

~Fourth Sunday of Lent~

Lent begins Wednesday, February 14, & will continue until Holy Saturday. It extends for a period of 40 days, exclusive of Sundays, since fasting never occurs on the Lord's Day. Lent's purpose is to better prepare for the feast of the Resurrection (Easter Sunday) & to dispose us to receive the graces that Jesus merited by his passion & death. Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of fasting & abstinence.

Fast & Abstinence

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Stations of the Cross are each Lenten Friday at 6 PM. There will be no Meager Meals this year.

The Seder Meal will be at St. Peter Church on Wednesday, March 28. See the St. Peter website for the exact hour & tickets.

Purple

Purple, penance, & preparation are embedded in Lent. Purple indicates penance as a form of preparation during Lent. We come to appreciate our Lord's Death & Resurrection. The penance can come in 2 forms: denying our self of something we like, and/or deliberately doing something we do not like.

Annual COPE baby shower- March 18, Sunday, after Mass in the Marian Center. Any new or gently used baby items are greatly appreciated, for Mothers in need. Diapers and cash donations are also welcome. Refreshments will be provided. Please join us!



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME Begins SUNDAY, March 11th. Set your clocks FOWARD by an hour.



“The St. Vincent de Paul Society has produced a 10-episode series of 30-minute TV programs for EWTN TV that will air every week over the next ten weeks starting Sunday March 4. The programs will be shown twice on Sundays, at 5:30 am & 3:30 pm CT, and then repeated again the following Saturday at 5 pm CT. These programs show the many different activities that Vincentians do to serve those in need around the country. The St. Vincent de Paul Society is very active throughout the Archdiocese of Mobile.”

Volunteers Needed: St. Jude Social Services

If you would like to help. In anyway, Please contact Sr. Barbara at 334 265-6791.

Interested in Volunteering at the Soup Kitchen?

Volunteers are needed every Saturday morning.

HOLY HOUR FOR OUR COUNTRY Join us every Tuesday at 7 PM for a Holy Hour at St. Peter's Church in which we will pray for our country. (Please note, this is not intended to be a substitute for those who are committed to a holy hour at the Adoration Chapel). In the Holy Hour, we will pray a Litany of Saints from America, invoke the intercession of the Guardian Angel of America, and other prayers.

DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY Every fourth Monday of the month, the Dead Theologians Society will meet at 7 PM in the St. Peter's Parish Hall to discuss various readings from Church Fathers, theologians, and other ecclesiastical writers.

Chrism Mass will be at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Mobile on March 27, at 11 AM. Archbishop Rodi & the priests of the Archdiocese will exemplify their unity/communion. This Mass emphasizes the institution of the priesthood. At the end of the Liturgy of the Word during the Mass, there is a general renewal of commitment to priestly service by both the Archbishop & the priests. Also, the blessing of oils & consecrating of chrism will also take place.



From **February 14 –March 25**, you're invited to join, **40 Days for Life** – 40 days of *prayer & fasting, peaceful vigil and community outreach* –to stand and peacefully pray in the public right-of-way across the street from the Montgomery abortion facility, **Reproductive Health Services**, 811 S Perry St. The **Kick-Off** for the campaign is Thursday, February 8 at Chappy's Deli (Perry Hill) @ 5:30pm. Please PRAY and ask God if He is calling you to participate and be willing to embrace this opportunity to glorify and honor God by proclaiming the right to life for those who have no voice! **If you'd like more information** – and especially if you'd like to be a **Prayer Volunteer**, please contact: Michelle Rowe, 40 Days for Life Campaign Coordinator: 334-233-4682 or 40dfilmontgomery@gmail.com. To sign up **ONLINE** go to: 40daysforlife.com/Montgomery

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Feast of Divine Mercy, Sunday March 8, 2:30pm at Holy Spirit Parish

Saint Pope John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina, the Polish nun who received from Jesus this Devotion to His Mercy. “It is important that we accept the whole message... on this Second Sunday of Easter which will from now on through the Church be called Divine Mercy Sunday.” A Plenary Indulgence, under the usual conditions, will be given for celebrating the Feast. Fr. Troncale will be the celebrant, confessions will be available, and the Chaplet will be sung. Refreshments will follow.

