

THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

Mother Church of the Catholic Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama



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November 16, 2025 • The Thirty-third 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 Fox Garon, OCIA Director (see →).

Visits to the Sick & Homebound

We would love to know about all who need a visit! Contact Susan Fay at susan@stpaulsbhm.org or call (205) 251-1279 x245 to make arrangements.



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

Sunday 3:15pm Confession/Adoration
4:00pm Student Mass followed by Meal in Social Hall
Tuesday 7:00pm Confession/Praise Holy Hour & Benediction
Thursday 5:00pm Confession/Holy Hour • 6:00pm Daily Mass

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

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
Parish Secretary:	Mrs. Krista Rataj, x100 – krista@stpaulsbhm.org
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PSR Coordinator:	Mrs. Margaret Masny, x108 – psr@stpaulsbhm.org
Youth/OCIA/Adult Ed:	Mr. Fox Garon, x109 – ocia@stpaulsbhm.org
Event Coordinator:	Mrs. Sophia Gagnon – sophia@stpaulsbhm.org
Sick & Homebound:	Mrs. Susan Fay, x245 – susan@stpaulsbhm.org
Fraternus (Boys/Men):	Mr. Charles Rumore – fraternuscommanderbh@gmail.com
High School Girls' Group:	Miss Cecilia Fay – ceciliafay16@gmail.com
Young Adults:	Miss Katelyn Yaeger – youngadults@stpaulsbhm.org
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

Prepare the Way of the LORD!

ADVENT Candles • Wreaths • Stickers

Books • Beautiful CHRISTMAS Items!



❖ First Sunday of Advent — 11/30 ❖

LOCATION

CATHEDRAL LIFE CENTER

LOWER LEVEL

HOURS

Each SUNDAY 9:30am-1pm

First WEDNESDAY 5:30-7pm

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

Cathedral Adult Education

Our Adult Education Series continues Sun, November 23rd with Sr. Madeline Marie, SsEW presenting *Lectio Divina through Art*. Please join us at 9:45am in the Multipurpose Room. All are welcome to attend and bring a friend!

First Light Shelter for Homeless Women and Children

Did you know that volunteers from the Cathedral prepare and serve dinner to the women and children at First Light for one week every other month? It's a meaningful way to share the love of Christ with those in need. Our next opportunity to serve is **December 14-20, 2025**. If you're interested in helping or would like more information, please contact **Kristy Cobb** at kristycobb@ymail.com.

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!

VISITS TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

We want to be sure that we are reaching all of our parishioners who may be sick or homebound. If you or another parishioner you know meet that description, please drop us a line so that we can make sure you are on our list! Feel free to email Susan Fay, our Sick & Homebound Coordinator, at susan@stpaulsbhm.org, or call (205) 251-1279 and speak with Krista in the office. Thank you!

2026 CATHOLIC CHARITIES GOAL

The Diocese has announced our Parish goal. And we are already at \$115,012 of \$192,000. Please consider how much you may pledge this year! Thank you! With many gifts and good parish participation, we will meet this goal. Pledge payments will not begin until January and you will receive a monthly statement. You should be receiving your personal pledge cards in the mail very soon. Thank you for your ongoing support of Diocesan Catholic Charities!

OCIA Calendar Published

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.

Please sign up here to help with meals:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4DAFA62CA0FA7-57987246-ocia#/>

ADVENT WREATH WORKSHOP & BLESSING

Mothers, Daughters, & All Ladies Welcome







Come make your own fresh Advent wreath!

\$40 PER WREATH

SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 29, 2025
1:30 TO 4:30 PM

DESSERTS, SNACKS,
WINE, & OTHER
BEVERAGES SERVED

RESERVE YOUR
SPOT TODAY



DECEMBER ADVENT WREATH EVENT FOR ALL LADIES, INCLUDING MOTHERS & DAUGHTERS

We are excited to announce an upcoming Ladies' event for making live Advent wreaths! It will take place in the CLC on the afternoon of Saturday, November 29, so that your wreath will be ready for the First Sunday of Advent — the next day! The cost is \$40 per wreath and registration is limited to 25 adult ladies. This fun event will include refreshments and all the materials needed to make a beautiful wreath for one's home. In the case of mother/daughter registrations, it is understood that they will work on one wreath together, not two separate ones. To sign up, please scan the QR code in the graphic or visit <https://tinyurl.com/2025WreathEventSignup>. Then, to pay your \$40 fee, visit <https://tinyurl.com/2025WreathEventPayment>. Ladies who intend to bring (a) daughter(s) may indicate so while RSVPing. Please note that childcare is unavailable.



