

# ST. MARY CHURCH

HYDE PARK

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

## Lenten Mission 2023

*with* Fr. Larry Richards

@ Saint Cecilia Church

February 27, 28, & March 1, 2 | 7-9 PM



# Worship Aid for the First Sunday in Lent

## Prayer for Vocations



Almighty Father, You have created for us some definite purpose.  
Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations. May our young people respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among our men a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. Bless us with consecrated religious and those called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons, and faithful husbands and wives, who are a sign of Christ's love for His Church. We commend our prayer for vocations to You, Father, through the intercession of Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr

## Entrance Hymn

## Entrance Antiphon for Lent

God an - swers us in our dis - tress, de -  
liv - ers us from death. With length of days we  
have been blessed, freed by God's sav - ing pow'r.

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## Verses

*Choir or cantor*

1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High,  
and abides in the shade of the Almighty,  
says to the LORD, "My refuge,  
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!"
2. He will free you from the snare of the fowler,  
from the destructive plague;  
he will conceal you with his pinions,  
and under his wings you will find refuge.

## Penitential Rite

**I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and  
in what I have failed to do,  
*And striking their breast, they say:*  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask  
blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

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Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.  
Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.

Christe Eleison/Christ, have mercy.  
Christe Eleison/Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.  
Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## First Reading

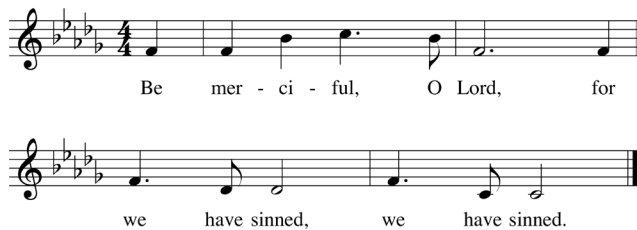
Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7

The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so man became a living being. Then the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and placed there the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the LORD God made various trees grow that were delightful to look at and good for food, with the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Now the serpent was the most cunning of all the animals that the LORD God had made. The serpent asked the woman, "Did God really tell you not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?" The woman answered the serpent: "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; it is only about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden that God said, 'You shall not eat it or even touch it, lest you die.'" But the serpent said to the woman: "You certainly will not die! No, God knows well that the moment you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods who know what is good and what is evil." The woman saw that the tree was good for food, pleasing to the eyes, and desirable for gaining wisdom. So she took some of its fruit and ate it; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Psalm Response



1. Have mercy on me, O God, according to your merciful love; according to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Wash me completely from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
2. My transgressions, truly I know them; my sin is always before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done.
3. Create a pure heart for me, O God; renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence; take not your holy spirit from me.
4. Restore in me the joy of your salvation; sustain in me a willing spirit. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

## Second Reading

Rom 5:12-19

Brothers and sisters: Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned—for up to the time of the law, sin was in the world, though sin is not accounted when there is no law. But death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin after the pattern of the trespass of Adam, who is the type of the one who was to come. But the gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one, the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many. And the gift is not like the result of the one who sinned. For after one sin there was the judgment that brought condemnation; but the gift, after many transgressions, brought acquittal. For if, by the transgression of the one, death came to reign through that one, how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through the one Jesus Christ. In conclusion, just as through one transgression condemnation came upon all, so, through one righteous act, acquittal and life came to all. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so, through the obedience of the one, the many will be made righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Gospel

Mt 4:1-11

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply, "It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."

Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written: He will command his angels concerning you and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone." Jesus answered him, "Again it is written, You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test." Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ.

## The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

**All make a profound bow:**  
*and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the  
Virgin Mary,  
and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father  
and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the  
resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

## Offertory Hymn

Refrain

Turn my heart, O God. Turn my heart, O  
God. Take my pain and bro - ken - ness; shape my life for  
you. Come and turn my heart, O God.

## Turn My Heart, O God

## Sanctus

San - ctus, San - ctus, San - ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá -  
ba - oth. Ple - ni sunt coe - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a.  
Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in  
nó - mi - ne Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis.

