The Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi

First Sunday of Lent ~ March 10, 2019

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If you are new to the area, looking for a new spiritual home, or have been attending mass at the Cathedral Basilica and haven’t formally registered, we would like to invite you to become part of our spiritual family. Registration forms can be found on our website www.cbsfa.org (look for the Parish Registration tab) or by visiting our parish office. Adults, 18 and older are invited to register under their own name.

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GET STARTED!
First Week of Lent

Sunday, March 10 - 1st Sunday of Lent (Daylight Savings)
- Coffee & Donuts after the 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM Masses (Donations graciously accepted.)
- Second Collection for Santo Niño School Support
- Second Collection for Poor of Our Community

8:00 AM  + Bennie & Frances Vialpando & poor souls - Vialpando Family
          + Carolyn Fitzsimmons - Jean G. Rodriguez
          For the People of the Parish
10:00 AM  + Caden Martinez - George & Nancy Baros
          + Louise McKenna - Cecilia & Emil Matic
          + Robert Wallace, Jr. - Cecilia & Emil Matic
12:00 PM  For the departed souls not in heaven who have no one to pray for them
          + Daniel Wright - Charlotte Wright
          + Jim Kiger - Elvira Archuleta

Monday, March 11
7:00 AM  Health & Wellbeing of Ross Funk Family - Parents
          + Carlos Maes - Geo & Mercedes Roybal
5:15 PM  + Daniel Wright - Charlotte Wright
          + Merlyn Flanagan - Jack & Peggie Churchill
          For the Intentions of Nathan Lopez - Dad

Tuesday, March 12
7:00 AM  In thanksgiving to St. Jude for the health of Isabel Gonzales Riebe - Louise Riebe
          + June Osborne (Birthday) - Nancy Rosenberg
          + Matilde & Teresa Cordoba - Teresa Holloway
5:15 PM  For deceased Priests who served the Cathedral Basilica
          + Josephita Rendon - family

Wednesday, March 13
- Coffee & Donuts following the 7AM Mass in Clare Hall - KofC
7:00 AM  For the Intentions of Fr. Adam
          + Martin Gonzales - George & Mercedes Roybal
5:15 PM  + Luis & Telesfor Roybal - George & Mercedes Roybal

Thursday, March 14
7:00 AM  + Grace & Alex Gutierrez - Jean G. Rodriguez
5:15 PM  + Damacio Salazar - Virginia A. Salazar
          + Margaret Rogers - Friends

Friday, March 15
7:00 AM  For the living & deceased members of the Knights of Columbus & its Benefactors
          For the Intentions of Fr. Adam
5:15 PM  + Lala Martinez - EJ Martinez
          + Justin Segura - Family

Saturday, March 16
- Rosary following the 7AM Mass in La Conquistadora Chapel led by the K of C
7:00 AM  Living & deceased members of the Knights of Columbus & its Benefactors
          + Steve & Helen Tatar - John & Loretta Funk
5:15 PM  + Fr. Bill Swetman - Mark Lopez
          + John Tapia & + Christina Tapia Martinez - Tapia Family
          + Col. Frank C. Lenahan - Rose Marie Lenahan

Sunday, March 17 - 2nd Sunday of Lent
- Coffee & Donuts after the 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM Masses (Donations graciously accepted.)
- Second Collection for Poor of Our Community

8:00 AM  + Bennie & Frances Vialpando & poor souls - Vialpando Family
          + Juan M & Francisquita Lujan & deceased family members - Joe & Erma Lujan
          + Julia & Lorenzo Silva - Silva family
10:00 AM  + Larry & Kathleen Blea - Frank & Sonia Gabaldon
          + Christopher Bond - Family
          For the People of the Parish
12:00 PM  + James Pagano - James Scheihing
          + Bill, Dusty & Greg Dawson - Sandy Dawson
          For the departed souls not in heaven who have no one to pray for them

Readings for the Week of March 10, 2019
Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14[1a]/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

What the Parish needs weekly to meets its obligations:
$19,595.00

Envelopes:
$11,939.00

Loose Money:
$3,054.00

Online Giving:
$3,439.00

Total Collection:
$18,432.00

Shortfall:
($1,163.00)

