

# Encounter Christ - LENT 2018

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

## Lenten Prayer

Wednesday, Feb. 14	Ash Wednesday	8:10 am, 12:10 & 7 pm
Monday – Saturday	Daily Mass	8:00 am
Thursday, March 1	Evening Prayer, Adoration & Benediction	7:00 pm

## Stations of the Cross

Every Friday Evening	Stations of the Cross	7:00 pm
Feb. 16	St. Alphonsus Liguori Stations	<i>Led by I.C.F. members</i>
Feb. 23	Scriptural (Pope JP II) Stations	<i>Led by Parishioners</i>
March 2	Journey of Decision	<i>Led by the Young Adults</i>
March 9	Stations of the Cross	<i>Led by the Scouts</i>
March 16	Mary's Way of the Cross	<i>Led by School Students</i>
March 23	Life-Teen Stations	<i>Led by Edge Middle-School Youth</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>	
Monday, March 12	Lenten Reconciliation Service	7:00 pm
Every Saturday	<i>(except March 31) in Church</i>	3:30 pm

## Lenten Almsgiving

March 12 & 16	Food Box Sorting and Packing ( <i>Gym</i> )	6:45 & 6:15 pm
CRS Rice Bowl	Lenten program of global solidarity and sacrificial giving	<i>Bowls/envelopes due after March 25</i>

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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.*

- Feb. 18, 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*
- Feb. 20, 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 3, 5:00 pm**              **Scrutinies for the Elect – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> weekends of Lent**  
**March 11, 11:30 am**              *These are rites of self-searching and repentance for the Elect*  
**March 18, 10 am Mass**              *in preparation for the celebration of the sacraments at Easter.*
- Rite of Commitment**              **Sunday, March 18 at 6:00 p.m.**  
*Youth express their commitment to be confirmed in the Catholic Church during the Easter season. (April 27)*
- March 24/25**                      **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>March 29</b> | <b>7:00 p.m.</b><br>Mass of the Lord's Supper   |
| <b>Good Friday</b>   | <b>March 30</b> | <b>12:00 Noon - 3:00 p.m.</b><br>Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  |
| <b>Easter Vigil</b>  | <b>March 31</b> | <b>Begins at 8:30 p.m.</b><br>Holy Night of Christ's Resurrection.<br><i>Reception for the newly initiated follows the Vigil.</i> |
| <b>Easter Sunday</b> | <b>April 1</b>  | <b>7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.</b> (no 6 pm)<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)*