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March 13, 2022
Second Sunday of Lent

PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

Missionary Discipleship: All Are Called

Led by
Fr. Tony Gittins, CSSp

SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH
9:30 AM – 2:00 PM
ST. BARBARA GYM
COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH

Fr. Tony Gittins was born in Manchester, England and was ordained in 1967. He has M.A.s in Theoretical Linguistics and Social Anthropology and a Ph.D. in Social Anthropology. He has taught Theology & Anthropology at the Theological Union in Chicago since 1984. From 1999 to 2008, he held the Bishop Ford Chair of Mission Theology. He is currently Professor of Theology and Culture. Fr. Gittins is the author of 18 books on theological and anthropological topics, as well as on mission and spirituality.

Fr. Gittins's ministry focuses on the intersection of social sciences and theological disciplines. He works with and among marginalized communities and has done missionary and anthropological work in many countries, including in Africa.



Registration
Required by calling
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April 5

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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Barbara Chapel

Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday: 8 a.m.

St. Barbara Church

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 6 a.m./9:30 a.m.

Indonesian: 2nd Sunday: 11:30 a.m.

DEVOTIONS

First Saturday Healing Mass

St. Barbara Chapel: 8 a.m.

The Rosary

Sunday 5:30 a.m. Before 6 a.m. Mass

St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church

Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 8 a.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Cantonese: 1st Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Mandarin: 2nd Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (TBA)

4th Sunday: 12:30 p.m.

DEVOTIONS

Mondays with Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity:

4-5 p.m. Rosary and 5-6 p.m. Holy Hour



St. Barbara Worship Site

Saturday, March 12th Vigil | 2nd Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. In Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary by Dominic Barbaro
+ Divine Mercy for All by C. Kisielente & Family
+ John Fockler by Jane Fockler

Sunday, March 13th— 2nd Sunday of Lent

6:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving by Megan Pirelli
9:30 a.m. + Mary Diaz DeLeon by Family

Tuesday, March 15th | Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Birthday Remembrance for Martin J. Becatti
By Dolores

Thursday, March 17th | Saint Patrick, Bishop

8:00 a.m. + Fred Coco by Oy Chan & Family
+ Vince Briglio by Wife & Family

Saturday, March 19th— | Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. + Charles Palumbo by Wife, Rosetta Palumbo.

Saturday, March 19th Vigil | 3rd Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. Health Birthday Blessing for sister-in-law Janet Guinsatao by Elizabeth Masangcay
+ Divine Mercy for All by C. Kisielente & Family
+ Joseph D'Amico by Joe & Rena

Sunday, March 20th— 3rd Sunday of Lent

6:00 a.m. + Gertrude Coulter by Christine Krupa
9:30 a.m. + Mary Diaz DeLeon by Family
+ 100th Birthday Remembrance for Rose Furmanek by Sonny

St. Therese Worship Site

Sunday, March 13th | Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. + Jimmy Annoreno by Debbie Annoreno
+ Mary & Antonio Pusateri by Family
10:30 a.m. + June Moy by Linda Myers

Monday, March 14th | Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Vetina Lotta by John & Sue Adomaitis

Wednesday, March 16th | Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Health Blessing (expecting my grandchild) for Maria Manalo Masangcay by Elizabeth
+ Birthday Remembrance for Jenping J. Chan by Daughter Darlene

Friday, March 18th | Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop And Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Special Intention to St. Joseph for Favored Granted by A. Briglio
In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus by Dominic Barbaro
+ Young Chin by Family



We pray for Ukraine and Russia and for all our brothers and sisters living in fear and for all victims of war. Instill hope in them and their concerned family members, dwelling in countries where democracy and freedom exist. Let the voices for discernment and peaceful solutions prosper among leaders of all nations, especially in Eastern Europe. Raise up peacemakers, so that violence and war can be stopped soon.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

St. Barbara

Saturday, March 19th:

5 p.m. Lectors: W. Podrazik, E. Raya, Jr.
Eucharistic Minister: C. Sokolowski

Sunday, March 20th:

6 a.m. Lectors: J. Bertucci
Eucharistic Minister: G. Vanderford

9:30 a.m. Lectors: B. Pienta, Sr. K. McNulty
Eucharistic Minister: A. Alonzo

St. Therese

Sunday, March 20th:

8 a.m. Greeters: N. Lowe, J. Lowe
Lectors: R. Centofanti, N. Gonzalez

St. Michael Ministry:

10:30 a.m. Greeters: C. Lee, J. Yee, D. Lowe
Lectors: Family Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: Wing(Altar), Jade(Choir Loft)
St. Michael Ministry: Tim

Thanks

Thanks to **Lily and Richard May** for generously donating three music stands and an air purifier for our musicians to use at St. Therese Church.