Text and music: Chant; *Graduale Romanum*, 1974.

## Mystery of Faith

Save us, Sav - ior of the world, for by your Cross and Res - ur - rection  
you have set us free.

## Agnus Dei

A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se -  
ré - re no - bis. A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta  
mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. A - gnus De - i,  
qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Text and music: Chant; *Graduale Romanum*, 1974.

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

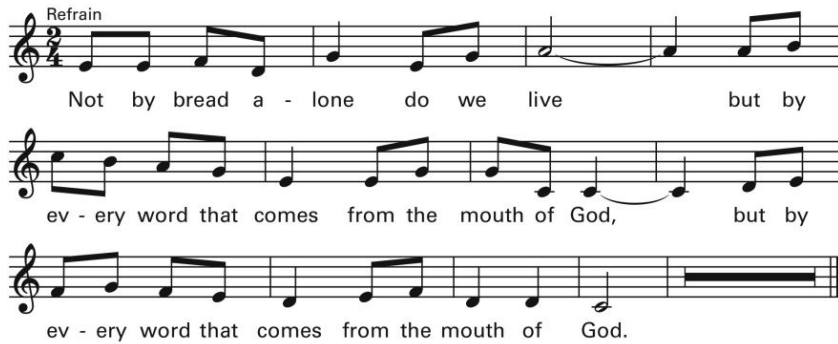
## Recessional Hymn

Led By the Spirit

### Communion Hymn

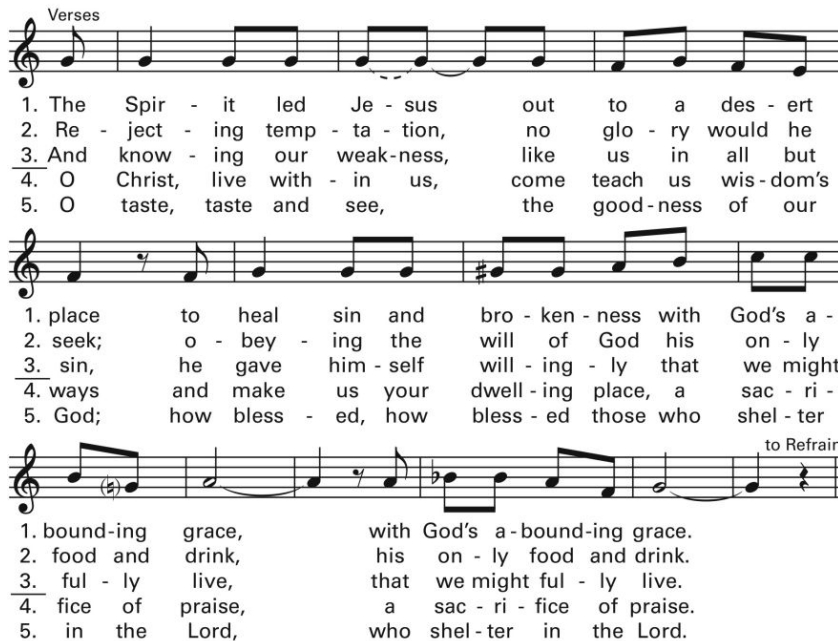
### Not By Bread Alone

Refrain



Not by bread a - lone do we live but by  
ev - ery word that comes from the mouth of God, but by  
ev - ery word that comes from the mouth of God.

Verses



1. The Spir - it led Je - sus out to a des - ert  
2. Re - ject - ing temp - ta - tion, no glo - ry would he  
3. And know - ing our weak - ness, like us in all but  
4. O Christ, live with - in us, come teach us wis - dom's  
5. O taste, taste and see, the good - ness of our

1. place to heal sin and bro - ken - ness with God's a -  
2. seek; o - bey - ing the will of God his on - ly  
3. sin, he gave our him - self will - ing - ly that we might  
4. ways and make us your dwell - ing place, a sac - ri -  
5. God; how bless - ed, how bless - ed those who shel - ter

to Refrain

1. bound - ing grace, with God's a - bound - ing grace.  
2. food and drink, his on - ly food and drink.  
3. ful - ly live, that we might ful - ly live.  
4. fice of praise, a sac - ri - fice of praise.  
5. in the Lord, who shel - ter in the Lord.

