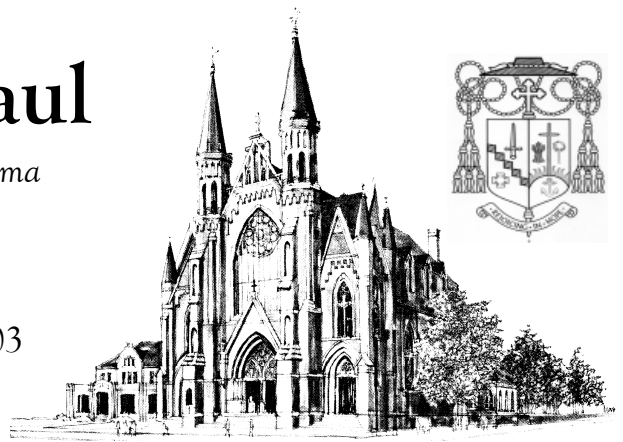


The Cathedral of Saint Paul

Mother Church of the Catholic Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama

Most Reverend Robert J. Baker, S.T.D., Bishop

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September 10, 2017 • The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass

Saturday 5:00pm (Anticipated)

Sunday 8:30am and 11:00am (Solemn Mass)

Weekdays 6:30am and 12:10pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (concludes with Benediction)

Friday 7:00am to 12:00pm & 12:45pm to 5:00pm, in chapel

Confession/Reconciliation

Monday–Friday 11:30am to 12:00pm

Saturday 3:00 to 4:00pm • *Other times by appointment*

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.

Baptism

The Church instructs parents to seek baptism for their child within the first few weeks after birth. Contact the office, preferably during the pregnancy, to make the arrangements.

Holy Matrimony

Contact the Wedding Coordinator at least 6 months in advance. Subject to the Cathedral's wedding guidelines.

Funerals and Columbarium

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

Parish Mailing Address

P.O. Box 10044 • Birmingham, Alabama 35202

Parish Office Hours

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

Staff List with Phone Extensions (when applicable)

Pastor & Rector: Very Rev. Bryan W. Jerabek, J.C.L., x103

Priests in Residence: Rev. Patrick P. Cullen
Rev. Douglas M. Vu

Permanent Deacons: Rev. Dr. G. Neal Kay
Rev. Mr. Wally Zieverink

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Pastoral Care: Mrs. Priscilla Davis, x117

Director of Music: Mr. Bruce Ludwick, x107

Assistant Organist: Mr. Mark Hayes

Wedding Coordinator: Mrs. Megan Wyatt, x116

Director Religious Ed.: Mrs. Barbara Doran, x108

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Membership Coord.: Mrs. Linda Kay

Saint Stephen the Martyr Chapel & College Ministries

1515 Twelfth Avenue South • Birmingham, Alabama 35205
(205) 933-2500 • <http://www.stsbhm.org> • Office Hours 9:00am to 2:30pm

Rev. Douglas M. Vu, Administrator • Rev. Mr. Danny Rodgers, Deacon
Mrs. Jane Lombardo, Administrative Assistant • Mrs. Carrisa Pluta, Campus Minister

Mass Schedule: Sunday 10:00am and 5:00pm
Tuesday–Thursday 5:30pm, Adoration 6:00-7:00pm
Friday 12:30pm
Third Saturday of the Month 8:30am Pro-Life Mass
Tue–Thur 6-7:00pm; Sun: 30 minutes before Mass
Mon–Thur 11:00am–9:00pm; Fri 9:00am – 12noon



Follow us on Facebook!

Cathedral: <http://www.facebook.com/stpaulsbhm>

St. Stephen: <http://www.facebook.com/receivemyspirit>

Confession:
Student Lounge:

First Light Shelter for Homeless Women and Children

MANY THANKS to ALL who served at First Light August 13-19! Our next dates to provide dinner and stay overnight are October 8-14 and December 10-16. If you are interested in learning more about this Parish ministry, please contact Nancy Heck at 205-870-1349. Thank you!

HELPING THOSE IN NEED

If you, your parish group, school, or family would like to help provide snack bags for those who come to us asking for help, please call the Parish Office. Monetary contributions are also appreciated! Please use the Poor Pipe in the back of the Church or bring your donation to the Office. **THANK YOU!**

Theology on Tap

Catholic? Like eating (pizza)? Digesting theology? We do! Join fellow Birmingham young adults to observe Fr. Mitch Pacwa punching Nazis..... or shatter the false accusations saying that Pope Pius XII was a Nazi! Come and learn true history.

Topic: "Not 'Hitler's Pope': Defending Pius XII"

Speaker: Fr. Mitch Pacwa

Date: Mon, Sept. 11 at 6:30pm

NEW Location: Bird's Bar & Pizza, 2839 7th Ave South

For further information, promptly email Matt at mjbenski@yahoo.com.

FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF PARISH CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Friday, September 15
Devotions & Mass at 6:30pm, Reception to Follow
All are welcome!

Baptismal Preparation

The Baptismal Preparation Class schedule has been made for 2017. Remaining sessions are scheduled for October 15 and December 17, 2017 at 9:45am. Please call the office to sign up before your baby is born!

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will hold its next meeting on Thursday, September 14, 2017, at the Cathedral of St. Paul. Adoration and Confession begin at 6pm, followed by Holy Mass at 7pm. **This month we welcome families to join us as we enroll new members.** Following Mass we will celebrate with a potluck dinner in the Cathedral Life Center. Open to all Catholic women who are striving to grow in holiness and lead their families to Heaven! For more information, contact Lori Donellan at cmbham07@gmail.com.

Combine your faith and career at EWTN! We are searching for qualified candidates for the following positions in Irondale: **Customer Service Representative, Groundskeeper, IS Support Technician II, Jr Network & Systems Administrator, and Radio Operator (Vandiver, AL)** For information on job requirements, go to www.ewtn.com Please email cover letter, salary requirements & resume to humanresources@ewtn.com EOE

Please join us for First Friday beginning in October!

Children's Holy Hour of Adoration will be in the chapel from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. This will include devotional prayers together, and silent prayer time.

Fun and games in the Cathedral Life Center from 10:00 - 11:00. Little ones can play in the nursery and older children can gather for games. Feel free to bring a fun board game to share. Parents can visit with each other. Snack time from 11:00 - 11:30 - bring a sack lunch or snack. Confession is available beginning at 11:30am in the Cathedral; and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 12:10pm. All are invited!

MISSA CANTATA

Saturday, September 30th at 10:00am
Cathedral of St. Paul

A Missa Cantata (high Mass with incense and choir) in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite ("Traditional Latin Mass") will be celebrated by Father Alan Mackey on the 10th Anniversary of Summorum Pontificum. All are welcome!

A NEW SEASON

*Let The Spectacular Colors Of Fall
be Reflected In Your Marriage*

The kids are back in school...now give some time to the two of you. Consider making a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend and bring color and passion to your special love. The next weekend in the diocese is scheduled in Huntsville, Oct. 13-15 at the **Double-Tree Hotel-South**. You can register online today at www.ALFL-wwme.org or by calling Bob & Joy Hernandez at **678-985-0125**.

**The Catholic Center of Concern,
run by the Consolata Sisters,
is in need of volunteers, please!
Help is needed on the 2nd Saturday of the month
or each Thursday beginning at 9:00am.
For more details, please call the Parish office
or the Center at 786-4388.**

Planning a trip to Rome?

If you are thinking of a trip to Rome during this 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.

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

DID YOU KNOW...

the Cathedral's Saint Joseph's Guild
offers comfort to grieving families and friends
by hosting a meal in the Cathedral Life Center
immediately following Funeral Masses?

Help is needed with set up, clean up, and meal preparation. Please call Marie Williams at 870-0276 for more information or to volunteer for this fulfilling ministry.

The Knightly News...

Council #9862



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

Please visit www.KOC9862.org or contact Jack Boggan at 706-1209.

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

CYPF: Cathedral Young Professionals and Families

The Cathedral Young Professionals and Families is a social and service group for singles and married people ages 21-40. Please "like" our facebook page, www.facebook.com/cathedralYPF to stay updated on what's going on or e-mail mandylburmester@gmail.com or laurenwbates@gmail.com for more info.

Service:

1) Please consider buying **peanut butter crackers, protein/granola bars, Vienna sausages, or packs of tuna** on your next Aldi's, Costco, or Sam's run and drop them by the church office by **September 15th**, so we can restock for the fall.

2) On **Friday, September 15th at 6:30pm** there will be the **5th Anniversary of Parish Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary**. The Knights and Ladies of the parish have requested our help with providing refreshments at the reception following mass. *E-mail me if you can provide food to share for that night.* Come help us join in fellowship with the Parish and join us afterward for a drink at Collins on 2nd Ave.

Social: We're starting up our **monthly family-friendly socials** again at **Delta Blues** on Cobb Lane the last Wednesday of each month. The dates will be **Sept. 27th, Oct. 25th, and Nov. 29th** starting at **5:30pm**.

Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School is proud to present "St. Catherine of Siena: A Woman For Our Times," a one-woman show performed by Adrian Dominican sister Nancy Murray, O.P, at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, October 18, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. Sr. Nancy, the older sister of actor Bill Murray, has received international acclaim for her performance of the life of one of the Catholic Church's most beloved saints. Tickets are \$25 in advance, or \$30 at the door. A reception, hosted by the Ladies of Charity of Alabama, will follow the show. All proceeds benefit Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School. To learn more and to purchase tickets, visit www.hfcristorey.org/siena.