Thanks to **Ricky Yong** for donating boxes of bottled hand sanitizers to our church.

Thanks to all who came to **the Night of Mercy** last Tuesday, the Vicariate Team for their support and leadership, and to our staff for the extra efforts they put in to welcome our guests and to prepare and execute the event. Many of you remarked to me how wonderful the opportunity was for adoration and reconciliation. Some of you had an amazing experience to walk around the neighborhood to invite our neighbors to join us. The spirit of “missionary disciples” was inspiring and up-lifting. I pray that we will continue to create new opportunities for mission and building communities as people of faith and people of action.

Rite of Election and Scrutinies

This year we are blessed to have six sisters and brothers who are being prepared for Baptism at Easter Vigil. Four of them will celebrate the Rite of Sending Out at the 10:30am mass and the Rite of Election at 2:30pm at Holy Name on this Sunday. On the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent, we will celebrate the Scrutinies with them. Please keep all of them in your prayers and they are: **Michael Hui, Matthew Hui, Mary Masangcay and Arron Paul Kuang, Sofia Master and Abigail Ruiz.**

Catholic Sisters Week (March 8-14)

As the Church celebrates Catholic Sisters this week, we thank God for the vocation of all Sisters, especially for **Sr. Caritas Wehrman**-Coordinator of Ministry of Care, **Sr. Monica Zhang**-Coordinator of Formation and Outreach, and **Sr. Kathy McNulty**, Lector at St. Barb., and the **Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity**-Catechists and Mondays Adoration, for their contribution and support to our parish. Women Religious have made much contribution to our Church and World throughout the history. Let's keep them in our prayers and let's keep praying for vocations.

Peace, Fr. Francis

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From Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words “division”, “hatred” and “war” be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be “brother”, and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam!

Amen.

SCHOOL NEWS

Donations for Ukraine

This week, our school community collected personal and health items for Ukraine. We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all who are suffering, for peace, and for an end to the war.



Fr. Li Discusses Anti-Bullying with Junior High Students

For the past few weeks our Junior High students have sought to expose the roots of bullying during social studies class. Fr. Li not only got to witness a student skit, where the roles of bully, victim, and bystander were highlighted, but he also shared Scripture, song, and engaged our students with compelling anti-bullying exercises and activities. "I learned a lot!" commented one sixth grade student. "Fr. Li encouraged us to do acts of kindness this week and to improve our self esteem."



STUDENTS: Share your musical talents with us!

If you are a student interested in sharing your instrumental or vocal talents at a school or weekend Mass, please contact Ms. Lilly!

Transfigured, Transformed by Sr. Caritas

One of the things in my life as a teacher, that seemed more than amazing - was to take a group of five or six year old children unable to read, into my class at the beginning of the year and have them read by Christmas or New Year. Being a reader opens lives, Becoming a reader, opens a person to a whole new world of possibilities, new ideas and new information. It seemed like magic or just this side of a miracle. Granted there is a lot of work, good methods, and attention involved in the process.

In the midst of this experience, today's Gospel is called the Transfiguration. Jesus goes up a mountain, with Peter, James, and John. As He prays, His appearance changes. He is speaking to Moses and Elijah about His upcoming "exodus" in Jerusalem. The Apostles are afraid as a cloud overshadows them. A voice comes out of the clouds, "This is my chosen son, listen to Him." Since no one else was there on the mountain, the three apostles probably shared this experience after Jesus' Ascension.

During this season of Lent, we are called to take steps toward a deeper faith life. We can be changed during these forty days. The words from the cloud are powerful and a directive. "This is my chosen son, listen to Him." They can lead us to a deeper relationship with Jesus. How do we listen? We can read scripture and do more reflecting and praying. We will grow closer to God.

MOUNTAIN TOP EXPERIENCES by Fr. John Cuff

Today's Gospel about the Transfiguration recalls the so-called "Mountaintop Speech" that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. made on April 3, 1968 in Memphis, Tennessee. It was to be his last, because the next day, just hours after he made it, he was killed by an assassin's bullet. The Mountaintop Speech ended with these words:

"Well, I don't know what will happen now. We've got some difficult days ahead. But it doesn't matter with me now. Because I've been to the mountaintop. And I don't mind. Like anybody, I would like to live a long life. Longevity has its place. But I'm not concerned about that now. I just want to do God's will. And He's allowed me to go up to the mountain. And I've looked over. And I've seen the promised land...."

