirit in Thy glory for ever. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Eternal rest, etc.

FRIDAY

O Lord God omnipotent, I beseech Thee by the Precious Blood which Jesus Thy divine Son did shed this day upon the tree of the Cross, especially from His sacred hands and feet, deliver the souls in purgatory and particularly that soul for whom I am most bound to pray, in order that I may not be the cause which hinders Thee from admitting it quickly to the possession of Thy glory where it may praise Thee and bless Thee for evermore. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Eternal rest, etc.

SATURDAY

O Lord God omnipotent, I beseech Thee by the Precious Blood which gushed forth from the sacred Side of Thy divine Son Jesus in the presence and to the great sorrow of His most holy Mother, deliver the souls in purgatory and among them all especially that soul which has been most devout to this noble lady, that it may come quickly into Thy glory, there to praise Thee in her, and her in Thee through all the ages. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Eternal rest, etc.

Ending Prayer: Merciful Father, hear our prayers and console us. As we renew our faith In Your Son whom You raised from the dead, strengthen our hope that all our departed brothers and sisters will share in His resurrection, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

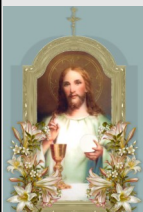


ST. PAUL PRISON MINISTRY

needs your help to provide indigent prisoners at Limestone Correctional Facility with
BAR SOAP (individually wrapped)
SHAMPOO (in clear plastic containers)
STICK DEODORANT (in clear plastic containers)

Please bring your donations and place in the designated plastic bin in the vestibule for the next two Sundays.

Thank you for your support of the Prison Ministry.



OUT OF RESPECT FOR JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND THE SACREDNESS OF THE SANCTUARY, kindly refrain from talking inside the church. Socializing is always welcome in the vestibule, outside the church, or in the church hall.

Thank you for your kind observance.

MASS READING FOR THIS WEEK

Sat 11/05 FIRST SATURDAY	ROM 16: 3-9, 16, 22-27 Ps 145: 2-3, 4-5, 10-11 Lk 16: 9-15
Sat Vigil/Sun 11/06	Wis 6: 12-16 Ps 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 1 THESS 4:13-18 MT 25: 1-13
Mon 11/7	Wis 1:1-7 Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 Lk 17:1-6
Tues 11/8	Wis 2:23-3:9 Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 Lk 17:7-10
Wed 11/9 DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 1 COR 3:9c-11, 16-17 JN 2:13-22
Thur 11/10 ST. LEO THE GREAT	Wis 7:22b-8:1 Ps 119:89, 90, 91,130,135, 175 Lk 17:20-25
Fri 11/11 VETERANS DAY ST. MARTIN OF TOURS	Wis 13:1-9 Ps 4:2-3, 4-5ab Lk 17:26-37
Sat 11/12 ST. JOSAPHAT	Wis 18:146-16; 19:6-9 Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 Lk 18:1-8
Sat Vigil/Sun 11/13	PROV 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 1 THESS 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30

OTHER NOTES OF INTEREST

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
Recruiting for Women Build 2012**

Contact Brandi at
(256) 374-9815 or brandi@habitatalc.org

STUFF A TRUCK FOOD DRIVE

Benefits Community's Needy through Limestone County Churches Involved (LCCI)

Saturday, November 12

9 a.m.—5 p.m.

First National Bank (Cnr. Hwy 72 & Lindsay Lane)

Drop off any of the following items:

Pancake Mix, Canned Fruits, Canned Meats, Jelly, Canned Tuna, Canned Vegetables, Boxed Crackers, Tuna Helper, Packaged Rice, Bagged Spaghetti, Chili, Spaghetti Sauce, Complete Meal Box, Beef Stew, Macaroni & Cheese, Pancake Syrup, Peanut Butter, Boxed Potatoes, Dried Beans, Canned Soup, Ravioli, Boxed Cereal, Toilet Paper, Bar Soap, Personal Hygiene Items

