



Lent

1st Sunday of Lent February 26, 2023



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 25 ~ Vigil/1st Sunday of Lent
5:30 PM

Sunday, February 26 ~ 1st Sunday of Lent
9:30 AM

Monday, February 27
9:00 AM The People of the Parish

Wednesday, March 1
9:00 AM

Friday, March 3
9:00 AM

Saturday, March 4 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday of Lent
5:30 PM

Sunday, March 5 ~ 2nd Sunday of Lent
9:30 AM

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, March 4 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday of Lent
5:30 PM Ted Wall

Sunday, March 5 ~ 2nd Sunday of Lent
9:30 AM Janet Murphy

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, March 4 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday of Lent
5:30 PM Kim Grzybek (a), Kathy Fayol (c)

Sunday, March 5 ~ 2nd Sunday of Lent
9:30 AM Lisa Dyer (a), Ann Clouse (c)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)
Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)
Kaila McGowan (Marines) Anthony Pagano (Navy)
Joseph Ruize (Navy) Carissa Tironi (Army)
Elliott Weidel (Marines)

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Regina Parthesius, Robert Wise

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Marion Andersen, Bridget Auer, Joanne Bach, Rob Brosnan,
Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Peter Cavalier, Barbara Ceriale,
Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, Marie DiMare, Tina DiMare,
Mary Donnelly, Agnes Ferrone, Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo,
Lenore Giansanti, Margaret Hale, Ninette Kondratowicz,
Regina Lempka, Jon Miller, Gail Montalto, Janet Murphy,
Rosemary Osborn, Julie Oparski, Marianna Oparski,
Helen Ryan, Frances Salewski, Chris Strobl

LOOKING AHEAD

Helping Hands Food Pantry
Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday by Appointment
(9 AM start)

Sunday, February 26
1st Sunday in Lent

Tuesday, February 28
Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Friday, March 3
Stations of the Cross ~ 7:00 PM

Saturday, March 4
Food Pantry by Appointment ~ 9:00 AM

Sunday, March 5
“No Greater Love” Passion Play
by the Xavier Group ~ 4:00 PM in the Church
Followed by a light supper
in the Parish Center lower level.
Free Will Offering

Tuesday, March 7
Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Friday, March 10
Stations of the Cross ~ 7:00 PM

Saturday, March 11
NO Food Pantry

Monday, March 13
Parish Council Meeting ~ 7:00 PM



Today's Scripture 1st Sunday in Lent

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11

About Prayer: **Nothing Spectacular**

When the devil was tempting Jesus in the desert, the second temptation was for Jesus to fling himself down from the temple, in order to make a spectacular show of God's power. Jesus' response to the tempter is also meant to inspire us: "You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test."

Looking for a spectacular way to show God's power is really an expression of doubt in God's complete and unconditional acceptance of us. In the center of all things, and of life, is the presence of God who assures and affirms us, freeing us from the compulsion to be praised and admired. The work of our hands ought to point to God and not to ourselves. To reach this center requires time spent in deep prayer, and Lent is the best time to begin praying deeply.

Today we see in the Gospel Reading, Jesus in his heavenly glory. But before that glory is reached, Jesus must first be raised from the dead, emphasizing the paschal mystery and that there can be no eternal life with God without death. Dying to our desire for the spectacular is part of our journey to the heart of God. In that Sacred Heart, God's acceptance frees us of being needy. Through prayer and communion with God practiced during Lent, we find our true selves called to live according to God's truth and love.



Visio Divina

Please make a point to visit the new sacred art display in the Church Gathering Area that is an example of **Visio Divina**. **Visio Divina** — "sacred seeing" — is an ancient form of Christian prayer in which we allow our hearts and imaginations to enter into a sacred image, in silence, to see what God might have to say to us.

The display changes weekly to correspond with Scriptures from the weekend Masses. Ted Wall coordinates this display by researching the content of the Scriptures and finding corresponding artwork by well-known and sometimes obscure artists who have created a masterpiece that lends itself to this ancient form of prayer. Copies of a more in-depth description of Visio Divina are available at the display site.



This Week's Painting

Mass Attendance/Collection

at Mass on February 18 & 19: **131**
Weekend's Collection: **\$1,453.00**



Friday,
March 24th

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No Greater Love

presented by

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The Passion of Christ
in drama, song & dance
presented at
at Our Lady
of the Assumption
17 High St.
Bloomington, NY
Sunday, March 5
4:00 PM
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A light meal will be served following the performance. All are invited. Please sign up on the registration sheet in the Gathering Area.

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