Can you imagine what would have happened to the Civil Rights Movement had King died without making that speech? Maybe he'd have gone down in history as just another disillusioned dreamer. Maybe his followers would have suffered a loss of faith in the non-violence for which he lived and died, totally giving up on the Civil Rights Movement and the Dream. But that speech made all the difference. It prepared them for the trauma that was to come. It assured them that King was not simply a victim of circumstance but that his death was somehow part of God's plan in the long struggle for liberation.

King compared his situation to that of Moses who led the Israelites from slavery in Egypt to the Promised Land, but who would die without entering that Land. That Moses should fail to enter it himself seems incomprehensible to us, but this seems to be a regular pattern in God's design. To help Moses and his people bear the consequent crisis of faith this would create, God led Moses up Mount Nebo and there on the mountaintop granted him a preview of the Promised Land and its glory. Thus Moses was reassured God was faithful to His promise and the people were reassured Moses was indeed a man of God.

Something similar happens on the Mount of the Transfiguration. James, John, and Peter believed Jesus was the promised Messiah. Had not He prepared them beforehand by giving them a glimpse into the heavenly glory, they would have been devastated by the shock of Jesus' shameful death as a public criminal. But just as the Mountaintop Speech prepared Martin Luther King's followers, and the mountaintop experience on Mount Nebo prepared Moses and the Israelites, so the Transfiguration prepared Jesus and his chosen Apostles for the trauma that was to come. To stay close to Jesus during this Lent, the mountaintop glimpse of the Transfiguration is all that we need to follow Him, since our eyes will have seen the glory of the Lord and our own future glory in the Promised Land of heaven.

Mask Updates:

Since Feb. 28, all archdiocesan parishes, churches, schools and offices are **mask-optional**.

St. Therese Parking Lot: This is a gentle reminder that when you park in the lot, please make sure that you hang your green permit on your mirror. If your car blocks others, please kindly leave your phone number on your dash-board. Thank you for your attention.

2021 Tax Donation Letter: If you would like to obtain a letter of your last fiscal year's donation for tax report purposes, please call our parish offices at 312-842-7979 or 312-842-6777. Thank you.

PALM WEAVING

Have you ever wanted to learn a new craft? Attempt making something out of the palm fronds received on Palm Sunday? You will have a chance to gather with others to learn the art of palm weaving by making simple crosses, cones, braids, and anything else your imagination allows you to envision.

In preparation for the beginning of Holy Week, St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish will offer a class to help you learn how to weave palms to bring to church for blessing on Palm Sunday. So that we are able to prepare for the number of attendees, **please register for the class by signing the sheet on the table in the back of the church.** Also, if you are already familiar with the art and would like to assist the instructor, you are most welcome to join us in this capacity. Join us on **Saturday, April 2nd, at 1:00 pm in the St. Barbara Parish Center.** Entrance is through the front door on Throop Street or through the back at the Chapel entrance door.



Don't forget – sign up on the registration sheet.

St. Vincent DePaul will host a bicycle drive from March 2nd thru April 10th -Collecting old & new bicycles and parts of all kinds. Also accepting hand tools such as wrenches, screw drivers, etc.. You can drop off donations at St. Barbara rectory or text George at 773-592-7036 to arrange for pickup. Bicycles benefit Catholic missions third world countries overseas.

The **40 Days 40 Cans of Food Drive** will benefit the Benton House Food Pantry. Please donate what you can during these trying times. Boxes are at the rear of both worship sites for the drive.



Mondays with the Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity:

4pm-5pm: Rosary on the Streets

5pm-6pm: Holy Hour—All are welcome!

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Parish establishes a **Peace Corner** for everyone to visit. Welcome to our new **Live Peace, Teach Peace** Corner!



We want to provide a place where you can recollect your spirit, breathe in and relax. Here you can experience peace that your heart desires and your body and soul are seeking. Your spirit can learn to come to rest in the presence of God. Some trained parishioners-volunteers will provide some very practical exercises to help you experience inner peace that comes from God.