Angel Tree for our
Neighbors in Need this Christmas!

Please help us with gift card donations for
the Catholic Center of Concern,
First Light Shelter Women's Shelter,
as well as the Fraternity Poor of Jesus Christ.
We encourage all to please bring the gift cards to
the Church office by Dec. 1st.

It is also possible for gift cards to be dropped in the
weekend collection; however, please do not leave
them under the tree. Thank you for your generosity
this holiday season!

Please know there are no limits to this appeal.
You may donate gift cards to Walmart, Target, Big
Lots, Dollar General, Roses, Burger King, McDon-
alds even if you don't take an ornament
from our tree!



The Knightly News...

Fr. James E. Coyle Council #9862



Interested in learning more about the benefits of joining the Knights of Columbus? Please visit: <https://uknight.org/CouncilSite/about.asp?CNO=9862> or contact Andrew Maenza at 205-527-0192. We are a group of dedicated men who are joined together by faith and community support.

NOVEMBER RELICS

If you haven't heard of the mystic stigmatic Lucia Brocadelli of Narnia, look her up! There's also King Edmund along with Justus of England, sent by Gregory the Great to convert pagans. Gregory III is also included along with other notables: Zachary, Elizabeth and their holy son; the apostle Andrew, John of the Cross, Charles Borromeo, Martin of Tours and many more, male and female, young and old!

Cathedral Altar Sodality

The next Altar Sodality meeting is November 18th at 10:00am in the Multipurpose Room! Please join us the third Tuesday of each month. New members are most welcome and needed! **The Cathedral Altar Sodality**-we work, we pray, we enjoy our time together as friends! Please join us!

MOMS & SMALLS

All moms and their little ones unborn through age 6 are invited to come to the nursery in the Cathedral Life Center (lower level – enter through 22nd street driveway gate and then go through sunken courtyard) on Tuesday mornings from 10:00am to 11:30am for fellowship, support, and sharing! The meeting will end with a brief prayerful visit to the church. Moms may contact Sophia Gagnon at sophia@stpaulsbhm.org for more details and to be added to the group chat.

High School Girls' Book Study

Our High School Girls' Book Study continues each week with Miss Cecilia Fay leading it this semester! All high school girls are welcome. The group meets on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:15pm in the undercroft. For more information, contact Cecilia at ceciliefay16@gmail.com or by call/text at 205-855-8766.

CATHEDRAL YOUTH GROUP

All youth are invited on Sunday evenings at 5:00pm! Your children are welcome to invite their Catholic friends from neighboring parishes to participate (as long as they are middle school or high school aged). For more information about the youth group, go to <https://stpaulsbhm.org/education/youth-groups/>. Also, you can click on the words "THIS LINK" on that page to add your email to our mailing list and so receive timely updates!

11th Annual Simbang Gabi Celebration

The Filipino Catholic Community of the Diocese of Birmingham warmly invites everyone to join the 11th Annual Simbang Gabi, a beloved Advent tradition honoring Christ's birth through nine beautiful evening Masses and fellowship. Hosted by St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Hoover, this celebration brings together families, friends, and parishes across the diocese to prepare joyfully for Christmas. See the flyer for the detailed Simbang Gabi 2025 – Schedule of Liturgies. All parishioners and friends are welcome to attend any of the nine Masses. Join us in celebrating faith, culture, and community as we journey together in anticipation of Christmas. For more information, please contact: **Gabriel Sapalaran**, 205-612-5938, gsapalaran88@gmail.com or **Michael Tabuena** 205-213-5126.

REQUESTING MASS INTENTIONS



IT IS NOW POSSIBLE TO REQUEST MASS INTENTIONS ONLINE!

Thanks to the automations provided by our online giving platform, WeShare, we are now able to offer a form for you to request your Mass intentions, including requesting a Mass card if desired, and also pay the stipend for your request! Simply visit <https://stpaulsbhm.org/massintentions> to learn more about this tradition and follow the link to the online form from there. Of course, we always welcome your phone calls and visits to the office, and the "old fashioned" way of requesting Masses remains! But we know this new method will be of convenience for many.

Baptismal Preparation

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

Attention Parishioners! If you would like contribution envelopes for 2026, please contact us as soon as possible. We have only 60 sets ordered for next year. We will issue on a first come/first serve basis. Thank you!