Based on Matthew 4:1-11 and Psalm 34:8. Text and music © 2017, 2020, Bob Hurd.  
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1. Led by the Spirit of our God, we go to fast and pray

With Christ into the wilderness; we join his paschal way.

“Rend not your garments, rend your hearts. Turn back your lives to me.”

Thus says our kind and gracious God, whose reign is liberty.

2. Led by the Spirit, we confront temptation face to face,

And know full well we must rely on God's redeeming grace.

On bread alone we cannot live, but nourished by the Word

We seek the will of God to do: this is our drink and food.

3. Led by the Spirit, now draw near the waters of rebirth

With hearts that long to worship God in spirit and in truth.

“Whoever drinks the drink I give shall never thirst again.”

Thus says the Lord who died for us, our Savior, kin and friend.

4. Led by the Spirit, now sing praise to God the Trinity:

The Source of Life, the living Word made flesh to set us free,

The Spirit blowing where it will to make us friends of God:

This myst'ry far beyond our reach, yet near in healing love.

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## Weekend Mass Schedule

**St. Cecilia (Oakley):** Saturday 3:30 PM | Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 8:15 PM

**St. Mary (Hyde Park):** Saturday at 4 PM | Sunday at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

**The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville):** Saturday 3 PM | Sunday 9:30 AM

## Daily Mass Schedule

**St. Cecilia (Oakley):** 9 AM Mass, Monday-Saturday. Communion service, Monday-Saturday 8 AM

All-day Adoration follows the 9 AM Mass on Wednesdays with 7 PM Holy Hour and Confessions from 7-7:50 PM

**St. Mary (Hyde Park):** 5:30 PM evening Mass, Monday-Thursday with Holy Hour on Tuesdays following the 5:30 PM Mass.

**The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville):** 11:45 AM Mass, Monday-Friday

## Confession Schedule

Confessions begin immediately after all daily Masses and one hour before weekend Masses, ending 30 minutes before Mass.

*For information on weddings, baptisms and funerals, please visit [eastsidefaith.org](http://eastsidefaith.org) or call the appropriate parish office.*

### St. Cecilia (Oakley)

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### St. Mary (Hyde Park)

2853 Erie Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45208

Office: (513) 321-1207

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### Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville)

6104 Desmond Street, Cincinnati, OH 45227

**Priest Emergency Line: (513) 815-5038**

## Mass Intentions (St. Mary)

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

5:30 PM Madison Rohfls & Kevin Schmitt

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

5:30 PM Joan Wenstrup Birthday by Charles & Mary Jo O'Leary

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

5:30 PM Jason & Lenka Dinozi by Nadia Zogbi

### THURSDAY, MARCH 2

5:30 PM Patricia Schubert by Kim & Joe Fishback

### FRIDAY, MARCH 3

5:30 PM No Mass

### SATURDAY, MARCH 4

4:00 PM Frank DeCunzo by Tom & Rosemary Bosco

### SUNDAY, MARCH 5 Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM Robert & Krissie DiNozzi by Nadia Zogbi

10:30 AM Dr. & Mrs. Esley R. Froats by Frank Care

**Mass Intentions.** If you have any particular intentions for which you would like to have a Mass offered, please contact your parish office. Intentions are often requested for those who have died, but may include any kind of need that you or someone you know is experiencing for which prayer is needed.



## Wedding Banns

BANN III

Madison Rohfls & Kevin Schmitt

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## Lenten Mission

February 26, 2023

This Monday evening our Lenten Mission begins in our family of parishes. Fr. Larry Richard gets over 800 requests to speak at parishes each year and we are so blessed to have him here this Lent. Are you setting aside the four evenings for the mission? I know this is hard. You may leave work at the end of the day tired and wanting to put your feet up or you may have had a long day watching little ones and can't imagine getting ready to go out. These are all valid reasons that may keep you home, but I am asking you to try and get that second wind and come to the mission. Make God first on your list this week, and join us as we start a new mission in our faith to enter the desert so that we can return to God with all of our hearts by fasting and praying during Lent and preparing for His passion.

