

**We remember in prayer:**

Christine Atterbury, Anne Boone, Paul Buchanan, Rodney Butterfield, Carl Camlen, Fred Carpenter, Fallon Carter, John Casey, Mary Casey, Sandy Cross, Donna Davis, Marjorie Ellison, Kathy Enderle, Andy Fowler, Bridget Gillespie, Holly Gladbach, Belinda Goff, Debbie Groteluschen Julie Hamann, Lynn Ellen Haugh, Emmett Hertal, Charlie Higinbothom, Sarah Jackson, Keeley LeBleu, Jeremy Lodder, Emma & Larry Ludwig, Fallon Milford, Mike Morris, Linda Owens, Ron Paalhar, Bobby Parker, Jewell Phillips, Olivia Robinson, Jim Schrader, Carl Schreiner, Sybil Schreiner, Ron Sears, Bob Sims, Rick Smith, Margi Speichinger, Pat Sullivan, Jim Timmons, Seth William, Cierra Wilson People of Ukraine, Gaza, Israel. All



affected by natural disasters For all caregivers.

We know that our prayer for others help!!! If you know of people who need our prayer, let us know. We will be happy to include them on our list. There are many needs to pray for: peace in many places around the world, everyone we promised to pray for.....

**Note:** If you asked us to put someone on the prayer list... please let us know when they can be taken off the list.

**Ready, Set, Lent (Continued)**

- 8. Pray the Rosary: Dedicate time to pray the Rosary for personal conversion and world peace.
- 9. Pray as a Family or Group: Start a Lenten prayer group or pray with children to build community faith.
- 10. Focus on Gratitude and Intentions: Offer specific, daily intentions for others and thank God for His blessings

**Lent:** The Church calls all Catholics to a deeper spirit of penance, fasting, almsgiving and prayer.

**Fasting:** On Good Friday. Everyone from 18-59. This means having one regular meal + two small ones that equal no more than the regular meal..

**Abstinence:** Abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent. Abstinence from meat is required by all who are 14 and older.

**Almsgiving:** The act of giving to the poor is expression of penance, a witness of charity, and an expression of Lenten conversion. There are many ways of giving to the poor.

**Prayer:** To deepen one's love for Christ, we are urged to participate in the sacramental life of the Church (Mass and reconciliation)



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**OUR MISSION:**  
**TO PROCLAIM CHRIST...TO BE COMMUNITY...**  
**TO SERVE...**  
**TO CELEBRATE**

**Parochial Administrator-**  
**Rev. Fr. C. Paschal Ihediohama**  
**Pastoral Associate-Sister**  
**Mary Rost SSND**

**Sacraments:** Contact Sr. Mary for preparation

**New Parishioners:** We are happy to welcome you to our parish. Contact Fr. Pascal, Sister Mary or fill out the registration paper on the desk in Church

**Pastoral Council Members**

Meets 1st Wed. of month

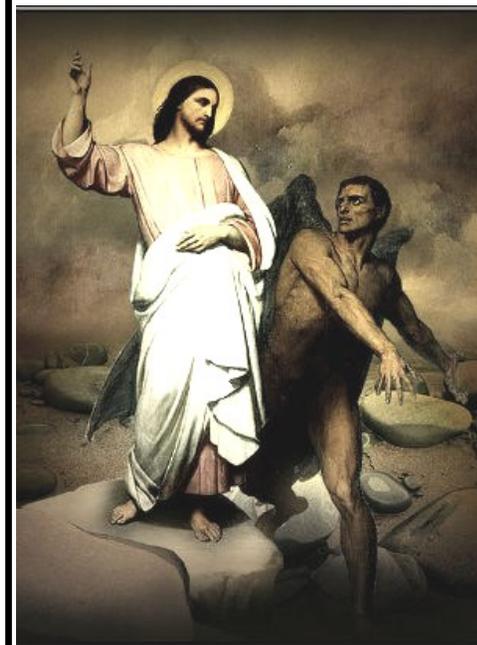
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Meets every other month

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*February 22, 2026*  
*First Sunday of Lent*



*Adam and Eve succumb to temptation (Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7)*  
*Jesus is tempted in the desert.*  
*Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was able to resist temptation, even when the devil offered him the world. (Matt 4:1-11)*

**Mass Times**

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

\*\*Rosary at 8:25

\*\**Reconciliation*: Sundays 8:30-8:55

Wednesdays during Lent: Stations 5:00 p.m. Mass 5:30 p.m.



