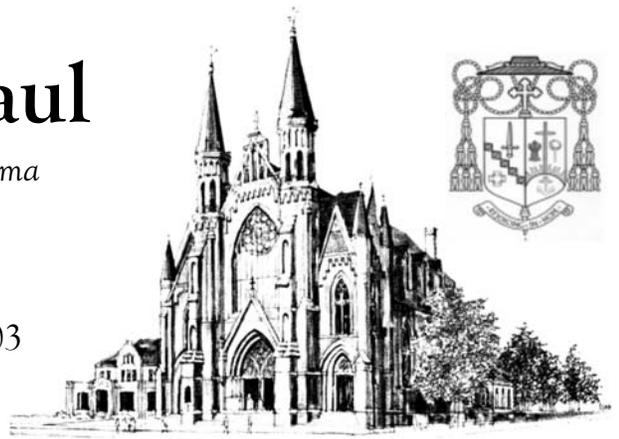


# The Cathedral of Saint Paul

Mother Church of the Catholic Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama

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

2120 Third Avenue North • Birmingham, Alabama 35203  
(205) 251-1279 • <http://www.stpaulsbhm.org>



**October 15, 2017 • The Twenty-eighth 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

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Rev. Douglas M. Vu

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Rev. Mr. Wally Zieverink

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Pastoral Care: Mrs. Priscilla Davis, x117

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Assistant Organist: Mr. Mark Hayes

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Director Religious Ed.: Mrs. Barbara Doran, x108

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## 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 2:00pm

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 9:00am-2:00pm; Tue-Thur 9:00am–9:00pm



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

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

**Confession:**  
**Student Lounge:**

**First Light Shelter  
for Homeless Women and Children**

THANK YOU to our MANY parishioners who volunteer every other month at First Light Shelter. For one week every other month Cathedral parishioners provide the evening meal or stay overnight with the women and children at the Shelter. We are currently in need of additional help for our Tuesday evening meal team and always welcome new volunteers for both overnight and dinner duties. If you would like to consider participating in this parish ministry with us, please call or email Nancy Heck for more information (205-870-1349/ [npheck@bellsouth.net](mailto:npheck@bellsouth.net)).

**Senior Adult Activity - Thursday, October 26, 2017**

St. Francis Xavier church will host its monthly Senior Adult Activity for all Catholic senior adults in the Birmingham area on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. The day will begin with Mass in the chapel at 11:00 a.m., followed by lunch and bingo in the Parish Hall and concluding at 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be furnished by Majestic Catering. A \$7.00 donation is asked to defray costs. The menu will be: Fried Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls, Dessert, Tea and Coffee. Reservations must be made by noon on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, by calling the parish office, 871-1153 or Diane Schilleci, 807-4589.

**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!**

As many worldwide mark the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, theologian/journalist Tom Nash says knowing what Jesus *Did* 2,000 year ago is crucial to understanding what he *would* advise doing today. In an incisively ecumenical analysis, Nash argues the Catholic Church's Great Commission (Mt. 28:20) continues, precisely because of her divine founder. All are invited to join Tom Nash on Thur, Oct. 26th at 6:00pm in the Cathedral Life Center for his presentation on his newly published book.

**The Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama  
and the Catholic Lawyers of the St. Thomas More Society  
cordially invite all legal professionals and the Public they serve  
to the annual  
Red Mass**

**October 19, 2017**

**5:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Paul  
The Most Reverend Robert J. Baker, S.T.D.  
Celebrant**

**Followed by a reception in the Cathedral Life Center**

*The Red Mass is a Mass of the Holy Spirit which is celebrated annually at the opening of the judicial year to invoke divine guidance for all who seek and administer justice. This Thirteenth Century European custom received its name from the red color of the vestments worn by the celebrant and the scarlet robes worn by the Lord High Justices. In the United States today, a Red Mass is celebrated in most of the major metropolitan areas and is attended by judges, lawyers, public officials, law school faculty, students and the public.*



**Cathedral of Saint Paul**

**Grand Gala**

*We are truly grateful*

*to our chairpersons,*

*LeeAnn and Paul Davis,*

*as well as our Gala Committee!*

*What a wonderful evening! Thank you all!*

Special Thanks to our Gala Sponsors:

Event: Cindy & Gene Robinson  
Hoar Construction  
Brooke & Daniel Coleman

Food & Beverage: Molly & Marko Matic  
Margaret Beard  
Suzanne & Jerry Perkins

Dance: Jennifer Burczyk-Brown  
& Todd Brown  
Kelly & Kyle Echols  
Heyward Hosch  
Ashley & Tell Alessio

Program: John Carroll  
Dottie & Steve Pak  
Nancy & Walter Hughes  
Sabrina & Ken Simon  
Pam & Di DiPiazza

**A special thanks to Michael Sperando  
for folding the Bulletins and Orders of Worship!**

**Catholic Philosopher to Speak  
Cathedral of St. Paul  
November 10th at 6:30pm**

Renowned Catholic philosopher Eleonore Stump will present a public lecture in the Great Hall: "Mary of Bethany and the Problem of Suffering."