Thank you for using your envelopes and your continued support of Your Parish Community.
Wondering what to do this Lent? Here are some ideas.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, the 40 days of preparation for the Easter season when Christians are called to deepen their spiritual lives through the practices of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. The belief is that our consistent participation in these practices — like exercise we do for our physical health — improves our spiritual well-being by stripping away all that is unnecessary and becoming more mindful of how God is working in our lives. Challenge yourself this year, and go beyond the usual practice of “giving up” something. Now is a great time to take stock of your spiritual life and to grow in it. Not sure where to start? Here are some ideas:

• Make a commitment to read the Sunday scriptures before you go to Mass. In the same way that reading up on football players, opposing teams, and coaching strategies will help you experience a game more fully, familiarizing yourself with the readings ahead of time will help you experience them in a deeper way on Sunday.
• Try a new spiritual practice. Sign up for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration. Attend Mass at a parish that’s made up of people from a different racial/ethnic group. Sign up for a silent retreat or spend at least one hour in silent meditation each weekend.
• Think about what you usually spend your money on. Do you buy too many clothes? Spend too much on dinner out? Pick one type of expenditure that you’ll “fast” from during Lent, and then give the money you would usually spend to a local charity.
• Take something on — 40 days of letter writing, 40 acts of kindness, 40 phone calls to the important people in your life.
• When you first sit down in front of your computer at work, or at the very end of your weekday, try a 10-minute guided prayer from Sacred Space based on the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius.
• Go to a weekday Mass one day during the week. Many parishes offer them early in the morning, at noon, or after work. Daily Masses are often more intimate and shorter than Sunday Mass.
• If you don’t have a cross in your apartment or house, buy a simple one and put it in your bedroom.
• Read the entire Gospel of Mark in one sitting. As the shortest Gospel, it is the most concise story of Jesus’ life, and the cross, a central Lenten symbol, plays an even more prominent role than in the other Gospels.
• Attend the Stations of the Cross somewhere. Many parishes offer these during Lent and often on Fridays. Or check out Busted Halo’s Virtual Stations of the Cross.
• Get some friends together and attend a Friday fish fry at a local parish. It’s not the healthiest thing in the world, but a fun Catholic tradition to help you abstain from eating meat on Fridays during Lent.
• Unplug from your iPhone or turn off your car radio on your commute. The silence may be jarring at first, but you may find that you are able to concentrate better and will be more observant of your surroundings.
• Think about a habit that has kept you from being whom God is calling you to be. Consciously give up that habit for Lent.
• Spend at least one weekend or evening volunteering during Lent. Serve a meal at your local soup kitchen. Visit the elderly. Stock shelves at a food pantry.
• As a part of your Lenten almsgiving, make a point to learn more about a particular social issue (immigration, human trafficking, racism, the environment, public education, child poverty). Give money to an organization related to your chosen issue that supports the dignity of the human person.
• Pray for somebody. As you’re walking the streets, driving the highways, or sitting in your cubicle at work, pick out a person who appears to be in need and pray for that person. Be mindful of the words of philosopher Philo of Alexandria, who said, “Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a great battle.”
• Get to know your neighbors. Introduce yourself, plan a dinner, or bring food to an older person on your block.
• Read the Works of Mercy as Jesus describes them in Matthew 25:31-46. Then put this teaching into practice and choose an act of service you can perform throughout Lent.
• Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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Martha's Ministry: A Gift from the Parish

We provide a Family Meal for (1) a family struggling with health issues and/or (2) your family and visiting relatives during the days surrounding your loved one’s funeral. Please give us a call if you or someone in the parish needs our services, or if you would like to volunteer for this ministry: Ruth 983.5148.

