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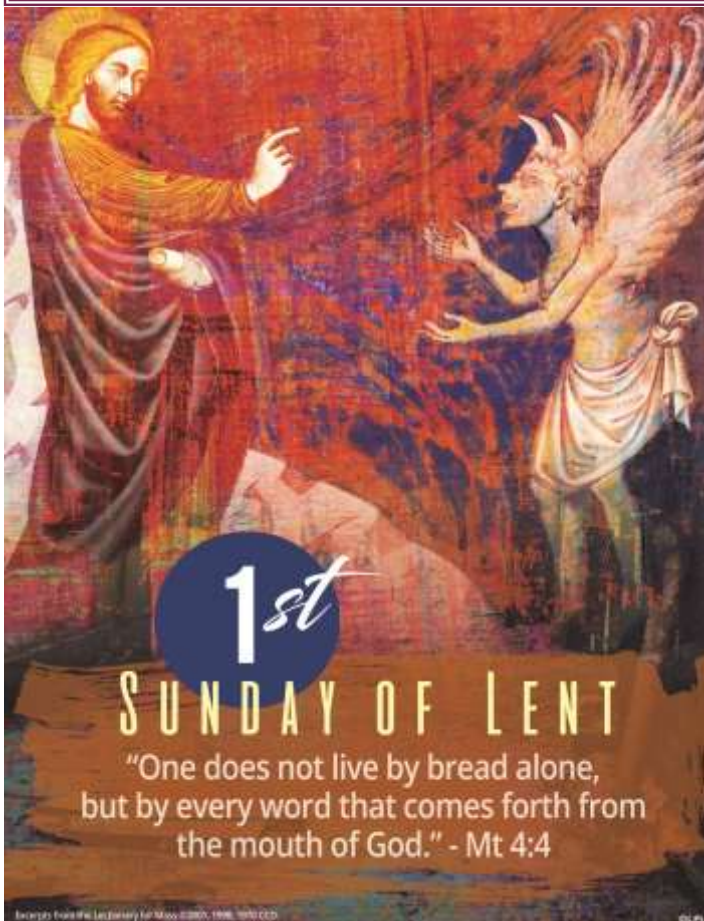


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February 26, 2023—First Sunday of Lent



Still looking for Lenten Practices?

If you're still not sure what to do to deepen your experience of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving this Lent, remember that we have the following resources available:

- **Little Black Books** (in Regular and Large Print)
- **Little Purple Books** (Lenten activities for children)
- **Word Among Us** (Mass Readings/Reflections)
- **CRS Rice Bowl** (collecting for needy; also contains calendar of Lenten activities/practices)
- Online reflections and devotionals on **FORMED**



Join us for Stations of the Cross

Thursdays @ 5:30 PM

Fridays @ 8:30 AM (before Mass)

This Week at Church of the Good Shepherd

This Weekend 2nd Collection, Home Missions of the Americas, Both Masses

Sunday CGS III, 10:30AM, Atrium

Monday CGS I & II, 5:00PM, Atrium

Tuesday CGS III, 5:00PM, Atrium

Wednesday Choir Rehearsal, 6:30PM, Church

Friday Lenten Dinner #2, 4-7 PM

Lenten Dinner Volunteers and Desserts

Please consider volunteering for some (or all) of our Lenten Dinners as part of your Lenten Sacrifices—it takes many hands to make everything work. Even if you can't work the dinner itself, we need volunteers for preparation on Thursday evening and Friday Morning and cleanup afterwards.

If you are able to volunteer OR to help make any of our DESSERTS, please sign up in the Narthex.



Office Hours:

Mon—Thu: 10 AM—4 PM
Friday: 10 AM—12:30 PM

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 9:30 AM
Weekdays: See schedule inside

Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:30 PM,
Monday 5—6 PM during Holy Hour,
and by appointment.

Masses and Candles — Week of 2/26

First Sunday of Lent*Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Ps 51; Rom 5:12* 2018 or 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11**Saturday, February 25**

4:30 PM | All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

Sunday, February 26

9:30 AM | Michael Rayko, Sr. by Norbert & Barbara Rayko

Monday, February 27, St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot, Doctor of the Church*Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19; Mt 25:31-46*

5:00 PM | Holy Hour (Adoration); Confessions

6:00 PM | Julia Mlinarich by Bob & Ann Marie Andress

Tuesday, February 28, Lenten Weekday*Is 55:10-11; Ps 34; Mt 6:7-15*

8:30 AM | Scott Rickert by Theresa & William Mueller

Wednesday, March 1, Lenten Weekday*Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51; Lk 11:9-32***NO MASS****Thursday, March 2, Lenten Weekday***Est C: 12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138; Mt 7:7-12*

8:30 AM | Fran Davis by Jean Zadek

5:30 PM | Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 3, St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin*Ez 18:21-18; Ps 130; Mt 5:20-26*

8:30 AM | Stations of the Cross

9:00 AM | Enrico "Rick" Agosti by JoAnn Gais

Saturday, March 4, St. Casimir*Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119; Mt 5:43-48*

3:30 PM | Confessions

Second Sunday of Lent*Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9*

4:30 PM | Chronoski Family by Richard Chronoski

Sunday, March 5

9:30 AM | All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

**The Sanctuary Candle** is lit in memory of
Michael Rayko, Sr. by Norbert & Barbara Rayko.**The Blessed Mother Candle** is lit in memory of
Veronica A. Romanchick by husband, Paul.