Schedule:

Friday, March 18th, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm
at St. Therese Church

Saturday, March 19th, 3:00 pm-4:30 pm
at St. Barbara Church



Wedding Banns:

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RESPECT LIFE

Quote – “We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the ‘culture of death’ and the ‘culture of life’. We find ourselves not only ‘faced with’ but necessarily ‘in the midst of’ this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life.”
(*The Gospel of Life* 28)

Our Prayer – For those nearing the end of life: May they be given the grace to persevere in faith and place their trust in God, as they prepare in hope for eternity with Christ; *We pray to the Lord:*

WEEKLY COLLECTION - March 6, 2022

St. Barbara

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 864.00
Sunday Loose	\$ 233.00
Give Central	\$ 512.00
Total Collection	\$ 1,609.00

YTD Weekly

Actual	\$ 79,513.00	\$ 1,609.00
Goal	\$ 92,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
% of Goal	86%	64%

Votives and Vigil Lights	\$
Ash Wed. Collection	\$ 1,465.00

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\$ 1,195.00
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Please pray for those who are ill, homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers.

Amalia Agins, Austin Agins, Bernadette Agins, Joyce Agins, Stephen Agins, Mary Aguirre, Angeleo Alonzo,, Debbie Annoreno, Amy Averet, Kimberly Babe, Geraldine Baldwin, Judith Beaudry, Christine Bertucci, Joseph 'Joey' Bertucci, Lonnie & Theresa Bertucci-Falls, Jennifer Bond, Jeff Bowman, Andrea Brongiel, Mary Camarda, Anthony Capone Sr., Laverne Connolly, Joe Cruz, Patti Cuchetto, Paul DeGrazia, Henry Diaz De Leon, Kathy Egle, Nenita Feliciano, Jerry Felske, Minnie Ford, Natalia Francone, Bill Frank, Darlene Frost, Harold Frost, Paul Gadomski, Ray Gadomski, Lily Ann Galloway, John Gasca, Bernadette Glabicki, Ed Glos, Pat Grieco, Koen Guest, Jose P. Gutierrez, Kellar Harris, Lynette Heidemann, Jasmine Henson, Barbara Herr, Denise Holland, Gwen Holub, Morris Humphrey, Michaeline Hunter, Ted Hunter, Suzanne Ivester, Jennifer Janson, Maryann Januszewski, Chester Jendryczka, Dr. Joe, John Kaput, Dorothy Kawalerski, Rose Kisielowski, Anna Kolendo, Christine Krupa, Janice Kutansky, Craig Labudda, Sunny Labudda, Baby Kinsley Paige Leschinsky, Kiera Litwin, Lenny Loretto, Richard Lyznicki, Nancy Mallory, John Mangan, Kayle Marth, Paul Martinez, Bill Marczuk, Zena Masi, Maria Mawgwi, Lil' Joe Michalak, Cindy Moore, Dr. Mike, Tony Mrgan, Cydney Muti, Stephanie Nicks, Deacon Jack O'Leary, Allison Pakula, Virginia Pakula, Eva Castillion Parcon, Josie Petkus, Michael Petruck, Theresa Pickens, Dolores Pienta, Mitchell Pienta, Ellen Pietrzak, Beverly Pirelli, Megan Pirelli, Ray Polakowski, Robert Potter, Barbara Rekar, Josephine Richardson, Sandra Rios, Joel Rivera, Jose Rodriguez, Jose C. Rodriguez, Mila Rolon, Dolly Roti, Ellen Ryan, Therese Ryndak, Maria Saludo, Kennedy Shepski, Anthony Sinople, Adeline Skokal, Raymond Smolinski, Gary Solverson, Sharon Solverson, Rosalie Spalla, Diane Spata, Joanne Stewart, Lauren Stronczek, Rose Stronczek, Shirley Synal, Robert Synal, Baby Zachary Synal, Emily Rose Thomas, Norbert Trojanowski, Bill Ufferman, Dolores Ufferman, Dave Ulczycki, George Vanderford Sr., George Vanderford Jr., Juan Vargas, Joyce Vogt, Ava Walczak, Sadie Walker, Barbara Webb, Bill Webb, Sylvia Wiertel, Madison Young, Eugene & John Zabek, Evelyn Zaleski, Virginia Zawacki*** Ken Barber, Hu Bin, Jose Cardinal, Joseph Caruso, Roberta Cheong, Kim Chiu, Brian Cook Sister Noel Devine, Jimmy Distasio, MAD & Rose Marie Donato, Mark Donato, Mia Rose Faciana, Kerry Fluder, Gyna Gazzi, Maria Ng Gee, James Gemkow, Roseann Gurgone, Michael Howley, Frank Karagianes, Levi Kirkland, Angela Lasillo, George Lee, David Leung, Shiu Wah Leung, Felina Li, James Longo, III, Matthew Mantia, Phil Maraldi, Jerry McCarthy, Barbara McElroy, Barbara Metzinger, Xue Ying Mou, Lucy Moy, Mina Preysler Munoz, Cita Orendain, John Paleoik, Anne Pataka, Lois Payton, Rose Perez, Gerard Phillips, Ali Powers, James Rak, Victor Roa, Phyllis Robinson, Joseph Rubin, Amelia Lorraine Schroeder, Karl Schroeder, David Sero, Richard Shew, Kay Siani, Nicholas Tobar, Richard Tobar, Anthony Valentino, Luz Whitehead, Luke Williamson, Lucy Wong, Bai Xue, Ching Shiu Yau, Lan Ying Yee, Ramona Zavala, Susan Zibricky, 蔡宏恩, Jimmy Distasio, Kate Lynch

