



*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.
12:10 P.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

Third Sunday of Lent - March 11, 2012

I, the LORD, am your God . . .
You shall not have other gods besides me.
— Exodus 20:2a, 3

SCRIPTURE THEME:

TOTAL ALLEGIANCE

In previous weeks we have seen how the theme of covenant—

as a preparation for the baptismal covenant celebrated at Easter—occupies an important place in our cycle of Lenten readings. The notion of covenant as a relationship between two parties

DESTROY
THIS TEMPLE
AND
IN THREE DAYS

I WILL
RAISE
IT UP



carries with it an expectation of mutual accountability and fidelity to the terms of the covenant. When God forged the covenant with the Jewish people on Mt. Sinai, it was a pledge of God's protection, and it would forever permit them familiar access as the Chosen People. For their part, the Jewish people were to observe the dictates of the law, summarized most succinctly here in the form of the Ten Commandments. To be in a covenantal relationship with the Lord God requires an exclusive relationship, just as discipleship with Jesus—ritualized in baptism—demands a total allegiance to him and none other.

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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.

Devotions



ST. PATRICK'S DAY:

The annual St. Patrick's Day Mass will be here at the Cathedral, next Saturday at 10:00 AM. All are invited.

Mass Intentions Week Beginning Sunday, March 11, 2012

Sunday March 11	8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.	Bert Scott, Jr. Parishioners
Monday March 12	12:10 PM..	Ernest A. Schiro, Sr.
Tuesday March 13	12:10 P.M.	Deceased Members of the McGill Family
Wednesday March 14	12:10 P.M.	Sr. Kathleen Brady
Thursday March 15	12:10 P.M.	Robert Nance
Friday March 16	12:10 P.M.	Anna & I Harold Paige & Family
Saturday March 17	8:00 AM	Diane Goebel Nelson

TITHES AND DONATIONS:

We are grateful for your tithes and donations of \$3,537.60 and for the window fund \$300.00. 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.

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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION:

There will be a special collection taken up at all the Masses next weekend for the Catholic Relief Services.

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