POPE JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Admission applications accepted December 1 from all area middle schools

contact: Kathleen Tetzlaff
www.jp2falcons.org/admissions
(256) 420-1760, ext. 102

**Saturday, November 19
Middle School Band Camp
10 AM—2 PM**

includes lunch, T-shirt, Master Classes with JP2I Band personnel, individual instruction from Mr. Zeiger, and Ensemble time. Cost: \$15
www.jp2falcons.org/admissions

November 19/20, 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	Kathi Davis	John Frey* Pat Hatchett Gary Price	Thomas Lipka	Sam AuBuchon	Organ
8:30	Doris Durham	William Bet-Sayad* Doris Durham Tom Dollman	Joe Mandarino	Maggie Besh Sarah Kate Besh Lillian Caillouet	Organ
11:15	Confirmation Class	Maria Taylor* David Toney Greg Beam	Confirmation Class Michael Gould	Alec Baugher Ben Rhodes Josh Maplesden	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...

Angela Morales	Wayne Wood	Michael Harries	Brother Jess Smith	Michael Miller	Dale Borden	Marie Stephens
Jose Morales	June Maplesden	Luzy Heard	Rebecca Pfeifer	Andy Beasley	Elliott Malone	Terry Tyler
Tomas Branson	Terri Rankin	Al West	Jimmy Stroud	Jim Flynt	Rene Zaragoza	Andy Butcher
Jim & June Jackson	Carol Bailey	Frank Pitruzzello	Burlin Emery	Connie Haislip	Wesley Lavender	Howard Vinson
Randy Brinkley	Grace Hunt	Jane Hargrove	Myrna Chavez	George Reny	Mary Morgan	Michael Carrow
Lois Ware-Glasper	Jackie Johnson	Lolita Halsey	Jose Datu	Mildred Slaten	Karen Hancock	Kimberly Bush
Sandra Glovich	Virginia Gould	Pam Meyer	Betty Jaraba	Loretta Gregg	Ryan Hudson	Noah Ritchey
Jo Ann Harvey	Margaret Stonecypher	John Ogle	Sadie Davidson	Carol Whitney	Millie Bloemer	Marjorie Guenther
Tim Counihan	Splendi Ward		Helen Woods	Susan Giddens	Mary Chambers	Traci Louis
Maria Hetrick	Irene & Robert Lee		Gaylord Huffman	PFC Bradley Thompson	Terri Forbes	Will Pekrul
Betty Bates	Marjorie Dissottle		Herbert Williams	Irene Vanslager	Tom Mingus, Jr.	Billy Griffin
Bob Khym	Eva Isdunis		Joan Hendrick	Lee Becatti & family	Bobby S. Gilbert	Julia Ryberg
Pauline Garlen	Cathy Marten		George Harvey, Jr.	Jose Guadalupe Sandoval	Gregory Carrow	Norm Wilke
Bert Beam			Lois Graff	Edilberto Aliviado, Sr.	Kathy Foster	Della Rumore
Kenny Carwile			Edward J. Johnson	Luis & Josefina Lopez	Mathias Grichtmeier	

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>	
11/5	5 pm Holy Mass in memory of PATRICK McCUE
11/6	8:30 Holy Mass in memory of ELOISE McLEOD
	11:15 Holy Mass in memory of KAY CLOWRY
11/8	6pm Holy Mass for the Poor Souls in Purgatory
11/9	8:30 Holy Mass for the Poor Souls in Purgatory
11/10	8:30 Holy Mass for the Poor Souls in Purgatory
11/11	9:00 Holy Mass in memory of KEN MILLWOOD (Eva's friend)
11/12	5 pm Holy Mass for the Poor Souls in Purgatory
11/13	8:30 Holy Mass in memory of JOHN CONLON
	11:15 Holy Mass for the Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS
Huntsville (11/11-13)
Register at www.wvmealabama.org or (800) 540-9963.

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS:
Jan 6, Feb 3, March 23, April 13
Contact by e-mail at: register.cebirmingham@gmail.com
or visit the website at www.birminghamcee.org

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All Saints Day	\$25

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 771-1164.

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.*

