

MARCH 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 2nd Sunday of Lent Confirmation Class	26 Adult Catechism 7 p.m.	27	28	29 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Holy Hour 7 p.m.	1 First Friday Stations 7 p.m.	2 First Saturday Confessions 4 p.m.
3 3rd Sunday of Lent 1st Communion Class	4 Bible Study 7 p.m.	5 Catecismo para Adultos 7 p.m.	6	7 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Holy Hour 7 p.m.	8 Abortion Prayer Vigil at noon Stations at 7 p.m.	9 Young Roses Confessions 4 p.m.
10 4th Sunday of Lent Confirmation Class Daylight Savings begins	11 Adult Catechism 7 p.m.	12	13	14 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Holy Hour 7 p.m.	15 Stations at 7 p.m.	16 Confessions 4 p.m.
17 Passion Sunday	18 Bible Study 7 p.m.	19 Catecismo para Adultos 7 p.m.	20	21 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Holy Hour 7 p.m.	22 Stations at 7 p.m.	23 Confessions 4 p.m.
24 Palm Sunday	25	26	27	28 Maundy Thursday Mass 7 p.m.	29 Good Friday Stations at noon Liturgy 3 p.m.	30 Holy Saturday Vigil Mass 7 p.m.
31 Easter Sunday	1	2	3	4 Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Holy Hour 7 p.m.	5 First Friday Homeschooler event after Mass	6 First Saturday Confessions 4 p.m.

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Please pray for:

The Repose of the Souls of:

+ Fr. Terrence Gordon, F.S.S.P.
+ Eileen Fain
+ Frances Kwitek
+ Rick Peters

Parishioners who serve our nation:

Sgt. Luis Arvelo-Massari, U.S. Army
1st Lt. Finley Ashforth, U.S. Army
Master Sgt. Chris Biery, U.S. Air Force
Sgt. Jordan Blanton, U.S. Army
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Rear Adm. Sean Regan, U.S. Coast Guard
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Staff Sgt. Marc Snyder, U.S. Marine Corps
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Sgt. Daniel Walsh, U.S. Army
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Pvt. Michael Thomo, U.S. Army
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*"O Mary, through thine
Immaculate Conception,
make my body pure and my soul holy."*

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter ~ Tridentine Mass

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

SECOND SUNDAY
OF LENT



Sunday Schedule:

Low Mass: 7 a.m.
9 a.m.
Sung Mass: 11 a.m.

Confessions:

One-half hour before Mass
Saturdays 4 p.m.

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday: 8 a.m.
Thursday: 6 p.m.
Friday, Saturday: 8 a.m.

Holy Hour:

Thursday: 7 p.m.

PASTOR:

FR. JAMES GORDON, F.S.S.P.

ASSISTANT PASTOR:

FR. DENNIS GORDON, F.S.S.P.

THE SPIRIT OF MORTIFICATION

From *Divine Intimacy*,
by Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, O.C.D.

"I come back to Your feet, O Crucified Jesus, desirous of understanding more thoroughly the spirit of mortification."

The spirit of mortification has more than a purely physical aspect of mortification; it also includes renunciation of the ego, the will, and the understanding. Just as in our body and in our senses we have unruly tendencies toward the enjoyment of material things, so also in our ego there are inordinate tendencies toward self-assertion. Love of self and complacency in our own excellence are often so great that, even unconsciously, we tend to make "self" the center of the universe.

The spirit of mortification is really complete when, above all, we seek to mortify self-love in all its many manifestations. The Pharisee who fasted on the appointed days, but whose heart was so puffed up with pride that his prayer amounted to nothing more than

praise of himself and scorn of his neighbor, did not have the spirit of mortification and hence was not justified before God. There is little value in imposing corporal mortifications on ourselves if we then refuse to yield our opinion in order to accommodate ourselves to others, if we cannot be reconciled with our enemies, or bear an injury and a cutting word with calmness, or hold back a sharp answer.

"Why," asks St. Teresa of Jesus, "do we shrink from interior mortification [of our ego, our will, and judgment] since this is the means by which every other kind of mortification may become much more meritorious and perfect, and may be practiced with greater tranquility and ease?" As long as mortification does not strike at our pride, it remains at the halfway mark and never reaches its goal.

The true spirit of mortification embraces, in the first place, all the occasions for physical or moral

LAW OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE

Current Practice:

Begins on one's 14th birthday.

Ash Wednesday and Fridays of Lent.

