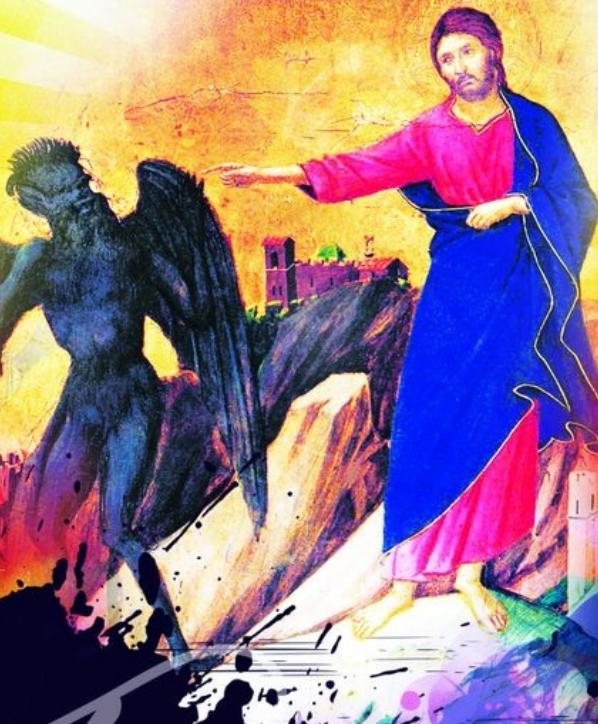


FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



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February 22, 2026

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sat., February 21, 2026 St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

4:30 p.m. at CC Joe Gill +

4:00 p.m. at St. B

Sun., February 22, 2026 First Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. at St. A Mr. & Mrs. Otto Notz +

9:00 a.m. at OLOM

10:30 a.m. at St. B

11:00 a.m. at QM George Noeth +
Lonnie & Lorraine Nelson +Mon., February 23, 2026 (No Mass or Communion Service)St. Polycarp, Bishop and MartyrTues., February 24, 2026

8:30 a.m. at CC

Wed., February 25, 2026

8:30 a.m. OLOM

Thurs., February 26, 2026

8:30 a.m. QM

Fri., February 27, 2026 (No Mass or Communion Service)St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the ChurchFor Stations of the Cross, See Page 7Sat., February 28, 2026

4:30 p.m. at OLOM Donnie Isaac +

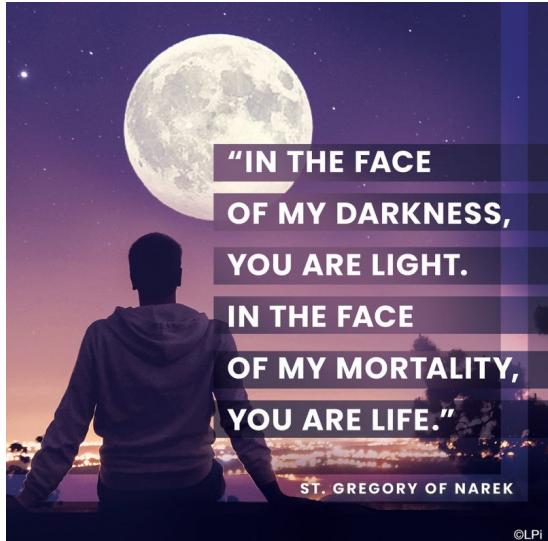
4:00 p.m. at St. B

Sun., March 1, 2026 Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. at St. A

9:00 a.m. at CC

10:30 a.m. at St. B

11:00 a.m. at QM George Noeth +
Johnny Shilt +

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, Feb. 28, 2026 4:30 p.m. at OLOM

Presider: Fr. Benoit

Lector: Beth Siwecki

Eucharistic Ministers: ?

Server: Arthur Siwecki

Saturday, Feb. 28, 2026 4:00 p.m. at St. BNote: New time Change

Presider: Fr. Francis

Lectors/Readers:

Petitions: Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday, Mar. 1, 2026 8:30 a.m. at St. A

Presider: Fr. Francis

Lector: Patrick Barnett

Eucharistic Ministers: Randy Klotz, Marie Klotz
Toni Rogers, Mary Hickle

Server: Susie Stewart

Sunday, Mar. 1, 2026 9:00 a.m. at CC

Presider: Fr. Benoit

Lectors: Pat Gill

Eucharistic Ministers: Deb Ravestein / Mary Miltenberger

Server:

