

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

January 28th/January 29th 2023: 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time (English)

4th Sunday After Epiphany (Latin)



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Pastor

Rev. Jim W. Booth

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, Wednesday, and Friday

Latin Weekday Masses: 8:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 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: Saturday 3:30-3:55 p.m., Sunday 7:00-7:25, 8:30-8:55, and 10:15- 10:40 a.m.

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 an additional Sunday Latin Mass at 7:30, to aid in social distancing, and continues on a provisional basis.

NOTE ON CONFESSIONS: If there is a significant line for confession, Fr Booth might say part of the formula of absolution while the penitent recites the act of contrition. The full formula of absolution is always said, but the first part might be said softly during the act of contrition. Thus, you might only hear “and I absolve you from your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

ADDITIONAL NOTE ON CONFESSIONS: Beginning in Lent we will begin using a new formula for absolution that reads: “God, the Father of mercies, through the death and resurrection of his Son has reconciled the world to himself and **poured out** the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins; through the ministry of the Church may God **grant** you pardon and peace, and I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” (Changes in Bold).

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.

CHANGE IN DAILY MASS SCHEDULE: Beginning in the first week of January, we will have daily Mass at 8:30. On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays Mass will be offered in English and Mass will be offered in Latin on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The First Friday and First Saturday schedules will remain unchanged.

IN MEMORIAM: In memory of Maxine Olson, the sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of her soul from January 29th to February 4th. The sanctuary lamp will burn for the repose of Chester Olson from February 5th until February 11th.

FIRST FRIDAY: We will have our First Friday English Mass on February 3rd at 8:30 a.m. followed with Adoration and Benediction and a Latin Low Mass at 6:30 p.m. in the Church.

FIRST SATURDAY: First Saturday Mass will be offered in Latin at 8:30 a.m. on February 4th. Altar server training and Martha and Mary Altar Sodality will follow Mass.

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.

DISCERNMENT WEEKEND: The Office of Vocations is hosting a Priesthood Discernment Weekend from Friday, February 17th to Sunday, February 19th at Casa Maria. Fr Bazzel will lead this weekend of prayer, talks, and fellowship for men discerning a call to priesthood. Fr Vintson, Vocation Director, will be present to answer questions about discernment, the application process, and seminary life. This weekend experience is for men ages 18-35 years. The event is free, but registration is required. Visit www.bhmdiocese.org/vocations to register.

2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS have been mailed.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES: Contribution envelopes for 2023 are located in the back vestibule of the church.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS: Please pray for our seminarians: Deacon Daniel Sessions, Patrick DePew, Max Gallegos, John Gardiner, Collins Hess, John Paul Stepnowski, Andrew Vickery, Hunter Limbaugh, Adam Sellers, Francisco Rodriguez, Justin Brouillette, Cameron Huhlein, Patrick Letterle, Wilson Moin, and Dominic Rumore. May more good men to answer God's call to the priesthood.

FIRST COMMUNION DATE: Sunday, April 23rd is the date for First Communion.

PARISH SUPPORT: The collection last week was \$7060 and \$250 was donated to the Preservation Fund. Many thanks for your generosity.

NOTE ON MASS INTENTIONS: There is about a six-month backlog on Mass Intentions. Thus, requested Mass dates cannot always be honored.

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

Sat, Jan 28:	4:00 p.m.	Private Intention
Sun, Jan 29:	7:30 a.m.	† Eugene Mason (by Mary & Betty Mason)
	9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
	10:45 a.m.	Special Intention for Allison Rumore (by the Hahn Family)
Mon, Jan 30:	*8:30 a.m.	† Patti Joseph (by the Hahn Family)
Tues, Jan 31:	*8:30 a.m.	† Eddie Zimmer (by the Donellan Family)
Wed, Feb 1:	*8:30 a.m.	† Mary Cooper (by the Donellan Family)
Thur, Feb 2:	*8:30 a.m.	† Freddie Zimmer (by the Donellan Family)
Fri, Feb 3:	*8:30 a.m.	† David Waligora (by Mary & Betty Mason)
	6:30 p.m.	Special Intention for John Anthony & Mary Jimenez (by the Donellan Family)
Sat, Feb 4:	8:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Thom Price (by the Donellan Family)
	4:00 p.m.	† David Waligora (by Mary & Betty Mason)
Sun, Feb 5:	7:30 a.m.	Special Intention for Mike Irwin (by the Donellan Family)
	9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
	10:45 a.m.	Special Intention for Charlie & Allison Rumore (by the Donellan Family)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND especially Linda Henry, ShaKendria Hooks, Lisa DeKam Nicholls, Sam Montalbano, Gloria Archambault, Don Williams, Ronnie Buchanan, Barbara Williams, Gail McMahon, Gracimo Ribeiro Bento, Bob Wiseman, Eve Moore, Aaron Minjares, Bill Dinan, Carol Brandley, Eddie Hunter, Lawrence Brandley, Pete Ransom, Jerry Joiner, Beryl Curtis, Nicole Copeland, Linda Cooper, Lee Dinan, Danny Rohling, Kay Dorion, Krissy Chism, William Scroggins, Lamar Smith, Wayne Little, Maria Morin, Andrea Little, Joseph Edwards, Fran Costanza, Christine Cover, Thatcher Kerzie, Malcolm Perry, Koslyn Chism, Kathleen Strawmeyer, and Stephanie Perry.

NEXT WEEK'S MASS READINGS

4:00 p.m.	Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time	Isa 58:7-10, 1Cor 2:1-5, Mt 5:13-16
7:30 a.m.	Septuagesima Sunday	1Cor 9:24-10:5, Mt 20:1-16
9:00 a.m.	Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time	Isa 58:7-10, 1Cor 2:1-5, Mt 5:13-16
10:45 a.m.	Septuagesima Sunday	1Cor 9:24-10:5, Mt 20:1-16

A Letter from the Bishop



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January 20, 2023

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 138 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 4 & 5 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 2023 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 Steven J. Raica
Bishop of Birmingham in Alabama