

THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

Mother Church of the Catholic Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama



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February 8, 2026 • Fifth 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 6:30am & 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.



Facebook/Instagram:
[bhmcatholic/bhm.catholic](https://www.facebook.com/bhmcatholic)

St. Stephen the Martyr Chapel

BHM Catholic Campus Ministry

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Very Rev. Bryan W. Jerabek, Chaplain
fatherjerabek@stpaulsbhm.org

Rev. Jacob E. Ntoko, Parochial Vicar for Campus Ministry
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
Parochial Vicar:	Rev. Jacob E. Ntoko (primarily Campus Ministry)
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Permanent Deacons:	Rev. Mr. Wally Zieverink Rev. Mr. Gerald Zukaukas – gjzdeacon@bellsouth.net Rev. Mr. E. Lee Robinson – eeler2000@outlook.com
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 – fraternuscommander@stpaulsbhm.org
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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Facilities Manager:	Mr. Nathan Gagnon, x131 – facilities@stpaulsbhm.org
Housekeeping:	Mrs. Kelleigh Taylor

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
LOWER LEVEL

HOURS

Each SUNDAY 9:30am-1pm
First WEDNESDAY 5:30-7pm

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

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 ceciliafa-y16@gmail.com or by call/text at 205-855-8766.

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 opportunities to serve are **February 8-14, April 12-18, and June 14-20, 2026**. 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! **We are also always in need of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to visit our parishioners. Is God calling you to serve the parish and our fellow parishioners in this way?** 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!

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#/>

The Office of Vocations is hosting a Priesthood Discernment Weekend February 20-22, 2026, at Casa Maria Retreat Center in Birmingham. Father Kurt R. Young, Vice-Rector at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans, will lead this weekend of prayer, talks, and fellowship for men discerning a call to priesthood. Father Wyman Vinton, Vicar for Vocations, will be present and available to answer questions about discernment, the application process, and seminary life. This weekend experience is for men ages 18-35. The event is free, but registration is required.

February Relics

Of course we have a relic of St. Valentine on the 14th...and many more! There are several virgins: Agatha, Scholastica, Eulalua and Gemma. Three popes: Gregory II and X and Felix III. The apostle Matthew on the 24th and King Richard of England on the 7th as well as several others that are well known. But here are two to look up: John de Goto of Nagasaki and Porphyry of Gaza.

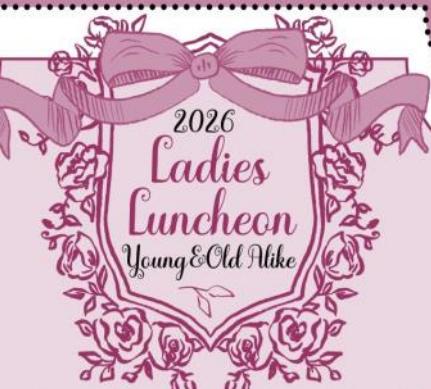


Cultivate: A Gathering For Prayer, Community, and Mission

Brought to you by the Birmingham Community of Mission, Young Catholic Professionals, and the Cathedral of St. Paul

Saturday, February 21, 2026
10:30 AM - 8:00 PM
Cathedral of St. Paul

Register Now
focus.org/cultivate-birmingham



Mothers & Grandmothers • Daughters & Granddaughters
Aunts & Nieces • Sisters & Friends

SATURDAY • MARCH 7

10 AM • 11 TO 12:30PM
VISIT THE CATHEDRAL SHOPPE • LUNCH & PROGRAM



FEATURED SPEAKER
Amy Welborn

\$15/GUEST
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CONTACT

Krista Radaj

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OFFICE TO REGISTER
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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.

SAVE THE DATE

March 17, 2026

Cathedral Altar Sodality

Third Annual Lenten Day of Reflection

Casa Maria Retreat Center

Irondale, Alabama

9:00am - 2:30pm

Speaker: **Fr. Cecil Spotswood**

To register, please bring cash/check (made out to the Cathedral Altar Sodality) to the Cathedral office \$35.00 (includes lunch)

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!

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.

FRATERNUS

The Cathedral Fraternus Chapter is open to **all men and boys starting in the 5th grade**. The Chapter will meet every week on Wednesday evenings in the Cathedral Life Center from 6:30-8:30 PM. We share a meal, engage in a recreational activity, have prayer time, study the weekly Scripture and have small-group discussions to include such topics as: Integrity, Courage, Chastity, Honesty, Charity, Service, etc.

For more information, please go to www.Fraternus.net or email Charles Rumore at fraternuscommanderbh@ gmail.com

Seven Sisters Apostolate

It is a privilege to pray for our priests! Seven Sisters Apostolate has a mission to pray for individual priests in small groups of only seven. Each woman chooses a different day of the week and offers one Holy Hour. Thus, the priest receives a Holy Hour every day. It is a blessing for the priest and the intercessor! Learn more by contacting Kathy Paffumi, Diocesan Coordinator of Seven Sisters at 205-266-9687.

Cathedral Bell Ringers

Join the St. Paul Cathedral Bell Ringers—no experience needed! St. Paul's is Alabama's only church with a dedicated bell tower, featuring historic bells cast by the same foundry as the Liberty Bell and Big Ben. Interested? Meet us Sundays after 11am Mass or Mondays 6:30-8pm, or contact Amy (akbischoff@gmail.com) or Christopher (cgerety3@gmail.com) for details.