Sunday, March 11, 2018

Ushers	March 11	March 18
10:00 AM	Bobby Spotswood Carmine Roberto Open Open	Bennie Ryan Steve Smejkal Open Open
Rosary	Jamie & Dawn Damato	Mike Petrof
Lectors		
10:00AM	Doris Sanders Sylvia Stewart	Mike Petrof



Please pray for:

Anna Strickland	Gladys Bracken	Dana Libby
Ed & Loretta Martin	Cal Libby	Shannon Young
Kathleen Faulkner	Helen Rayburn	Tom Somerville
Clarice Goodin	Lesly Somerville	Simon
Cammie Moreno	Shaddock	

Montgomery Area Adoration Chapel
Call Priscilla Berry, 288-3292.



Adoration Chapel's open hour:

Sun: 3-4 AM.
Mon: 3-4 PM.
Tues: 9-10 PM.
Fri: 2-3 PM.

Prayer Partners needed:

Sun: 2-3 PM.
Tues. 7-8 PM, 11 PM-12 Midnight.
Fri. 8-9 AM.

Adoration Chapel

Jesus is infinitely deserving of our unceasing thanksgiving & adoration for all He has done for our salvation. "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive honor, glory, & praise." (Rv 5:12)

Eucharist Ministers:

Mar 11	Mar 18
10:00, Karen Franklin	10:00, Randal Beesley

Mar 25	April 1
10:00, Mary Loftin	10:00, Jamie Damato

Weekly Tithing Report:

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Year's 2018 Budget: \$156,000.00
Budget to Date: \$27,000.00
Sun Collections to Date: \$22,580.50
Sun Collection Last Week: \$3,932.00
Building the Future: \$1,228.00

Thank you for your generosity!



To purchase an Altar Easter Lily in honor or in memory of a loved one, please fill out an envelope in the back of the church & put it in the collection basket with \$9 per plant. These need to be turned in no later than March 25th.

Seton Haven

3721 Wares Ferry Rd. Montgomery, AL 36109
334-272-4000, Front Desk Clerk, Part time Position
Available. If interested, Call 272-4000. Ask for Administrator.

Water Cooler Catechism

Fr. Pat Driscoll from Holy Spirit Parish & Tom Riello from Montgomery Catholic Prep are on WMGY (800 AM) at 8 AM, Sunday mornings, & online a archangelradio.com & the Archangel Radio app.

Natural Family Planning

In order to help couples live out the Church's beautiful teaching on marriage & family life, the Couple to Couple League offers classes on natural family planning. To find out more info, go to www.ccli.org & search for classes in your ZIP Code. Or, call Brian & Vicki Petters, 334-356-5357.



Mass Intentions For The Week

Sun, Mar 11	10:00 AM, OLQM Parishioners
Mon, Mar 12	6:30 AM, George Gereke
Tues, Mar 13	8:15 AM, Philip Randall Smith (L)
Wed, Mar 14	8:15 AM, Chuck Raysick
Thurs, Mar 15	8:15 AM, Marie Plunkett Foster (L)
Fri, Mar 16	8:15 AM, John Philip Plunkett (L)
Sat, Mar 17	9:00 AM, (Draper) Mary Dankill

Food & Fellowship—March 11—Bring something to share.

Parishioners of OLQM will be leading a rosary before each 10:00 AM mass. The rosary will begin 25 minutes before each regularly scheduled mass. We would like to invite all you to come and pray together with us.



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EWTN.com; CatholicCulture.org; Catholic World Report.com; www.cardinalnewmansociety.org & USCCB.org (official website of the US bishops)