

THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

Mother Church of the Catholic Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama



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July 20, 2025 • Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass Schedule

Saturday Anticipated 5:00pm (cantor)
Sunday 7:15am (quiet), 8:30am (incense), 11:00am (choir/incense)
Monday-Friday 12:10pm

Confession/Reconciliation (happily by appointment at unscheduled times)
Monday-Friday 11:30am to 12:00pm • Sat. 3:00 to 4:30pm

Anointing of the Sick

For those who have reached the use of reason and are in danger of death from sickness or old age. Anointing is ordinarily preceded by Confession. Contact a priest. In emergencies, call anytime and select the emergency option.

Baptism

The Church instructs parents to seek baptism for their child within the first few weeks after birth. First-time parents ordinarily must attend a pre-baptismal class. Contact the office, preferably during the pregnancy, to make the arrangements. Godparents must meet Church requirements.

Holy Matrimony

Contact the Wedding Coordinator at least six months in advance. Subject to the Cathedral's wedding guidelines (on web site) and Diocesan policies.

Funerals and Columbarium

Contact the office prior to making arrangements with the funeral home. To learn more about the columbarium including costs, call the office.

Inquirers about the Catholic Faith

If you are visiting us and would like to learn more about becoming Catholic, please contact Blake Jaubert, Director of Faith Formation (see →).

Livestreaming of Liturgies

On special occasions only: schedule at <http://stpaulsbhm.org/livestream>.



Saint Stephen the Martyr Chapel

1515 12th Ave S • Birmingham, AL 35205
(205) 933-2500 • <http://www.stsbhm.org>

Very Rev. Bryan Jerabek, Chaplain • fatherjerabek@stpaulsbhm.org
Mrs. Bernadette Elder, Campus Minister • bernadette@stephenthemartyr.com

3:30pm Confession/Adoration

Tuesday 11:30am-12:00pm 1st Mass followed by Meal in Social Hall
Thursday 5:00pm Confession/Adoration 6:00pm Mass

The Student Lounge & Chapel are open daily from 9:00am-4:00pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:00am to 3:00pm • (205) 251-1279

The Cathedral Shoppe (gift shop)

Sunday 9:30am to 1:00pm • First Wednesday 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Inquiries/appointments – TheCathedralShoppe@gmail.com

The Cathedral Shoppe is located on the lower level of the Cathedral Life Center (CLC).

Cathedral Contacts (with extensions and/or email when applicable)

Pastor & Rector:	Very Rev. Bryan W. Jerabek, J.C.L. x103 – fatherjerabek@stpaulsbhm.org
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PSR Coordinator:	NOW HIRING – dre@stpaulsbhm.org
Youth/OCIA/Adult Ed:	NOW HIRING
Event Coordinator:	Mrs. Sophia Gagnon, x109 – sophia@stpaulsbhm.org
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Wedding Coordinator:	Mrs. Megan Wyatt, x116 – weddings@stpaulsbhm.org
Director of Music:	Mr. Bruce Ludwick, x107 – ludwick@stpaulsbhm.org
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The Cathedral is on social media!

Facebook:	http://facebook.com/stpaulsbhm
Instagram:	http://instagram.com/stpaulsbhm
Telegram:	http://t.me/stpaulsbhm
YouTube:	http://youtube.com/@stpaulsbhm
LinkedIn:	http://linkedin.com/company/stpaulsbhm





The Cathedral Shoppe

A fundraiser of the CATHEDRAL ALTAR SODALITY

LOCATION

CATHEDRAL LIFE CENTER

SUMMER HOURS

Each SUNDAY 9:30am-1pm

[FIRST WEDNESDAY EVENING HOURS RESUME IN SEPTEMBER]

NEED SOMETHING MONDAY-FRIDAY? Contact the Cathedral Office 8am-3pm

Baptismal Preparation

The Baptismal Preparation Class is at 9:45am in the Parish Office. The schedule for 2025 is August 10th, October 12th, and December 14th. Please call the office to sign up and for more information before your baby is born!

