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Saturday Morning Mass	8:00 A.M.
Saturday—Vigil Mass:	4:30 P.M.
Sunday:	8:00 A.M.
	10:30 A.M.
Weekday:	12:10 P.M.
Holy Days, Vigil Mass:	5:30 P.M.
Feast:	12:10 P.M.
Masses on Holidays:	9:00 A.M.

CONFESSIONS:

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

Prayer Request Line: 434-8291

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Sunday, March 29, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Lent

GIVE GLORY TO GOD

On the Fifth Sunday of Lent, just before we begin to enter Holy Week, we are summoned to Bethany. If we had been friends of Mary, Lazarus, and Martha, and found out that Lazarus was gravely ill, we probably would have dropped everything to be with them. This was what was so surprising about the behavior of Jesus. Although he was their close friend, he chose to stay away, that God's glory would be manifested. This is a persistent theme in John's Gospel. Right to the very end, Jesus' works were meant to give glory to the Father. As our Lenten journey reaches a crescendo, let us be mindful that, as people who have "put on Christ" in baptism, we are also called, by our attitudes and actions, to give glory to God.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the Lord GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. Then you shall know I am the LORD, O my people! (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

Psalm — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];

Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56;

Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

Generations of Faith Campaign

Parish Campaign Goal \$ 245,000

Pledges Received as of March 22 \$ 254,197

Thanks to all
supporting our seminarians,
retired priests, youth ministry
and Cathedral Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

**Mass is suspended through Sunday, April 5th.
Mass intentions scheduled from March 18
until that date will be rescheduled.**



Visit the Cathedral website to start your online contribution at www.mobilecathedral.org. Click "Online Giving" and follow the instructions. You can make your donations using your checking or credit card account. Call the parish office at 251.434.1565 for assistance.

Tithes and Donations

**. Thank you for continuing to give
on-line or through the mail
while Mass is suspended due to coronavirus.
Your generosity is greatly appreciated!**

Collections March 22, 2020 \$ 953.00
Usual Collections \$3,000.00

Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception Announcements

Upcoming Masses & Special Collections

**Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 29, 2020**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice!
— Psalm 130:1

Cathedral Parish News

Confession Still Available at the Cathedral

Confessions are still being heard at the regular times:
Monday-Friday, 11:45am-12:05pm
Saturday, 3:30-4:15pm.

Please maintain social distancing, stay behind the screen,
and wash your hands after you make your confession.

How to Watch Mass Online

Archbishop Rodi's daily private Mass can be accessed
at www.mobarch.org.
Go to www.facebook.com/thecatholicweek/ to find links to
private Masses online within the Archdiocese of Mobile.
Here's a link to daily Mass with Bishop Robert Barron,
Word-on-Fire Ministries.
<https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>

Spiritual Communion Prayer

"My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. "

Other Resources

Check out www.dynamiccatholic.com for a number of free Catholic resources, along with books, etc. for sale. Many websites such as www.formed.org and www.catholiccompany.com have free daily devotionals and other items in addition to those available for purchase. Resources from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops: <http://www.usccb.org/about/communications/usccb-president-reflection-and-prayer-during-coronavirus.cfm>. Resources from the St. Paul Center can be found at stpaulcenter.com/hub/.

Parish Meetings

**All Parish meetings have been canceled
until further notice.**

The Prayer Network request number is 251-434-8291. Please call and leave your prayer request. It will be forwarded to the Prayer Network.

Holy Week Liturgy Schedule

**Due to the coronavirus pandemic,
the schedule of Holy Week Masses
and other liturgies
has yet to be determined.**

SAINT POLYCARP (died 155 AD)

"Eighty-six years I have served Christ, and he never did me any wrong. How can I blaspheme my King and Savior?" Boldly answering the official who demanded he worship pagan gods, Polycarp, today's "Senior Citizen Saint," demonstrates that courage, far from being the preserve of the young, is a virtue cultivated through lifelong fidelity and crowned by final perseverance. A disciple of Saint John, who is said to have consecrated him bishop of Smyrna in modern-day Turkey, Polycarp witnesses to the truth that, whatever time and space may separate us, Jesus' gift of the Eucharist unites us. Polycarp's final words, preserved by the Church of Smyrna, sound like a Eucharistic Prayer in which the saint offers himself: "Lord, almighty God, Father of your beloved and blessed Son Jesus Christ, through whom we have come to the knowledge of yourself . . . may I be received among the martyrs as a rich and pleasing sacrifice . . . through the eternal priest of heaven, Jesus Christ . . . through him be glory to you, together with him and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen."
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