

General Information

Baptism: By appointment. At least one parent as well as the sponsors must be practicing Roman Catholics who attend the Traditional Latin Mass exclusively.

Confession: Before Mass on Sundays, and other times as indicated in the weekly bulletin.

Confirmation: Solemnly administered periodically in the year and may be administered privately by request. Catholics who received confirmation in the post Vatican II rite (1971) should arrange to receive confirmation conditionally in the traditional rite.

First Holy Communion: Administered each year on the Sunday after Corpus Christi. Adequate knowledge of the catechism is required.

Matrimony: If you are contemplating marriage, please make an appointment to speak with a priest before you set a date. At least one of the parties must be a practicing traditional Catholic and member of this parish. Weddings are forbidden during Advent and Lent.

Communion for the Sick: Please contact the pastor or coordinator when a church member is hospitalized or too ill to attend Mass.

Extreme Unction: Do not put off making arrangements until the last moment, but contact the pastor or coordinator promptly if a church member is gravely ill or in danger of death.

Decorum in Church: Respect for God in the Blessed Sacrament requires a reverent silence. Please turn off cell phones and keep children well behaved. Both young and old should wear dignified and modest clothes in church, and women should wear a dress or skirt, and a veil or hat. Veils are available in the vestibule. Men should wear shirt and tie as well as a jacket or sweater.

Holy Communion: Only baptized practicing Catholics in the state of grace may receive Holy Communion. You must be fasting:

- Three hours from solid foods and alcoholic beverages.
- One hour from other liquids.
- Water may be taken at any time.

The communicant kneels at the communion rail, and receives the Blessed Sacrament on the tongue. The communicant does not say "Amen" after the priest says "*Corpus Domini nostri Jesu Christi custodiat animam tuam in vitam aeternam. Amen.*"

Singing: The faithful are invited to join in singing any hymns preceding or following the Mass, but only the choir sings during the course of the Mass.

Following Sunday Mass: During High Mass season, there is a potluck brunch downstairs. Everyone is welcome.



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March 12, 2017

Lent III
St. Gregory the Great

✠ Announcements ✠

Join us after Mass this morning for the Stations of the Cross. Then following the Stations of the Cross will be the Blessing of Religious Articles.

Friday is St. Patrick's Day. The fast is traditionally dispensed, but you must still abstain from meat.

Please note that there will NOT be Mass here this Friday evening. Also, there will be confessions this Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Mass at 5:30 rather than the usual morning schedule.

Next Sunday will be a big and very important day for our spiritual lives. Father McKenna will give a Day of Recollection. This is a wonderful way to keep our Lent holy. Plan to stay after Mass for Stations, Devotions, a couple of spiritual conferences and Benediction. Children are welcome too! Food will be provided.

📖Set Your Missal: Lent III. Second collect of Our Lady and All the Saints, third for the Living and the Dead. Preface of Lent.

🕯The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the following intention:
(+) **Judy Chonowski**

Last Week's Totals:

Collection: \$604

Number of Parishioners: 69

Serber Schedule for the week of March 13, 2017– March 19, 2017

Monday, 3/13: AC: Bob Poggel

Saturday, 3/18: ACs: Michael & Peter Mueller

Sunday, 3/19: MC: Michael Mueller, **TH:** Peter Mueller, **ACs:** David & Timothy Sandberg, **CB:** Tony Friel, **TBs:** Tony Friel, Andrew Sandberg, Jude & Benedict McGinnis, **Usher:** Bob Mueller

This Week's Schedule

Mon	3/13/17 9:00 AM	Ferial Day Low Mass <i>Conversion of Our Family & Friends</i> (Jeff & Nicole Kimpel)
Tue	3/14/17	Ferial Day
Wed	3/15/17	Ferial Day St. Clement Mary Hofbauer
Thu	3/16/17 6:30 PM	Ferial Day Rosary, Stations of the Cross
Fri	3/17/17	St. Patrick St. Joseph of Arimathea The Holy Shroud
Sat	3/18/17 5:00 PM 5:30 PM	St. Cyril of Jerusalem Confessions, Rosary Low Mass <i>Keith Kimpel (Bob & Ann Poggel)</i>
Sun	3/19/17 8:15 AM 9:00 AM	Lent III Confessions, Rosary High Mass <i>Fr. Cekada's Health (H. Kalian)</i> St. Francis of Assisi Stations of the Cross Day of Recollection

Sunday Spiritual Reading

The Light of the World

In early Christian times, when the fervor and heroism of the first converts were still ardent, the Ember celebration began late on Saturday evening. On this day the faithful in Rome gathered at the Church of St. Peter. Since there were many lessons to be read before the conferring of holy orders, and since there were to be lengthy sermons by the bishops, and the alms were to be distributed to the poor, the services lasted until the next morning. Thus it happened that the Mass which we now have on Ember Saturday was actually said on the following Sunday morning. As men grew to dislike the long services, however, they were shortened and were transferred to the morning of Ember Saturday. A new Mass was then composed for the Sunday which followed. This Sunday Mass was more or less a substitution for the Mass of Ember Saturday and was made up largely from that Mass. The Mass for the second Sunday of Lent, therefore, breathes the spirit of Ember Saturday. It centers about the transfiguration on Mount Tabor. Our Savior in His transfiguration is the first gleam of light in the gloom of the Lenten season. Thus we are reminded that we go through darkness to light, through suffering and death to life and resurrection, and eventually to transfiguration.