Sunday, Mar. 1, 2026 10:30 a.m. at St. B

Presider: Fr. Francis

1st Reader – YOUTH/Camille Brown

2nd Reader – YOUTH/Dominique Akpore

Petitions – Deacon Victor O'Basuyi

Extraordinary Ministers –

Carolyn Day, Rita Ellicott, Janice Allen (R)

Emmett Orr, Susan Smith, Derek Arnold (L)

Deacon Victor O'Basuyi (C)

Sunday, Mar. 1, 2026 11:00 a.m. at QM

Presider: Fr. Benoit

Lector: 1-Steve Koob 2-LouAnn Geel

Eucharistic Ministers: Larry Schwierman / Cathy Hall

Server: Carl Meyer

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays before the 4 p.m. Mass at SB,
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	MONDAY February 23, 2026	
10:00 am	Liturgy of the Hours-Morning Prayer	QM
	TUESDAY February 24, 2026	
9:30 am	Charismatic Prayer Group	CC Madonna Room
11:00 am	St. Benedict the Moor Rosary Dial-In on Phone only	Dial-In Number: 6677701427
4:00—5:00 pm	Neighborhood Meals Ministry We will be serving carryout meals every Tuesday	OLOM Founder's Hall
	WEDNESDAY February 25, 2026	
9:30 am—11:00 am	Week Two Lenten Video Series entitled <u>Our Father's Plan</u> by Scott Hahn and Jeff Cavins All are welcome! No cost	McAuley Hall QM
6:30 pm	St. Augustine Rosary and Liturgy of the Hours-Evening Prayer	SA
6:00 pm	St. Benedict Bible Study- Virtual beginning October 15	https://meet.google.com/hpy-pmvp-fvt
	FRIDAY February 27, 2026	
	<u>For Stations of the Cross, See Page 7</u>	
	SUNDAY March 1, 2026	
10:00 am	St. Benedict the Moor Rosary In church before Mass	SB
10:30 pm	Queen of Martyrs Rosary In church before Mass	QM

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Prayer—Holy Spirit—Trust

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Saturday and Sunday Mass

Feb. 8, 2026

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OUR LADY OF GRACE - OLOM & CC

Saturday and Sunday Mass

Feb. 8, 2026

Collection \$1819

QUEEN OF MARTYRS

Sunday Mass

Feb. 8, 2026

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

February 22, 2026
1st Sunday of Lent
Matthew 4:1-11

In my second-to-last year of seminary, I woke up one September morning to devastating news: two beloved classmates had died in a car crash. I was overwhelmed with grief and anger like I had never known. I entered therapy for the first time and had intense conversations with my spiritual director. For months I felt lost in a spiritual wilderness. But something unexpected happened: I encountered Christ there. The fear and sorrow didn't destroy me. In fact, that spiritual desert was a time of intense growth in faith.

Today's Gospel begins: "Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil" (Matthew 4:1). The word "led" denotes a gentle, humble submission to the Spirit. Jesus does not send himself into this desolate place where wild beasts roam and Satan tempts. Who wants to be around roaming, wild beasts? The Church Fathers saw them as symbols of our inner chaos: fears, temptations, wounds. The Spirit leads us there, sometimes against our wishes. But those same Fathers also saw that this deserted place is also where angels ministered to Jesus, amidst his great trial and temptation.

Lenten Challenge: This Lent and throughout life's struggles, the Spirit leads you and me into the wilderness. Name one "desert" into which the Spirit has led you: perhaps grief, fear, silence, change, disappointment. Ask for the grace to go there willingly. The beasts may be real, but they will not harm you. There, the angels are waiting to minister to the Christ living in you, who always goes where the Spirit leads.

— Father John Muir

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Please join us for a Lenten Retreat for all Holy Spirit Family of Parishes
on **Saturday, March 7, at Queen of Martyrs**

Beginning with Mass at 8:30 am Then proceeding to McAuley Hall.
Retreat ends 2:30 pm

The retreat this Lent is....

The Jewish Roots of Jesus' Death and Resurrection
By Dr. Brant Pitre.

- Why do the Gospels stress that Jesus died at 3 P.M.?
- What was the Jewish liturgical calendar like?
- Why do Catholics worship on the New Sabbath (Sunday)?
- And much more!

Retreat includes coffee and donuts, and lunch!
Registration is required by March 4.

Register by calling Charlotte Minnelli 937-238-8146
Retreat is free of charge, but donations are welcome!

