

**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
<b>Sat. Feb. 16</b>	4:00 pm	M Kersten G Nichols	J & Linsey Abraham H Robinson	Marisol Limon	M Kersten D Joyner	Robinson Family	+Rose Gentry
<b>Sun. Feb. 17</b>	9:00 am	B Lindsey G Tallon	J Radka G Conner E Blanchette	Wally Neese	Ed Olsen, Syd Smith	Winter Family	Parishioners
<b>Mon. Feb. 18</b>		Daily Mass During Lent will be 5:30 pm					+Frank Klepac
<b>Tues. Feb. 19</b>							+June Sprague
<b>Wed. Feb. 20</b>							+Frank Klepac
<b>Thur. Feb. 21</b>							+Chloe Hodgson
<b>Fri. Feb. 22</b>							+Grady Strachan
<b>Next weekend Sat. Feb. 23</b>	4:00 pm	S Presley Raymond Zoghby	Ros Zoghby G Nichols, N Faggard	Hartley Lockett Robinson	Bro Celestine M Kersten	D Joyner W White	Claire Steadman
<b>Sun. Feb. 24</b>	9:00 am	S McEney Inell Jordan	BJ, Jim Rob- ertson, D McEney	Marisol Limon	Ed Olsen Syd Smith	Ed & Ann Olsen	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, Lockett Robinson

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The origin of Lent was the final preparation of Catechumens to be baptized on Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil, at the end of a long period of instruction and formation, usually about two years. As time went on, Lent became a time of Renewal of Baptism and Penitence for the baptized. Like Jesus in the desert, we are and will be tempted, but the Lord enables us to overcome temptation. Jesus was tempted to turn stones into bread to satisfy his hunger after fasting 40 days. Then He is tempted to compromise with evil. The third temptation is to throw himself down from the temple and to do something spectacular people will be compelled to believe. But Jesus does not want compulsive faith. The conclusion of the temptations is that the devil left Jesus to await another time. At the end of Lent we will renew our baptismal vows: to renounce sin, Satan and all his works. Today we begin our baptismal renew: By fasting we learn to deny ourselves, become more fervent in prayer and more generous in our charity. Let's pray for one another to make this the best Lent ever!

There will be a second collection this weekend after Holy Communion for the Black and Indian Missions. Our financial contribution helps support Catholic American Indian communities on reservations, in rural areas and inner cities; also African American schools.

Daily Mass during Lent will be at 5:30 pm every day, with the Rosary at 5:10 pm. Please come!

**PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM:** Come on Wednesdays of Lent for the 5:30 pm Mass, meager meal at 6:00, then take part in the **FOUR SIGNS OF A DYNAMIC CATHOLIC**™: Prayer, Study, Generosity, and Evangelization. Take the book today by Matthew Kelly if you did not get one last weekend.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES – Final Report:** 60 of our 88 parishioners pledged to give \$35,423.00. Many thanks to all of you who made these pledges!

“A LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU” is a special invitation to come to the Sacrament of Penance during Lent. Father will be in the confessional each Wednesday of Lent from 6:00 till 8:00 pm to hear your confession. Take a copy of the handout on “how to do it today”. Please come!

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS,** a meditation on the Sufferings and Death of Our Lord will be on the Fridays of Lent at 5:00 pm, followed by Mass at 5:30. Please come!

Last week's collection was \$2,186.00. Ash Wednesday was \$239. Thank you.

We were probably all surprised by Pope Benedict's resignation last Monday. He was elected by the College of Cardinals April 19, 2005 and he has done so much during his 8 years as the successor of Peter. Following his resignation on February 28, the 119 college of Cardinals will convene to elect his successor. Let's pray for Pope Benedict and the 267<sup>th</sup> successor to Peter.