Amen? Amen.

*Fr. Jessie*

### LENTEN MISSION SCHEDULE:

**Monday, February 27: God's Love and the Importance of Prayer**

**Tuesday, February 28: Worship: A Walk Through the Mass (Taught in the Context of a Mass)**

**Wednesday, March 1: Confession: What Sins Do I Really Need to Confess?**

**Thursday, March 2: Adoration and Healing (Taught in the Context of Adoration with a Healing Service at the End)**

## Lent Wake Up Series

Our series continues this Saturday morning, **March 4**, in St. Mary's Robisch Hall—9 AM for coffee and donuts, and the presentation from 9:15 to 10:15 AM. **Anne Battes** will speak on "Am I a Disciple? Reflections on Jesus' Invitation." What is Jesus' call to live as his disciple? What is discipleship? What does it mean to respond to Jesus' invitation and live as a disciple? Why would I want to be a disciple? We will explore the meaning of discipleship through Scripture, the Church, and with the laity. Living as a disciple requires developing the habits of discipleship to choose a life in Christ. What could this mean for you, individually, with family, work, and in the larger community? Anne spent a lifetime in Catholic education as teacher, principal, deputy superintendent for Catholic School in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, president of Catholic Education Collaborative, and former publisher for RCL Benziger.

## Crib Project 2023

We are collecting baby items through **March 5**. Check the St. Cecilia vestibule/narthex for additional information.

Your participation is most welcome and greatly appreciated!



**The 40 Plus Fun Bunch** will have a spaghetti dinner in the St Cecilia Commons on **March 5, from 4-6 PM**. Spaghetti, sauce both with and without meat will be provided as well as bread. Bring your favorite appetizer and if you have a special drink, bring that, too! So that they can better plan, please RSVP to [stcfunbunch@gmail.com](mailto:stcfunbunch@gmail.com).

## Introducing the Oratory

The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church would like to share in the mission of St. John Vianney as patron saint of parish priests by praying especially for the 263 priests of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Please join us in remembering these priests in your daily prayers and sacrifices, and perhaps send them a note of thanks and encouragement. **This week we will pray for several very special priests: Fr. Anthony Marcelli, Fr. Ken Schartz, Fr. Jamie Weber (St. Mary Parish and St. Cecilia Parish), Fr. Tom Denneman (retired), and Fr. Jacob Willig (Miami University).**

When you see a priest, you should say, "There is he who made me a child of God, and opened Heaven to me by holy Baptism; he who purified me after I had sinned; who gives nourishment to my soul." At the sight of a church tower, you may say, "What is there in that place?" "The Body of Our Lord." "Why is He there?" "Because a priest has been there, and has said holy Mass." – ST. JOHN VIANNEY





### From the Desk of Fr. Ken

This past weekend I binged watched Kevin Costner's TV series Yellowstone. Two characters, Beth Dutton and Jaime Dutton, are siblings who despise each other. They would sell their souls to the devil to acquire power and not to the good. In the gospel, we have Jesus tempted by the devil. One of the temptations is that of power. Of course, Jesus withstood the devil and his wiles. My question is: Could we?

*Fr. Ken Schopf*

### From the School Office



### EPIC

Fellowship for our 65+ parishioners

### Irish for the Day!

**March 15 / 11:30 am - 1:30 pm / Robisch Hall**

Please join us for the *Wearin' O the Green* on Wednesday, March 15. Enjoy a surprise guest speaker, a delectable Irish lunch, lucky gams, and fellowship!