LIVE THE LITURGY

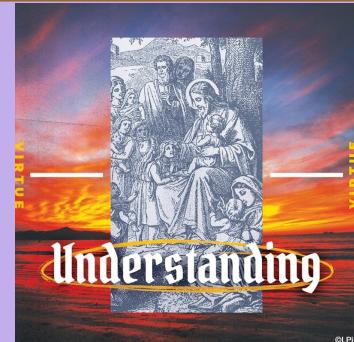
Our Lord is so humble that he allows us to see him experience temptation. The vulnerability of this moment is awesome to behold. Let us learn from Jesus' interaction with the devil, and be transformed by it.

Let us say, with him: "Get away, Satan."

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: According to the Acts of the Apostles, who was selected to replace the Apostle Judas?

Answer: St. Matthias.



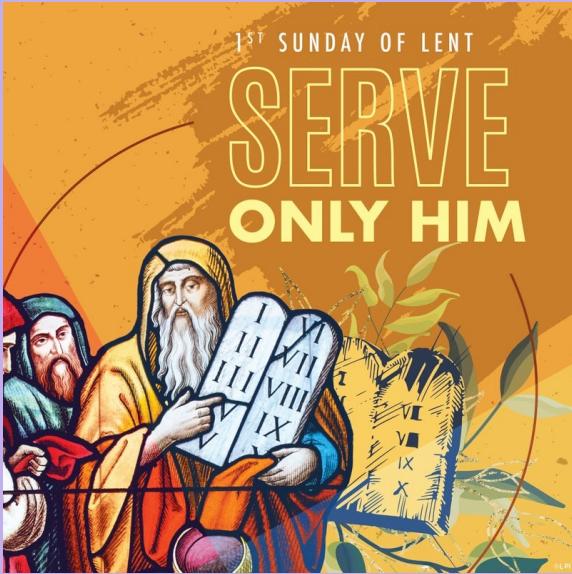
VIRTUES, EXPLAINED! – CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

Understanding

Understanding is the "food" of faith. "I believe, in order to understand," said St. Augustine. We must constantly ask the Holy Spirit for greater and more profound understanding, for though understanding proceeds from faith, it in turn nourishes that faith.

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT





Bible Studies

St. Benedict Bible Study: Virtual study began on October 15, 2025 and remain in place until Daylight Saving begins again in the Spring of 2026. As in the past we will use Google Meet as the application for our virtual sessions. Parishioners can participate using their computer, tablet or smartphone. The link to join the virtual sessions is provided below:

Hangouts Meet joining info

<https://meet.google.com/hpy-pmvp-fvt>

Queen of Martyrs Bible Study

Wednesday Mornings
9:30 am to 11:00 am. McAuley Hall. Year round.

Our Lady of Grace's Bible Study, Our Lady of Grace's Bible Study is on Winter Break. We will resume in Early Spring. Dates and our selected Scripture Study will be announced at that time.

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Join your church family
in praying the Rosary
for the community and each other.

St. Benedict Rosary is every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.

Dial-In Only:

New Dial-In Number: 6677701427 Access Code: 556136

St. Augustine Rosary is in person every Wednesday a 6:30 pm. Holy Hour every First Thursday of the month

Queen of Martyrs Rosary is in person every Sunday at 10:30 a.m., just before the 11:00 a.m. Mass



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Take Up Our Cross

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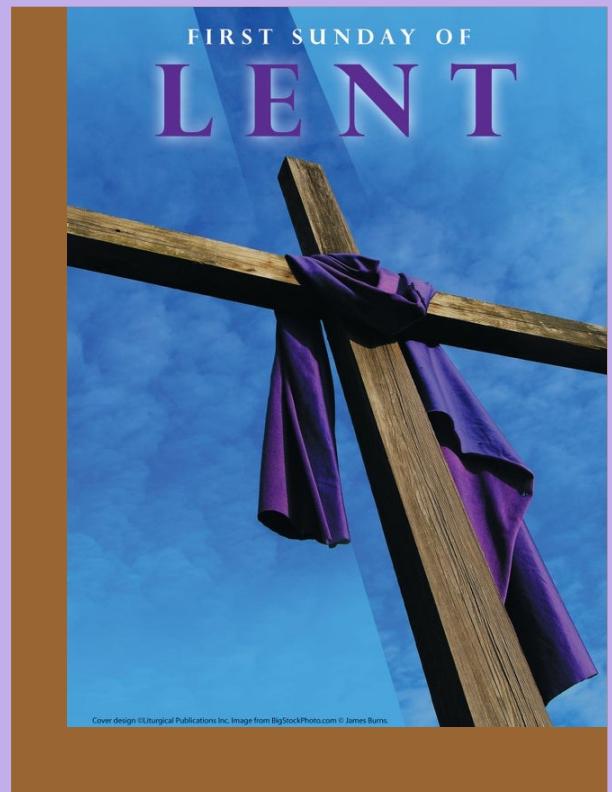
What does Jesus mean when he talks about taking up our cross?

