

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

**November 11th/November 12th 2017: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (English)
23rd Sunday After Pentecost (Latin)**



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SACRAMENTS and LITURGY

English Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.

English Sunday Mass: 9:00 a.m.

Traditional Latin Sunday Mass: 10:45 a.m.

English Weekday Masses: 8:30 a.m. Monday to Friday

Latin Weekday Masses: 7:00 a.m. Wednesday and Friday

First Saturday Latin Mass: 8:30 a.m. with confessions beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Mass: As Announced

Confessions: Thirty minutes before Saturday and Sunday Masses and by request

Baptisms: By Appointment

Marriage Arrangements must be made with the Pastor **at least 6 months before the date of the wedding. Talk to the Pastor before making any firm wedding plans. No destination weddings.**

WELCOME to all of our visitors: We are glad you have attended Mass with us. If you wish to join Blessed Sacrament, please pick up a parish census form at the Religious Goods Counter located in the vestibule of the front entrance.

IN MEMORIAM: Correction: In memory of Sam Buchanan, the sanctuary lamp burned for the repose of his soul from November 5th to November 11th. In memory of Margaret & Louis Kulovitz, the sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of their souls from November 12th to November 18th. The sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of Ellen Daniel from November 19th until November 25th.

MEMORIAL SANCTUARY LAMP SIGN-UP SHEETS for 2018, 2019, and 2020 are at the religious goods counter in the vestibule at the back of the Church.

KOC MEETING: Our Knight of Columbus will have their regular monthly meeting this coming Tuesday, November 14th in the parish hall. The social hour begins at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

PARISH COUNCIL: The Parish Council will meet on Thursday, November 16th at 6:00 p.m. in the Rectory.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection next weekend for the Beacons of Hope program that supports our at-risk Catholic Schools.

THIRD SUNDAY: Next Sunday is the Third Sunday of the month. We will have vocations prayers and a potluck lunch following the 10:45 a.m. Mass.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: You should have received a letter and a pledge card from the diocese. If not, you can make a pledge through Blessed Sacrament (make checks payable to Catholic Charities) or online at <http://www.catholiccharitiesbhm.org/make-a-pledge.html>. Our pledge goal this year is \$21,615. All money raised through this annual appeal remains within the diocese.

COAT DRIVE: Blessed Sacrament's Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a winter coat drive beginning this Sunday. If you have men's, lady's or children's coats that you no longer need, please consider donating them to the poor, or new coats would certainly be welcome. Coats may be left in the shopping carts near the holy water font at the back of the Church. The coats will be given the Catholic Center of Concern for distribution.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS: Please pray for our seminarians: Deacon Jonathan Howell, Connor Chandler, Chris Green, Justin Ward, Daniel Sessions, Charles Deering, Doug Hess, Juan Perez, and Luis Reyes. We need to fervently pray for those who are discerning a call to the priesthood. We will need 12-15 men to enter seminary by 2020 or we face the closing or consolidation of parishes.

A Letter from the Bishop



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November 8, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Beacons of Hope program was established in 2010 to preserve the vitality of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Birmingham by promoting authentic Catholic witness, financial stability and community support.

The mission of Beacons of Hope is to ensure that all students receive a quality education in a nurturing environment. We believe in sustaining the gifted tradition of Catholic education to enlighten the minds and hearts of our students for a future of unending possibilities.

With the passage of the *Alabama Accountability Act of 2013*, scholarships funded by state tax credits have helped increase enrollments in all of our *Beacons of Hope* schools. The Diocese of Birmingham needs to continue to do its part, however, in providing the highest quality education possible for those students who attend our *Beacons* schools. *Beacons of Hope* provides central accounting services for our schools as well as support for grass-roots fundraising efforts in the schools. ***Beacons of Hope needs your support to provide this important assistance!*** Please prayerfully consider making a contribution to the Beacons of Hope collection that will take place November 18-19, 2017.

I thank you in advance for your generosity in helping the Diocese of Birmingham provide a beacon of hope for some of the neediest children in our schools.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert J. Baker".

Most Reverend Robert J. Baker, S.T.D.
Bishop of Birmingham in Alabama

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