

OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE

CATHOLIC CHURCH



June 15, 2025 — The Most Holy Trinity

In the name of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit....

The feast of the Most Holy Trinity celebrates one of our most ancient beliefs. We celebrate and reflect on our relationship with God and what our Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier has done for us. The scriptures remind us of our God's graciousness and we rejoice in the God who has acted so mightily and lovingly on our behalf.

The Trinity is not a puzzle. It is a mystery. And those are two very different things. A puzzle has an answer. It is something that you try to figure out, something that you attempt to understand. A mystery has no answer. You cannot understand it because it is greater than you are, something beyond your grasp. You cannot comprehend a mystery, but you can appreciate it. Like a great piece of music it takes you deeper. You cannot solve a mystery, but you can stand before it and allow it to lead you to contemplation. Like beholding a beautiful sunset, it can move your soul. We believe that the Trinity reveals to us the very life of God. This is important because God is the source of all things and so everything that exists is somehow reflective of God, reflective of the Trinity. The Trinity tells us that God is one, that there are no parts and pieces to God.

The Trinity is not a puzzle. It is a mystery, a mystery that applies to us. Let us listen, then, to the call of the Trinity. Let us see in it an invitation to love others deeply and, at the same time, preserve and treasure our own selves. We can find in the Trinity a model for ourselves, a way of loving deeper and of living better.

The most profound mystery of our faith is the mystery we call upon before and after every prayer. We begin and conclude our prayers saying, "In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

We are not alone. We will never be alone. The Spirit of the Father and the Son has been given to us. Whatever we do, we do with meaning and purpose when we do it with the power of the Holy Spirit. There is nothing that we cannot do when we do it in union with the Spirit of God. When St. Paul wrote in Philippians 7:14, "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me," he was referring to the spiritual life. Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He who loves us, He who forgives us, and He who empowers us. We are baptized into the Trinity, into the intimate Life of God. So therefore we shall, as the Children of God, put our trust in the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit and ask them to lead us, Guide us, and Protect us always.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Charley

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Celebrations:

Saturday: 5:00pm (Vigil) Church

Sunday: 8:00am Church & 10:00am Church

Rosary: Saturday: 4:30pm / Sunday: 7:30am / 9:25am

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday:

Church during renovation

Rosary: 11:30 am before Noon Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30—4:30pm

Important Messages

First Friday-Healing Mass/Noon-Church

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist 11:00am

First Saturday morning Mass

8:00am, in the Church during renovation

WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday – June 15

The Most Holy Trinity
Prv 8: 22-31/Rom 5: 1-5/Jn 16: 12-15

Monday – June 16

Weekday
2 Cor 6: 1-10/Mt 5: 38-42

Tuesday - June 17

2 Cor 8: 1-9/Mt 5: 43-48

Wednesday – June 17

Weekday
2 Cor 9: 6-11/Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18

Thursday – June 19

Weekday
2 Cor 11: 1-11/Mt 6: 7-15

Friday – June 20

Weekday
2 Cor 11: 18, 21-30/Mt 6: 19-23

Saturday – June 21

St. Aloysius Gonzaga
2 Cor 12: 1-10/Mt 6: 24-34

Sunday – June 22

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Gn 14: 18-20/1 Cor 11: 23-26/Lk 9: 11b-17

Pilgrimage Night “A Taste of Ireland”

Saturday, June 28th after the 5:00pm Mass we will have an evening about the Ireland Pilgrimage from Fr. Charley and our parishioners who went with him. There will be a “taste” of some Irish food and we will see many of the pictures that were taken. Please come and enjoy an evening of fellowship. Everyone is welcome. Please sign-up in the gathering area if you are coming.



Wedding Anniversaries

Carlen & Ramona Chestang,
Ben-Aaron & Leilani Downing, Robert & Ruth Manzell,
Fred & Anna Marie Pokrzywa



“Our work is to enlarge the tent and let everyone know they are welcome in the Church.”

Pope LeoXIV

Let us Pray for the Living and the Deceased

For the living:

Patricia Thomas, Mary Lou Zurowski, Helen Bill-Cash, Rose Marie Phillips, Paul Shea, Fred & Margaret Dorsey, Cathy McCoy, Teresa Wilson, Mary Stumpe, Riley Scott, Patti Barnard, Patricia Jackson, Monica Hirsch, Theresa Fuemeller, Jill Ramos, Karen Runkle and all those in our parish community in need of physical or spiritual healing.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to have a loved one remembered during the liturgy for any special occasion - a birthday, anniversary, get well, deceased etc. Contact the Parish office at 256-852-0788.