Answer:

Our journey of faith begins in baptism. When we are faithful to it, we find God's plan for us, his way of allowing us to participate in his saving work, which in turn becomes for us our own salvation. Stated simply, we share in the mission of Jesus each day. We live our life with all of its ups, downs, joys, and sorrows in union with the mission of Jesus. Our work then is holy. It is joined to the cross, God's will for Jesus — the way in which he destroys sin and death and makes eternal life possible. His sacrifice accomplishes what we ourselves cannot do.

To take up the cross, then, means that we share in the mission of Jesus and so embrace the sufferings of the cross. It is our daily life made holy, given a redemptive mission. It is our purpose and goal to unite our life to that of Christ. St. Paul says it best, "If we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection" (Rom 6:5).

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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Into the Desert

When we first got married, I wanted to know everything my husband was thinking, exactly when he was thinking it.

Thirteen years later, I still want to know it all. But I want to know it after he's had a snack.

I think he still wants to know what I'm thinking, too. But he wants to know it after I've had 10 minutes without hearing the word, "Mommy!"

Life has taught us, you see, that it's hard to be a good person, a nice person, a gentle person, when your body doesn't feel good or nice or gentle. When you're hungry. When you're exhausted. When you're anxious.

It's not impossible, of course. It's just ... hard.

We're entering a penitential season, a time in which we purposefully deprive ourselves in certain ways. During Lent, we intentionally enter into the desert of physical hunger and weakness. Why, in preparation for Easter and in an effort to spiritually purify ourselves, do we go to this place where it's so hard to be good? Why do we go to the desert?

Because Christ has shown us that the desert is where decisions are made.

There are many reasons why the Word became flesh to accomplish God's plan for our salvation. But I think one of the most important reasons must have been that God wanted to show us that He knows, intimately, how easily the devil exploits our physical experience of this world. We see it in today's Gospel: Jesus, hungry and weary. Jesus, taunted and tempted.

We see him. We recognize him. We are him.

And we hear his voice, even though it trembles with fatigue: "Get away, Satan!"

Today, we enter the desert. Because the desert is where decisions are made.

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Queen of Martyrs Lenten Video Series

Join us at Queen of Martyrs each Wednesday from February 18th until March 25th for a six-week Video series entitled **Our Father's Plan** presented by Dr Scott Hahn and Jeff Cavins. Each week there will be a one hour video , followed by group discussion. Times are 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM McAuley Hall. There is no cost for this program.

Please contact instructor, Charlotte Minnelli if you are interested **or just come!**
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Join us for.....

Our Father's Plan



The Liturgy of the Hours Locations and Times for Morning/Evening Prayers

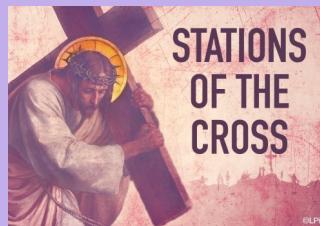
Saint Augustine: Adoration with Evening Prayers
First Thursday 7 PM.

Rosary and Evening Prayers every Wednesday 6:30 PM.

Saint Benedict: Adoration with Evening Prayers
First Thursday 6 PM.

Corpus Christi: Second Thursday 10 AM.

Queen of Martyrs: Adoration with Morning Prayers 9AM to Noon
First Monday. (Morning Prayers begins 11:40 AM).



Second Stations of the Cross Friday February 27, 2026

- Corpus Christi: 11:30 am Lenten Lunch
12:00 Noon Stations**
- Queen of Martyrs: 5:30 Soup Supper, 6:30 Rosary,
7:00pm Stations**
- St. Augustine: 6:00 pm Soup Supper & Stations**
- St. Benedict: Fish Fry 11:00-6:00 pm Stations 6:30pm**

2026 LENTEN FISH FRY

Begins on Friday, February 20th and continues each Friday thru Good Friday April 3rd

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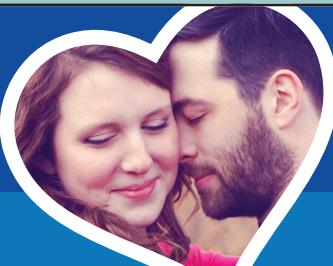
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