

Welcome to Saint Joan of Arc Church of the Catholic

1260 Elmira Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604

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(Office Hours: Mon. & 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	Altar Servers	Ushers	Gift Bearers	Intentions
Sat. Jan. 5, 2013	4:00 pm	Raymond Zoghby, R Bantens	L Rivers, J Kersten, H Robinson	Hartley & Luckett Robinson	D Joyner Bro. Celestine	W White Family	+ Doris McAleer
Sun. Jan. 6	9:00 am	Kathy Weber, Jane Radka	BJ & Jim Robertson, G Conner	M Limon, M Lewis	Ed Olsen, Inell Jordan	Blanchette Family	Parishioners
Mon. Jan. 7	4:00 pm	Mass At Murray House, 1257 Government Street on Wednesdays					Pat Hyland
Tues. Jan. 8	9:00 am						Geo Rooney
Wed. Jan. 9	9:30 am						+June Sprague
Thur. Jan. 10	11:30 am						R. Tillman
Fri. Jan. 11	11:30 am						S Smith, Jerry Radka, F. McAllister
Next weekend Sat. Jan. 12	4:00 pm	S Presley B Bantens	J Abraham, J Kersten, H Robinson	Hartley & Luckett Robinson	W White, Bro Celestine	W White Family	+ George & Emma Zoghby
Sun. Jan. 13	9:00 am	P Gulley M Shirah	BJ, Jim Robertson, E Blanchette	W Neese M Limon	J Robertson Ed Olsen	Blanchette Family	Parishioners

Sacraments: Confessions: One hour before Saturday Vigil Mass, any time by appointment.

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

Baptism: Preparation meeting by appointment.

Finance Council Members: Jim Robertson, Neff Weber, Brian Blanchette, Luckett Robinson

Parish Council: Liturgical: Neff Weber, 433-5771, 295-7295; neffweber@gmail.com; **Religious**

Education: Brother Celestine - 490-4088; algero@shc.edu; **Buildings,** Mike Kersten, 666-0032;

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Bernice Lindsey - 209-2096; blindsey209@gmail.com; **Grounds,** Kathleen Gerard, 904-234-1610;

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Parish Secretary: Nathalie Faggard - 432-3505, 454-2827; nat2sja@comcast.net

Organist: Terry D. Maddox – 406-1454; tmaddox@gspcmobile.org

Organist: (Sunday) Richard Jones, 510-5442; richardjones62@yahoo.com

Today we hear the well-known story of the three magi, wise men from the East who followed the star, seeking the Christ child. In that same Gospel we hear of Herod who wanted to kill the innocent to secure his power. Today we pray to be wise as we seek and follow Jesus. Today's feast is called the Epiphany; that means "manifestation." In the ancient world the visit of a king brought with it gifts to the people. The Epiphany of our Lord celebrates His glorious coming for our salvation. He offers gifts of forgiveness, peace and salvation to all of us. He reconciles Jews and Gentiles. Let us Rejoice!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL will be Sunday, January 26 and 27. We thank Melanie Winter and Helena Smith who will be our parish chair and vice chair this year. They will depend on all of us to help us reach our goal of \$31,000. The basic pledge will be \$468 per year, \$39 per month. Some can give more, some less. Give as the Lord gives to us. They will meet on Monday, January 14 at 7:00 pm at Saint Catherine. (Our guest speaker will be Ms. Erin Cannon.) Please pray for the success of this appeal.

Last week we welcomed two new parishioners: Karen Frazier and Beverly Jones. This week we welcome two more: Richard Cook and Anthony Long.

Parish Council will meet Sunday, January 13, 2013 after the coffee social. Members are: Neff Weber, Brother Celestine, Mike Kersten, Sandy Presley, Bernice Lindsey, and Kathleen Gerard.

Please pick up your liturgical assignments for January in the vestibule.

Last weekend's Offertory Collection was \$1,595.01. (Special gifts of \$11,500 and \$2,000 were received.) New Year's Offertory was \$920.00. (Weekly expenses average \$3,500.00)

Reminder: The Scripture readings and hymns are all in the Hymnal. This weekend: **Page 928.**

Saturday, January 19, Archbishop Rodi will be leading a rosary for life at 3 pm in front of planned parenthood on Downtowner Blvd. in Mobile, followed by Mass at the Cathedral with a special blessing for all the pilgrims heading to Washington, D.C. March for Life. Call 251-554-2032.

First Light Marathon. Join us in Mobile on January 13, 2013 at 7:30 am as the BankTrust First Light Marathon winds through our city. call 438-2094 for information.

Thanks to Janine Stebbins for hosting us at Blacksher Hall last Sunday on the feast of the Holy Family.

Religious Vocation Awareness Day Celebration, Tuesday, January 15, 2013. R.S.V.P. and regrets, St. Dominic School, 251-661-5226 or dcastelin@stdominicmobile.org.

EPIPHANY BLESSING FOR HOME AND FAMILY: Blessed ae you, Lord, God of all Creation, for through your goodness you have given us shelter from the cold and the light of your Word to brighten the darkness of night. We come to you bearing no gifts for everything we have is a gift from you. All we can offer is our love for each other and our faith in your Son. Transform then, these humble gifts into an epiphany, a revelation of your divine presence, and bless this house and all who come to it. May this home and this family be a light for all who are lost and afraid, a place of peace and hospitality for those in need and a sign that you are indeed God with us.