**Mass Intentions**

- Feb 22 Tully Reed
- Feb 25 Karol Summers
- Mar 1 Larry Moser
- Mar 4 Robert Garvey
- Mar 8 John Paalhar
- Mar 11 Joyce Garvey

**Church Attendance**

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| Feb 1  | 146 |
| Feb 8  | 175 |
| Feb 15 | 201 |

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- 2-22 Don & Sheila Paalhar
- 2-24 Mackenzie Slater
- 2-24 Cindy Creech
- 2-25 Betty Arp
- 2-25 Freda Clark
- 2-26 Bev Lineberry
- 2-26 Mike Severa
- 2-26 Susan Cross
- 2-27 Janice Allen
- 2-28 Steve Arp

**We will still welcome your Time and Talent Forms**

**We have 57 forms . Last year we had 75!**

Mark your calendars for the Knights of Columbus Fish Fries.

**Immaculate Conception**

- March 6
- March 20
- Marceline
- Feb 27,
- Mar 13,
- Mar 27



Meals served 4:30-7:00 Dine in or Carry Out Deep fried fish, shrimp, french fries, coleslaw, baked beans, corn bread and dessert. Dinners \$15, All Fish Platters \$25. Under 6 Free, 6-12 \$5

**Lenten Ecumenical Prayer**

Services: 12:00 noon, followed by a light lunch

- Feb. 25 Laclede UMC
- Mar. 4 Marceline Methodist Mar. 11 5 Corners Church
- Mar. 18 Trinity Methodist
- Mar. 25 1st Baptist Marceline
- Apr. 3 First Christian

*Please join us for our Ecumenical Prayer Services*



**Stewardship of Treasure**

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| Needed for Feb. . . .    | \$13,468 |
| Feb 1 . . . . .          | \$4,309  |
| Feb 8 . . . . .          | \$3,284  |
| Feb 15 . . . . .         | \$3,422  |
| Feb 22 . . . . .         | \$       |
| Still needed for Feb.... | \$2,453  |

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| Improvement Fund.....    | \$220 |
| Cemetery.....            | \$120 |
| St. Vincent de Paul..... | \$30  |



**February 23 Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliary**

Meal at 6:30 followed by the meetings



**Adoration Wednesday, March 4, 9-5 Stations 5:00 Mass: 5:30**

**Reconciliation Service Sunday, March 8 at 6:00 p.m. There will be two priests available.**

**St. Bonaventure's service will be Tuesday, March 24 at 6:00 p.m.**



**Ready, Set, Lent 2026**

Many Catholics often find themselves wondering what they ought to "give up" for Lent.

Lenten sacrifices can be valuable if they help increase our reliance on Jesus and if the void we create by giving something up opens up space in our hearts for God to fill.

As much as we consider something to abstain from during Lent, we ought to consider what we can commit to as well. What outside actions can we take to better ignite the flame of our faith within us?

**10 Steps for Lent 2026 Catholic Prayer**

1. Commit to Daily Prayer: Set a specific time and place for daily, quiet prayer to deepen intimacy with God.
2. Attend Mass More Frequently
3. Read and Meditate on Scripture
4. Pray the Stations of the Cross: Walk with Jesus through His Passion, especially on Fridays.
5. Go to Confession: Seek the Sacrament of Reconciliation for repentance and renewal.
6. Offer Fasting as Prayer: Turn hunger or cravings into a moment of prayerful dependence on God.
7. Practice Almsgiving (Charity): Donate to the poor and perform small acts of service as "prayer-in-action". (Cont. on back)