From Fr. Matthew's Desk

Dying to Self in Lent—

We begin our Lenten journey in the wilderness with Jesus as He undertakes a 40-day fast. At the end of the fast, the devil tempts Him with temptations to bodily comforts in food, to presume in the Father's protection by hurling Himself from the Temple, and to power through false worship. Jesus overcomes these in *His* humanity through the period of preparation in prayer and fasting. Even so, this fast was difficult—it *hurt*—it was a dying to self.



In Lent, this is what our renunciation of sin along with our prayer, fasting (penance) and almsgiving point us toward. It is *practicing to die* before we die. Our Lenten readings and prayers underscore that the wages of sin is death—and that death entered the world through Original Sin. Death is the great equalizer and, in the eyes of the world, unavoidable. But this manner of *practicing to die* in the manner Christ did also prepares us for something Satan didn't expect—Christ would conquer both sin *and* death by His Cross and His Resurrection. By dying to those things that separate us from Christ (sin) and obstruct our journey toward holiness (worldly temptations), we empty our hands to embrace redeemed life in Christ that we celebrate at Easter and will have the fullness of at the end of time. *If you die before you die, when you die you will not die.*

Lenten Dinners—Keep spreading the word about our Famous Lenten Dinners. Fridays 4-7. Drive-through only for the time being. If you need more posters please ask in the Parish Office.

Mass Offerings—We are running low on Mass intentions for our Daily Masses. Please consider offering a Mass for someone or some intention. Suggested donation is \$10. Masses can be offered for the deceased *or* for the living. Forms for Mass intentions (beige) are in the Narthex and in the Parish Office.

Prayer Chain Updates**Critical Need:** Neisha Macaseat, Dan Weber**Ongoing Prayer:** Roni Salsa, Garnet Citeroni**In Gratitude for Improvement:** Domenick Fancella**For the Repose of the Soul of:**

Floyd Enciso, Jr. + 5 February 2022



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Faith Formation News

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Schedule:**Level I/II: Mondays: Feb. 27; Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27****Level III: Sundays: Feb. 26; Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26****Level III: Tuesdays: Feb. 28; Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28****Youth Ministry: Mondays, March 6, 20**

Please pray for our children who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Penance and First Eucharist.

The Catholic Accent TV Show "Faith and Food"**Airs on WPXI Channel 11**

The much anticipated "Faith and Food" edition of *The Catholic Accent* television program premieres on **WPXI, Channel 11**, on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 11:30 a.m. In this episode, Bishop Larry J. Kulick talks about renewing our commitment to Christ during Lent; We also learn about Fr. Anthony Onoko, a Nigerian soccer player who traded in his cleats for a collar and now serves as an International Priest in the Diocese of Greensburg. *The Catholic Accent* is always available at TheAccentOnline.org.

THE WELL, Diocesan Men's Conference, March 25

Men in the Diocese of Greensburg are invited to make Catholicism a way of life at "THE WELL – BE NOT AFRAID," the Diocesan Men's Conference, Saturday, March 25 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. It will be a day of inspiring speakers, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and Mass celebrated by Bishop Larry J. Kulick. Cost is \$50 and includes lunch. Scholarships are available through the Diocesan Francis Fund. Register now by calling the Parish Office or online at DioceseofGreensburg.org/TheWell.

Clothed in Glory exhibit at Saint Vincent College

Clothed in Glory: The Creative Life of Fr. Vincent de Paul Crosby, OSB, will be on exhibit through March 24 in the Verostko Center for the Arts at Saint Vincent College, Latrobe. Father Vincent has created work for Christian worship for over 45 years. The exhibit will include vestments, wall hangings, sculptures and digital works. The center is located on the second floor of the Dale P. Latimer Library. While classes are in session, the center is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and by appointment. For information, email verostkocenter@stvincent.edu.

Parish Stewardship—Weekend of 2/18-2/19

Weekly:	\$ 2,871.00
Monthly	\$ 776.00
Loose:	\$ 28.00
Children:	\$ 10.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 47.00
For Improvements to Parish:	—
Ash Wednesday	\$ 80.00
Total Income:	\$ 3,812.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget:	\$ 4,242.83
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$ 430.83)
Fiscal Year-to-Date:	
Collected:	\$ 107,319.56
Needed to Meet Budget:	\$ 140,013.39
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$32,693.83)

Diocesan Lenten Appeal 2023—One Body in Christ

The beginning of each Lent marks the beginning of our annual Diocesan Lenten Appeal—One Body in Christ. Funds raised throughout the diocese will assist with ministry, mission, and capital expenses at diocesan and parish levels.

Every household should have received a letter by now with details of our Parish campaign. This year we are required to raise \$23,106 for our Diocesan Goal and hope to raise at least \$41,000 for our Parish Goal, which will go toward replacing the Ford tractor that has given more-than-exemplary service over the last three decades (and maybe more) but is becoming difficult to service. Please prayerfully consider what you can give. More information will be upcoming in future weeks.

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, 4th St., Indiana

All clothing is just \$1 this week and all white tag items are half-priced at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Indiana. Located in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street, the store is open Monday thru Saturday from 10am to 2pm. Donations are accepted at the back door from 10am to 1pm (space permitting).

Please continue to watch for further information in the bulletin and on Facebook (@SVDPIndianaPa).

To request assistance from SVdP, please call the SVdP hotline at 724-471-2210



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Session 1: Jesus: Model and Master of Prayer

In this episode of his course on the Our Father, Dr. Ben Akers teaches us what we can learn from the perfect model and master of prayer: Jesus himself.

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Note: Use of this form does not automatically register you with the church. You will be contacted to arrange an appointment. Thank you.

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