Sat.	June 14	5:00PM	Rose Ann Nussberger † The Vu Family †
Sun.	June 15	8:00AM	Amelia Nason † The Francisco Family (I)
		10:00AM	The Moise Family (I) Stephen Jester †
Tues.	June 17	12:00PM	Josiah Dorsey (I) Jinnela Anderson (I)
Wed.	June 18	12:00PM	Josiah Dorsey (I) Landon Slate (I)
Thurs.	June 19	12:00PM	Blake Duckworth (I) Nathaniel Slate(I)
Fri.	June 20	12:00PM	Felicity Ebelhar (I) Eric Wheeler (I)
Sat.	June 21	5:00PM	Michael Smith † The Santos Family †
Sun.	June 22	8:00AM	Barbara Chandler † The Francisco Family (I)
		10:00AM	Chuck Jaronik (I) Cara Wheeler (I)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. June 15	Father's Day	
Thurs. June 19	Charismatic Prayer Group	7:00PM
Sun. June 22	Youth Group Cookout	4:30PM
Sat. June 28	Pilgrimage Night	5:45PM
Fri July 4	Healing Mass Adoration	12:00PM 11:00AM

Happy Father's Day

From the OLQU Staff
Deacon Jim, Donna, Mark,
Shirley and Susan
May God Bless You today and always

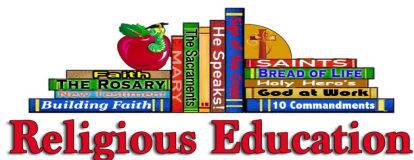
HAPPY
FATHER'S DAY

The altar flowers are in Honor of

Father Charley on this Father's Day



Altar Flowers may be donated in memory or in honor of a loved one, to mark a special occasion or simply to donate. Please contact the parish office at 256-852-0788 to schedule a date. The cost is \$150.

**SUNDAY CLASS SCHEDULE**

All Grades-Preschool* thru 10th	11:00 AM - Noon
First Sacrament Class is 2nd Gr.	11:00 AM - Noon
Confirmation Class is 10th Gr.	11:00 AM - Noon

*Preschool (age 3 by Sept. 1st & potty trained)

Please register your children now.
Forms are available in the gathering area.

ORDER of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS

The RCIA faith formation program is now known as the **O.C.I.A.** The name has changed just a bit, but it's still the same initiation process for adults who are interested in learning more about our beautiful Catholic faith. Our introductory evening for the 2025-26 session will be Tuesday, August 26th, at 6 PM. All are welcome to join us on the *journey of faith!*



FORMED.ORG Due to a rate increase, we will no longer be providing a parish-wide subscription to FORMED. The current subscription expires 6/11/25. Individual subscriptions are available using this link:

[formed.org/individuals](https://www.formed.org/individuals)

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**St. John Paul II Catholic High School**

St. John Paul II Catholic High School is currently accepting applications for these positions: General Science Teacher, and High School Custodian. Applicants who have the qualifications and expertise for the roles are encouraged to apply. For a complete job description and instructions for applying, please visit www.jp2falcons.org/employment-to-day.

Holy Family School

Applications for the School Calendar Year 2025-2026 are now being taken. Please contact HFS at 256-539-5221 or email office@hfscatholic.com with any questions.

MUSIC * YOUTH MINISTRY * LITURGY NEWS**Youth Ministry****Upcoming Events**

Youth Group will have a cookout at the church on Sunday, June 22nd at 4:30pm. Families are welcome. Hamburgers & hotdogs will be served! . This will be a time for fellowship, games and food. Bring a friend, an appetite and some sportsmanship.

Liturgy**Liturgical Ministers Needed**

Altar Servers, Lectors, Communion Ministers, Ushers, decorators and Sacristans are needed for a smooth 2025 year. If you are interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister don't hesitate to get in touch with Mark Blackburn at mark@olqu.org or call at 256-852-0788.

Music Ministry

Music Ministry is opening auditions for vocalists and instrumentalists for the 2025-2026 year. Please contact Mark Blackburn if you are interested in joining the music program to glorify God through music. Music ministry will also offer lessons for all parishioners who wish to learn an instrument or work on singing skills. No prior experience necessary. Again, contact Mark at mark@olqu.org if you are interested in these opportunities.

MINISTRIES * NEWS * EVENTS

Participation in Mass Please make every effort to participate in the Holy Mass by sitting in the church. Sitting in the gathering area, unless there is an overflow issue, is not full participation in the Mass. Also, we ask everyone to give access to empty seats. We want everyone to feel welcome to the Eucharistic Table for the full service. Please also note, the back row (seating against the wall) is reserved for our elderly and handicapped. We have a cry room available for parents who need one. Our ushers are available to assist with seating.

Baptisms

Please welcome Paulus Etse Hatles and Paulina Hatles Etse who were baptized Saturday, June 7th. Their parents are Renster Etse and Pauleen Hatles. Godparent is Elpira Neth.