There is a \$10.00 per person to cover food costs. RSVP from [smchp.com/EPIC](http://smchp.com/EPIC) or email: [mlandrum@smshp.com](mailto:mlandrum@smshp.com)

(Drop off payment by putting in the mail slot at rectory front door, place in collection basket marked EPIC event or send to St. Mary Church, 2853 Erie Avenue, 45208, Attn: Mary Landrum. All payments must be made at time of reservation.) **Thank you!**

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### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**THIS SUNDAY, Feb 26 / 9 am - NOON / St. Mary Café**

- 100% of proceeds benefit Freestore Foodbank
- **Adults: \$6 / Seniors & Children under 12: \$4**
- **Come for fellowship and yummy pancakes!**

### Elderly and Homebound Ministry

**Next meeting: Thursday, March 16, at 7:00 pm at St. Mary in the Seton Center.**

The Elderly and Homebound Ministry provides a social connection between the parish and the homebound one. Through visits, reassuring phone calls, or sending cards, the parish volunteers encounter one another to experience God's goodness and to continue the connection to St. Cecilia, St. Mary, or The Oratory.

Visit [eastsidefaith.org/homebound-ministry](http://eastsidefaith.org/homebound-ministry) or [smchp.com](http://smchp.com), Search: Elderly and Homebound Ministry.

### Attend the Lenten Wake-up Series

Saturday mornings during Lent at 9:00 am in Robisch Hall. Inspiration, fellowship, and donuts!





# LENTEN ITALIAN DINNER

Menu:	Food Cost:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spaghetti</li> <li>• Cheese Ravioli</li> <li>• Red or White Sauce</li> <li>• LaRosa's Cheese Pizza</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Salad</li> <li>• Garlic Bread</li> <li>• Lemonade &amp; Water</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$10 per person</li> <li>• \$25 for family</li> </ul>



**Friday, March 3rd**  
**5:00pm - 7:00pm**  
**St. Mary Cafeteria**

Contact: Greg Albanese, 513.903.9688  
 Proceeds Benefit Knights of Columbus  
 St. Mary 8th Grade Boys and Girls Scholarships







**“You cannot imagine at all how much you interest God; he is interested in you as if there were no one else on earth.” – JULIEN GREEN**

**A Lenten Study: Heaven, Hell, & Divine Mercy.** A four-week custom class led by Fr. Anthony Marcelli on Thursdays from 7-8:30 PM, starting **March 9 at St. Mary Parish** (Robisch Hall). The cost is \$20 per person.

Death is not the end, it's only the beginning: the beginning of a journey towards eternal bliss or eternal misery. Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell — the Four Last Things — have been a powerful source of meditation in the Catholic tradition, inspiring countless conversions and a rich spirituality among the faithful. **To register, go to [www.eastsidefaith.org](http://www.eastsidefaith.org), click on For Adults, then on Desiring Formation.**



Join **Dr. Ceil Dorgier** for the **Lenten Lunch with the Lord** series at the Basilica Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains. It will be a meditation on the art that illustrates **The Seven Sorrows of the**

**Virgin Mary.** It is **free!** Talks will begin right after the 11:30 Mass at the Cathedral Basilica, downstairs in Synod Hall, **Wednesdays, March 15, 22, and 29.**



## Catechesis (kat'i-ke'sis) n.

### The Chasuble

The chasuble is the vestment proper to he who celebrates the Holy Mass. In the past the liturgical books used the two Latin terms “casual” and “planeta” synonymously. While the term “planeta” was especially used in Rome and has remained in use in Italy, the term “casula” derives from the typical form of the vestment that at the beginning completely covered the sacred minister who wore it. The Latin “casula” is found in other languages in a modified form. Thus one finds “casulla” in Spanish, “chasuble” in French and English, and “Kasel” in German.

The prayer for the donning of the chasuble references the exhortation in the Letter to the Colossians (3:14) — “Above all these things [put on] charity, which is the bond of perfection” — and the Lord’s words in Matthew, 11:30: “O Lord, who has said, My yoke is sweet and My burden light, grant that I may so carry it as to merit Thy grace.”