There are Offertory Envelopes for Children available in the Cathedral office. Please contact us or come by if you'd like a set.

This week please remember in your prayers the sick, the shut-ins and hospitalized, especially: Lois Daidone, Betty Spotswood, Mark McCoy, Dakota Anderson, Caren Kavanaugh, Doug Neil, Margaret Beard, Luke Waldrop, Betty Gadilhe, Michael Howell, Merrellyn Alexander, Donald Delisle, Annie Marino, Craig Porter, John Glass, Harvey Little, Michael Naro, Betsy Lee, Vickie Lombardo, Russell Segui, Phillip Ratliff, Gail Stone, Alicia Fisher, Don Yeakle, Jane and Bill Hulsey, Frances Diliberto, Trudy Musulman, Chizuru Elliot, Laura Vogtle, Carol Sansone, David Juarez, Kevin Kavanaugh, James Woodworth, David Gauntt, Veronica Dent, Penelope Hauenstein, Phillip LaSusa, Mary Ann Hurst, Justin Tribble, Joseph Coleman, Jace Bace, Henry Hardin, Cathy Burford, Taylor Joiner, Charles Gardner, Kirsten & Ed Burdick, Melissa Breland, Frances Naro, Julie McLean, Mason Harder, Lisa Bender, Sandra Houston, Emily Gunter, Will Gayton, Joseph Johnson, Joey Giangrosso, Jerome Cravey, Baker Mauer, Jennifer Manley, Linda Boggan, Nicholas Landry, Pamela Dewberry, Sherri Miles, Lisa Tucker, Shirley Sutton, Eve Moore, John Birk, Kimberly Buck, Adeline & Don Williams, Adele Eades, Michael Gollehon, Anika Smith, Ralph Thompson, Janet Joseph, Jessica Jones, Carrie Towle, An Nguyen, Maureen Angelini, Thomas Perna, Jr., Kayla Garraway, Doris Robertson, Jon Serio, Susannah Blackstone, Dee Bissett, Dolly Carroll, Nina Youngblood, 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.

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

Cathedral Week at a Glance, November 16-23

Sunday, November 16	Monday, November 17	Tuesday, November 18	Wednesday, November 19	Thursday, November 20	Friday, November 21	Saturday, November 22	Sunday, November 23
7:15am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	10:00am Moms & Smalls- <i>CLC</i> <i>and</i>	11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	3-4:30pm Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	7:15am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>
8:30am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	Altar Sodality- <i>CLC</i>	12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	5:00pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	8:30am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>
9:45am PSR & Ad Ed- <i>CLC</i>		11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	5:15pm Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>				9:45am PSR & Ad Ed- <i>CLC</i>
11:00am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>		12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	4:00pm Children's Choir <i>Office</i>				11:00am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>
12:15pm YA Bible Study- <i>CLC</i>			6:00pm OCIA- <i>CLC</i>				12:15pm YA Bible Study- <i>CLC</i>
5:00pm Youth Group- <i>CLC</i>			6:30pm Fraternus- <i>CLC</i>				5:00pm Youth Group- <i>CLC</i>
			HS Ladies- <i>Undercroft</i> Choir- <i>Office</i>				

Mass Intentions

Mon, Nov. 17	12:10pm	Frank Ranelli +
Tue, Nov. 18	12:10pm	Camellia Rumore +
Wed, Nov. 19	12:10pm	Cathy Sellers +
Thur, Nov. 20	12:10pm	Florence Martignoni +
Fri, Nov. 21	12:10pm	Frank Zeller +
Sat, Nov. 22	5:00pm	Joan & Jack Mangan +
Sun, Nov. 23	7:15am	Daniel Payne +
	8:30am	Clergy Intention
	11:00am	For the people

	Sacristans	Lectors	Servers	Sanctuary Cleaning
Sat, Nov. 22 5:00pm	N Lett	J Pinto	S Withrow	Week of Nov. 23
Sun, Nov. 23 7:15am	B Doran	N Keller	Payne Family	Linens
Sun, Nov. 23 8:30am	R Coffield	J Masny	Masny Family Grant Family H Shannon H Joiner P Bentley	Week of Nov. 23
Sun, Nov. 23 11:00am	H Meyers	P Jett	Hooks Family Scalero Family	R Lee

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>



It's Safe. It's Simple. It's Convenient!
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# _____