First Light Shelter for Homeless Women and Children

DID YOU KNOW that volunteers from the Cathedral provide dinner to the women and children at First Light one week every other month throughout the year? We invite you to share the love of Christ with those in need. The next opportunity to serve is August 10-16, 2025. For more details, please reach out to Kristy Cobb at kristycobb@ymail.com.

RELIQUARY

July Saint Relics feature some super special ancients: Anne, the mother of Our Lady; Priscilla and Aquila, the helpers of Paul; Mary Magdalen and the apostle James (brother of John). We also have Bonaventure, Vincent de Paul and Camillus de Lellis...and four of the seven Popes of July were also martyred!



Let's Remember a Priest Killed in the Line of Duty

Annual Father James E. Coyle Memorial Mass Celebrant, Bishop Steven J. Raica

Monday, August 11, 2025 at 10:00 A.M./C.T.

Followed by Reception and Reflections on Father Coyle
Cathedral of St. Paul · 2120 3rd Ave. North, Birmingham
Eternal Word Television Network to
Broadcast Mass Live Worldwide
205.447.8796 · www.fathercoyle.org

"Father Coyle was a martyr to duty"

The Rt. Rev. Edward Allen, Bishop of Mobile – 8/12/1921

A Winter Pilgrimage to Germany, Austria and Italy

with Father Bryan Jerabek

February 2 - 13, 2026

\$3496 + \$1190 roundtrip airfare from Birmingham

Join the Very Reverend Father Bryan Jerabek on the trip of a lifetime this winter to Germany, Austria and Italy. With overnight stays in Bavaria, Salzburg, Padua, Assisi and Rome, you can expect to be awestruck by the beauty and magnificence of places so near and dear to our Catholic faith. Featuring a daily program that prioritizes daily Mass, exploration of some of Europe's greatest cities - such as Venice, Salzburg, Loreto and Rome - a General Audience with the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV, and a uniquely crafted Catholic itinerary, and you have the trip of a lifetime. The package features four-star hotels, private coach transportation, a highly trained Catholic ProRome tour manager, exclusive private tours and so much more. Everything is included in the cost except one daily meal. For more information or to register, please visit www.prorometours.com/birmingham2026 or contact ProRome Tours directly at (434) 953 1112 or by email at office@prorome.com

PSR Registration Open

We are now taking registrations for the Parish School of Religion (PSR) for 2025-2026! All children from 4K through 12th grade are welcomed to participate. Find the full schedule and more information online at <https://stpaulsbhm.org/education/psr/>. The downloadable schedule also includes the dates for next June's "Catholic Kids Week", first confessions, first communion, and more. Registration is online at <https://tinyurl.com/psr2526>.

PSR Kickoff Dinner

The PSR Kickoff Dinner has been scheduled for Monday, August 25, 2025 at 5:30pm in the Cathedral Life Center (CLC) Great Hall! You can RSVP while signing up for PSR. This free family meal is a great opportunity for your children to meet their catechists, for parents to hear from Fr. Jerabek and the PSR Coordinator, and to enjoy some fellowship before the formation year begins!

Aides/Substitutes Needed

As we soon conclude our process of hiring a new PSR Coordinator, we want to complete our roster of Classroom Aides and Substitute Catechists for the new faith formation year. If you feel called by the Lord to help the parish and our children in one of these roles, please contact Father Jerabek at fatherjerabek@stpaulsbhm.org to discuss the possibilities.

OCIA Calendar Published

We are looking forward to a new OCIA year, starting on the Wednesday after Labor Day – September 3! This year, Father Merrill, our new priest in residence, will also be helping teach many classes. All are welcome to this class, including those who are already Catholic, those who are not Catholic but are interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith, and those who are not Catholic and are already sure they want to convert! For more information, contact ocia@stpaulsbhm.org. Visit our OCIA page for the full schedule: <https://stpaulsbhm.org/education/ocia/>.

The Knightly News...

Fr. James E. Coyle

Council #9862



Interested in learning more about the benefits of joining the Knights of Columbus?

Please visit www.KOC9862.org or contact Andrew Maenza at 205-527-0192.

We are a group of dedicated men who are joined together by faith and community support.

