

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

**February 22nd/February 23rd 2019: Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time (English)
Quinquagesima Sunday (Latin)**



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Pastor

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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, 6:30 p.m. on First 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: In memory of Howard Von Hagel, the sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of his soul from February 23rd to February 29th. The sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of Robert C. Bryant from March 1st until March 7th.

REST IN PEACE: Marcus D. Perry, grandson of Wayne and Lillie Little, passed away on February 15th and was laid to rest on the 22nd. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

DINNER DANCE: We will have a dinner dance in the Parish Hall this Saturday, February 22nd following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Dinner will be provided, but drinks and desserts will be potluck. All are invited to dine and dance.

FIRST SUNDAY: Next Sunday is the first Sunday of the month. There will be coffee and donuts following the 9:00 Mass.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection next weekend for the Black and Indian Missions.

ASH WEDNESDAY: February 26th is Ash Wednesday. We will have a Latin Mass at 7:00 a.m., an English Mass at 8:30 a.m., and a Latin Mass at 6:00 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: We will have Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m. during the Fridays of Lent (Stations on Good Friday, April 10th it will be at 2:30 p.m.) followed by a Lenten potluck meal. We will also have confessions following Stations.

PARISH LENTEN PROJECT #1: This year we will again collect various non-perishable items for the men in the Cenacolo addiction recovery center in Hanceville. For the first Sunday of Lent, we will collect breakfast cereals such as grits, oatmeal, breakfast bars, etc.

PARISH LENTEN PROJECT #2: For Lent we will collect canned goods for the homeless that will be distributed by the Franciscans. Please make sure the cans have a pull-top so using a can opener will not be necessary.

TENTATIVE 2020 HIGH MASS SCHEDULE: Sunday, March 1st (1st Sunday of Lent); Sunday, March 22nd (4th Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday); Sunday, April 12th (Easter Sunday); Sunday, May 3rd (3rd Sunday after Easter, First Communion); Sunday, May 31st (Pentecost); Thursday, June 11th (Corpus Christi); Sunday, July 12th (6th Sunday after Pentecost); Sunday, August 9th (10th Sunday after Pentecost); Sunday, September 13th (15th Sunday after Pentecost); Sunday, September 27th (17th Sunday after Pentecost); Sunday, October 25th (Christ the King); Sunday, November 1st (All Saints); Sunday, November 29th (1st Sunday of Advent); Sunday, December 13th (3rd Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday); Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.

PARISH SUPPORT: The collection for last weekend was \$3486 and \$260 were collected for the Preservation Fund.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN: The Sister Servants of the Eternal Word are hosting a discernment retreat for women from age 18 to 30. The retreat will be at Casa Maria in Irondale from Wednesday, March 18th through Sunday, March 22nd. Any interested women should contact the Sister Servants at vocations@sisterservants.com or (205) 317-8787.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS: Please pray for our seminarians: Daniel Sessions, Charles Deering, Doug Hess, Matthew Gubenski, Patrick DePew, Max Gallegos, and John Gardiner. Please pray for more good men to answer God's call to the priesthood.

DATE FOR FIRST COMMUNION: First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, May 3rd at the 10:45 a.m. Mass. If you have a child that will be receiving First Communion, please contact Fr Booth. If you are not members of Blessed Sacrament, you must obtain the permission of your pastor for your child to receive First Communion here. Opportunities for first confessions will be offered prior to First Communion.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: (*Mass in Rectory Chapel)

Sat, Feb 22:	4:00 p.m.	Special Intention for Msgr Paul Rohling (by the Dinans)
Sun, Feb 23:	9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
	10:45 a.m.	Special Intention for Aric Pohorelsky (by the Hahn Family)
Mon, Feb 24	*8:30 a.m.	Special Intention for James Gagnon (by the Gagnon Family)
Tues, Feb 25:	*8:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Stephen Rumore (by the Gagnon Family)
Wed, Feb 26:	7:00 a.m.	Special Intention for Jonah Renda (by the Donellan Family)
	8:30 a.m.	† Martin Sertell (by Susan Sertell)
	6:00 p.m.	Special Intention for Joseph Donellan (by the Donellans)
Thur, Feb 27:	*8:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Mother Louise Marie SsEW
Fri, Feb 28:	*7:00 a.m.	Special Intention for Edward Masny (by the Duvall Family)
	*8:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Lauren & Patrick Rumore (by the Hahns)
Sat, Feb 29:	4:00 p.m.	† Dixie Joe Sullivan (by Daniel Meadows)
Sun, Mar 1:	9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
	10:45 a.m.	Special Intention Margaret Mary Hahn (by the Clemens Family)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND especially Lee Gaissert, Lawrence Brandley, Don Williams, Roseanne Timpa, Pete Ransom, Jerry Joiner, Natalie Karen Caraccilo, Beryl Curtis, Nicole Copeland, Laura Minjares, Linda Cooper, Lee Dinan, Mina Keasler, Isabella Auer, Levi Ray, John Minjares, Sr., Virginia Files, Danny Rohling, Kay Dorion, Krissy Chism, William Scroggins, Lamar Smith, Paul Herrmann, Debbie Zeller, Wayne Little, Maria Morin, Andrea Little, Joseph Edwards, George Dunham, Fran Costanza, Christine Cover, Thatcher Kerzie, Malcolm Perry, Koslyn Chism, Kathleen Strawmeyer, Cindy Little, Stan Trawick, David Henning, Loretta Mara, Lillie Rumore, and Stephanie Perry.

NEXT WEEK'S MASS READINGS

4:00 p.m. First Sunday of Lent	Gen 2:7-9,3:1-7, Rom 5:12-19, Mt 4:1-11
9:00 a.m. First Sunday of Lent	Gen 2:7-9,3:1-7, Rom 5:12-19, Mt 4:1-11
10:45 a.m. First Sunday of Lent	2Cor 6:1-10, Mt 4:1-11

A Letter from the Bishop



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Office of the Bishop

February 17, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Pope Francis has challenged us to *“Be Shepherds..., in the midst of your people like Jesus the Good Shepherd.”*

The Black and Indian Mission Collection has for the last 135 years, changed the landscape of evangelization and education efforts for Native Americans, Alaskan Americans and African Americans throughout the United States. Our financial support of the Collection is the mechanism that affects the Church’s evangelization efforts.

Historically, evangelization efforts by Churches and schools among African Americans, Native Americans, Eskimo and Aleut communities, are funded by the Collection’s grant awards, which are instrumental in the building of their Christian communities and sharing the joy of knowing Christ. Your support has helped educate African American and Native American seminarians for priestly service to our Catholic communities.

In our diocese, this fund provides monetary support to seven parishes, five schools, and four diocesan ministries each year from the national mission collection.

Education is fundamental in changing the mores and morals of a society. Your monetary assistance provides opportunities for a solid Catholic education in our Indian and Black Catholic mission schools, allows the purchase of catechetical materials and bibles, and provides for the formation of lay leadership, to name just a few ways the collection supports evangelization.

On February 29 & March 1, 2020, all will be asked to participate in the Black and Indian Mission Collection. Together we build up the Church and announce the Good News of Jesus Christ. I ask everyone in our diocese to make a sacrificial gift to the 2020 Black and Indian Mission Collection. Your generosity to this collection reflects the depths of your faith and your willingness to help our brothers and sisters in need; it is an opportunity to evangelize and further the missionary cause of bringing the Gospel to our African American and Native American family.

I am extremely grateful for your generous charity and your continued support of this mission of faith and hope.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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