



Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

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Sacraments

Mass:

Saturday..... 4:00 P.M.

**Sunday..... 7:00 A.M.
11:00 A.M.**

Baptism: Parents desiring Baptism for their children are encouraged to contact the Rectory to arrange for the required preparation class for parents and Godparents.

Funeral: Please contact the Rectory for Funeral Arrangements. Funerals are not permitted on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation.

Anointing of the Sick: If you or a family member is Sick or Shut-in, please inform the Rectory so that we may arrange to bring the Sacraments to your home, hospital or nursing home.

Marriage: For Marriage Arrangements, please contact the Rectory at least 6 months before intended marriage date.

Confessions:

Saturdays 3:00 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.

Sundays 6:00 A.M. to 6:45 A.M.

10:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.



March 22, 2026

Parish Mission Statement

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church is committed to proclaiming our belief in the Message and Mission of Jesus Christ. Also, the members are committed to sharing our time, talent, and treasure through Sacramental, Educational and Pastoral ministry, Service to those in need and working for Social Justice.



Church Membership

There are levels of Church membership. Anyone living within the boundaries of our parish for at least 6 months is automatically a member. Those who live inside or outside our boundaries and choose to “register” are members. “Contributing members” are those who choose to use the envelopes on a regular basis and are entitled to regular financial reports from the rectory.

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING

& Reflection

Scripture: Ezekiel 37:12-14
Romans 8:8-11
John 11:1-45

I Am the Resurrection and the Life

What is the significance of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead? It is more than a miraculous event. It is a "sign" of God's promise to raise up all who have died in Christ to everlasting life. That is why Jesus asked Martha if she believed in the resurrection from the dead.

God gives us the power of his Holy Spirit that we may be made alive in Christ.

The name Lazarus means "God is my help". Jesus' parable about the poor man Lazarus, who died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom.

Through Lazarus' sickness and subsequent death, God brought glory through his Son the Lord Jesus, who raised his friend from the dead in anticipation of his own death and resurrection. Our participation in the Lord's Supper in the Eucharist already gives us a foretaste of Jesus' transfiguration of our bodies.

A Prayer of Devotion

Lord Jesus Christ, you have ransomed us with your blood and restored us to life with the Father in heaven. May your resurrection be our hope as we long for the day when we will see you face to face in glory.



Today's Psalm

Psalm 130:1-8

- 1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!
- 2 Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!
- 3 If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
- 4 But there is forgiveness with you, that you may be feared.
- 5 I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
- 6 my soul waits for the LORD more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.
- 7 O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plenteous redemption.
- 8 And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Daily Readings

- Sunday: Ezekiel 37:12-14
Romans 8:8-11
John 11:1-45
- Monday: Daniel 13:41c-62
John 8:1-11
- Tuesday: Numbers 21:4-9
John 8:21-30
- Wednesday: Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10
Hebrews 10:4-10
Luke 1:26-38
- Thursday: Genesis 17:3-9
John 8:51-59
- Friday: Jeremiah 20:10-13
John 10:31-42
- Saturday: Ezekiel 37:21-28
John 11:45-56

Sick & Shut-In

Yolanda Collins
Hazel Jackson
Ronald Greene

Douglas Robinson
Vascus Saunders
Allen Small

Stewardship Update

March 14th and 15th

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| Saturday 4:00 P.M. | \$ 1,211.00 |
| Sunday 7:00 A.M. | \$ 759.00 |
| Sunday 11:00 A.M. | \$ 1,875.00 |
| Church Improvements | \$ 0.00 |
| Mailed In | \$ 200.00 |
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| Total: | \$ 4,045.00 |
| Online Giving | \$ 0.00 |
| School Rental | \$ 0.00 |
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| Income for the Week | \$ 4,045.00 |
| (Budget needed for the week) | \$(7,125.75) |
| Over/Under the Week's Budget | \$(3,080.75) |

Looking for a convenient way to donate to Our Lady of Fatima Parish?