Obliges abstention from flesh meat.

Discipline of 1962:

Begins on one's 7th birthday.

Complete abstinence: all Fridays throughout the year, Ash Wednesday, Vigil of Christmas, Holy Saturday.

Partial abstinence:

(meat, soup, meat gravy permitted once a day at the principle meal) all days of Lent, Ember Days, Vigil of Pentecost and the Assumption.

FAST DAYS

Current Practice:

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday:

Applies to all aged 18-59, inclusive.

One full meal permitted and two collations which, if combined, are less than

a full meal.

Discipline of 1962

Applies to all aged 21-59, inclusive.

All days of Lent from Ash Wednesday, inclusive, Ember Days, Vigils of Christmas, Pentecost and the Assumption.

One full meal permitted and two collations which, if combined, are less than a full meal.

DAYS OF PENANCE

Applies to all the Faithful. Lent and all Fridays.

Upcoming Parish Events

Today ~ Confirmation Class

Instruction to prepare for the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation continues after the 11 a.m. Mass. Enrollment for this class is closed.

February 26 ~ Adult Catechism

Fr. James Gordon will continue his series of lectures on Spiritual Theology 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

March 1 ~ First Friday Home Schooler Event

Potluck breakfast and catechesis for home-schooled children of the parish. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Gracey Wike, cosfssp.homeschoolgroup@gmail.com.

March 1 ~ Stations of the Cross

Lenten devotions of the Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday of Lent at 7 p.m. after the 6 p.m. Mass.

March 3 ~ First Holy Communion Class

Instruction to prepare for the reception of the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confession continues after the 11 a.m. Mass. Please make sure your child has studied for this week's lesson. Enrollment for this class is closed.

suffering permitted by divine Providence. The sufferings attendant on illness or fatigue; the efforts required by the performance of our duties or by a life of intense labor; the privations imposed by the state of poverty — all are excellent physical penances. If we sincerely desire to be guided by divine Providence in everything, we will not try to avoid them, or even to lighten them, but will accept wholeheartedly whatever God offers us. It would be absurd to refuse a single one of those providential opportunities for suffering and to look for voluntary mortifications of our own choice. Likewise, it would be foolish for those in religious life to omit the least exercise imposed by the Rule in order to do a penance

of their own choosing.

It is exactly the same in the moral order. Do we not sometimes try to avoid a person whom we do not like, but with whom the Lord has brought us into contact? Do we look for every means of avoiding a humiliation or an act of obedience which is painful to nature? If we do, we are running away from the best opportunities for sacrificing ourselves and for mortifying our self-love; even if we substitute other mortifications they will not be as effective as those which God Himself has prepared for us.

In the mortifications offered to us by divine Providence, there is nothing of our own will or liking; they strike us just where we need

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday February 26 ~ Feria of Lent

8 a.m. — F.S.S.P., by Linda Kartes

Tuesday, February 27 ~ Feria of Lent

8 a.m. — + John Shelland, by Tony Schmitz

Wednesday, February 28 ~ Feria of Lent

8 a.m. — Private Intention

Thursday, February 29 ~ Feria of Lent

6 p.m. — Bob Fredrick, by Laura Fredrick

Friday, March 1 ~ Feria of Lent

8 a.m. — Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
6 p.m. — Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, March 2 ~ Feria of Lent

8 a.m. — Reparation to Immaculate Heart of Mary
11:30 — Reparation to Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sunday, March 3 ~ Third Sunday of Lent

7 a.m. — All Benefactors of Fr. Dennis Gordon
9 a.m. — Private Intention
11 a.m. — *Pro Populo*

Mass Intentions

Checks for Mass intentions must be made payable to Fr. James Gordon, not to the parish. Limit one Mass intention per family per month. Anonymous intentions will be forwarded to F.S.S.P. headquarters.

it most, and where, by voluntary mortification, we could never reach.

In order to arrive at sanctity, a certain specified amount of voluntary penance is not required of all; this varies according to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the advice of superiors, and each one's physical strength. All, however, must have that truly deep spirit of mortification which can embrace with generosity every opportunity

for renunciation prepared or permitted by God.

"O Lord, You Who have sought for adorners in spirit and in truth, preserve me, I beg You, from the pharisaic spirit against which You fought while on earth, and which is so opposed to You, Who are infinite Truth and Simplicity. Grant that while mortifying my body, I may mortify my pride even more, or better, mortify Yourself. +++