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Communion Calls: Please contact the Rectory when someone who is homebound or in the hospital wishes a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone seriously sick and not only for those near death.

Confessions: Saturdays, 4:15-4:45 p.m. at St. Barbara Church or by appointment.

Ministry of Care: Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

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Wei-Chuan U.S.A., Inc. is a leading Chinese food manufacturer and supplier in the United States and headquartered in City of Industry, California. The Company specializes in producing frozen Chinese foods, including Dumplings, Gyoza, Potstickers, Meat Buns, Spring Roll Shells, Moo-Shu Shells, Wontons, Mini Buns, Pan Fried Buns, Noodle Bowls, Rice Bowls, Spring Rolls, Egg Rolls, Wrappers, and more. We also distribute a wide variety of imported products such as Frozen Food, Dry Food, Frozen Seafood, and Organic Food through our six distribution centers, where customers are able to purchase Wei-Chuan's products at grocery stores or wholesalers in North America.

For more than four decades, Wei-Chuan U.S.A., Inc. has upheld the tradition while also pursuing innovation to produce affordable and delicious foods. With our passion for food, we insist on quality and continuously invest in technical expertise. Our food brings convenience to modern life and also provides a taste of home for overseas Chinese. Moreover, we also seek mainstream market and international market so more people will come to enjoy the Chinese flavor. Wei-Chuan U.S.A., Inc. is committed to corporate responsibility—paying particular attention to food safety and quality, at the same time emphasizing customer satisfaction and traditional taste.

Taste of Happiness

LENT 2022

“Journeying with the Universal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission!”

Ash Wednesday March 2nd (Fast and Abstinence)

Distribution of ashes at 6am, 9:30am and 7pm masses at St. Barb. Church, and 8:00am mass and 1:00pm School Mass at St. Therese Church

Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7pm

- March 4, 18 and April 1 at St. Therese. Benediction will also take place on the first Fridays of March and April immediately after the Stations.
- March 11, 25 and April 8 at St. Barbara.

CRS Rice Bowl

Distribution on March 5th & 6th and Returning on April 2nd & 3rd, 9th & 10th

St. Vincent DePaul Society Bicycle Drive--- March 2nd---April 10th

1st Communion Retreat ---March 5th from 7:45am to 1pm at St. Barbara

Alphas

Cantonese Alpha on Sunday March 6th
English Alpha on Tuesday March 22nd at 6:30pm
Mandarin Alpha on Sunday March 27th

Nights of Mercy---March 8th from 6pm to 8:30pm at St. Barb. Church

Holy Name Gathering---March 11th at 7pm

Mandarin Lenten Retreat---March 12th, 10am-4pm at St. Therese Community Room

Indonesian Mass---March 13th at 11:00am

RCIA--- March 13th

- *Sending Rite for Election will take place at the 10:30am mass.
- *The Rite of Election will be at 2:30pm at Holy Name Cathedral.
- *Scrutiny Rites will be celebrated on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent.

Confirmation Retreat--- March 26th from 7:45am to 1pm at St. Barb.

Youth Events--- March 26th beginning with the 5pm mass

March Mandarin Mass ---On Sunday March 27th at 12:30pm

First Reconciliation---School and R. E. students on April 2nd at 10:00am.

Parish Religious Education Program Students will lead the 10:30am mass on Sunday, March 27th.

Lenten Reconciliation:

School Students---March 23rd and March 29th after “Campus Mass”
R. E. Students---April 3rd

Parish English Lenten Retreat---Saturday April 9th

Living Stations of the Cross by St. Therese School Students will be virtual this year.

Lenten Regulations (from March 2nd, 2022, Ash Wednesday, to the Paschal Triduum)

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.