



*CATHEDRAL BASILICA
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MASSES:
Saturday Morning Mass 8:00 A.M.
Saturday (Eve of Sunday): 4:30 P.M.
Sunday: 8:00 A.M.
10:30 A.M.
Weekday: 12:10 P.M.
Holy Days, Eve of Feast: 5:30 P.M.
Feast: 12:10 P.M.

CONFESSIONS:
Daily: 11:45 A.M.—12:05 P.M.
Saturday: 3:30 – 4:15
Anytime on request.

Cathedral Office Hours:
Monday – Friday 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.
Prayer Request Line: 434-8291

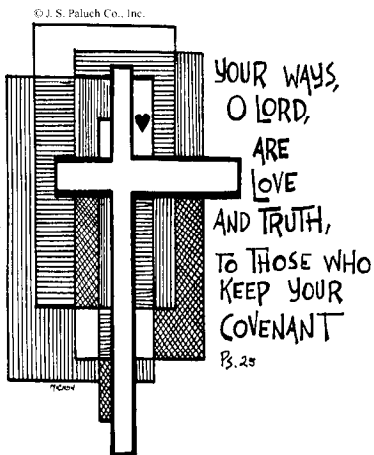
First Sunday of Lent - February 26, 2012

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
teach me your paths.
— Psalm 25:4

SCRIPTURE THEME:

REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL

Lent is the time of year we devote to scrutinizing our lives in the light of our baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus. Today's readings are a nice shorthand catechism of what our baptized lives mean. As Noah passed through the waters of the flood to a covenant with God, so did we enter into a covenant, a promised relationship with God through our baptism.



Peter's letter gives an explicit explanation of what our baptism means: it is an appeal we make to God for a clear conscience. How do we obtain this clear conscience? The words proclaimed by Jesus immediately following his temptation show us the way: "Repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15). It might be a good spiritual exercise to keep these readings before us throughout the entire season of Lent, a means to help us return to a life lived by our baptismal promises. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

There will be a special collection taken up at all the Masses this weekend for the Black and Indian Missions. Please be generous. Thank you.

There will be a special collection taken up at all the Masses next weekend to refurbish the Cathedral Windows.

LENTEN REMINDERS:

Abstinence: All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat, unless a very serious reason excuses us on a particular Friday (excepting Good Friday, which must be observed always.)

Lenten Devotions: During Lent why not attend Mass every day. This could be the beginning of a very good habit. Daily Mass here at the Cathedral is at 12:10 P.M. Also, as is customary, the Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be held each Friday afternoon at 5:15 P.M. Please make a special effort to attend

Mass Intentions

Week Beginning Sunday, February 26, 2012

Sunday	8:00 A.M.	
February 26	10:30 A.M.	Parishioners
Tuesday	12:10 P.M.	Deceased Members of the McGill Family
February 28		
Wednesday	12:10 P.M.	Anna & Harold Paige & Family
February 29		

TITHES AND DONATIONS:

We are grateful for your tithes and donations last weekend. We will report them to you next week. Thank you.



CATHEDRAL PRAYER NETWORK:

If you have a special intention please call the Prayer Request Line at the Cathedral Rectory at 434-8291 and leave the name of the persons you wish to have prayed for and the reason. Your request will be relayed to the members of the network. Your request will remain confidential. We ask that all members of the Cathedral Parish Family pray for the special intentions of all those that have called in to the parish prayer line. The Network will hold their monthly meeting this afternoon in the Cathedral Rectory at 2:00 PM. All are invited to attend.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

Having an emergency? Contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society, we may be able to help you. Call (251) 442-1122 and leave a message. **Please help us help other.** Contributions may be left in the Poor Box at the rear of the church or you can mail a check to The Cathedral Downtown Conference of St. Vincent de Paul, P.O. Box 161, Mobile, AL 36601. **Join us!** Come to our meetings to learn more about the charitable works of this organization. Meetings are on the **First and Third Tuesday** of each month at 6:30 pm in the Allen Memorial Home located at 735 S. Washington Avenue.

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