

**Welcome to Saint Joan of Arc Church of the Catholic**  
**1260 Elmira Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604**  
**Phone/Fax (251) 432-3505 Parish Office**

(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

**WEB SITE: [www.stjoanofarcmobile.com](http://www.stjoanofarcmobile.com)**

<b>Msgr. Kenneth J. Klepac, Pastor</b>	<b>Email address: <a href="mailto:kjklepac155@comcast.net">kjklepac155@comcast.net</a></b>
--	--

Mass This Week:	Time	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers	Ushers	Gift Bearers	Intentions
<b>Sat. March 9</b>	4:00 pm	B Bantens, Raymond Zoghby	G Nichols, N Faggard, Ros Zoghby	Hartley & Luckett Robinson	D Joyner, W White	Abraham Family	+Tom & Doris McAleer
<b>Sun. March 10</b>	9:00 am	Kathy Weber, Jane Radka	Doug & Susan McEnery, Jim Robertson	Wally Neese, S Presley	Ed Olsen, Inell Jordan	Blanachette Family	Parishioners
<b>Mon. March 11</b>		Daily Mass During Lent will be 5:30 pm					Patrick Hyland
<b>Tues. March 12</b>							Mrs. P Hyland
<b>Wed. March 13</b>							+Ralph Largay
<b>Thur. March 14</b>							Dr. R Hyland
<b>Fri. March 15</b>							Dr. Caryl Hyland
<b>Next weekend Sat. March 16</b>	4:00 pm	Mike Kersten, G Nichols	Jason & Linsey Abraham, H Robinson	Marisol Limon	Mike Kersten, D Joyner	Robinson Family	+John Patrick Kenny, Sr.
<b>Sun. March 17</b>	9:00 am	Bernice Lindsey Genie Tallon	Jane Radka, Gayle Conner E Blanchette	Bowen & Cheney David	Ed Olsen Syd Smith	Winter 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](mailto:neffweber@gmail.com); **Religious**

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

mike.kersten@hargrove-epc.com; **Stewardship,** Sandy Presley, 591-9774; work, 342-2424; **Social:** Bernice

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

katinthesun@yahoo.com

**Respect Life Coordinator:** Linsey Abraham – 533-2018; LMAAU2001@yahoo.com

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

**Organist:** Richard Jones, 510-5442; [richardjones62@yahoo.com](mailto:richardjones62@yahoo.com)

This Fourth Sunday of Lent marks the midpoint in the Lenten preparation for Easter. It is called LAETARE Sunday; (REJOICE Sunday), set aside for us to rejoice because of God’s mercy. We have been lost, but have now been found. All three readings invite us to Rejoice: God’s People are celebrating in the first reading: They were celebrating for the first time in their own land. The Psalm invites us: “Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.” The Gospel proclaims the Reconciliation of a young son’s coming home and rediscovering his father’s love. This is God’s Invitation to all of us to celebrate His Forgiveness this week in the Sacrament of Mercy.

We welcome a guest speaker this weekend who will invite us to “40 Days for Life,” Mae Rehm.

Hope you set your clocks ahead an hour last night as we begin Daylight Saving Time.

There will be a second collection this weekend for Catholic Relief Services *Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.* The Catholic Relief Services Collection sees Jesus in victims of human trafficking, those who seek to change unjust laws, and those who need humanitarian assistance across the globe.

If you did not get to donate for Easter Flowers last week, you can do so this week. You may note the names of people you want to donate in their memory.

DAILY MASS in Lent is at 5:30 pm with the Rosary at 5:10. Please come.

CONFESSIONS are heard before every Mass, on Saturdays at 3:00 pm and Wednesdays from 6:00 till 8:00 pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS are on Fridays of Lent at 5:00 pm.

Last weekend’s Offertory collection was \$2,108.00. Easter Flower Collection was \$435.00.

**Our Savior Preschool/Mother’s Day Out** is currently having registration for the fall. 6 months – 4 years. For more information call 633-3017.

The annual **Seder Supper** will be celebrated Wednesday, March 27 after the 5:30 pm Mass. A covered dish supper will follow the Seder. If you plan to attend, please sign your name on the sheet in the vestibule. Bring your favorite dish for all to enjoy.

You probably know the guidelines for Lenten fasting. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are to fast, that is to eat only one full meal, without meat. On other Lenten Fridays they abstain from meat. But how does this relate to our spiritual lives? For early Christians, fasting was a way of not only disciplining one’s body but also saving money on food, which would then be given to the poor. The practice also deepens our solidarity with the poor, for whom hunger is a terrible way of life.