SNACK BAGS FOR OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED

Please consider helping us by donating snack bags for our Neighbors in Need! Our Snack Bag Ministry is a great opportunity for individuals, families and parish groups to participate in our effort to serve the 75-100 people who come to us each week for food. Please call the office for more information. Thank you! WE ARE ALWAYS SO APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!

Nazareth House is in need of adult volunteers on Saturday mornings from 9:45-11:45 during the school year at Saint Francis parish. Nazareth House is a diocesan apostolate with persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities and provides religious education and liturgy. Related experience in an area such as special education, speech therapy, behavioral therapy, or previous experience as a catechist with learners with disabilities is required. A stipend is available. For more information or to apply, please contact Sarah Houser sawisely@gmail.com.

\$1M MATCH TO SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND ANNOUNCED

There is an annual diocesan second collection for the Seminarian Education Fund in early August – but for many years now, we have made this a MONTHLY second collection at the Cathedral of Saint Paul as a special show of our support for diocesan priestly vocations. Bishop Raica recently announced that a generous benefactor has pledged a matching gift of up to one million dollars for all gifts received in 2025! These funds go toward paying the tuition and fees, books, insurance, and other expenses connected with the formation of our 21 diocesan seminarians – which includes three men from the Cathedral and two who participated in campus ministry at St. Stephen's! We thank all our parishioners who contribute monthly to this important need (on the second Sunday of each month), and we encourage everyone to be especially generous as we continue through 2025, to help the Diocese reach the threshold for the complete matching gift! Those wishing to make a special gift apart from our monthly collection may do so via this secure online form:

<https://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/3272ead4-9784-41ed-a8c8-5a6090657d6d>

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The next **Magnificat Breakfast** will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows in the Parish Hall on Saturday, August 23, from 9:30a-12:30p. Our speaker, Harriet Cloud, is a centenarian and a member of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish. Come hear how Harriet's life has been enriched by her Catholic faith and given her guidance for accepting the problems and joys that occurred in all aspects of her life. A Ticket is \$20 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 August 17th.

Planning a trip to Rome?

If you are thinking of a trip to Rome soon or during the **2025 Jubilee Year**, you may wish to consider staying in a lovely and comfortable apartment with all modern conveniences near the Vatican. During your time there you can also avail yourselves of private tours of Ancient Rome, Christian Rome, the Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. For more information, please call the Cathedral office at 251-1279.

Is God calling you to become a Lay Dominican?

Did you know that Birmingham has a Lay Dominican chapter? Adult men and women who have been Sacramental Catholics for at least two years are invited to learn about the Dominican Laity and see if this is where God may be calling you. The pillars of Lay Dominican life center around prayer, study, apostolate (sharing our faith with others in ways appropriate to the laity), and community (monthly meetings on Sunday afternoons in Birmingham). As lay members of the Dominican Order, we are drawn together by the love of St. Dominic, and invite you to consider joining us! To learn more, contact Amanda Lang, chapter president, at justin.amanda.lang@gmail.com.