**During Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 9:30 AM and 7 PM at St. Cecilia and on Thursdays after the 5:30 PM Mass at St. Mary.** During this special devotion, through meditation and prayer, we will walk with our Savior on his way of suffering from the time he was condemned to death until he died and was buried. Making this devotion part of your Lenten commitment to prayer will help you grow closer to Christ.



## Know Your Saints

### St. Adrian of Canterbury (d. 710)

Though St. Adrian turned down a papal request to become Archbishop of Canterbury, England, Pope St. Vitalian accepted the rejection on the condition that Adrian serve as the Holy Father’s assistant and adviser. Adrian accepted, but ended up spending most of his life and doing most of his work in Canterbury.

Born in Africa, Adrian was serving as an abbot in Italy when the new Archbishop of Canterbury appointed him abbot of the monastery of Sts. Peter and Paul in Canterbury. Thanks to his leadership skills, the facility became one of the most important centers of learning. The school attracted many outstanding scholars from far and wide and produced numerous future bishops and archbishops. Students reportedly learned Greek and Latin and spoke Latin as well as their own native languages.

Adrian taught at the school for 40 years. He died there, probably in the year 710, and was buried in the monastery. Several hundred years later, when reconstruction was being done, Adrian’s body was discovered in an incorrupt state. As word spread, people flocked to his tomb, which became famous for miracles. Rumor had it that young schoolboys in trouble with their masters made regular visits there.



## LENTEN ITALIAN DINNER

Friday, March 3 | 5-7 PM | St. Mary Cafeteria

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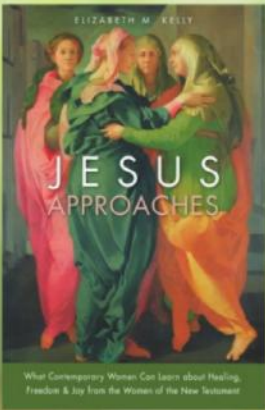
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# THE WORD IN YOUR HEART | 11

## First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 2:9. ...with the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

It is wild to think that many Christians' beliefs of sin and of God come from the first book in the Bible, the creation story. The story itself is almost comedic. Maybe that was the point. This story in our culture has split Christians into two different camps: those who take every story in the Bible literally and those who see many of the stories as parables that teach a lesson.

I have never felt at peace with the image of God in the creation story. "You can eat from any tree in the garden but not the tree of knowledge, of truth." It feels like a cruel prank that a parent or friend would do to a younger child. Once the child slips up and eats from the tree, the parent becomes wrathful, jealous, and punitive. He punishes not only his child but every future child born into this world. This parent doesn't sound very patient or merciful. I wouldn't want to be his child. The God that I know and want to know is the image of Jesus.

We are taught to treat each other in almost the opposite way that God treats Adam and Eve. The inception of guilt and original sin come from this story. We are made to believe that we are born into sin and are bad from day one because of this story. How sad!

As we enter the Lenten season, let us be humble enough to let God reveal who God is. Instead of blindly adhering to someone's views, maybe it is time for us to realize that we all have the authority to discern for ourselves. Without going within ourselves, we will always be a slave to someone else's reality of who God is. We all have a unique relationship with the Creator that needs to alive in the world. *~Brian Geeding*

Brian Geeding teaches physical education and health at St. Mary School. He loves to be outside, go to concerts, and see people doing what they love to do.

**The Word In Your Heart** is a faith-sharing ministry open to all Eastside Family parishioners. Contact Janet Bucning at 513-871-9294 or [janetrehlingbucning@gmail.com](mailto:janetrehlingbucning@gmail.com)

## YOUR OFFERINGS *Thank you*

*Feb 19 collections were not available at time of print*

Weekly Giving	2/12/2023	Sunday Giving thru JANUARY	(7 months)
Weekend Collection:	\$5,009	Sunday & Christmas Giving:	\$643,627
Mailed:	\$12,266	FYTD Budget:	\$640,000
WeShare Online:	\$8,231	Over (Under) FYTD Budget:	\$3,627
<b>Total Sunday Giving:</b>	<b>\$25,506</b>		
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