A special thanks to

Michael Sperando

for folding the Bulletins and Orders of Worship!

March for Life

The Diocese of Birmingham is planning for the annual **March for Life** trip to Washington, DC. High school students will travel on chartered buses departing on Wednesday afternoon, January 17th and will return early Sunday, January 21st. The cost of the trip is \$300. This will include bus, hotel fare, and breakfast at the hotel each morning. A deposit of \$100 is due by October 2nd. Partial scholarships are available for Parishioners. Please contact Barbara Doran, dre@stpaulsbhm.org or 251-1279, to make your reservations or for more details. We welcome any monetary gifts from Parishioners to help defray the cost for those in need!

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Miss Francesca Covella, born in Homewood and baptized at the Cathedral, now resident in Italy, wishes to marry Mr. Daniele Malengo, resident in Italy; they bid your prayers on their behalf. If anyone knows of some cause or impediment why these two should not be joined in Holy Matrimony, you are to declare it. This is the third time of asking.

SAVE THE DATE

Cathedral of Saint Paul Grand Gala



October 13, 2017

6:00pm at The Florentine

Tickets on sale now!

<https://www.stpaulsgala.org/>

Join CAS: Cathedral Altar Sodality

Please consider being a part of the **Cathedral Altar Sodality**! Share your gifts with the Parish by assisting with Mass linens, dusting of the Sanctuary, serving at Funeral receptions, helping with fund raisers to provide needed liturgical items, and much more all the while building community with fellow Parishioners. Please email Anne Hereford, President, at rolltideroll@mindspring.com to be added to our roster. All are welcome at our first meeting, Thur., Sep. 14th in the Cathedral Life Center at 10:30am. A special lunch is being offered following 12:10pm Mass for all Sodality members. Please let us know if you plan to attend.

Lay Dominicans

Are you being called to a deeper understanding of Faith and Truth? Answer the call as a Lay Dominican. The Birmingham Lay Dominican Blessed Giorgio Frassati Chapter is sponsoring a "Come and See" informational meeting. The life of a Dominican layperson is all about having a passion for the Word of God. It is about committing one self to a community of like minded brothers and sisters that immerse themselves in the Word of God. We are men and women, singles and couples living a Catholic life with a Dominican spirituality in the secular world. The meeting will be at St Rose Academy, 1401 22nd St S., Birmingham, AL 35205 on September 10th, 2017 at 2PM.

This week please remember in your prayers the sick, the shut-ins and hospitalized, especially: Libby Kidd, Katey Benton, Neil Stalnaker, Thomas Perna, Jr., Jane Schwartz, Suzanne Dillon, Leila Driver, Mickey Naro, Kayla Garraway, Sandra Harris, Brenda Brasher, Gabriel Humphries, Jay Bammerlin, Walter Jackson, Doris Robertson, Joe Diliberto, John Fay, Curlene Henderson, Robbie Burrell, Jon Serio, Bonnie Godhigh, Beth Anne Maier, Larry Dye, Susannah Blackstone, Brian Naro, Donna Dogil, Dee Bissett, Dolly Carroll, Leah Robe, Kwang Kyu Pak, Judy Martorana, Barbara Delhomme, Ed Burdick, Margaret Gracianette, Verlanda Tate, June Little, Nina Youngblood, Robbie Roy, Elizabeth Anderson, Henry Hardin, III, Leah Jane Rovey, Candice Boyland, Cheryl Plaisance, Harris M. Caraballo, Sr., Brandon Fisher, Michael Vanderslice, Mary Ann Johnson, John Paul Anderson, Leslie Cox, Hans Lang, Grace Detling, Anna DeLeon, Christi Ingram, Vera Broussard, Mary Aliano, Nancy Hudson, Fr. Henry Thorsen, Patrick Coyle, Rose Antonio, Laura Cornell, Marilou Rucker, Kayla Perry, Lenora DeMarco, Jeanne Wright, Martha Slatsky, Peter Scheetz, Pat and Joe Puccio, 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 at a Glance, September 10-17

Sunday, September 10	Monday, September 11	Tuesday, September 12	Wednesday, September 13	Thursday, September 14	Friday, September 15	Saturday, September	Sunday, September 17
8:30am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	6:30am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	6:30am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	6:30am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	6:30am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	6:30am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i> Adoration- <i>Chapel</i>	3:00pm Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	8:30am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>
9:45am—Adult Ed & PSR <i>CLC</i>	11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	10:30am Altar Sodality- <i>CLC</i>	11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	5:00pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	9:45am—Adult Ed & PSR <i>CLC</i>
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				6:00pm Confraternity <i>Cathedral</i> — <i>Cathedral</i>			

