

MARCH 2026

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 1 2nd Sunday of Lent | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 First Friday Homeschooler's Event Stations of the Cross | 7 First Saturday |
| 8 3rd Sunday of Lent Daylight Savings begins | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 Pro-Life Vigil Stations of the Cross | 14 Roses of Mary |
| 15 4th Sunday of Lent | 16 Misión Parroquial en Español | 17 St. Patrick Misión Parroquial | 18 Misión Parroquial | 19 St. Joseph Misión Parroquial | 20 Stations of the Cross | 21 St. Benedict |
| 22 Passion Sunday | 23 Parish Mission in English | 24 Parish Mission | 25 Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Mission | 26 Parish Mission | 27 Stations of the Cross All-Night Adoration | 28 |
| 29 Palm Sunday | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 Holy Thursday | 3 Good Friday Stations of the Cross | 4 Holy Saturday and Easter Vigil |

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Rest of the Souls of:

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION + CATHOLIC CHURCH +

Second Sunday of Lent ~ March 1, 2026



"O Mary, through thine Immaculate Conception make my body pure and my soul holy."

Sunday Schedule:

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

Daily Mass Schedule:

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

Confessions:

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

Holy Hour, Benediction:

Thursday: 7 p.m.

Pastor: FR. JAMES J. GORDON, F.S.S.P.

Our SALVATION is in the CROSS

Attaining Salvation, by St. Alphonsus de Liguori

“Behold the wood of the cross, on which hung the Salvation of the world!” So sings Holy Church on Good Friday [in her sacred liturgy]. In the cross is our salvation, our strength against temptations, our detachment from earthly pleasures; in the cross is found true love of God. We must, therefore, resolve to bear with patience that cross which Jesus Christ sends us, and to die upon it for the love of Him, as He died upon His cross for the love of us. There is no other way to enter Heaven but by resigning ourselves to tribulations until death.

And this is the means to find peace, even in suffering. When the cross comes, what means is there, I ask, for not losing peace except uniting ourselves to the divine will? If we do not take this means, go where we will, do what we may, we shall never escape from the weight of the cross. On the contrary, if we carry it with good will, it will bear us to Heaven and give us peace on earth.

What does he do who refuses the cross? He increases its weight. But he who embraces it and bears it with patience, lightens its weight, and the weight itself becomes a consolation; for God abounds with graces for all those who carry the cross with a good will in order to please Him. Naturally there is no pleasure in suffering; but divine

love, when it reigns in the heart, makes it take delight in sufferings.

Oh, if only we would consider the state of happiness which we shall enjoy in Paradise if we are faithful to God in enduring trials without complaining! We should not murmur against God, who commands us to suffer, but we should say with Job: “And that this may be my comfort, that afflicting me with sorrow, He spare not, nor I contradict the words of the Holy One” (*Job 6:20*). And if we are sinners and have deserved Hell, this should be our comfort in the tribulations which befall us, to see that we are chastised in this life, because this is the sure sign that God wishes to deliver us from eternal chastisement. Unfortunate is that sinner who prospers in this world!

Whoever suffers any grievous trial, let him cast a glance at the Hell which he has deserved, and thus every pain he endures will seem light. If, then, we have committed sins, this ought to be our continual prayer to God: O Lord, spare not pains, but give me, I pray Thee, strength to endure them with patience, that I may not oppose myself to Thy holy Will, “nor I contradict the words of the Holy One,” (*Job 6:10*), but in everything conform myself with Jesus Christ, “Yea, Father, for so hath it seemed good in Thy sight” (*Matthew 11:26*).

Upcoming Parish Events

TODAY ~ First Holy Communion Class

Class begins half an hour after the 11 a.m. Mass in the upstairs classroom.

MARCH 2 ~ Catechumen Class

Adults preparing to join the Catholic Church will meet for a group class with Fr. Gordon 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This class will replace individual catechesis.

MARCH 6 ~ Home Schoolers' First Friday

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

MARCH 6 ~ Stations of the Cross

Traditional Stations of the Cross devotions 7 p.m. every Friday of Lent. There is an additional Mass 6 p.m. every Friday of Lent.

MARCH 8 ~ Daylight Savings Time Begins

Remember to set your clocks **forward** one hour.

MARCH 8 ~ Confirmation Class

Class begins half an hour after the 11 a.m. Mass in the upstairs classroom.

MARCH 16-19 ~ Misión Parroquial de Cuaresma

Nuestra Misión Parroquial anual de Cuaresma en Español será de los Miércoles 16 a 19 de Marzo. Misa será a las 18:00 con una conferencia a las 19:00.

MARCH 23-26 ~ Lenten Parish Mission

Our annual Lenten Parish Mission in English will be March 23-26. Mass will be at 6 p.m. with a conference at 7 p.m.

The soul which is governed by divine love seeks only God. “If a man should give all the substance of his house for love, he shall despise it as nothing,” says Holy Scripture [*Canticle of Canticles 8:7*]. He that loves God despises everything and renounces everything which does not help him to love God; and in all good works which he does, in his penitential acts and his labors for the glory of God, he does not go seeking his con-

solutions and spiritual sweetness; it is enough for him to know that he pleases God. In a word, he is attentive ever and in all things, to deny himself, renouncing every pleasure of his own; and having done so, he boasts of nothing and is puffed up with nothing, but calls himself an unprofitable servant, and setting himself in the lowest place he abandons himself to the divine will and mercy.

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, March 2 ~ Feria of Lent

8 a.m. — George Johnson, by Jill Demian

Tuesday, March 3 ~ Feria of Lent

8 a.m. — + Rev. Mr. Dominic Ambuul, by Silvia Ambuul

Wednesday, March 4 ~ Feria of Lent

8 a.m. — + Mary Merkatoris, by Sarah Kwitek

Thursday, March 5 ~ Feria of Lent

6 p.m. — Heather, Dominic, & Caius, by Eric Smith

Friday, March 6 ~ Feria of Lent

8 a.m. — Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
6 p.m. — + James P. Gordon, Jr.

Saturday, March 7 ~ Feria of Lent

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

Sunday, March 8 ~ Third Sunday of Lent

7 a.m. — Private Intention
9 a.m. — Thanksgiving to Our Lord
11 a.m. — *Pro Populo*

Fr. Gordon may accept Mass intentions

We must change our tastes in order to become saints. If we do not arrive at a state in which bitter appears sweet and sweet bitter, we shall never attain to a perfect union with God. In this consists all our security and perfection, in enduring with resignation all things that are contrary to our inclinations, as they happen to us, day by day, whether they are small or great. And we must suffer them for those wise ends for which the Lord desires that we should endure

them: first, to purify ourselves from the sins we have committed; secondly, to merit eternal life; thirdly, to give pleasure to God, which is the chief and most noble end which we can aim at in all our actions.

Let us then always offer ourselves to God, to suffer every cross which he may send us; and let us take care to be ever ready to endure every hardship for the love of Him, in order that, when it comes, we may be ready to embrace it.

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