

Lenten Season Pray. Reconcile. Rejoice.

During Lent, we are asked to devote ourselves to seeking the Lord in prayer and reading Scripture, to service by giving alms, and to practice self-discipline through fasting.

Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season.

In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts - not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents.

The baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as others prepare to be baptized through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), a period of learning and discernment for individuals who have declared their desire to become Catholics.

The key to fruitful observance of these practices is to recognize their link to baptismal renewal.

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Beginning Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26, the Human Concerns annual Rice Bowl Program will begin.

"Rice Bowls allow us

to reach beyond our own parish and beyond national boundaries to become a truly Catholic parish." [U.S. Bishops, 1997] Rice Bowls will be available Ash Wednesday through the first weekend of Lent.

Saying YES to community

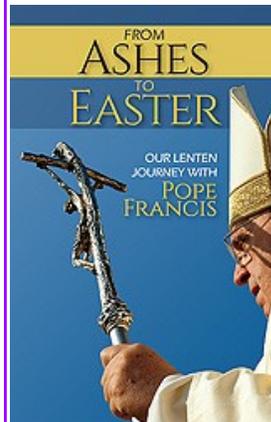


Knights of Columbus
Council #14362
Famous Fish Fry Dinners

February 21
March 6
March 20
April 3

Adults: \$10; Children under 13: \$5
4:30pm to 7:00pm in Bell Hall

From Ashes to Easter Lent Reflections from Pope Francis



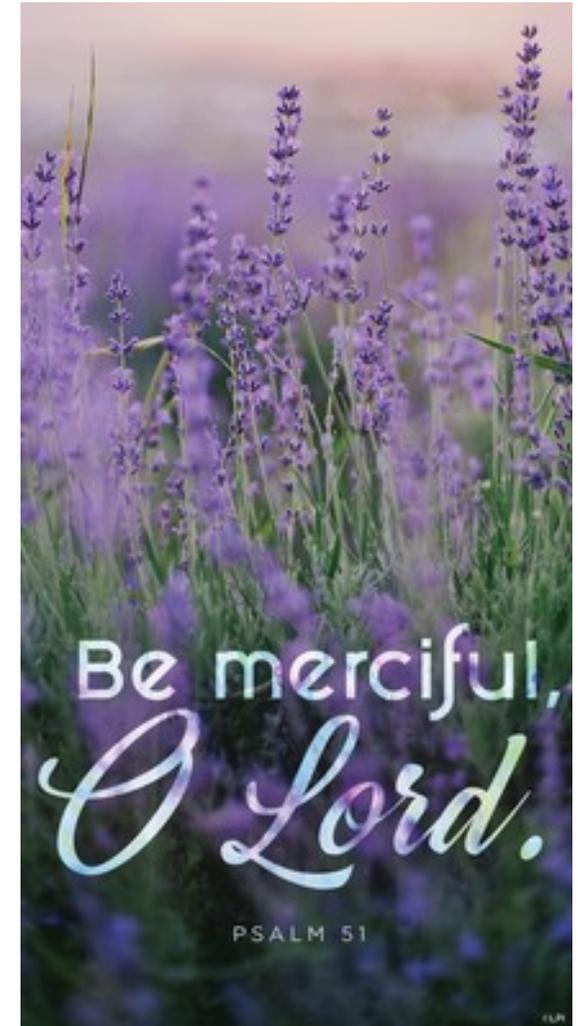
The reorienting and realigning transformation, known as conversion, has been essential to Christianity from its very beginnings. Since conversion is the essential work of Lent, we invite you to go on your Lenten journey of conversion from Ash Wednesday to Easter with Pope Francis as your guide. Relying on a daily

reflection, together with a scripture verse to contemplate and a question to prompt your response, Pope Francis will help you reorder and transform your relationships with God and others this Lent.