Cathedral Adult Education

Our Adult Education Series continues Sun, February 22nd with Fr. Charles Merrill presenting **Faith, Hope, Charity and Salvation**. Please join us at 9:45am in the Multipurpose Room. All are welcome to attend and bring a friend!

The Padre Pio Prayer group of Birmingham, Alabama, will meet at St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church on Saturday, February 21st! We will have MASS in the chapel at 9am, followed by Exposition, Rosary, prayers to Padre Pio and Benediction! Fr. Patrick Mary, MFVA will be with us to lead us in prayer. ALL ARE WELCOME! We meet Monthly - 3rd Saturdays - 9am ! For more information, contact Angela Kolar at angkolar@att.net. "Pray, Hope, and Don't Worry!" Padre Pio... pray for us!

NURSERY CARE

As part of our Adult Education and PSR programs (Sundays 9:45-10:45am), we offer nursery care for those who would like to attend the talks and for those who teach PSR. Please consider volunteering in the nursery once a month. For more information or to sign up, please contact Emily LaSusa emlasusa@gmail.com or Margaret Masny psr@stpaulsbhm.org

THE SAINT THÉRÈSE GIRLS' SODALITY

St. Therese Sodality is a group of girls dedicated to the care of the sanctuary. The members are ages 7 and up (must have made First Holy Communion). Our next meeting is February 19th at 6:30pm. Please contact Margaret Masny at psr@stpaulsbhm.org for more information.

Baptismal Preparation

Baptismal Preparation Classes are at 9:45am in the Parish Office. The schedule for 2026 is now set: February 8th, April 12th, June 14th, August 9th, October 18th, and December 13th. Please call the office to sign up and for more information before your baby is born!

This week please remember in your prayers the sick, the shut-ins and hospitalized, especially: Donald Delisle, Michael Naro, Roger Whatley, Isaac Payne, Patrick Hemme, Taylor Joiner, Robert and Roman Haynes, Dcn. Wally Zieverink, Rose Marie Fiorella, Mary Kaye Gubenski, Lois Daidone, Betty Spotswood, Dakota Anderson, Caren Kavanaugh, Doug Neil, Margaret Beard, Michael Howell, Annie Marino, Craig Porter, John Glass, Harvey Little, 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, 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, February 8-15

Sunday, February 8	Monday, February 9	Tuesday, February 10	Wednesday, February 11	Thursday, February 12	Friday, February 13	Saturday, February 14	Sunday, February 15
7:15am Mass- Cathedral	6:30am Mass-Cathedral	6:30am Mass-Cathedral	6:30am Mass-Cathedral	6:30am Mass-Cathedral	6:30am Mass-Cathedral	3:00pm Confessions-Cathedral	7:15am Mass- Cathedral
8:30am Mass- Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	10:00am Moms & Smalls-CLC	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	5:00pm Mass-Cathedral	8:30am Mass- Cathedral
9:45am PSR & Ad Ed-CLC	12:10pm Mass-- Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	4:00pm Children's Choir -Office	12:10pm Mass-- Cathedral	12:10pm Mass-- Cathedral		9:45am PSR & Ad Ed-CLC
11:00am Mass-Cathedral		12:10pm Mass-- Cathedral	5:15pm Confessions-Cathedral				11:00am Mass-Cathedral
			6:00pm OCIA-CLC				12:15pm YA Bible Study-CLC
			6:30pm Fraternus-CLC				
			HS Ladies-Undercroft				
			Choir-Office				5:00pm Youth Group-CLC

Mass Intentions

Mon, Feb. 9	6:30am	Special Intention
	12:10pm	Miriam & Sebastian
Tue, Feb. 10	6:30am	Randy Durham +
	12:10pm	Elizabeth Moates
Wed, Feb. 11	6:30am	Robert Johnson +
	12:10pm	E.K. Moates
Thur, Feb. 12	6:30am	Randy Blake +
	12:10pm	Rose Marie Ritz +
Fri, Feb. 13	6:30am	William Hughson Burr +
	12:10pm	Guy Louis Burns, Sr. +
Sat, Feb. 14	5:00pm	Lura Brown Fowlkes +
Sun, Feb. 15	7:15am	Clergy Intention
	8:30am	For the people
	11:00am	Mamie Camp Burr +

	Sacristans	Lectors	Servers	Sanctuary Cleaning
Sat, Feb. 14 5:00pm	N Lett	W Pryor	B Moore	<u>Week of Feb. 15</u> A Toole
Sun, Feb. 15 7:15am	B Doran	T Caltagirone	Ruiz Family	<u>Linens</u> <u>Week of Feb. 15</u> M Masny
Sun, Feb. 15 8:30am	R Coffield	T Leipert R Loveman	E Myrick R Bowron H Shannon Gravelle Family R Botta D Adams L Dye P Bentley	
Sun, Feb. 15 11:00am	H Meyers	P Jett M McCoy	Campbell Family M Rumore L Plaster J Uchaker	

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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!

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<https://stpaulsbhm.churchgiving.com>



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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.

E-Mail _____

____ Leaving Parish

Home# _____ Work# _____

____ Address Change