

**Welcome to Saint Joan of Arc Church of the Catholic
Archdiocese of Mobile**

**1260 Elmira Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604
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(Office Hours: Mon., Tues. Thurs., Fri., 7:30 am – 11:30 am)

Vigil Mass, Saturday, 4:00 pm; Sunday, 9:00 am; Holy Day Masses, 11:30 am on the Holy Day

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Mass This Week:	Time	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Intentions
Saturday March 10	4:00 pm	Raymond Zoghby Bro. Celestine	Lolita Rivers, Gloria Wells, Rosalie Zoghby	+Mike & Mary Dipp
Sunday March 11	9:00 am	Gayle Conner, Steven Murray	Penny Gulley, David Vial, Margaret Ann Davis	People of Saint Joan of Arc
Monday March 12	5:30 pm			Dot Puckett
Tuesday March 13	5:30 pm			Gene Whitehead
Wednesday March 14	5:30 pm			+ Mary Helen Strauss
Thursday March 15	5:30 pm			Paige Family
Friday March 16	5:30 pm	(Stations of the Cross Before Mass)		+Mary H. Strauss
Saturday March 17	4:00 pm	Genie Tallon, Mike Kersten	Nathalie Faggard, Genie Nichols, Jason Abraham	+Geo. & Emma Zoghby
Sunday March 18	9:00 am	Maureen Shirah, Jeff Winter	BJ & Jim Robertson, Brian Blanchette	People of Saint Joan of Arc

Sacraments: **Confessions:** One hour before Saturday Vigil Mass, by appointment & Wed. 6-8 pm.

Marriage: Contact priest six months in advance of the wedding date.

Baptism: Preparation meeting by appointment.

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Organist: (Sunday) Richard Jones, 510-5442; richard.jones62@yahoo.com

Today's Scripture Readings are especially chosen for parishes where there are candidates preparing for Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist. It is also for us who, during Lent, are preparing to renew our Baptism at Easter. The first reading is the promulgation of the Ten Commandments. In the second reading Paul tells us that the Cross is the power of God for salvation, and in the Gospel Jesus cleanses the temple of money changers and animals. "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." He was speaking about the temple of His body, that He would be put to death and rise again on the third day. How are we doing with our Lenten penances? Are we growing more fervent in prayer and more generous in charity? This is the acceptable time!

I hope we all remembered that Daylight Saving Time begins today: fall back; spring ahead.

NEW HYMNALS: We will begin using the new hymnals next weekend, March 17 & 18. If you have not yet purchased one, please do so today. There are only 4 left. Those who have not yet paid for them, please do so by next weekend (\$20). The new hymnal will have the New Translation of the Missal in front and the Scripture readings for the 3 year cycle in the back. As you enter the church next weekend you will receive a copy of the hymnal in the vestibule. We will enter the church to instrumental music. When the priest reaches the chair, he will begin with the Sign of the Cross and greeting, Bless the hymnals as you hold up a copy, then sing before the Opening Prayer.

Last weekend's Offertory collection was \$2,366.00. Where does our money go? Last week we paid \$7,200 for clergy health insurance; \$17,195.51 for the Diocesan Tax; and \$2,865.92 for retirement tax, a total of \$27,261.43. Next weekend the second collection will be for Catholic Relief Services.

At Last Sunday's Parish meeting much time was spent reflecting on the small Lenten daily Mass attendance. Some suggestions: Call and offer a ride to Mass; change the Mass time; Do a survey; Pray for a spiritual renewal of our parish. What are your thoughts? On Palm Sunday (April 1) we will gather in front of the church for the blessing of palms and procession. Our Parish Council's next meeting will be next Sunday, March 18 at 10:30 am.

Daily Mass during Lent is at 5:30 pm with the Rosary at 5:10. On Tuesdays of Lent we have a meager meal after Mass then a guest speaker. This Tuesday our hall will be used for elections, so we will go to the Rectory after Mass, then return to the church for our speaker, Dr. Norman McCrummen. On Wednesdays of Lent Confessions are heard from 6-8 pm and on Fridays of Lent Stations of the Cross at 5:00 pm. Please come!

There is a special envelope in your packet this weekend for Easter flowers. You may give them in memory of a loved one. (The cost per pot of Easter lilies will be \$10.00.)

Ladies of Charity will meet at St. Mary's Home March 26 with rosary and benediction at 10 am, followed by an important meeting. Call Angelia Lewis, 295-3804 or Pat Cannon, 660-8856.

There will be a general cleanup of the grounds around the church, rectory and school on March 24th in preparation for Easter. Please come out and help. We plan to work from 8 to noon. Bring your gloves, edger, and mower with bagger if you can. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

Mother/Daughter Tea for moms and girls ages 10-12, Sun., March 18 at St. Dominic's. Call for info.