

# THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

Mother Church of the Catholic Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama

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## March 8, 2026 • Third Sunday of Lent

### 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](mailto: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**  
1515 12th Ave S • Birmingham, AL 35205  
(205) 933-2500 • <https://bhmcatholic.com>

Very Rev. Bryan W. Jerabek, Chaplain  
[fatherjerabek@stpaulsbhm.org](mailto:fatherjerabek@stpaulsbhm.org)

Rev. Jacob E. Ntoko, Parochial Vicar for Campus Ministry  
Mrs. Bernadette Elder, Campus Minister • [bernadette@stephenthemartyr.com](mailto: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](mailto: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.  
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Rev. Cecil Spotswood

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Rev. Mr. Gerald Zukauckas – [gjzdeacon@bellsouth.net](mailto:gjzdeacon@bellsouth.net)  
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**High School Girls' Group:** Miss Cecilia Fay – [ceciliafay16@gmail.com](mailto:ceciliafay16@gmail.com)

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**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>





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Lenten BOOKS & SACRAMENTAL ITEMS  
Easter BASKET FILLERS

OPEN following Friday Evening Stations of the Cross  
During Lenten Fish Fries on 3/13 & 3/27

LOCATION	HOURS
CATHEDRAL LIFE CENTER	Each SUNDAY • 9:30am-1pm
LOWER LEVEL	First WEDNESDAY • 5-7pm

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

### Cathedral Adult Education

Our Adult Education Series continues Sun, March 15th with James Dunnigan presenting *St. Peter and Discipleship*. Please join us at 9:45am in the Multipurpose Room. All are welcome to attend and bring a friend!

#### 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 [ceciliafay16@gmail.com](mailto:ceciliafay16@gmail.com) or by call/text at 205-855-8766.

#### 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 [emla-susa@gmail.com](mailto:emla-susa@gmail.com) or Margaret Masny [psr@stpaulsbhm.org](mailto:psr@stpaulsbhm.org)

#### March Relics

March may possibly be the greatest of all our relic cases! So be sure to visit and contemplate. Not only are there some of the greats: Thomas Aquinas, John of God, Dominic, Patrick AND Benedict...but apparently there's a bit of St. Joseph's robe and staff, and more astonishingly, a piece of the True Cross (is it to be believed? How blessed we are if it is true!!!)

#### 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](mailto: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](mailto:ocia@stpaulsbhm.org).

Please sign up here to help with meals:

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

### 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 **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](mailto:kristycobb@ymail.com).

#### 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 March 12th at 4:00pm in the Cathedral. Please contact Margaret Masny at [psr@stpaulsbhm.org](mailto:psr@stpaulsbhm.org) for more information.



*Lenten Day of Reflection*  
3.17.26 • 9am to 2:30pm  
Retreat Master  
Father Cecil Spotswood  
CASA MARIA RETREAT HOUSE • IRONDALE

To register, please bring cash or check  
(payable to the Cathedral Altar Sodality)  
to the Cathedral Office

**\$35/person—INCLUDES LUNCH**  
*Sponsored by the Cathedral Altar Sodality*

The 2026 Habitat for Humanity "Pope Leo Build" has begun! What a great way to participate in an act of charity this Lent by helping Raven and Amiryah Banks! Sign up at <https://hfhgb.volunteermatrix.com>, use Access Code stpaul26, and join your fellow parishioners on Saturday, March 21st at one or both of the two shifts available. The home is located at 1107 3rd Street, Pleasant Grove, AL 35127 (Lot 23). All skill levels are needed. Please feel free to contact Rosa Parrino at [rmparrino@gmail.com](mailto:rmparrino@gmail.com) or 205-566-5884 for any questions.

Lent is the time for fasting; but it's also time to send in candy for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! The Hunt works best when we hide LOTS of eggs everywhere! So, we need LOTS of candy! Please bring donations to the office or give to Margaret Masny at PSR/Adult Ed on Sunday. Thank you very much!!!!

#### 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!

## The Knightly News...

Fr. James E. Coyle Council #9862



*The Cathedral Knights invite the Parish to a Holy Hour and Confessions on Tuesday, March 10th with Fr. Jacob Ntoko. All are welcome in the Cathedral from 6:30-7:30pm.*

## Stations of the Cross — All Fridays of Lent 5:30pm in the Cathedral

### Friday, March 13 - CATHEDRAL CHOIR

Choral Stations of the Cross is a venerable and long-standing tradition at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, giving Cathedral Choir an opportunity to preview Holy Week repertoire in a prayerful environment that also aids the congregation's Lenten meditation.

Please join us for a Lenten Fish Fry sponsored by the Cathedral Knights on the following Fridays:  
March 13<sup>th</sup> and March 27<sup>th</sup>.

### LENTEN FASTING AND ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory **days of fasting and abstinence** for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms on **fasting** are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. Pregnant women and others for whom fasting would be perilous to their health are exempted. Those fasting are permitted to eat one full meal; two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning **abstinence** from meat are binding for all from age 14 onwards. Broths made from meat (as long as there are no pieces of meat in it) are permissible according to the letter of the law, though perhaps not fully coherent with its spirit. Vegetarians do well on days of abstinence to give up a certain food or dish that they regularly enjoy, since they already give up meat, not for penitential reasons, but as a way of life.