Cathedral Liturgical Ministers

	Sacristan	Lectors	EOMHC	Altar Servers	Sanctuary Cleaning	Linens
Saturday, September 16 5:00pm	C Bailey	J Pinto V Nolen	A Maiola J Roberts	W Yerby L Davis	For the Week of September 10	For the Week of September 10
Sunday, September 17 8:30am	M Beasley	M Beasley D Coleman	N Heck K Echols K Echols R Smith	A Marino A Couture P Fay E Myrick J Myrick	R Mays G Albert	C Rumore M Blackwood
Sunday, September 17 11:00am	S Hodo	J Bernard T Rumore	L Lagan A Lyas A Wellborn	M Rumore B Dyer J Hooks S Hooks		

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<i>.....For other staff members, please call!</i>	

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 11	6:30 am	Fr. Jim Macey +
	12:10pm	Mother Mary Gabriel, SSEW +
Tuesday, September 12	6:30 am	Virginia Milazzo +
	12:10pm	Doris Inez Norris +
Wed, September 13	6:30 am	Fr. Jim Macey +
	12:10pm	Caleb Copeland +
Thur, September 14	6:30 am	Fr. Jim Macey +
	12:10pm	Katey Benton
Friday, September 15	6:30 am	Sarah Chapman +
	12:10pm	George Matthews +
Saturday, September 16	5:00 pm	Francesco Pappalardo +
Sunday, September 17	8:30 am	Sue Ellen Lucas
	11:00am	for the people

Parishioner Update

Please check: __Cathedral Parish __St. Stephen University Chapel

If you are 18yrs 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. If you are a new parishioner, a census form will be mailed to you. If you are not Catholic, but are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please check R.C.I.A.

Name _____

_____ *New Parishioner*

Address _____

_____ **R.C.I.A.**

_____ *Leaving Parish*

E-Mail _____

_____ *Address Change*

Home# _____ Work# _____

The Private Prayers of the Priest – Part I

Did you know that a priest is required to say various prayers privately (in a low voice) during the Mass? In this series of columns I will identify these prayers and explain their importance. This week we'll consider the two that are centered around the reading of the gospel.

The first prayer occurs during the singing of the Gospel Acclamation (alleluia, or Lenten verse) – or, if there is no singing, while the priest is approaching to read the gospel. Usually he says this prayer while bowing before the altar.

Cleanse my heart and my lips, Almighty God, that I may worthily proclaim your Holy Gospel.

In saying this prayer the priest is reminded of the fact that he is about to proclaim the words of Christ himself, recorded for us by the Sacred Evangelists; in so doing, Jesus is made present in our midst (Catechism of the Catholic Church # 1373). This prayer, in fact, calls to mind the passage from the prophet Isaiah, when the prophet realizes his unworthiness to be in the presence of God:

"...I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.... And I said: 'Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!' Then flew one of the seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth, and said: 'Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven.' And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' Then I said, 'Here am I! Send me.'..." (Isaiah 6:1-8)

The priest thus prays that the Lord will purify him and make him a worthy proclaimer of the gospel so that it will have a saving effect on those who hear it. When all those at Mass cross their foreheads, mouths, and hearts before the proclamation of the gospel, it would be good to pray a similar prayer (silently!): that the Lord may purify one's mind, lips, and heart, so that the words of the gospel will take root and be fruitful.

(Here at St. Paul's, the deacon often proclaims the gospel – at least at Sunday Masses. Before he does so, he asks the priest for a blessing. The priest prays [quietly] over him: *May the Lord be in your heart and on your lips, that you may proclaim his gospel worthily and well. In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.*)

After the gospel, the priest (or deacon) is to say another prayer. He does this quietly when he kisses the lectionary or book of the gospels.

Through the words of the Gospel may our sins be wiped away.

The kissing of the book is itself a sign of reverence for the Word of God, and this prayer expresses the wish that our reverent hearing of the Word will bear the fruit of mercy in our lives.

These prayers are not isolated, however, as if they had no connection with the other parts of the Mass. Father Edmund Waldstein, a Cistercian priest, wrote that "the contact which we have with the Word in the Gospel is a preparation for the union which we will have with [Christ] through the Sacrament, which is

itself a foretaste of the union which we will have with Him in the Beatific Vision” (<https://goo.gl/cvBIKF>). These prayers thus are a bridge between hearing the Word of God proclaimed and then receiving the Word of God made flesh in the Most Holy Eucharist: to do so worthily, we must first be made pure.

Therefore, reflecting on these prayers, we can ask ourselves: Do I strive to be pure so that I can hear God’s Word with profit and also worthily receive him in his Real Presence? Only the pure of heart shall see God (cf. Matthew 5:8): purity of heart is something with which we must occupy ourselves earnestly here and now. May our good Lord, by means of these venerable prayers, help us!