This is a rare opportunity. Dr. Stump is one of the most highly regarded Catholic philosophers in the English-speaking world. In 2003, she presented the Gifford Lectures in Aberdeen, one of the most prestigious honors in the philosophy of religion. Her book 2010 book *Wandering in Darkness* is a highly acclaimed look at the problem of suffering from a Thomistic point of view.

Eleonore Stump is the Robert J. Henle Professor of Philosophy at Saint Louis University, where she has taught since 1992. She has published extensively in philosophy of religion, contemporary metaphysics, and medieval philosophy. Her books include her major study *Aquinas* (Routledge, 2003) and her extensive treatment of the problem of evil, *Wandering in Darkness: Narrative and the Problem of Suffering* (Oxford, 2010). She has given the Gifford Lectures (Aberdeen, 2003), the Wilde lectures (Oxford, 2006), and the Stewart lectures (Princeton, 2009). She is past president of the Society of Christian Philosophers, the American Catholic Philosophical Association, and the American Philosophical Association, Central Division; and she is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. She is currently serving as the President for the Philosophers of Jesuit Education.

# The Knightly News...

Council #9862



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

Please visit [www.KOC9862.org](http://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/cathedralYFP](http://www.facebook.com/cathedralYFP) to stay updated on what's going on or e-mail [mandylburmester@gmail.com](mailto:mandylburmester@gmail.com) or [laurenwbates@gmail.com](mailto:laurenwbates@gmail.com) for more info.

### Upcoming events:

**Socials:** Family friendly at Delta Blues on Cobb Lane - 5:30pm on 10/25 and 11/29

**Service:** Pack up our snack bag donations after the 11am mass and lunch in the parish office at 1:30pm on Oct. 15th. Peanut butter crackers, granola bars, fruit cups, vienna sausages, and tuna packs welcome donations. Donations to the poor pipe near the confessional are also welcome.

## APPARENT THEFT FROM BOOK/CD KIOSK

Over the past several weeks, large numbers of CDs and other resources from the book/CD kiosk have been taken, with virtually no donation being left for them. It appears to be theft -- not just someone who is unable to pay. The kiosk is not a money-making endeavor, but we cannot afford to take such a loss on it. It has been removed from the church for the time being. The resources on it are available in the office; anyone who wishes to buy CDs or books may visit the office to do so until further notice. Let us pray! Thank you!

## 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!

**You are Cordially Invited!**  
**Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center**  
**Fundraising Banquet**  
**Tuesday, November 7, 2017**  
**7:00 PM at The Club**  
**Keynote, Dr. Haywood Robinson,**  
**Former Abortionist now Pro-life Physician**

Please, make your reservation now, consider hosting a table of eight, or make a life-saving donation. There is no cover charge to attend but an appeal will be made to help support this work of mercy and hope. Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center exists to help women facing a crisis pregnancy to choose life, and to help support them with that decision. Her Choice also offers post-abortion recovery services. To confirm your participation, please call 205.447.8796 or email [hcbanquet@herchoicebirmingham.org](mailto:hcbanquet@herchoicebirmingham.org).

# Cathedral Fall Festival



**Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Food, fun & fellowship**

Please make plans to join us on October 22<sup>nd</sup> after the 11:00am Mass for our Fall Festival. The Knights of Columbus will be cooking hotdogs and hamburgers for us to enjoy; and Buffalo Rock has graciously donated the drinks. Tickets are \$5, children 3 years old and younger are free. Children's games and the moon bounce are included in the ticket price. There will be delicious desserts to enjoy thanks to the Altar Sodality (and you). Bingo games will be played after lunch, and we will be raffling off a reserved front row pew (and parking spot) for both the 5:00pm and Midnight Christmas Eve Mass. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. You do not need to be present to win!

### How you can help make this parish event a success:

- volunteer to work a game shift (7<sup>th</sup> grade and older)
- donate a large bag of individually wrapped candy
- donate a Bingo prize
- bring homemade cookies, pies, cakes and candies for the dessert table

## COME TO THE FALL FESTIVAL!!

Please contact Margaret Masny 205-815-4507, [mmasny@hotmail.com](mailto:mmasny@hotmail.com) with questions or to volunteer.

Our online giving program has changed from ParishPay to WeShare. Liturgical Publication, Inc. (LPi) acquired Parish Pay at the beginning of 2017; and they will continue to serve our parish with WeShare. It is very similar to ParishPay but has some additional benefits and features. To make this transition as seamless as possible and ensure our records are up-to-date, please take a few minutes to go to the Cathedral website, click on the online giving ParishPay link, and log on to your account. Review you contact information, address, payment method and current giving for accuracy. If you run into any issues, please contact Customer Service at 1-800-950-9952, Option One, M-F 7am - 7pm CT.

