

This Week's Scripture Readings

2nd Sun of Lent

Genesis 12:1-4a	PS 33:4-5,18-20,22	2 Timothy 1:8b-10	Matthew 17:1-9
Week 2 Mon Daniel 9:4b-10	Ps 79:8,9,11,13		Luke 6: 36-38
Week 2 Tues Isaiah 1,10,16-20	Ps 50: 8-9,16bc-17,21,23		Matthew 23:1-12
Week 2 Wed Jeremiah 18:18-20	Ps 31:5-6,14-16		Matthew 20:17-28
Week 2 Thurs Jeremiah 17:5-10	Ps 1:1-4,6		Luke 16:19-31
Week 2 Fri Genesis 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a	Ps 105:16-21		Matthew 21;33-43,45-46
Week 2 Sat Micah 7:14-15,18-20	Ps 103:1-4,9-12		Luke 15:1-3,11-32

3rd Sun of Lent

Exodus 17:3-7	PS 95:1-2,6-7,8-9	Romans 5:1-2,5-8	John 4:5-42
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Holy Fathers Prayer Intentions: March 2026

For disarmament and peace.

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

Praying for Our Clergy: Sunday, March 1st Bishop Emeritus Michael Hoeppner, Monday, February 2nd Bishop Emertius Victor Blake, Tuesday, March 3rd, Fr. Larry Wiesler, Wednesday, March 4th Fr. Jophn Wilebski, Thursday, March 5th Sem Lawrence Wirries, Friday, March 6th Sem. Jon Stone, Saturday, March 7th Sem. Westin Gourneau, Sunday, March 8th Sem. Pat Sagsveen.

Blessed Salt

Blessed salt is a powerful sacramental. You may already be familiar with other sacramentals, such as holy water, rosaries, or miraculous medals. A sacramental is anything set apart or blessed by the church to encourage devotion. While they may seem superstitious, it's important to note that sacramentals are NOT good luck charms. The catechism states that sacramentals help connect the natural to the supernatural (CCC 1670.)

Thus, sacramentals always bring us closer to Christ. Sacramentals need to be blessed by a priest. Priests have a special authority that has been passed down from Christ, who made Peter the first pope. These blessings, especially ones that include exorcisms, are what make sacramentals so effective in warding off spiritual attacks.

To get blessed salt for your house, you first need to buy salt and a storage container. Any salt will do! You can buy a large tub of iodized salt, pink sea salt — anything. It doesn't need to be expensive. Next, bring your salt to Mass.

After Mass has ended, ask your priest if he can bless your salt for you. It really is that easy! You can ask a priest to bless any sacramental: a rosary, a miraculous medal, or holy water. Once you have your blessed salt, here are some ways to use it around your home:

1. Place around door frames, on windowsills, or the perimeter of your house. You can say a prayer of protection if you'd like.
2. Carry it with you when you travel! I use a small spice container and keep blessed salt on me when we go anywhere we might need it. Some places might be hotels or a hospital if you are a loved one fall ill.
3. Cook with it! You can add a small pinch of blessed salt to your family's food when cooking. It's fine to consume a small amount, and this can be an added layer of provision or protection.
4. Sprinkle it around beds for calm sleep. My son Zachary has a very active imagination. If you have a child with an active imagination, then you know that they can get scared easily. I will sometimes sprinkle blessed salt around my son's bed to ward off nightmares. It can also be proactive to allow your child to do this too.
5. If you're building a house, pour blessed salt in the foundation!

The Second Sunday of Lent

ASSUMPTION

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March 1st, 2026

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From the desk of Fr. Hamness

In last week's article I had a list of 20 unique ways to do penance this Lent. I've received many compliments about it, so for those of you who did not get a look at it, I recommend digging out last week's bulletin and reading through it.

Thinking of unique forms of penance, I can tell you about some young ladies in Frazee, the daughters of Deacon Trevor Pikula. They decided one of their Lenten penances was going to be cleaning gum off of the bottom of the pews in the church. All told, they slid on their backs and managed to scrape off 155 pieces of gum from the pews on St. Mary's side of the church and 120-some pieces of gum on St. Joseph's side. Disgusting! I told them, "On a positive note, now you have enough gum to chew for the rest of the year!" They were not amused. As with gopher feet, I wonder if they are expecting a bounty for each piece of gum. I don't think we can afford it unless it is much less than gophers.

Hopefully someone will check the pews in Callaway. The bounty is 25¢ a piece. Can you think of any more unusual, but useful, penances for Lent?

LITURGICAL DAY	WEEKDAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE/INTENTION	CONFESSIONS
2nd Sunday in Lent	Sunday	March 1st	10:30am	Mass: + Tim Voss	10:10am
Lenten Weekday	Tuesday	March 3rd	5:00	Adoration & Benediction	
Lenten Weekday	Tuesday	March 3rd	7:00pm	Mass:+James Steffl	6:30 pm
Lenten Weekday	Friday	March 6th	6:00pm	Adoration, Benediction & Stations	
3rd Sunday in Lent	Sunday	March 8th	10:30am	Mass: + Cleo Baker	10:10am

If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24 hour confidential number) Diocesan Abuse Victim Assistance Coordinator: Cindy Hulst // Confidential Line - 218.281.7895 // chulst@crookston.org

Our Sympathy to Dick Bellefeuille, family and friends on the death of Dick on Tuesday, February 17th. Visitation and Prayer Service will be at West Kjust Funeral Home from 5-7 pm with Prayer Service at 6:30 on March 6th, Dick's funeral will be on March 7th at 11:00 here at Assumption Parish.

March 1, 2026

2nd Sunday of Lent "Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you." GENESIS 12:1

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet, God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful."