Loving Hands: We are about to begin a new year. If you have a little extra time on your hands please think about volunteering for the small ministry. A small group of dedicated women have carried on the task of polishing the solid oak pews and dusting/swiffering the floors twice a month ever since this church began. Would you like to join this group? Do you have time to fill in as a substitute if one of the regulars needs to be absent? We meet at 9:30AM on the first and third Thursdays of the month. Volunteers are most welcome to join us. Call Carol Lee at 256-852-4095 with any questions.

Severe Weather When bad weather is forecasted to come through this area: icy roads, tornadoes etc, at a scheduled Mass time, please stay at home and be safe. Father Charley will close the church on these occasions.

OLQU Office Contact Information

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OLQU Parish Office Contact:

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OLQU Parish Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Mission Statement: We, the Parish Family of Our Lady, Queen of the Universe Catholic Church, through spiritual growth and service to others, seek to follow Mary's example of doing God's will by being a loving and open community centering on the Word, the Sacraments, and the Presence of Christ in our lives.

Councils, Commissions & Ministries

Ministry Coordinator: Eva Andrzejewski 256-430-3486

Finance Council: Fran Spinelli 256-830-4135

Adult Ed/Sacrament/RCIA Susan Turner 256-852-0788

Agape Joy: Maria Nolen 334-517-8157

Altar Linens: Pat Spinelli 256-830-4135

Altar Servers: Jared Ebelhar 256-684-8385

Arts & Environment: Beth Anderson 256-852-8734

Baptism Preparation: Deacon Jim Multeri 256-852-0788

Building & Maintenance: Joe Andrzejewski 256-430-3486

Care Ministry: Deacon Jim Multeri 256-852-0788

Chain Rosary: David McClure 502-759-1939

Charismatic Prayer Group: Jeff Anderson 256-852-8734

Communications: Damian Hochmuth 256-890-1621

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Fund Raising: Fran Spinelli 256-830-4135

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Greeters: Tom Heath 256-859-9554

Grief Ministry: Almaretta Brislin 256-603-1213

IT & A/V Care: Jim Chaloupka 256-852-0788

Lawn Care: Orlando Herrera 256-990-7212

Lectors: Sybil Shearburn 256-679-7023

Life in Faith: Cindy Williams 256-509-7258

Marriage Preparation: Deacon Jim Multeri 256-852-0788

Loving Hands: Carol Lee 256-852-4095

Mass Coordinator: Pat Spinelli 256-830-4135

Men's Club: Roberto Ruiz 256-655-2509

Money Counters: Pat Spinelli 256-830-4135

Music Ministry: Mark Blackburn, Director 256-852-0788

Prayer Shawl Donna Pillarella 256-852-0788

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Religious Education: Susan Turner, Director 256-852-0788

Sacristans: Pam Mefford 256-509-5000

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St. Vincent de Paul: Luster Ingram 256-852-2899

Ushers: Jay Hammer 256-337-1016

Youth Ministry: Mark Blackburn, Director 256-852-0788

Mass Intentions

We have many weekday dates available for those who wish to schedule a Mass. Please contact the parish office at

SOCIAL CONCERNS & FOOD PANTRY

St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Pantry

Needs: Flour, pinto beans, canned meats, mashed potatoes, cookies, sugar, corn meal mix, pancake mix, syrup, jello, pudding, cereal, coffee, tea, toiletries. Please donate non perishable items only.

PLEASE HELP US HELP THE POOR...

NEWS

Holy Spirit Regional Catholic School

Holy Spirit Catholic School is seeking qualified candidates for the following positions: Principal, elementary education teacher's aide, an enrollment manager, a finance manager, and an assistant principal. For more information visit <https://hstigers.org/career-opportunities/>.

New to our parish? If you are visiting our parish and are interested in joining our Catholic Family, registration forms are available in the gathering area or at the parish office (office hours are Tues.- Fri. 9am -3pm). Fill one out and drop it into a collection basket or bring it to the parish office.

St. John's Catholic School

Hughes Rd in Madison, AL

St John's is seeking qualified applicants for the 2025-2026 school year for the following positions: Middle school Social Studies Teacher, Second Grade Elementary Teacher, and a full-time PE Aide. All applicants must be Alabama certified or its equivalent. Certified teachers are welcomed to place resume on file should other positions become available. Please contact blumbley@stjohnb.com for an employment application.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

June 15	Seminarian Education Fund
	St. Vincent de Paul
June 22	Mission Cooperative
	Building Fund
June 29	Disaster Relief

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Weekly Estimated Expenses	\$	10,358.66
Weekly Collection June 7/8	\$	7,822.00
Religious Education	\$	327.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	177.00
Building Fund	\$	1,240.00
Building & Renovations Fund	\$	2,880.00
Seminarian Education Fund	\$	242.00
Disaster Relief	\$	182.00
Mission Cooperative	\$	152.00