### 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](mailto:sophia@stpaulsbhm.org) for more details and to be added to the group chat.

### 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!

### Baptismal Preparation

*Baptismal Preparation Classes are at 9:45am in the Parish Office. The schedule for 2026 is now set: 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!*

### Registration for CKW is open!!!

Catholic Kids Week will be held June 8th-11th, from 9am -12pm, and is open for children who will be in 4K to 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall. We also welcome teen volunteers 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up, and adult volunteers! Please sign up for Catholic Kids Week using the QR codes below. We are looking forward to another wonderful week together as we learn about The Sacraments! Registration is open until May 18th!



Participant Registration  
<https://tinyurl.com/5n77nuxs>



Volunteer Registration  
<https://tinyurl.com/muxcf2wh>

### DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL THANK YOU & FINAL INVITATION

Thanks to your generosity, our parish has met and exceeded its goal of \$192,000 for the Diocesan Annual Appeal. We are grateful to the 135 households who have already participated. The overall diocesan goal of \$5.1M, however, has not yet been reached. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please consider doing so. Every gift — regardless of size — strengthens vital ministries in our diocese, including the Centers of Concern, Campus Ministry, Nazareth House, and Black and Hispanic Ministry. Participation matters. If even a few more households responded, it would be a powerful sign of our shared commitment to Christ's work in our diocese. To give, visit <https://catholiccharitiesbhm.org>. (NB: This supports our local diocese and is not affiliated with Catholic Charities USA.) Thank you for your continued generosity!

**This week please remember in your prayers the sick, the shut-ins and hospitalized, especially:** Angela Hulsey, Trudy Musulman, Vicki Sartain, Donald Delisle, Michael Naro, Roger Whately, 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, Frances Diliberto, 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, March 8-15

Sunday, March 8	Monday, March 9	Tuesday, March 10	Wednesday, March 11	Thursday, March 12	Friday, March 13	Saturday, March 14	Sunday, March 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	10:00am Shoppe opens-CLC	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	11:00am Sodality Luncheon-CLC	8:30am Mass- Cathedral
9:45am PSR & Ad Ed-CLC	12:10pm Mass-- Cathedral	11:30am Confessions-Cathedral	12:10pm Mass-- Cathedral	12:10pm Confessions-Cathedral	12:10pm Mass-- Cathedral	3:00pm Confessions-Cathedral	9:45am PSR & Ad Ed-CLC
11:00am Mass-Cathedral			-Office	Mass-- Cathedral	Mass-- Cathedral	Confessions-Cathedral	11:00am Mass-Cathedral
12:15pm YA Bible Study-CLC		12:10pm Mass-- Cathedral	5:15pm Confessions-Cathedral	4:00pm St. Therese Sodality-Cathedral	5:30pm Chora Stations Fish Fry--Cathedral/CLC	5:00pm Mass-Cathedral	12:15pm YA Bible Study-CLC
5:00pm Youth Group-CLC		6:30pm Confessions & Holy Hour-Cathedral	6:00pm OCIA-CLC 6:30pm Fraternus-CLC			*Blessing of Expectant Mothers at all Masses	5:00pm Youth Group-CLC

## Mass Intentions

<b>Mon, March 9</b>	6:30am 12:10pm	Miriam & Sebastian Special Intention
<b>Tue, March 10</b>	6:30am 12:10pm	Ellia Alcaino Charles Miller +
<b>Wed, March 11</b>	6:30am 12:10pm	Thomas Ward Alice Ahlstrom Muck +
<b>Thur, March 12</b>	6:30am 12:10pm	Gerald McKibben + Jane Burchfield Bates +
<b>Fri, March 13</b>	6:30am 12:10pm	Rochelle Anderson + Betty Gadilhe +
<b>Sat, March 14</b>	5:00pm	Mary Dominick +
<b>Sun, March 15</b>	7:15am 8:30am 11:00am	Clergy Intention Helena Bulanda & Helen Foksinka For the people

	Sacristans	Lectors	Servers	Sanctuary Cleaning-March 15
<b>Sat, March 14 5:00pm</b>	Alessio Family	V Nolen	Brueggen Family	<u>Linens</u> E Limbaugh
<b>Sun, March 15 7:15am</b>	E Fay	A Maiola	Ruiz Family	
<b>Sun, March 15 8:30am</b>	R Coffield	D Thirkill T Leipert	Hertz Family J Barranco H Shannon Madonia Family H Joiner T Flowers	<u>St. Therese Sodality</u> <u>March 12:</u> J Dye Herr Family A Masny E Uchaker
<b>Sun, March 15 11:00am</b>	J Martin	J Hooks T Henderson	Ludwick Family Bruno Family	

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!

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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 _____	_____ <i>New Parishioner</i>
Address _____	_____ <i>O.C.I.A.</i>
_____	_____ <i>Leaving Parish</i>
E-Mail _____	_____ <i>Address Change</i>
Home# _____	Work# _____