Question of the week

How can I see myself transfigured between now and Easter? How will accepting my cross and following Jesus more closely help transform my life?

Liturgy of the Hours: Week II of the Psalter

Reflection of the Gospel

Jesus' transforming experience resonates with that of the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr., who on the night before he was assassinated declared that he had been to the mountaintop and had seen the Promised Land. He set aside all fear, insisted on pursuing a path of nonviolence even in response to violence, and assured his followers that even if he were killed, as a people they would get to the Promised Land. God's transformative love radiates through a face determined to love no matter what the other's response.
-Living Liturgy™, First Sunday of Lent 2026

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Prayer Requests:

The following people or their family has asked us to pray for them:

Lord, we pray for your loving support for the people listed below and their families as they deal with their illness. Guide the doctors who are seeking answers and making decisions about care/treatment. We pray that their illness is at a stage favorable for effective treatment. Enable their bodies to respond well to care treatment and their souls to experience comfort and peace in you. Make this an experience that draws them and their loved ones closer to you as well as to one another. We commit them to your mercy.

Carol Bertram Aarness, Rick Bakken, Randi Bernard, LaMae & Ken Blattenbauer, Colleen Borgrud, LaVaun Borgrud, **Jerry Braaten**, Peggy Braaten, Arlene Buitendyk, Debbie Clark, Charlie Crommett, Shane Donley, Jodi Eidenschink, **Rick Flottesmesch**, John Gerulli, Sharon Greminger, Irene Hazelton, LeAnn Hazelton, Pat Hilber, Nancy Johnson, Jeanine Kivi, Jamie Langevin, Delores Manning, Betty, Kate Matter, Margaret McDougall, Barb Muff, Chris Murray, Leslie (Flottesmesch) Murray, Kelly Olson, Ken Pearson, Jonell Richards, Greg Ronning, Carol Scherzer, **George Scherzer**, Shirley Spry, Jeff VanHecke

Please Pray for our Students.....

Madeline Abbott, Julia Steffl, Megan Stalberger, Ellie Steffl, Grace Helm, Maria Foltz, Luke Helm, Freddie Steffl, Caleb Rodewald, Nathan Loreth, Kaitlyn Loreth, Molly Rodewald, Jake Helm, Colby Rodewald, Savannah Rodewald, Odessa Schmit, Barisa Foltz, Colton Arnoldy, Ava Rodewald & Lilly Dillon

Birthday on file this Week

March 4th Nathanal Clark

March 4th Becky Dillion

March 4th Virginia McDougall

March 6th Lina Loreth



Sunday, February 22, 2026

Adult Envelopes \$ 1,085.00

Loose Plate \$ 223.00

Ash Wednesday Collection Adult Envelopes \$10.00

Black & Indian Mission

Adult Envelope \$115.00 Loose Plate \$114.00

Ministry Schedule for Sunday, March 8, 2026

Altar Server: Jake Helm

Lector: Barb Brown

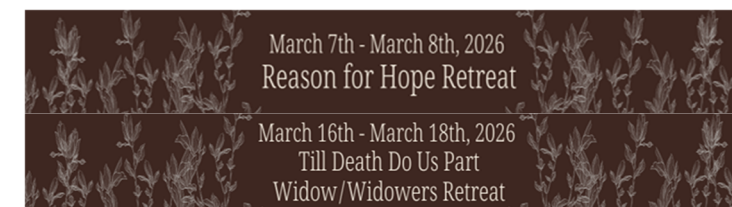
Presentation of Gifts: Gabe & Hannah Foltz

Eucharistic Ministers: David Steffl & Lori Stalberger

Ushers: Richard McDougall & Bob Schmit

Music: Tonia Clark

At the Nazareth House Retreat Center



Reason For Hope Retreat is a High School Student Retreat!!

I will be making the schedule for April – June Ministry's shortly. if you know you are going to be gone please contact me with the dates by March 11th..

What are the Christian Mothers up to ???

You will see in the entrance of the church a stand with Bless Salt, and shakers, Holy Water Bottles in two sizes, home Holy Water Fonts, and I am a Catholic Wallet cards. There is a donation box on the window sill with the prices on it. These are all for sale. The charge is for the salt shakers, NOT THE SALT! You are able to fill the shaker with the salt from the jar, and Holy water from the Holy Water container in the corner by the bell rope.

There is an article on Blessed salt on the last page of this Bulletin.

Upcoming.

- **Friday's During Lent: 6 pm Adoration, 6:45 pm Benediction, & Stations at 7pm**
- March 6th, KC Lenten Fish Fry Holy Rosary
- Sunday, March 15th Christian Mothers Meeting after Mass
- **Tuesday, March 17th KC meeting in Callaway**
- Wednesday, March 18th 11am, Church cleaning followed by potluck lunch.
- Wednesday, March 18th Callaway Daze 5:30 pm St Joseph Fellowship Hall **Date Change**
- March 20th, KC Lenten Fish Fry, Holy Rosary

Upcoming Fellowship



March 1 Confirmation Class

March 8th Lions Pancake Breakfast

March 15th Kenny Pearson

March 22nd St Rachel Circle Fellowship

March 29th Parish Dinner

Happenings at Area Churches

KC's of Frazee Council 12581 Fish Dinners Friday, the following Fridays during Lent, February 27th March 13th & March 27th 5-7 pm Sacred Heart Catholic Church Meals \$15. Ages 12-6 \$10 5 & under Free Meal includes, scalloped potatoes, French Fries, green beans, cole slaw, bread & ice cream. Proceeds will go toward KC Youth Scholarships and DL Food Pantry

Our Calendar is full for mass intentions for the year!! Any Mass intentions that come in will be sent to Sacred Heart, St Mary of the Lakes or to the Diocese for the Retired Priest to say those masses.