Text "Give" to
205-793-5505

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First Friday Devotion

On the 1st Friday of every month, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 8:00 A.M. until 10A.M. Everyone is invited to participate in the Adoration of the Holy Eucharist.

Upcoming Devotion Date:

April 3, 2026

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The Poor of Jesus Christ

For the month of March the Friars are requesting donations of plastic forks and spoons, sandwich bags, and Jelly for peanut butter sandwiches. The donation box is located in the vestibule.

If you would like to mail in monetary donations to the Friars, please send to:

Friars Poor of Jesus Christ
44 16th Ave South
Birmingham, AL 35205

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"Were You There?" A Holy Week Choir Experience

Join Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School for a powerful evening of music as we prepare to enter into Holy Week.

When: April 1st. Doors open at 5:30 PM, Program begins at 6:00 PM.

Where: Payne Chapel AME Church - 1825 Center Way S, Birmingham, AL 35205 (across from HFCR).

Afterward: Join us for light refreshments and games in the HFCR Gym immediately following the performance! All are welcome.

Birthdays & Anniversaries



- Lillie Bickerstaff 3/28*
- Emily Bell 3/19*
- Tony Bell 3/2*
- Frederic Bolling 3/30*
- David Brown 3/7*
- Nefertari Brown 3/10*
- Brooke Brown 3/26*
- Laurelia Caldwell 3/9*
- Lisa Cooper 3/4*
- Kimberly Danks 3/15*
- Eric Garrick 3/28*
- Jarrell Hall 3/21*
- Jasmine Hilson 3/3*
- Darren Hunter 3/8*
- Bettye Kelly 3/15*
- Caitlin Leonard 3/20*
- David Montgomery 3/1*
- Dorothy Murphy 3/14*
- Dawn Patterson 3/7*
- Bertha Randall 3/30*
- Donna Robinson 3/16*
- Jeffery Robinson 3/5*



Earnest & Katie Riggins married on 03/22

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May many blessings be upon you as you celebrate another year. Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to this month's honorees. May God continue to watch over you.

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OLF News & Updates

Stations of the Cross will take place every Friday during Lent at 6pm. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

Parish School of Religion is Sundays from 9:30am to 10:45a.m.

The Passion Play Rehearsals are Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at 5:30pm and Saturday, March 28, 2026 at 10 a.m.

OLF Bible Study is on break until Wednesday, April 15, 2026.

The Youth Ministry is collecting individually wrapped candy, plastic eggs, and other supplies for our upcoming annual Easter Egg Hunt, which will take place immediately following Mass on Easter Sunday.

Donations may be placed in the vestibule and will be accepted through Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our parish youth—your donations help make this Easter a joyful celebration for our children and families!

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Fish Fry Fundraiser for the Youth

April 3, 2026
10 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

Dine in or Carryout

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All announcements must be turned in to the church office by Wednesdays at Noon. Announcements will be printed upon approval by Fr. Keke



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday Mass

Saturday, March 28, 2026 Vigil 4PM
Sunday, March 29, 2026 7AM and 11AM

Holy Thursday Mass

April 2, 2026 6PM

*Washing of feet will take place during Mass
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin after Mass and will last until 9PM*

Good Friday

April 3, 2026 6PM

Celebration of the Lord's Passion will begin with the Passion Play at 6PM

Holy Saturday Mass

April 4, 2026 8PM

Easter Sunday Mass

April 5, 2026 7AM and 11AM

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Fr. Chester P. Smith
National Black Catholic Men's Conference
Birmingham, Alabama
October 15th - 18th 2026

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Sheraton Birmingham Hotel
2101 Richard Arrington Jr. Boulevard North
Birmingham, Alabama
October 15th - 18th 2026

Type in the passkey link below for hotel reservations
<https://book.usakey.com/te/508610038>

Fr. Chester P. Smith National Black Catholic Men's Conference Oct2026 - Start Your Reservation
To register, go to the Bowman-Francis Ministry website at:
www.bowmanfrancis.org