We are conscious of our many sins, and in the Introit we cry out for God's mercy, for the remission of our sins, for the cleansing even from all sinful thoughts (Collect). We long for the light of the resurrection which illuminates Christ in His transfiguration. "What fellowship hath light with darkness?" (II Cor. 6:14). We are the children of light, and therefore we should not linger in the mire of passion, lust, and avarice. "God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto sanctification" to walk in the light (Epistle). Walking in the light of the transfiguration today are the apostles (Gospel). Filled with reverence and awe they fall on their faces and exclaim, "Lord, it is good for us to be here." In the mind of the liturgy today we are the apostles.

As we gaze upon the splendor of the scene, we express our faith in the transfiguration. We know that all too soon we shall see this same Christ in shame and humiliation on the Mount of Olives and on Golgotha. We know that we, too, shall one day be transfigured after we have suffered a similar passion and struggle in our earthly life.

Through the night of this suffering we shall pass to the light. This belief leads us to recite the Credo with joy. "I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come." We are strengthened in our resolutions. "I will meditate on Thy commandments, which I have loved exceedingly; and I will lift up my hands to Thy commandments, which I have loved" (Offertory).

In the Consecration of the Mass, that which was related in the Gospel becomes a reality. Our altar is Mount Tabor. On this altar is enthroned the transfigured God. The apostles heard a voice from heaven saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." To Him we are now closely united in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and with Him we become one victim, one host, one sacrifice offered to the Father. With Him and through Him we, too, are the sons of God. Through His lips we can cry, *Pater noster*: "Our Father." Truly the Father hears in our prayers and supplications the voice of His beloved Son, and He is well pleased. We may expect, then, that He will shower His blessings and His graces upon us in Holy Communion. There our hearts become a Mount Tabor, the scene of a delightful transfiguration. The light surrounding this transfiguration. The light surrounding this transfiguration dispels the darkness within our soul. The beloved Son becomes our most treasured possession. We live, now not we, but Christ lives in us. He implants in our hearts the seed of a future transfiguration. Let us then, advance through the night of our earthly life, bravely, firmly, and with confidence that we may one day reach the brightness of the eternal Easter. "Walk then, as children of the light" (Eph. 5:8).

Prayer of St. Clement Mary Hofbauer

O my Redeemer, will that terrible moment ever come when but few Christians shall be left who are inspired by the spirit of faith, that moment when Your indignation shall be provoked and Your protection shall be taken from us? Have our vices and our evil lives irrevocably moved Your justice to take vengeance, perhaps this very day, upon Your children?

We beg You, the Beginning and the End of faith, with contrite hearts, not to let the light of faith be extinguished in souls.

Remember Your mercies of old, turn Your eyes in compassion upon the vineyard planted by Your own right hand, and watered by the tears of the Apostles, by the precious blood of countless martyrs, and made fruitful by the prayers of so many confessors and innocent virgins.

O divine Mediator, look upon those zealous souls who raise their hearts to You and pray without ceasing for the maintenance of that most precious gift of Yours, the True Faith. Keep us safe in the true Catholic and Roman Faith. Preserve us in Your holy faith, for if we are rich with this precious gift, we shall gladly endure every sorrow and nothing shall ever be able to change our happiness. Without this great treasure of faith, our unhappiness would be unspeakable and without limit.

O Good Jesus, Author of our faith, preserve it pure within us; keep us safe in the bark of Peter, faithful and obedient to his successor, and Your vicar here on earth, so that the unity of the Holy Church may be maintained, holiness fostered, the Holy See protected in freedom, and the Church universal extended to the benefit of souls.

O Jesus, Author of our faith, humble and convert the enemies of Your Church; grant true peace and concord to all Christian kings and princes and to all believers; strengthen and preserve us in Your holy service to the end, that we may live with You and die in You.

O Jesus, Author of our faith, let me live for You and die for You. Amen.

Words of a Saint

The Catechist

Jesus Christ one day gave St. Mechtildes a view of the glory of Heaven. And as she was gazing on it in rapture, and wishing that the happy day were come when she also would enjoy the happiness of the Saints, she heard a voice that seemed to come from the immense multitude of the blessed, saying: "O thrice happy you who still live in the world, because it is in your power to increase your glory and your merit forever. If men did but know how much they might increase their merit every day, they would never awake in the morning without their hearts being filled with gratitude to God for His goodness in giving them another day in which they might increase their glory for Heaven, their eternal home. This thought alone ought to be sufficient

to strengthen them in all their difficulties and trials, and to give them courage to lead a mortified life, since each one of these things is of so much avail for them in eternity." -*Chisholm*.

Note from Father

Dear Faithful,

I have had many pleasant surprises this past week at church. At Mass last Sunday we had 69 souls in attendance; out of those 69, 50 of you stayed for the Lenten Stations of the Cross. On Thursday, although only two were able to be at Holy Mass, a fair number came to the evening Stations, Rosary and Holy Communion. We also had a good number of people at Mass on Friday night for the feast of the Holy Lance and Nails. This is exactly what we should be doing during the sacred season of Lent. Private prayers are not to be spurned by any means, but public liturgical prayer is always to be preferred. May you persevere in what you have already begun!

Speaking of Lenten devotions, Father McKenna will be offering a Day of Recollection next Sunday for adults as well as children. There will be the usual Sunday High Mass and Stations of the Cross. This will be followed by a quick bite to eat and then a few spiritual talks and devotions. It will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Of course, there will be some time for your own quiet prayer as well. I hope you will take advantage of this. You all are so busy with work, school, and many other things that it is difficult to stay recollected. This Day of Recollection should serve to bring your thoughts to heavenly things and make this Lent a little more prayerful. I do hope you can make the time to stay.

My congratulations go to Mitch and Tricia Larson and their children for their Enthronement of their home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. What blessings come with the living of this Enthronement in day to day life. Just read over the twelve promises of the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary to get an idea of the blessings of this devotion. May Our Lord always be their – and your – King and Friend!

Yours in our Sorrowful Mother

Fr. McGuire