

LENT 2010

Dear Parishioners,

Ash Wednesday, February 17th, marks the start of the Season of Lent! It is a time to slow down, refocus and recommit ourselves to the call of Christ. It's a time to meet our Lord through fasting and abstinence, through limited entertainment and social events. It's a time for extra prayer and devotion. Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent is a powerful healing process to prepare us for Holy Week and Easter. It's a time to walk with Christ to Calvary through his suffering and death.

Our parishes will help us to focus on the season of Lent:

- Color of purple (vestments and altar cloths)
- There will be no entrance hymn and the Gloria is not sung or recited.
- The Penitential Rite is emphasized
- Weddings and Baptisms are not celebrated.

Holy Water is not used in some parishes to remind us of this period of abstinence and fasting. We will never fully appreciate the joy of Easter if we treat Lent as ordinary and everyday.

Fr. Kruse

LENT 2010 + Schedule of Events

- ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17: Masses at 6:30 and 7:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m. School Mass Beckman / Xavier Grade School - SFX
(St. Paul's 7:00 p.m.) (Oak Crest 10:00 a.m.)
(8:30 a.m. Prayer Service & Distribution of Ashes St. Paul's)
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19: 2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Xavier Grade School
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - St. Paul's
- MONDAY - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 23 & 24TH - SFX: **Forty Hours**
7:00 p.m. Mass & Homily each night with Fr. John Haugen (see back)
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26: 2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Xavier Grade School
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - St. Paul's - Deacon Pins
- MONDAY, MARCH 1: 7:00 p.m. Mary's Way of the Cross - (Jenn Helle)
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3: 5:15 p.m. Mass - - - 5:45 p.m. Soup Supper
6:15 p.m. Presentation: "Vatican II Subject" - (Deacon Jerry Miller)
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
- THURSDAY, MARCH 4: 7:00 p.m. "History of Church in the States" - Beckman - Fr. Gross/Fr. Kruse
- FRIDAY, MARCH 5: 2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Xavier Grade School
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - St. Paul's -
- MONDAY, MARCH 8: 7:00 p.m. Mary's Way of the Cross - (Gayla Boice)
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10: 5:15 p.m. Mass - - - 5:45 p.m. Soup Supper
7:00 p.m. Concert of Sacred Music -
Drake University & Linn-Mar High School Choirs
- FRIDAY, MARCH 12: 2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Xavier Grade School
- MONDAY, MARCH 15: 7:00 p.m. Mary's Way of the Cross - (Gayla Boice)
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17: 5:15 p.m. Mass - - - 5:45 p.m. Soup Supper
6:15 p.m. Presentation: "Haiti" - (Haiti Mission Team)
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

THURSDAY, MARCH 18: 7:00 p.m. "History of Church in the States" - Beckman - (Fr. Kruse)

FRIDAY, MARCH 19: 2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross -
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - St. Paul's - Deacon Pins

MONDAY, MARCH 22: 7:00 p.m. Mary's Way of the Cross - (Jenn Helle)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24: 5:15 p.m. Mass - - - 5:45 p.m. Soup Supper
6:15 p.m. Presentation: "Lectio Divina" - (Jerry McGrane)
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

THURSDAY, MARCH 25: 7:00 p.m. History of Church in the States " - Beckman - (Fr. Kruse/Fr. Gross)

FRIDAY, MARCH 26: 2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Xavier Grade School
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - St. Paul's - Deacon Pins

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31: 8:30 a.m. Mass followed by Stations of the Cross (No 5:15 p.m. Mass)
8:30 a.m. Mass - St. Paul's

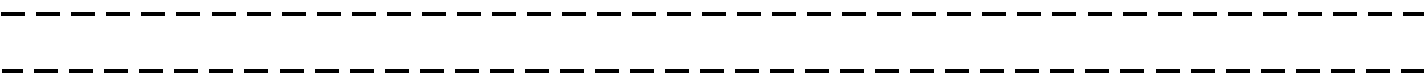
HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 1: 6:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper (St. Paul's 6:30 p.m. Mass)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2: 12:30 p.m. Passion / Distribution of Eucharist - SFX
1:00 p.m. Passion / Distribution of Eucharist St. Paul's- Deacon Pins)
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - SFX - Deacon Miller

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 3: 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil (St. Paul's 7:30 p.m.)

EASTER, April 4: 7:00, 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 12 noon (St. Paul's 9:00 a.m.)

Monday, April 5: No Mass



CONFESSIONS:

Every Saturday at SFX 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. until all are heard + Every Sunday at St. Paul's 8:15 a.m.

After the 6:30 a.m. Mass Monday, Tuesday and Thursday until all are heard - SFX

First Fridays before 8:30 a.m. Mass beginning 7:45 a.m. - SFX

During Holy Week:	Monday, March 29	11:30 a.m. until all are heard - SFX
	Tuesday, March 30	5:30 p.m. until all are heard - SFX
	Wednesday, March 31	after 8:30 a.m. Mass until all are heard - SFX
	Friday, Good Friday	after 8:30 a.m. Mass until all are heard - St. Paul's after 12:30 p.m. Services until all are heard - SFX



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