

# **Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church**

**October 10<sup>th</sup>/October 11<sup>th</sup> 2020: 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (English)**

**19<sup>th</sup> 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: 7:30 a.m. and 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: See Below**

**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.**

**COVID-19 RESPONSE, MASS & DEVOTIONS:** We have returned to an approximation of our normal weekend schedule with Mass inside the Church. We will have a 4:00 p.m. Saturday English Mass, a 9:00 a.m. Sunday English Mass, a 10:45 a.m. Sunday Latin Mass, and an additional Sunday Latin Mass at 7:30 a.m. The additional Latin Mass is intended to aid in the social distancing, **which is the responsibility of those attending Mass.** Please be considerate. This additional Mass will continue as long as social distancing is necessary.

**COVID-19 RESPONSE, CONFESSIONS:** Until further notice, confessions will be done in the Church parking lot with Fr Booth in his car. Those wishing to confess can walk up individually maintaining a six-foot distance. Confessions will be offered at 3:30-3:55 p.m. on Saturday and on Sunday at 7:00-7:25 a.m., 8:30-8:55 a.m., and 10:15-10:40 a.m.

**DISPENSATION FOR SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION:** Per Bishop Raica, all Roman Catholics who reside in the diocese are dispensed from the Sunday Mass obligation through November 22<sup>nd</sup>. No one, especially the vulnerable, should feel obliged to attend Mass.

**A REMINDER FROM BISHOP RAICA:** Those individuals who have a fever, feel sick, are in a high-risk group, are of a more advanced age, or who live with someone in one of these categories, are urged to avail themselves of the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass for all Roman Catholics living in the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama.

**CHANGES TO THE MASS:** We will forgo the distribution of the Precious Blood, reception of which is ordinarily optional, and the sign of peace, the omission of which is also optional.

**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 Edward Von Hagel, Sr., the sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of his soul from October 11<sup>th</sup> to October 17<sup>th</sup>. The sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of Dennis G. Woods from October 18<sup>th</sup> until October 24<sup>th</sup>.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** There will be a second collection next weekend for the World Mission Sunday, supporting mission churches throughout the world.

**MORNING WITH MARY:** All ladies are invited to a morning of devotion next Saturday. Adoration will begin at 8:30 a.m., there will be confession during adoration, followed by benediction at about 9:10 a.m., and concluding with a Latin Mass at about 9:15 a.m.

**HER CHOICE BANQUET:** This year, in place of the traditional banquet, Her Choice invites you to an inspiring on-line Gospel of Life Event on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Over the past year, and throughout the Covid Pandemic, Her Choice has demonstrated heroic love to those in crisis pregnancies. Through their dedication, at least 90 abortion-minded mothers choose life. They have also continued their ongoing support of mothers and rendered post abortion healing. Please go to [HerChoiceBirmingham.org/HeroicLove](https://HerChoiceBirmingham.org/HeroicLove) to learn more, donate, and invite others to participate or call at 205-447-8796.

**PARISH SUPPORT:** The collection for last weekend was \$5699 and \$550 was donated to the Preservation Fund.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES:** You should have received a Catholic Charities letter and a pledge card from the diocese. Our pledge goal this year is \$16,000. All money raised through this annual appeal remains within the diocese.

**2020 HIGH MASS SCHEDULE:** October 11<sup>th</sup> (19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost); October 25<sup>th</sup> (Christ the King); Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> (All Saints); November 29<sup>th</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent); Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> (Immaculate Conception); December 13<sup>th</sup> (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday); Christmas.

**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS:** (\*Masses in the Rectory Chapel)

Sat, Oct 10: 4:00 p.m. † Dolores Sampedro (by George Sampedro)  
Sun, Oct 11: 7:30 a.m. † Gaines Smith (by the Olsons)  
9:00 a.m. Pro Populo  
10:45 a.m. † Jude Tombrello (by the Hahns)  
Mon, Oct 12: \*8:30 a.m. † Debra Robinson (by the Hahns)  
Tues, Oct 13: \*8:30 a.m. Special Intention for William Clemens (by Paul Clemens)  
Wed, Oct 14: \*7:00 a.m. Special Intention for Cora Duvall (by Doug & Monica Duvall)  
\*8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Benedict Lang (by Paul Clemens)  
Thur, Oct 15: \*8:30 a.m. Special Intention for William & Beverly Scroggins (by Paul Clemens)  
Fri, Oct 16: \*7:00 a.m. Special Intention for Bradley Murai (by Mallorie Duvall)  
\*8:30 a.m. † Fr Henry Thorsen  
Sat, Oct 17: 8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Mark Anthony & Mary Therese Jimenez (by Sophie Duvall)  
4:00 p.m. † Jeremy Noblitt (by Ann Noblitt)  
Sun, Oct 18: 7:30 a.m. Special Intention for Emily Williams (by Mary Margaret Rumore)  
9:00 a.m. Pro Populo  
10:45 a.m. Special Intention for the Williams Family (by Mary Margaret Rumore)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND** especially Aaron Minjares, Hamp Schauer, Bill Dinan, Carol Brandley, Eddie Hunter, Mark Corley, Lee Gaissert, Lawrence Brandley, Don Williams, Roseanne Timpa, Pete Ransom, Jerry Joiner, Beryl Curtis, Nicole Copeland, Laura Minjares, Linda Cooper, Lee Dinan, Mina Keasler, 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, Loretta Mara, Lillie Rumore, and Stephanie Perry.

**NEXT WEEK'S MASS READINGS**

4:00 p.m. 29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	Isa 45:1,4-6, 1Thes 1:1-5, Mt 22:15-21
7:30 a.m. 20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	Eph 5:15-21, Jn 4:46-53
9:00 a.m. 29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time	Isa 45:1,4-6, 1Thes 1:1-5, Mt 22:15-21
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# *A Letter from the Bishop*



**Office of the Bishop**

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We celebrate **World Mission Sunday** on **October 18<sup>th</sup>** this year. This annual, worldwide Eucharistic celebration emphasizes our shared baptismal call to mission.

Pope Francis, in his message for World Mission Sunday, implores us, “In this year marked by the suffering and challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the missionary journey of the whole Church continues in light of the words found in the account of the calling of the prophet Isaiah: “*Here I am, send me*” (6:8). This is the ever-new response to the Lord’s question: ‘Whom shall I send?’ This invitation from God’s merciful heart challenges both the Church and humanity, in the current world crisis.”

During the Mission Month of October, Pope Francis reminds us that, as baptized Christians, we are called *personally* to mission – especially at this time – to bring Christ’s love to those most forgotten around the world. Jesus is God the Father’s own Missionary; He asks us to respond to this call to mission, this invitation to “step out of ourselves for love of God and neighbor.” What will your answer be? “**Here I Am, Send Me**” is the response we will all endeavor to live out this World Mission Sunday, through *prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and generosity to the collection for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith***.

Through the Pope’s own missionary society, you too can be sent out to all the ends of the earth – sent through your support of missionaries and those they serve. Your gifts sustain priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church, and serve the poor. With them, you answer, “*Here I Am, Send Me.*”

This year, in response to the challenges to the Mission Church from the pandemic, I invite all of us in this diocese to respond in the most generous way you are able. As you do, I offer my sincere personal gratitude for your kind missionary heart, reaching out in love throughout Mission Month.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Steven J. Raica  
Bishop of Birmingham in Alabama