

# Encounter Christ - LENT 2017

During Lent, we are called to more deeply encounter Christ through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

## Lenten Prayer

Wednesday, March 1	Ash Wednesday	8:10 am, 12:10 & 7 pm
Monday – Saturday	Daily Mass	8:00 am
Thursday, March 2	Evening Prayer, Adoration & Benediction	7:00 pm

## Scripture and Reflection

Wednesday Evening <u>March 8, 22, 29</u>	Lenten Bible Study <i>Led by Fr. Sergio</i>	7:00 – 8:30 pm <i>Community Building</i>
March 13 & 14	Parish Lenten Retreat <i>Led by Sr. Sara Postlethwaite</i>	7:00 – 9:00 pm <i>Community Building</i>
Every Friday Evening <i>After Stations</i>	“Rediscovering Jesus” <i>Discussion Group</i>	7:30 / 8:00 pm <i>Bailey House &amp; Church</i>

## Stations of the Cross

Every Friday Evening	Stations of the Cross	7:00 pm
March 3	Journey of Decision	<i>Led by the Young Adults</i>
March 10	St. Alphonsus Liguori Stations	<i>Led by I.C.F. members</i>
March 17	Scriptural (Pope JP II) Stations	<i>Led by Parishioners</i>
March 24	Stations of the Cross	<i>Led by the Scouts</i>
March 31	Edge (Middle School) Stations	<i>Led by Parish Youth</i>
April 7	Mary’s Way of the Cross	<i>Led by School Students</i>

## Lenten Fasting & Penance

Fast Days	Ash Wednesday and Good Friday <i>One full meal, two light meals; no eating between meals.</i>	<i>Ages 18-60</i>
Days of Abstinence	Ash Wednesday and all Fridays in Lent <i>No meat for those over age 14</i>	
Wednesday, April 5	Lenten Reconciliation Service	7:00 pm
All other Wednesdays	“The Light is On” – Individual Penance	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Every Saturday	<i>(except April 15)</i> in Church	3:30 pm

## Lenten Almsgiving

CRS Rice Bowl	Lenten program of global solidarity and sacrificial giving	<i>Bowls/envelopes due after April 16</i>
March 13 & 17	Food Box Sorting and Packing ( <i>Gym</i> )	6:45 & 6:15 pm

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## Rites of Christian Initiation

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*During Lent we reflect on our baptismal promises and how we can better live those promises. The journey of those to be initiated into the Church at Easter help us to renew our own faith journey*

- March 5, 11:30 am Mass**     **Rite of Sending for Election**  
*Our community sends the Catechumens preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, & Eucharist to the Diocesan Rite of Election*
- March 6, 7:30 pm**     **Rite of Election** at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph  
*The Bishop will affirm the readiness of the Elect in our diocese.*
- March 18, 5:00 pm**     **Scrutinies for the Elect – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> weekends of Lent**  
**March 26, 11:30 am**     *These are rites of self-searching and repentance for the Elect*  
**April 2, 10 am Mass**     *in preparation for the celebration of the sacraments at Easter.*
- Tues., April 4, 7:30 p.m.**     **Chrism Mass** at St. Joseph's Cathedral Basilica  
*Diocesan celebration blessing the holy oils for the Church.*
- April 8 & 9**     **Passion Sunday Masses**  
*Outdoor processions at all Masses, weather permitting*



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## Easter Triduum

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*The three days of the Paschal Triduum (from sundown Thursday to sundown on Easter) constitute one seamless celebration of the Paschal Mystery, that is, Christ's journey through death to new life.*

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| <b>Holy Thursday</b> | <b>April 13</b> | <b>7:00 p.m.</b><br><i>Mass of the Lord's Supper</i>   |
| <b>Good Friday</b>   | <b>April 14</b> | <b>12:00 Noon - 3:00 p.m.</b><br><i>Liturgy of the Lord's Passion</i>  |
| <b>Easter Vigil</b>  | <b>April 15</b> | <b>Begins at 8:30 p.m.</b><br><i>Holy Night of Christ's Resurrection.</i><br><i>Reception for the newly initiated follows the Vigil.</i> |
| <b>Easter Sunday</b> | <b>April 16</b> | <b>7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.</b> <i>(no 6 pm)</i><br><i>The 10 am Mass will be a Children's/Family Mass</i>           |

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*To view this Lenten schedule on the web, go to [www.stmartin.org](http://www.stmartin.org)*