We invite all high school students to take advantage of this opportunity to build your community - where you can learn more about your Catholic faith, share in the mission of Jesus, support one another, and have loads of fun. Weekly Youth Ministry Mass, teens will experience the depths of God’s love through the Word, the teen community and the Eucharist. Following the Mass, our youth minister and core members lead the teens deeper into their Catholic faith experience. Every Sunday - Teen Mass at 12:00 followed by Middle school faith formation Classes 1:30-3:00pm at St. Katherine Drexel.
Contact Liz Gallegos 995-8864 or youth@cbsfa.org

March
10 Living Out Our Prayer
17 No Middle School Session
24 I Can Decide
31 I Am Responsible

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March
10 Egypt & Exodus, Desert Wanderings - Cristo Rey Mass at 10:00am Youth Ministry session 11:30-1:00pm
17 No Youth Ministry Session
24 Conquest and Judges, Royal Kingdom
31 NO YOUTH MINISTRY SESSION- CONFIRMATION WEEKEND RETREAT

Plan Your Funeral Ahead

The three Catholic perpetual care cemeteries, Mt. Calvary, Gate of Heaven and Rosario, are offering a 10% discount on pre-need purchases during the months of March, April and May. This discount program is designed to help families plan now so that those left behind are not tasked with difficult decisions and costly expenses at a time of need. For more information, please call Mt. Calvary Cemetery at 505.243.0218, Gate of Heaven Cemetery at 505.821.0800 or Rosario Cemetery at 505.983.2322

Communion to the Homebound

We need more volunteers! Deacon Bill’s ministry takes the Eucharist to the homebound and prays with them weekly. Volunteers travel in twos – no experience necessary. The schedule is very flexible on Friday mornings and requires little time - 1/2 to 1 hr., but means so much! If you can help a couple of times a month or if you need this ministry, please contact Deacon Bill at 505.471.0554 or send an email to dcn@cbsfa.org.

In 2015, the Friends of the Cathedral began the

1610 Legacy Society

The bequest of the members of this Society will help sustain the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi for many generations to come. Their lasting contributions will provide for the spiritual, educational, and community needs of our parish. To become a Legacy member contact the parish office.

May God Bless Our Legacy Members

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A Journey Through Lent

Daily Masses Monday - Friday of Lent
7:00 a.m. and 5:15 p.m.
(12:10 p.m. only at Cristo Rey)
Saturdays ~ Sábado
7:00 a.m.

Stations of the Cross ~ Via Cruces
Friday evenings following the 5:15 p.m. Mass
Saturdays ~ Sábado
7:00 a.m.

Confession Schedule ~ Confesiones
Saturdays: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
A Cathedral Factoid—From Your Docent Ministry

The next time you attend Mass at our Cathedral take a moment to study briefly the rereredos (i.e., altar screen) consisting of a 17th century statue of St. Francis and paintings of Our Lady of Guadalupe and 13 saints of the New World. “New World” because all the saints were either born in the western hemisphere or came to this region to serve its people. The San Damiano cross hangs over the altar in front of the screen and paintings of angels are in the arches above.

During Mass, keep that composition in mind and listen for the words of Eucharist Prayer II in the Liturgy of the Eucharist: “…he stretched out his hands as he endured his Passion, so as to break the bonds of death and manifest the resurrection. And so, with the Angels and all the Saints we declare your glory as with one voice we acclaim: Holy, Holy, Holy…. “ The composition we see corresponds perfectly to the prayers we hear and the past becomes fully present.

The rereredos paintings were done in Santa Fe by a Third Order Franciscan, Robert Lentz, and were installed in 1986 in time to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Cathedral dedication. Lentz, now a Franciscan friar, is of Russian descent and Eastern Christian heritage. His artistic style is eastern iconography. The gold behind the saints represents heaven; the green represents the earth. You can see that their minds and hearts are located in heaven, but their feet are firmly planted on the earth. The artist said that as a child he was sometimes bored at Mass so he painted children in the scenes so that children today would see they had a special place in the liturgy.

Signs are posted on each side of the sanctuary that show outlines of the figures and their names. Look up one of the saints on the internet and learn more about their New World connection. Why is St. Kateri dressed as a Mohawk in the rereredos and as a Pueblo woman in the Cathedral plaza statue? Why did St. Peter Claver board ships off the Columbia coast? Did the saint in the lower left attend Mass at our Cathedral?

If you would like to become a Docent Minister, we need you. We will teach you everything you need to know plus you will be changing tourists into pilgrims. Please call Stanley Robb at 909.936.1941 or email stanleyrobb@msn.com.

A One of a Kind Keepsake - Our beautiful La Conquistadora statue (full color) will always be available for sale in our gift shop. She is custom designed for our Cathedral Basilica, so a one of a kind piece. This is a replica of our actual La Conquistadora statue in the north transept of our Cathedral. She is truly a work of art!

