

Appropriately, the rhythm of religious life here at the Shrine is altered during the Lenten season – a time of introspection when we strive to root-out penny ante practices and unhealthy patterns that have become ingrained in our dealings with ourselves and with one another.

Be on the look-out for the following aids to our spiritual growth during the coming 40 days of Lenten repentance (“re-pensare”/“re-penser”) – *think again!*

- Ash Wednesday: distribution of blessed Ashes to open the Lenten Season
- Every Wednesday: additional evening Confessions from 7:00-8:00 pm
- Every Friday: Stations of the Cross prayed after the noon Mass
- Every Saturday: meditative Stations of the Cross during morning Confessions
- Every Saturday: Adoration between the Noon Mass and the evening Vigil Mass
- Daily Mass attendance opportunities: 8:00 am, 12:00 noon; 5:30 pm
- Holy Hours as posted for: Life, Vocations, Against human trafficking
- Mite Boxes available for home alms-giving throughout the 40 days of Lent
- Shrine’s in-house *Lenten Appeal* for infrastructure improvements as posted
- A single, special collection to help address needs of the Archdiocese of Boston
- The somber covering of statues and images during the weeks of Passiontide
- Palm Sunday: blessing and distribution of Palms to usher in Holy Week
- Additional confession hours & confessors during Holy Week leading up to Easter
- Full Holy Week liturgical Services celebrated at convenient times