

March 2019

LENT











St. Mary – Holy Cross Parish

Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00pm St. Mary
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
February 24 Coffee & donuts after 8:00am Mass 8th Grade Retreat, begins with 10am Mass, ends 5:30pm, Social Hall, Ed Center, Church RCIA gathering after 10:00am Mass, Conf. Room	February 25	February 26  6:00-7:30pm Mass & Adoration, St. Mary 6:30-8:00pm Cross Ministry meeting, Ed Center	February 27 5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross  6:00-7:00pm PreK-6 and EDGE, Mardi Gras Party, Social Hall	February 28 8:00am Mass, St. Mary	1 9:00am First Friday Mass, St. Mary, followed by donuts and conversation	2 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation Wine & cheese in Social Hall after Mass
3 Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10:00am Mass <i>After 10:00am Mass:</i> - Coffee & donuts, Social Hall - RCIA gathering, Conference Room - Confirmation 1 & 2 session, Ed Center & Social Hall, until 12:30pm - Choir practice, Church, until 3:00pm Youth Group to movie, time & place TBD	4	5  6:00-7:30pm Mass & Adoration, St. Mary	6 Ash Wednesday  8:00am and 6:30pm Mass St. Mary Fast and abstain from meat PreK-8th Religious Ed: Mass takes place of class; please attend with your families. <i>No Mass at Holy Cross today</i>	7 5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross 6:30-8:00pm Confirmation Core Team meeting, Social Hall <i>No Mass at St. Mary today</i>	8  6:00pm, Stations of the Cross, St. Mary 5:00-7:00pm fish fry, Social Hall Abstain from meat	9 <i>Hall in use, 11:00am – 3:30pm</i> 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation
10 First Sunday of Lent  <i>Daylight Savings time begins</i> RCIA Rite of Sending during 10am Mass, gathering after Mass, Conf. Room  Baptism of Roslyn Wells, 10am Mass  Baptism of Sadie Pottebaum after 10am Mass 11:00am-3:00pm Choir practice, St. Mary 6:00-7:30pm Confirmation 1 & 2 session, Social Hall & Ed Center Sheri, Matthew & Andrew Olson to prepare meal for Catholic Charities Emergency Shelter	11 6:30pm Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree, Social Hall	12  6:00-7:30pm Mass & Adoration, St. Mary 6:30pm Stewardship meeting, Ed Center	13 5:15-7:30pm, RE PreK-6, Ed Center 5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross 6:00-7:30pm EDGE, 7 & 8 gr., Social Hall	14 8:00am Mass, St. Mary	15  6:00pm, Stations of the Cross, St. Mary, followed by Lenten meal, Social Hall Abstain from meat	16 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation Collection for Maxwell Food Pantry

Fasting and Abstaining

✠Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.
 ✠Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these days, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals together should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juice are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not apply.



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Remainder of calendar on back.

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<p>17 Second Sunday of Lent </p> <p><i>Feast Day of St. Patrick</i></p> <p>Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10am Mass</p> <p>Collection for Maxwell Food Pantry</p> <p>RCIA gathering after 10am Mass, Conf. Room</p> <p>11:00am-3:00pm Choir practice, St. Mary</p> <p>7:00pm K of C meeting, Social Hall</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 </p> <p>6:00-7:30pm Mass & Adoration, St. Mary</p> <p>7:00pm, Finance Council meeting, Ed Center</p>	<p>20</p> <p>5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross</p> <p><i>No PreK-8th Religious Ed Classes</i></p>	<p>21 </p> <p>8:00am Mass, St. Mary</p> <p>9:30am Craft, Games & Social Time, Social Hall</p> <p>7:00-8:00pm, Adoration, Holy Cross</p>	<p>22 </p> <p>6:00pm, Stations of the Cross, led by Religious Ed Students</p> <p>5:00-7:00pm fish fry, Social Hall</p> <p>Abstain from meat</p>	<p>23</p> <p><i>Hall in use, 8:00am – 1:00pm</i></p> <p>4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation</p>
<p>24 Third Sunday of Lent </p> <p>11:00am-3:00pm Choir practice, St. Mary</p> <p>4:00-6:00pm Youth Group practice Stations, Sanctuary, Youth Area</p> <p>6:00-7:30pm Confirmation 1 & 2 session, Social Hall & Ed Center</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 </p> <p>6:00-7:30pm Mass & Adoration, St. Mary</p>	<p>27</p> <p>5:15-7:30pm, RE PreK-6, Ed Center</p> <p>5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross</p> <p>6:00-7:30pm EDGE, 7 & 8 gr., Social Hall</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8:00am Mass, St. Mary</p>	<p>29 </p> <p>4:00-8:00pm First Reconciliation Learning Centers available, Ed Center</p> <p>6:00pm, Stations of the Cross, St. Mary, followed by Lenten meal, Social Hall</p> <p>Abstain from meat</p>	<p>30</p> <p>8:00am-5:00pm First Reconciliation Learning Centers available, Ed Center</p> <p>4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation</p> <p>Jewelry Sales Fundraiser by S.T.O.R. M. after Mass</p>
<p>31 Fourth Sunday of Lent </p> <p>Coffee & donuts after 8:00am Mass</p> <p>11:00am-3:00pm Choir practice, St. Mary</p> <p>Jewelry Sales Fundraiser by S.T.O.R. M. after 10:00am Mass</p> <p>4:00-6:00pm Youth Group practice Stations, Sanctuary, Youth Area</p>	<p>April 1</p>	<p>April 2 </p> <p>6:00-7:30pm Mass & Adoration, St. Mary</p>	<p>April 3</p> <p>5:15-7:30pm, RE PreK-6, Ed Center</p> <p>5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross</p> <p>6:00-7:30pm EDGE, 7 & 8 gr., Social Hall</p>	<p>April 4</p> <p>8:00am Mass, St. Mary</p> <p>6:30-8:00pm Confirmation Core Team meeting, Social Hall</p>	<p>April 5 </p> <p>9:00am First Friday Mass, St. Mary, followed by donuts and conversation</p> <p>6:00pm, Stations of the Cross, St. Mary</p> <p>5:00-7:00pm fish fry, Social Hall</p> <p>Abstain from meat</p>	<p>April 6</p> <p>9:30am Confirmation Students Community Assistance Day, various locations</p> <p>4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation</p> <p>Blessing of First Eucharist Students at Mass</p> <p>After Mass: Jewelry Sales Fundraiser by S.T.O.R. M. — Wine & cheese, Social Hall</p>



The 40 days of Lent is based on two Biblical accounts: the 40 years of wilderness wandering by the Israelites and our Lord's 40 days in the wilderness at which point He was tempted by Satan. Each year the Church observes Lent where we, like Israel and our Lord, are tested. We participate in abstinence, times of fasting, confession and acts of mercy to strengthen our faith and devotional disciplines. Our goal is to leave the Lenten Season a stronger and more vital person of faith than when we began.

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