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A limited quantity of this booklet will be available at our Church doors for your personal prayer and reflection starting Ash Wednesday. *(One per family, please.)*

## Lenten Season 2020



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## Saying YES to prayer

### Mass

#### Daily:

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:00am, at St. Mary's  
(Wed., 8:00am at St. Mark's)

#### Weekend:

Saturday at 5:00pm (Mass of Anticipation)  
Sunday at 8:00am & 10:30am

#### Eucharistic Adoration:

Every Thursday 9:00am-8:00pm, Church

#### Ash Wednesday:

February 26, Mass, 8:00am and 6:30pm  
Prayer service with ashes at Noon

#### Stations of the Cross :

Every Friday during Lent, 7:00pm  
(February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3)

#### First Friday :

March 6, 7:00pm Stations of the Cross  
followed by Mass with Adoration until  
10:00pm

#### Stations of the Cross and Adoration:

Sunday, March 15, 1:00pm, Church  
followed by Adoration until 2:30pm

#### Citywide Reconciliation Service:

Wednesday, April 1, 8:00am-8:00pm  
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church  
5400-19th Avenue

#### St. Mary Sacrament of Reconciliation

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, 4:00pm-  
4:30pm or by appointment

#### First Friday:

April 3, 7:00pm Stations of the Cross  
followed by Mass with Adoration until  
10:00pm

#### Palm Sunday:

April 4, 5:00pm (Mass of Anticipation)  
April 5, 8:00am and 10:30am

#### Holy Thursday:

April 9, 7:00pm followed by  
Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00pm

#### Good Friday Service:

April 10, 1:00pm

#### Blessing of the Food:

Saturday, April 11, 10:30am in Church

#### Easter Vigil:

April 11, 8:00pm

#### Easter Sunday:

April 12, 8:00am, 9:30am, and 11:00am

## Saying YES to those in need

### Annual Lenten Soup Supper

Ash Wednesday, February 26  
4:30pm-6:00pm, Bell Hall

The Human Concerns Committee will again sponsor a simple soup and bread meal in Bell Hall. Our Ash Wednesday evening Mass will be celebrated at 6:30pm. Before Mass, come and share a simple meal as we begin our Lenten journey. ***Fasting interrupts our ability to eat whenever and whatever we wish and reminds us of the millions who fast involuntarily in a world where feast and famine are neighbor.***

#### Matthew 25 Collection

Each weekend during Lent the Human Concerns Committee is asking families to donate items to the needy based on Matthew's Gospel, Chapter 25: 34 ff.

#### March 1: "I was hungry and you gave me food."

Bring non-perishable foods to be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Emergency Food Pantry.

#### March 8: "I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink."

Bring non-perishable juices and formula to be donated to the St. Mary/St. Mark Elizabeth Closet.

#### March 15: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

Place the names of people who need prayer in an envelope and put them in the baskets. A special Mass will be offered for all these intentions on Monday, March 30, at 8:00am.

#### March 22: "I was naked and you gave me clothing."

Bring diapers, baby wipes, baby furniture and gently used clothing to be given to the St. Mary/St. Mark Elizabeth Closet.

#### March 29: "I was sick and you took care of me."

Bring health care products, tooth brushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, bar soap, laundry detergent, wash cloths, and hand towels to be given to the St. Mary Parish SVDP Outreach Program.

#### April 5: "I was in jail or in a nursing home and you visited me."

Popular paperback novels and magazines in English or Spanish, jigsaw puzzles, board games, stamps, stationery, and Bibles for both the jail and nursing homes.

## Saying YES to the Spirit



### Lenten Reflection

"Praying with St. Ignatius"  
Sunday, March 1, 2020  
2:00pm (in the Church)

Join us for our Lenten speaker, Rev. Aaron Pidel, SJ, a Jesuit priest and assistant professor of theology at Marquette University.

### A Prayer for Lent

Almighty and Everlasting God,  
You have given the human race  
Jesus Christ our Savior as a model of  
humility.

He fulfilled Your will by becoming Man  
and giving His life on the Cross.

Help us to bear witness to You by  
following His example of suffering and  
make us worthy to share in His  
Resurrection.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus  
Christ, Your Son.

Amen.