It’s the 1st Sunday of Lent – So what are you doing to help you & your family have a fruitful, prayerful Lent???

**We have a wonderful selection of Lent and Easter books for all ages and stages on the spiritual journey – here are just some of our titles:

- “The Hope of Lent” – Daily Reflections from Pope Francis.
- “Lent & Holy Week with Mary” by Dr. Mary Amore
- “According to Your Mercy” – Praying with the Psalms from Ash Wed to Easter, by Martin Shannon
- “Following Christ-A Lenten Reader to Stretch Your Soul” by Carmen Acevedo Butcher
- “The Paschal Mystery of Christ”, a Lenten Journal
- “40 Days Living The Jesus Creed” by Scot McKnight – Author of the Bestseller The Jesus Creed
- “Lenten Healing-40 days to Set you Free from Sin” by Ken Kniepmann
- “Sacred Reading for Lent 2019”– Pope’s Worldwide Prayer Network
- “Give Up Worry for Lent-40 Days to Finding Peace in Christ” by Gary Zimak
- “Lent & Easter-Wisdom from St. Francis & St. Clare of Assisi- compiled by John V. Kruse

Lent/Easter books in our children’s corner:

- “Margaret’s First Holy Week” by John M. Sweeney – Margaret is Pope Francis’s cat J
- “Every Day of Lent & Easter”- A Book of Activities for Children-Lenten calendar included.
- “On Easter Day in the Morning” by Vicki Howie & Honor Ayres
- “Easter Bunny’s Amazing Day” by Carol Benoist & Cathy Gilmore

What’s New?

- Several new nativities from Peru, nativity pueblos, nativity churches, flower nativities and we also sell our Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis nativity.
- Hand painted St. Francis with the birds, wood statues in 8” and 12” sizes, from Mexico.
- Psalm Stones, carry one of these double-sided Pocket Stones with you as an uplifting reminder to guide and inspire you on your daily spiritual path.

We always carry a wide variety of Saint Medals, Statues, and Rosaries by local artisans, Auto Rosaries, Jewelry, Books, Greeting Cards, Children’s Books, Missals, Bibles, Novena Books,
Penitential Disciplines of Lent

The Christian faithful, during Lent, are clearly conscious of the need to turn the mind towards those realities which really count, which require Gospel commitment and integrity of life which, through self denial of those things which are superfluous, are translated into good works and solidarity with the poor and needy (Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy, #125).

In addition to choosing their own penitential practices, Catholics are also asked to observe the practices of fast and abstinence during the 40 days of Lent. The Lenten Fast and Abstinence Regulations are as follows:

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. (The obligation of fasting ceases with the celebration of one's 59th birthday.)
3. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other smaller meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
4. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

First Sunday in Lent

As we enter into this Lenten season of penance and self-denial, we're reminded that the God we follow is no stranger to these things. In this Sunday's Gospel, we see the temptations of Jesus which have parallels throughout Scripture and in our own lives. The apostle John warns against temptations to sensual lust, enticement of the eyes, and a pretentious life (cf. 1 John 2:16). Before Eve plucks the fruit from the tree, she hears it is good for food, pleasing to the eyes, and desirable for gaining wisdom (cf. Genesis 3:6). The temptations of Jesus are our own.

"Turn these stones to bread." Here is the lure of bodily comfort, like good food or sensual lust. It's the simplest of temptations because it's instinctual. We want good for our bodies! But there may be times these bodily goods don't serve the higher good for our souls. The leap "from the temple parapet" would entice the eye of the person watching. A feat like this would prove Jesus' Messianic ability. His popularity could be a shortcut to the cross. We might not be daredevils, but we want people to like us and be impressed by us. Do we sacrifice our values along the way? To "bow and worship" the devil - and so claim power and a pretentious life - seems like a dramatic temptation. Not everyone may feel enticed by power in the professional sense, but all of us want control. A volunteer team can feel just as intense as the boardroom! How often do we prefer to be in control of our lives (and perhaps even the lives of others), rather than allow God to be God?

When we consider areas of temptation and sin, it's not to feel ashamed. The temptation in the desert reminds us that we are not alone and that the strength of Jesus can be our strength, too.