



ST. PATRICK—ST. ANTHONY PARISH LENT 2019

What do tealights, rocks, children, and nails have to do with Lent? Each of these are elements of our faith community's journey to Jesus. The focus of our Lenten activities is centered on Friday evenings. Each Friday (March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5, and 12) at 6:30 pm, we will hold an intergenerational prayer service, or stations of the cross, or rosary, etc. It is our goal that each of us, regardless of our age, learn new ways of praying and spending time with the Lord. We are asking the children and catechist of each Grade Level to assist in a small way in leading us in prayer. Please join us on the following Fridays:

March 8 ~ Celtic Prayer Service Experience the music, the prayers, and the quiet that are a part of Celtic (Irish) prayer during Lent. Perhaps St. Patrick will even make an appearance!

March 15 ~ Rosary led by the 3, 4, 9th grade students. With the children leading the prayer and representing a mystery or a Hail Mary, they will use tealights to keep us on the right prayer. Bring your own Rosary for this calling upon Mary for our spiritual renewal.

March 22 ~ Stations of the Cross led by the 5 and 6th graders. Using a children's version of the Stations of the Cross, these young people will help us experience the drama of the Stations in language that is suitable for them.

March 29 ~ A Moment With the Lord. Jim Henck will lead us in prayer that will enrich our understanding of Lent and prepare our hearts for Holy Week.

April 5 ~ Taize Prayer Time led by our Confirmation Students. The Taize prayer service held this past Advent was very well-received. People loved the simple songs, the mood of the environment, the 10 minutes of quiet prayer. The 10th graders will help us experience that deep prayer once again.

April 12 ~ A Tenebrae Service led by the 7th and 8th graders. Tenebrae is focused on the last seven words of Jesus as he was dying on the cross. Candles, darkness, music, and a re-enactment of the Passion of Jesus by the students is the focus of the evening. This will be held at a time later than 6:30pm.

We are asking parishioners of EVERY AGE to join us in a season of surrender to the Lord as children and various adult parishioners lead us in prayer. Handouts will be given at each service to further deepen your prayer life during the following week. Please know that ALL ARE WELCOME and we encourage you to bring a friend.

Remember to join us each Friday at 6:30pm except for the Tenebrae which will a different time.

IF WEATHER IS A FACTOR, WE WILL POSTPONE THE SERVICE TO A LATER DATE.