



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6th, 2019

The Church has, for thousands of years, set aside this period of time to prepare Her people for the central celebration of our faith---the Resurrection of Jesus, Easter Sunday, April 21st. We encourage all to enter this marvelous season of grace with a spirit of renewal and recommitment to follow Jesus and proclaim the Gospel. To this end, we invite everyone to join us for the various Masses and services we have planned for Lent.



Distribution of Ashes on Ash Wednesday -

9:00am, 12:00 noon, and 7:30pm Masses

Service of the Word at 4:00pm

Ashes will be distributed at all Masses and at the Service of the Word.



Celebration of the Eucharist -

Daily - Monday-Friday at 9:00am,

Sunday- 5:00pm (Sat.), 8:00am, 10:00am and 12:00 noon

First Fridays in Lent - March 8 and April 5- In addition to the 9am daily Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the 9am Mass and conclude with Benediction at 10:30am.



Recitation of the Rosary - Thursdays in Lent at 7:30pm in the Church - The Rosary provides an opportunity for meditation on the life of Christ. Join us.



Stations of the Cross - Friday evenings in Lent at 7:30pm in the Church

Healing Mass/Anointing of the Sick – Saturday, March 30th at 11:00am - This special Mass will provide an opportunity for people to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Sacrament is offered to all who are ill as an aid, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, to their recovery. In other words, there is wide latitude as to who can receive the Sacrament. We therefore encourage everyone to participate in the Mass.

Adult Faith Formation- Video Presentations by Bishop Robert Barron - “Christ: Priest Prophet and King” - Monday, March 18th, Tuesday, March 26, and Monday, April 1. All presentations are in the Church and begin at 7:00pm. Fr. John will guide the presentation.

RCIA--Praying for those preparing to receive the Sacraments at Easter -

The RCIA candidates will begin their final preparation on the First Sunday of Lent with the ceremony of the “Rite of Election”. At this rite, upon the testimony of sponsors and catechists, the candidates affirm their intention to join the Church. In the presence of the bishop (or his delegate), they inscribe their names in the Book of the Elect as a pledge of fidelity. This Lent, let us remember to pray for them and offer some sacrifice on their behalf. The Lord will in turn bless us.

****Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** are days of fast and abstinence.

****The Fridays of Lent** are days of abstinence from meat.

