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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

4:00 p.m. - Bilingual

Sunday

8:00 a.m. - English

9:30 a.m. - English

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. (**Chapel**)

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month after 8:00 a.m. Mass (**Church**)

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - February 22, 2026

Today's **Gospel** is from St. Matthew. This incident in our Lord's life, his forty days and nights of fasting followed by temptations, has been chosen as a reading for this first Sunday of Lent for our edification and encouragement. Lent is a period of preparation for the central Christian events of Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Christ, the Son of God in human nature, died the excruciating death of crucifixion on Good Friday, because of the sins of the human race. By this supreme act of obedience to his heavenly Father he made atonement for all our disobediences, and set us free from the slavery of Satan and of sin. In his resurrection his human nature was glorified by God the Father, and in that glorification we are all offered a share and given the right to an eternal life of glory, if we follow Christ faithfully in this life.

For every sincere Christian therefore, who appreciates what Good Friday and Easter Sunday mean for her or him, this period of preparation should be a welcome opportunity. The Church no longer imposes on us any obligatory daily fasting from food, but it urges us to find other means of mortifying ourselves, so as to show that we realize what Christ has done for us and what he has earned for us through his passion, death and resurrection. The example of Christ fasting from food for forty days, should move even the coldest Christian heart to try to do something to make reparation for past negligence and sins. Christ had no sin to atone for; it was for our sins that he mortified himself. We all have much to atone for.

The willing Christian will find ready substitutes for fasting.

The temptations, to which our Lord allowed himself to be submitted, are for us a source of encouragement and consolation. If our Lord and master underwent temptation, we cannot and must not expect to live a Christian life without experiencing similar tests and trials. The three temptations Satan put to our Lord were suggestions to forget his purpose in life....his messianic mission of redemption. He was urged to get all the bodily comforts of life, all the self-glory which men could give him, and all the possessions and power this world has to offer.

Our basic temptations in life are the same: bodily comforts and pleasure, the empty esteem of our fellowman, wealth and power.

Today, let each one of us look into his heart and honestly examine his reaction to these temptations. Do we imitate our Savior and leader, and say "begone Satan"? Our purpose in life is not to collect its treasures, its honors or its pleasures. We are here for a few short years, to merit the unending life which Christ has won for us.

Lent is a golden opportunity to review our past and make sensible resolutions for our future.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. February 21 - 4:00 pm

- Estella Corona (ROS)
- Andrew Weart - BDay
- Melissa Loya and Theresa Jauregui - Health
- Ramona Martinez, Trinidad Martinez-Lamas - INT

Sun. February 22 - 8:00 am

- All Souls in Purgatory
- Andrew Weart and Leo Andrade - BDay
- Theresa Jauregui - Health
- 9:30 am
- John Madole (ROS)
- Esther Richards and Mercedes Myers Sr. - BDay
- Theresa Jauregui - Health

Wed. February 25 - 8:00 am

- Theresa Jauregui - Health

Thurs. February 26 - 8:00 am

- Jason Hernandez - BDay
- Theresa Jauregui - Health

Fri. February 27 - 8:00 am

- Theresa Jauregui - Health
- 6:00 pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Let us walk together the Way of the Cross during this Lenten Season as we carry our own cross.

Jesus by His Suffering and Death won for us Life Eternal.

Let us make THIS LENT a time of... spiritual growth.

Ministries in Our Church



Lectors Those who proclaim God's word during our liturgical celebration.



Eucharistic Ministers Those who distribute Holy Communion during liturgical celebration.



Altar Servers Those who assist Priest during our liturgical celebration.



Choir Those who lead us in singing during our liturgical celebration.



Guadalupanas Those who in a special way turn to Mary for her intercession.



Men's Ministry Gather as a group to improve our spirituality.

Sacraments Please call office to arrange.....



Baptism Through this sacrament we become children of God.



Marriage Through this sacrament those who marry invite God into their life.



Anointing of the Sick Through this sacrament God forgives our sins and comforts us in our sickness.

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Quinceañera (not a sacrament) Important celebration when one thanks God for blessings.

Helping those in need:



Martha's Pantry St. Ann provides lunches for those in need: Wednesday & Thursday morning @ 9:00 am. At **Hanley Hall**.



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