**This week please remember in your prayers the sick, the shut-ins and hospitalized, especially:** Judy Martorana, Judy Silhan, John Jaggard, Sandra Howell, Katey Benton, Neil Stalnaker, Thomas Perna, Jr., Jane Schwartz, Suzanne Dillon, Leila Driver, Mickey Naro, Kayla Garraway, 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 departed.**

# Cathedral at a Glance, October 15-22

Sunday, October 15	Monday, October 16	Tuesday, October 17	Wednesday, October 18	Thursday, October 19	Friday, October 20	Saturday, October 21	Sunday, October 22
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>	9:00am Altar Server Training- <i>Cathedral</i> Lunch-CLC	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>	3:00pm Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	9:45am—PSR- <i>CLC</i>
11:00am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	11:30am Confessions- <i>Cathedral</i>	12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	5:00pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	11:00am Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>
12:00noon Lunch & Learn with Dave Anders- <i>CLC</i>			3:45pm Children's Schola- <i>Office</i>	12:10pm Mass- <i>Cathedral</i>	5:00pm Benediction <i>-Chapel</i>		12:00noon Fall Festival- <i>CLC &amp; Courtyard</i>
			5:15pm Adult Schola- <i>Office</i>	5:30pm Red Mass			
			6:00pm RCIA & Fraternalus <i>-CLC</i>	& Reception- <i>Cathedral/CLC</i>			
			6:30pm Choir- <i>Office</i>				

## Cathedral Liturgical Ministers

	Sacristan	Lectors	EOMHC	Altar Servers	Sanctuary Cleaning	Linens
<b>Saturday, October 21 5:00pm</b>	Alessio	N Lett A Maiola	C Bailey R Yerby	W Yerby T Alessio	<b>For the Week of October 15</b>	<b>For the Week of October 15</b>
<b>Sunday, October 22 8:30am</b>	M Beasley	N Heck D Thirkill	N Keller C Kemp J Rich	N Njuki P Fay Collins Family	P DiPiazza C Moore	P Anderson G Albert
<b>Sunday, October 22 11:00am</b>	S Hodo	P DiPiazza M McKinney	D DiPiazza P Fiorella	K Lyas Breland Family Mathews Family		

## Mass Intentions

<b>Monday, October 16</b>	6:30 am 12:10pm	Rae Johnson + Susanne Teuber+
<b>Tuesday, October 17</b>	6:30 am 12:10pm	Cheryl Plaisance Kay Mingus +
<b>Wed, October 18</b>	6:30 am 12:10pm	Julie Kaminsky celebrant's intention
<b>Thur, October 19</b>	6:30 am 12:10pm	celebrant's intention celebrant's intention
<b>Friday, October 20</b>	6:30 am 12:10pm	Levoy Baker + Barbara Boggan
<b>Saturday, October 21</b>	5:00 pm	Marc Danos +
<b>Sunday, October 22</b>	8:30 am 11:00am	for the people George Kidd +

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

### 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 VI

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 am identifying these prayers and explaining their importance. This week we'll consider the final such prayer, said while the priest or deacon purifies the sacred vessels.

*What has passed our lips as food, O Lord, may we possess in purity of heart; that what has been given to us in time may be our healing for eternity.*

Some people have referred to the purification of the sacred vessels rather glibly as “doing the dishes”; this prayer reminds us, rather, that during that important moment, when the remaining fragments of our Lord’s Precious Body and the remaining drops of his Precious Blood are gathered up, what we have just done is anything but mundane or ordinary. We have just engaged in a physical act of eating which is to have a spiritual effect; what we have just done in time, we pray will help us in eternity.

This prayer, then, helps the priest or deacon to keep his mind and heart elevated to God as he carries out a task that could otherwise be misinterpreted as tedious, merely ritualistic, or even unnecessary. During the time of the purification of the vessels – which usually takes several minutes if done properly and well – it is important for all others present to pray and avail themselves of the union with Christ that they now enjoy in a particular way through sacramental communion. How important is this part of the Mass for our personal prayer and growth!

It is opportune to clarify here who may purify the sacred vessels. While there was an experimental period in the past that allowed (in this country at least) even lay people to purify the sacred vessels, that special permission was not renewed by the competent authority in the Vatican. Thus, for over a decade now, it has only been permitted only for priests, deacons, or instituted acolytes (usually men who are in their second or third year of theological studies for the priesthood) to do the purification. Once they have reverently and completely removed every remaining trace of the Precious Body and Precious Blood of our Lord, only then may a sacristan further wash or otherwise polish the vessels and put them away. Meanwhile, the purificators and other sacred linens used for the purification must also be carefully handled and placed in the designated place, where they will also await purification and then laundering.

The purification of the sacred vessels is a fulfillment of the command given by our Lord after his Eucharistic miracle of feeding the five thousand: “Gather up the fragments that remain,

that nothing be lost” (John 6:12); since even small particles of the Host and small drops of the Precious Blood are the Real Presence of Christ, they must be “gathered up” and consumed, lest they be lost by being washed down a drain into a sewer or falling onto a floor. It is for this reason also that those who choose to receive the Host in the hand, instead of on the tongue, assume the added responsibility of checking their hands and fingers each and every time they receive, to ensure that no small particle remains.

Thus concludes our series on the Private Prayers of the Priest (or, in some cases, the deacon) at Holy Mass. I hope that these articles have been informative and enriching for your spirituality of the Mass!

*-Fr. Jerabek*