This week please remember in your prayers the sick, the shut-ins and hospitalized, especially: Calvin Rumph, Betsy Lee, Vickie Lombardo, Russell Segui, Matthew Gubenski, Jr., Phillip Ratliff, Gail Stone, Alicia Fisher, Don Yeakle, Mary Kaye Gubenski, Barbara Miller, Michael Miller, Cora Duvall, Myrtle King, Jane Hulsey, Frances Diliberto, Trudy Musulman, Margaret Beard, Chizuru Elliot, David Goodwin, Laura Vogtle, Carol Sansone, David Juarez, Jim Howell, Kevin Kavanaugh, James Woodworth, Pauline Fiorella, Lance Cockerham, David Gauntt, Dan Luehrs, Veronica Dent, Penelope Hauenstein, Phillip LaSusa, Mary Ann Hurst, Isabella Priola, Justin Tribble, Brian Hill, Steve Hill, Joseph Coleman, Jace Bace, Henry Hardin, Cathy Burford, Taylor Joiner, Brian Sullivan, Charles Gardner, Kirsten & Ed Burdick, Melissa Breland, Nancy Golson Smith, Steve Calvert, Frances Naro, Julie McLean, Terri Burch, Mason Harder, Lisa Bender, Sandra Houston, Emily Gunter, Will Gayton, Theresa Pavesic, Risa Maier, Anthony Leipert, Bill Hulsey, Joseph Johnson, Joey Giangrosso, Jerome Cravey, Baker Mauer, Jennifer Manley, Linda Boggan, Nicholas Landry, Pamela Dewberry, Sherri Miles, Dorothy Smith, Lisa Tucker, Shirley Sutton, Eve Moore, John Birk, Kimberly Buck, Adeline & Don Williams, Adele Eades, Michael Gollehon, Jack Bisson, Anika Smith, Ralph Thompson, Janet Joseph, Suzanne Miles, Jessica Jones, Michael Howell, Tony Traficante, Carrie Towle, Sam Moore, An Nguyen, Maureen Angelini, Thomas Perna, Jr., Suzanne Dillon, Kayla Garraway, Doris Robertson, Jon Serio, Bonnie Godhigh, Susannah Blackstone, Dee Bissett, Dolly Carroll, Nina Youngblood, Robbie Roy, Leah Jane Rovey, Candice Boyland, Brandon Fisher, Mary Ann Johnson, Hans Lang, Anna DeLeon, Patrick Coyle, Kayla Perry, Addison Cox, as well as all those who have died, especially Gloria Bittner.

Let us pray for all of our parish family members who have been deployed.

Cathedral Week at a Glance, July 20-27

Sunday, July 20	Monday, July 21	Tuesday, July 22	Wednesday, July 23	Thursday, July 24	Friday, July 25	Saturday, July 26	Sunday, July 27
7:15am Mass -Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	3:45pm Confessions-Cathedral	7:15am Mass -Cathedral
8:30am Mass -Cathedral	12:10pm Mass--Cathedral	12:10pm Mass--Cathedral	12:10pm Mass--Cathedral	12:10pm Mass--Cathedral	12:10pm Mass--Cathedral	5:00pm Mass -Cathedral	8:30am Mass -Cathedral
11:00am Mass -Cathedral							11:00am Mass -Cathedral

Mass Intentions

Mon, July 21	12:10pm	Teresa Soto +
Tue, July 22	12:10pm	Veronica Hill
Wed, July 23	12:10pm	Mary Caroline Jansen
Thur, July 24	12:10pm	Daniel Payne +
Fri, July 25	9:00am	Jonathan Piola
Sat, July 26	5:00pm	Walter Drey
Sun, July 27	7:15am	Clergy Intention
	8:30am	Sukiennik Family
	11:00am	For the people

	Sacristans	Lectors	Servers	Sanctuary Cleaning
Sat, July 26 5:00pm	Alessio Family	G Zarzaur	Ludwick Family	Week of July 27
Sun, July 27 7:15am	E Kuhn	N Keller	Ruiz Family	Linens
Sun, July 27 8:30am	R Coffield	L Bishop	Campbell Family H Shannon R Botta Burkel Family L Dye D Adams E Bledsoe	Week of July 27
Sun, July 27 11:00am	J Bornemann	T Henderson	Hooks Family W Hungerpiller A Perez	M Masny

To donate to the Cathedral using Venmo, scan this QR code with your phone:



PARISH REGISTRATION

Please remember, children are considered members with their parents until they turn 18 years old. Once they are 18, it is their responsibility to attend church and to register as a member independent of their parents. What a great way to honor their 18th birthday! This is very important when they want to schedule a wedding where registration is required for the bride or groom (and not the parents!). Use the form below or contact the office for more information on registering with the Cathedral!

WeShare Online Giving:
<https://stpaulsbhm.churchgiving.com>



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Scan the QR code and get started!

PARISHIONER UPDATE

If you are 18 years of age or older, attend the Cathedral on a regular basis, and have not registered; or, if you have had an address or telephone number change: we ask you to complete the following and drop it in the offertory basket or bring it by the office. If you are a new parishioner, a census form will be mailed or emailed to you. If you are not Catholic, but are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please check "O.C.I.A."

Name _____

____ New Parishioner

Address _____

____ O.C.I.A.

____ Leaving Parish

E-Mail _____

____ Address Change

Home# _____ Work# _____