

PARISH EVENTS and LITURGIES

Sunday, March 1 - In Pew Appeal

- 8:30 am Christian Initiation, FLC
- 10:30 am Mass - OLPH Parishioners**
- 11:45 am Confirmation Prep, SH/FLC
- 11:45 am "First Sunday Treats", SH
- 11:45 am Lunch & Learn with Fr. Kyle, SH
- 3:00 pm Rite of Election, Our Lady of Nazareth

Monday, March 2

- 12:00 pm Mass - Deceased Relatives & Friends
(of Maria Carrier)**

Tuesday, March 3

- 11:00 am Confessions
- 12:00 pm Mass - Fr. Tom Collins (Intentions)**
- 5:00 pm Lenten Confessions & Adoration
- 6:30 pm Women's Club, SH

Wednesday, March 4

- 3:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration (3-6:15pm & 7-9pm)
- 4:00 pm Olive Branch Open
- 5:00 pm Confessions
- 6:30 pm Mass - Theresa Nguyen (Intentions)**

Thursday, March 5

- 10:30 am Bible Study, FLC
- 12:00 pm Mass - Claire Razza †**
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir
- 7:00 pm Roanoke College Mass

Friday, March 6

- 4:30 pm Fish Fry
- 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 7

- 9:00 am Lent Festival (The Practices of Lent), SH
- 12:00 pm Private Event, SH
- 3:00 pm Olive Branch Open
- 3:30 pm Confessions
- 5:00 pm Vigil Mass - Allan Wimmer †**

Sunday, March 8

- 8:30 am Christian Initiation, FLC
- 9:00 am Religious Education, FLC & SH
- 10:30 am Preschool, FLC
- 10:30 am Mass - OLPH Parishioners**
- 11:30 am Children's Choir
- 6:00 pm Youth Night, SH

24 Hours of Adoration

Friday, March 27 - Saturday, March 28

**Sign-up at the table in the Commons
Come and spend time with Jesus**

	March 7 Saturday Mass 5:00 pm	March 8 Sunday Mass 10:30 am
Altar Servers	James Guthier Sora Guthier	Victoria Fukumoto Ivan Barlow
Lectors	Vicki Hubbard Susan Moore	Susan Thompson Leah Fame
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Donna McGuire Scott Lear Parish Deacon	Christine Johnson Nathan Johnson Christina Stephenson Norman Ata Parish Deacon Tim Gillinger Jenna Taylor
Linen Washer		Sharon Nelson
Ushers	Paul Chauvin Bogdan Czachor Jerry Ferguson Garry Secor	Bryan Boggs Jay Fukumoto Gary Rowland Bill Thompson
Bus Driver		Steve Capaldo

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
March 1 - March 8, 2026**

- Sunday:** Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
- Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
- Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Next Sunday:** Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Please pray for our sick, that they may be strengthened by the love of Christ.

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| Rob Ahlers | Fr. Tom Collins | Ed McGuire |
| Louise Amato | Placido de Guzman | Joseph Mukuni |
| Joe Birkenmaier | Therese Huynh | Judith Perrine |
| Lois Conn | Teresita Jorales | John Wizorek |
| | Bernie Langheim | |

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE PRACTICES OF LENT

PRAYER FASTING ALMSGIVING

During Lent, we embrace prayer, fasting, and almsgiving as ways to draw closer to our Lord. Join fellow parishioners on Saturday, March 7th from 9:00am-11:00am for the OLPH Lent Festival to grow in your understanding of these three disciplines of Lent and discover new ways to make your family’s Lenten journey more meaningful. This opportunity for adults and children will include:

- A presentation by Fr. Kyle on the three practices of Lent
- Hands-on activities to help deepen your Lenten experience
- Potluck breakfast with fellow parishioners

Sign up on the bulletin board in the commons or call the church office at 540-387-0491 to reserve your space. Families of all sizes and ages are welcome!

THE OLPH YOUTH GROUP

will start collecting plastic Easter Eggs and individually wrapped candy the week of March 6 & 7 and March 13 & 14. A box will be placed in the Commons for all donations. Please no candy with peanut butter or peanuts. Thank you for your generosity!



Help make Easter EGGstra special by donating plastic eggs and individually wrapped candy the weekends March 6/7 & March 13/14

March 1, 2026 2nd Sunday of Lent Matthew 17:1-9

When I sit down to answer emails or write a Gospel reflection or return a phone call, I sometimes wonder: Does any of this humdrum work matter? Maybe you ask the same thing about your daily labor. Today’s Gospel, the Transfiguration, offers a surprising answer.

Jesus leads Peter, James, and John up a mountain. There, “his face shone like the sun face and his clothes become white as light” (Matthew 17:2). That detail regarding his clothes is worth considering.

We know Jesus’ body is inseparably united to the divine nature. But his clothing? That’s something made by human hands. It’s an artifact. And yet it shines with the same uncreated light. What does this detail mean? The early Church noted that Adam and Eve’s first act after the Fall was to make clothing. This clothing symbolizes all human labor that supports our dignity. In Jesus’ glorified garments, we see not just the redemption of our body, but of human effort to protect and uplift human dignity.

Parents, your family is your work. Baristas, plumbers, nurses, accountants — your labor, your emails, your phone calls, your spreadsheets — can all become radiant when offered to God in love. The question isn’t just do I believe in Jesus’ glory, but do I believe he can share it with the work of my hands?

Lenten Challenge: Identify the “artifact” you are making to uplift the dignity of others: your job, your home, your relationships. Consciously bring it to the Lord this Sunday at Mass. Offer it to share in His glory. It will begin to shine.

~ Fr. John Muir

WEEKLY OFFERING	Feb. 21 & Feb. 22, 2026	JULY 1YTD
Sunday - Holy Days	\$ 7,296.00	\$443,846.00
Total Income Budgeted	\$10,710.00	\$370,587.00
Better or Worse	\$ 3,414.00	\$ 73,259.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 3,315.00	\$ 51,311.00

Thank you for your continued support.

Blessing of Hope

In Your goodness Lord, bless us. Help us to know Your abundance and Your gifts. Help us to hear Your voice and know Your assurance. Help us remember what You have done, and look forward to what You will do.

~Amen.

