Each year on the occasion of Lent, the Church invites us to a sincere review of our life in light of the life of Christ and the teachings of the Gospel.

We can ask these questions during Lent:

How am I reflecting Christ in my life?

Which of my thought patterns, general attitudes and dispositions, words, and deeds are not reflective of Christ in my life?

Culminating in the Holy Triduum, in which we ask ourselves how can I share in Jesus' victory over sin and death forever?

This brochure contains all of the important liturgies, sacraments, prayer and devotions, and gatherings that we will be celebrating this Lent and Holy Week.

I hope you can join us in sharing the beautiful experience and richness that is Lent, Holy Week, and Easter.

- Rev. Kenneth J. Gill

February 14

ASH WEDNESDAY

Masses with distribution of ashes:

7:00am

9:00am (School Mass)

12:10pm

6:30pm (Spanish)

Day of fasting, abstaining from meat.

(PREPARE)

The Light is ON for You!

An important element of our Lenten preparation is spending time with the Lord in prayer and in receiving His healing through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

To facilitate this opportunity the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available:

Saturday starting at 2:00pm.

Wednesday's from 6:00pm-8:00pm in the Damascus Room.

Confessions will also be available during Holy Week:

Tue. March 26 & Wed. March 27: 9:30am-10:30am

Thu. March 28 (Holy Thursday): 9:00am - 10:00am, 5:30pm-6:30pm

Fri. March 29 (Good Friday) 9:00am-10:00am 1:00pm-3:00pm 5:30pm-6:30pm

"How many times in my pastoral ministry have I heard it said, 'Father, I have many sins,' & I have always pleaded, 'Don't be afraid; go to him; he is waiting for you; he will take care of everything.' We hear many offers from the world around us, but let us take up God's offer instead: his is a caress of love. -Pope Francis, Homily, Basilica of St. John Lateran, Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, 2013.

(GIVE)

Pregnancy Crisis Center

to God." (Catechism #2462)

"A little change...changes lives"
During Lent, we are asked to focus
more intently on "almsgiving" which
means donating money or goods to the
poor and performing other acts of
charity. It is "a witness to fraternal
charity" and "a work of justice pleasing

This Lenten season we will assist the Pregnancy Crisis Center. The weekend of Feb. 24-25 Baby Bottles will be available to take home and fill with change. Bottles may be returned to the lock box in the Narthex, the parish office Monday thru Friday, or the Pregnancy Crisis Center Monday thru Thursday.

(PRAY)

Stations of the Cross (Via Crucis)

"Via Crucis, a way of faith:
in Jesus, condemned to death,
we see the Judge of the universe;
in Jesus as he carries his Cross,
the Savior of the world;
in Jesus crucified, the Lord of history,
the very Son of God." –
St. John Paul II, Via Crucis,
Good Friday, 2003

The Stations will be prayed on Friday's at:

5:00pm (English) **6:30pm** (Spanish)

(Please note the stations will be suspended on Friday February 23 for the tour of the the Relic of the Arm of St. Jude).

(Community)

Parish Fish Fry

Take a break from cooking dinner and join us on Fridays for Stations of the Cross and a traditional Lenten Fish Fry in Mullally Hall hosted by the Knights of Columbus and our Spanish Community.

February 16 5:30pm-7:00pm
February 23 4:00pm-6:30pm
March 1 5:30pm-7:00pm
March 8 5:30pm-7:00pm
March 15 5:30pm-7:00pm
March 22 5:30pm-7:00pm

Relic of the Arm of St. Jude Feb 23

Veneration of the Relic 2:00pm-10:00pm Mass in honor of St. Jude 7:00pm Fish Fry available 4:00pm-6:30pm

Christ in the City Wednesday Nights

Eucharistic Adoration in the Basilica each Wednesday from 6:00pm-8:00pm with the Sacrament of Reconciliation available in the Damascus Room.

Morning Prayer during Holy Week

Join us for morning prayer in the Basilica at 8:45am Monday through Friday of Holy Week.

HOLY WEEK 2024

March 24: Palm Sunday

(Distribution of Palms)
Sat. Vigil 4:00pm, 6:30pm (Spanish)
Sun. 8:30am, 11:00am (Choir)
1:00pm (Spanish), 6:00pm

Monday March 25:

8:45am Morning Prayer 9:00am Mass 11:00am *Chrism Mass* Basilica, Mary Queen of the Universe

Tuesday March 26:

8:45am Morning Prayer 9:00am Mass 9:30am Confession

Wednesday March 27:

8:45am Morning Prayer 9:00am Mass 9:30am Confession 6:00pm-8:00pm Confession

March 28: Holy Thursday

8:45am Morning Prayer 9:00am & 5:30-6:30pm Confession 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper 9:00pm Night Prayer

March 29: Good Friday

8:45am Morning Prayer
9:00am & 1:00-3:00pm Confession
2:00pm Way of the Cross
3:00pm The Passion of the Lord
5:30pm-6:30pm - Confession
7:00pm The Passion of the Lord
(Spanish)

March 30: Holy Saturday

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night 8:00pm

March 31: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, EASTER SUNDAY

7:00am, 8:30am, 11:00am 1:00pm (Spanish) (no 6:00pm Mass today)