

# Responsorial Psalm

Ash Wednesday (ABC)

Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6AB, 12-13, 14 and 17

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Be mer-ci - ful, be mer-ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

1. Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness;  
2. For I acknowledge my of - fense,  
3. A clean heart create for me, O God,  
4. Give me back the joy of your sal - vation,

in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my of - fense.  
and my sin is be - - - fore me always:  
and a steadfast spirit re - - - new with - in me.  
and a willing spirit sus - tain in me.

Thoroughly wash me from my guilt  
"Against you only have I sinned,  
Cast me not out from your presence,  
O Lord, open my lips,

and of my sin \_\_\_\_\_ cleanse me.  
and done what is evil in your sight."  
and your Holy Spirit take not from me.  
and my mouth shall pro - claim your praise.