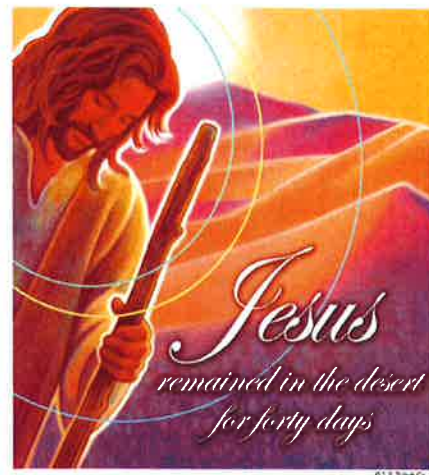


**First Sunday of Lent**  
**February 21, 2021**  
 Your ways, O LORD,  
 make known to me;  
 teach me your paths.  
 — *Psalm 25:4*



## READINGS FOR TWEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;

Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;

Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

## SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent;  
 Rite of Election;

Rite of Calling the Candidates  
 to Continuing Conversion; Rite  
 of Sending

Monday: Washington's Birthday;  
 Julian Calendar Lent begins

Tuesday: St. Polycarp

Thursday: Purim (Jewish ob-  
 servance) begins at sunset

Friday: Abstinence

Saturday: St. Gregory of Narek

**Stations of the cross will be prayed every Friday in Lent at 6pm. It will be followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.**

**Application forms for Easter food baskets are still available in the box outside the church entrance. Forms need to be returned by March 6<sup>th</sup>.**



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

By the First Sunday of Lent, many people have given up on “giving up.” Yet experiencing hunger for favorite things is a sign of a desire to face our deepest hungers. We do not embrace fasting as individuals, but rather as the community’s way of life in this season. Sometimes it helps to see Sunday as an oasis in the Lenten desert, a place where fasting is not as strictly observed. If we count the days of the Lenten calendar, starting backward from the end of Lent on Holy Thursday, it is difficult to measure the forty days. Many are surprised to learn that the Sundays are counted as part of Lent, but are not counted in tallying the forty days of the Lenten fast. For that, we count the fast backward into last week, beginning on Ash Wednesday. So, until today we have been in the Lenten fast, days that function as a kind of overture to a symphony of conversion.

Today Lent solemnly begins, marked in many places by the sending of catechumens and candidates to the bishop for the call to the Easter sacraments. Tomorrow with them, we embrace the Lenten fast again. Today we are exactly forty days from the opening of the Paschal Triduum on Holy Thursday.

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We are in need of non-perishable food item so that we are able to provide food baskets to families in need during the Easter season and those who come seeking food during the year.. What ever you can donate will be much appreciated.

Saturday Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 4pm: Repose of the soul of Vicki Brooksheir

Sunday Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>. 9:30am: Repose of the soul of Will Fralix

Tuesday Feb. 23rd 9:30am Our Mission Family

Wednesday Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> 9:30am: Repose of the soul of Peggy Dowd

Saturday Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> 4pm: Repose of the soul of Roger Soucey

Sunday Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> 9:30am: Repose of the souls of Ronald & Daniel Remillard



Thank you for your continued support

Prayer Requests

Averi Antich  
Blaine  
Marvin Bordetsky  
Dawn Brennan  
Janice Cahill  
Danny Canzolino  
Mary Canzolino  
Catherine Coleman  
Diane DaSilva  
Eric Day  
Thelma Einboden  
Ruth Faulkner  
Lorraine Fitzkee  
Pamela Fitzkee  
Kevin Fitzpatrick  
Dawn Fraher  
Gene Loosemore  
Mary Sutton  
Samantha Houldson  
Mary Porter  
Patsy Beam  
Ruvia Doyle  
Peggy Dowd

Gail Garrett  
Martha Gartland  
Lisa Gibson  
Ben Hall  
Maggie Hall  
Lawrence Harris  
Edward Hickey  
Florence Humble  
Chris Keller  
Jeff Keller  
Rodney Keller  
Jennifer Kesse  
Caleb Knaggs  
Helen Kocijan  
Joan Langlie  
Laquittia Linnquist  
Adam Linnquist  
Morris Lunn  
Jim Mansfield  
Bob Benjamin  
Roger Soucey  
Christopher Cochran

Rick Muhlig  
Joan Nehiley  
Madeline Pynn  
Marie Sample  
Concetta Santangelo  
Woody Salisbury  
Dennis Soucey  
Kitty Thompson  
The Homebound  
Michael Vilt  
Margaret Wimberly-  
Charles Young  
Carolyn Ashe  
Chris Jones  
Charles Dougherty  
Francis Carrizzo  
Chris Ulrich  
Jack Cola  
Mike Carper