

Holy Rosary Catholic Church

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Sunday Mass: 8:30am Rosary: 8:00am

Wednesday Mass: 8:00am Rosary: 7:30am Confession Before all Masses The Food Pantry & Clothes Closet are open Mon, Wed. & Fri. 10:00-12:00 for residents of the 35212 zip code; registration is required.

Bringing Jesus Christ to Gate City, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, since 1889 and with the help of the Salesians from 1955-2014

12/9/18 The Second Sunday of Advent

Our Prayers Go Out

For the sick especially: Katie White, Wyatt, Bo, Robert Barchue, Edna Towns who is over pneumonia & improving, Sheila, Terry, Traci, Connie & David. In thanks for those who have Birthdays this week, especially: Fr Jon For Elfrieide and Romel who still need God's help.

Contact Mike at 266-3065 or mhfgeerts@gmail.com with anything for the bulletin.

Please join in the Youth Center after Mass for a discussion using Pope Francis' Catechesis of Eucharistic Liturgy

We will spend about 30 min. focused on the beginning of the Communion Rite. We will begin, *Formed and Sent - Missionary Discipleship...* in the new year.

If you missed last week or simply want to do more, You are welcome to stop by the Angel Tree

The Angel Tree –Please remember bring presents wrapped with your Angel firmly attached. Distribution will begin 12/15 so please bring them back as soon as possible.

12/12 Sat. The Annual Respect Life Mass 9:00 AM- Then Rally & March (SBOC)

Mass will be at St. Paul, the rally begins at 10:45 AM in Brother Bryan Park @ 22nd & 10th Ave. www.BirminghamMarchforLife.org - 205-447-8796

"Thank Yous" are still in order as people continue to work and more join in: to all who give of their time, talent and yes, worldly goods to make the apostolates here at Holy Rosary live. However, please try! Recognize those around you for what they do week in and week out; and also smile and thank God for this community and the things that we are able to do in His name. Go to FORMED at: https://holyrosarybirmingham.formed.org it is a most amazing place! Volunteers are Needed to Capitalize on Food Donations for the Pantry and Lighten the Load.

- 1. A Coordinator of Runs who would work by phone. See Sr. Jackie.
- 2. Sat. 8-9:30AM Whole Foods Pick-up from 280

The light continues to build as we light the second candle in anticipation of Christ's coming. Advent Prayer: Let us pray that nothing may hinder us from receiving Christ with joy. God of power and mercy, open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy, so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



Additional Thoughts from of Saint Teresa of Calcutta:

"Lord make me an instrument of your peace" is our motto. The most important part is that we keep the work as His work and that we do not spoil it by any claims. It is impossible, humanly speaking, for our young and inexperienced Sisters to do what they do but for the fact that we are just instruments to do God's work. Our task is to allow Jesus to use us. It is He who is doing the work with us, through us and in us."

Wed. 12/12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

The first Marian Apparition associated with Mary was in Extremadura, Spain on the Guadalupe River. The name Our Lady of Guadalupe was chosen by Mary when she appeared to Juan Diego's Uncle; the one Juan was visiting, caring for and worried about. The other parts you probably know. The lay person brought information from Mary to the Bishop 3 times that she wanted a place built for her to hear from those suffering and offer healing. The Bishop did not believe him until the 4th time. After a delay to care for his uncle, Mary sent him to the Bishop with the miracles of roses in his tilma, and the image of Mary standing on the Aztec Moon.

Thurs. 12/13 Memorial of Saint Lucy

Little is known beyond that as a young girl, she was martyred for being a Christian in a pagan culture. She gave her live and is therefore earned remembrance in the First Eucharistic Prayer.

Fri. 12/14 Memorial of Saint John of the Cross

He died at 49 after a long imprisonment during which he composed poetry about his journey into union with Christ. Here are three of his quotes,

"Take God for your spouse and friend and walk with him continually, and you will not sin and will learn to love, and the things you must do will work out prosperously for you."

"What we need most in order to make progress is to be silent before this great God with our appetite and with our tongue, for the language he best hears is silent love."

"It is great wisdom to know how to be silent and to look at neither the remarks, nor the deeds, nor the lives of others."

12/16/18 The Third Sunday of Advent

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

1st Reading: Zep. 3:14-18a Responsorial: Is. 12

2nd Reading: Phil. 4:4-7 Lk. 3:10-18

Lector's Schedule

1) Brooke Coleman 2) Daniel Coleman

GENERAL PARISH INFORMATION

Baptisms Contact Father Jon to make arrangements as soon after birth as possible. **Weddings** Contact Father Jon at least six months in advance, to begin preparations. **Anointing of the Sick** For those who begin to be in danger of death due to serious illness and/or old age - discuss the situation with Father Jon.

PARISH GROUPS AND CONTACTS Volunteers Are Always Needed

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Learning Center– Holy Rosary Youth Soccer-Youth Program-Food Pantry-Clothes Closet-

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