

# SAINT MARY



# CATHOLIC CHURCH



## 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 21, 2021

### SUNDAY READINGS

† Genesis 9:8-15

† [1 Pt 3:18-22](#)

† [Mk 1:12-15](#)

† Responsorial Psalm 25

## [Urgent Pastoral Care](#)

[740-503-2827](tel:740-503-2827)

5684 Groveport Road, Groveport, OH 43125

Parish Office Hours: Tues thru Fri—9:30am-3:00pm

Sat, Sun, Mon — Closed

Please visit our Social Media Sites

Website—<https://groveportstmary.org>

Facebook—<https://www.facebook.com/StMaryGroveportOhio/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRenE3dYsw7ogBjYdR7Eb-A>

### MASSES SCHEDULE

RECONCILIATIONS — Saturday, 4 to 4:30 PM

MASSSES — Saturday Vigil — 5 PM

Sunday — 8:30 and 11 AM

Monday— No Mass

DAILY — Tues Thurs & Fri — 8:30 AM

Wed— 12 Noon

### PARISH STAFF

Fr. Hilary Ike, Priest

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Fr. Ike's Office Hours:

Sat, Sun, Mon — Closed

Wed & Fri—9:30-3:00 —Parish

Tues & Thu— Diocesan Tribunal

## RESOURCES for LENT

*Free daily reflections for Lent  
sent to your inbox*

[Dynamic Catholic - Best Lent Ever](#)

[Loyola Press- Living Lent Daily](#)

[Dr. Tim Gray - 40 Days to Grace  
and Glory - Formed.org](#)

[Bishop Barron - Lenten Gospel Re-  
flections - Word on Fire](#)

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[CRS Rice Bowl](#) is one way Catholics can enhance their Lenten fasting practice by giving up meals and donating the cost of those meals to [Catholic Relief Services](#) in order to help those who do not have enough to eat.

Pick up your Rice Bowl in the church entryway.

## WORSHIP \*\*

### MASSSES

Sat—Feb 20	First Sunday of Lent
5 pm	Parish Family
Sun—Feb 21	First Sunday of Lent
8:30 am	Ginny & Jim Billiter by the Billiter family
11:00 am	IMO Stanley Carter on anniversary of his death
Mon—Feb 22	No Mass on Mondays
11 AM Rosary	Rosary - Novena—11 AM — NO MASS
Tues—Feb 23	Lenten Weekday
8:30 am	Souls in Purgatory
Wed—Feb 24	Lenten Weekday
Noon	IMO Sr. Rose Thomas by Mary Ann
Thu—Feb 25	Lenten Weekday
8:30 am	That all Catholics have an ever-growing faith
Fri—Feb 26	Lenten Weekday
8:30 am	IMO Carmen Ann Rodriguez by Israel Rodriguez
Sat—Feb 27	2nd Sunday of Lent
5 pm	Parish Family
Sun—Feb 28	2nd Sunday of Lent
8:30 am	Carrie Billiter by her parents
11:00 am	IMO Stanley Carter by Dorothy

\*\* Subject to change



### The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle Feast Day Feb. 22

When the pope cautions world leaders, pleads for peace, or condemns social injustice, people listen and respond. What makes the world listen to this man? The answer lies in Scripture and in Tradition. Peter is named first among the apostles of Jesus; he was often their spokesman and leader, and he was the leader in defending Christ and his message. "So I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church..." (Matthew 16:18)

From the beginning, the specialness of Peter has been recognized. On the feast of the Chair of Peter, we celebrate our unity as a Church. We celebrate the love, presence, and protection of Christ for us, the Church. The title Chair of Peter refers to the chair from which a bishop presided, a symbol of his authority. When the title refers to Saint Peter, it recalls the supreme teaching power of Peter and his successors. It is from the chair, from the pastoral power given him, that the pope shepherds Christ's flock.

# Announcements



**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The altar remains bare of flowers during lent.

**ROSARY/NOVENA:** Mondays, 11 AM to about Noon in the Miriam Chapel. All are welcome.

## THREE WAYS TO REQUEST MASS INTENTIONS:

1. CALL The Parish Office 614-497-1324
2. WEEKLY OFFERING—place your clearly labelled request in basket
3. USPO—Mail your request—clearly labeled

A stipend of \$10 is recommended but not required.

**Required information:** Your *name* and *contact information*; for *whom* are you requesting the intention; **why** are you requesting (purpose of intention.)

## SUNDAY OFFERINGS February 14, 2021



Online Offerings	\$ 977
Regular Envelopes	<u>2,523</u>
Total Regular	\$3,500

### DESIGNATED

Catholic Times	\$ 188
Food Pantry	10
St Vincent de Paul	30
Forever Young Club	20
Missions	20
Parking Lot	<u>810</u>
Total Designated Offering	\$1,078

**GRAND TOTAL** **\$4,578**

**PARKING LOT RECEIPTS TO DATE \$8,870**

**SPRING CLEAN UP—**St. Joseph, Resurrection, Holy Cross and Mt. Calvary Catholic Cemeteries will begin removing wintertime decorations beginning March 1st, weather permitting. Families are advised to remove personal keepsakes they wish to retain as soon as possible.

*"As Lent is the time for greater love,*

*listen to Jesus' thirst...*

*He wants only your love,  
wants only the chance to love you."*

**-St. Teresa of Calcutta**

**Share St. Gabriel Radio with a friend and invite them to listen this Lent!**

**On the radio, at**

[stgabirelradio.com](http://stgabirelradio.com), or download our [app](#)

**FOOD PANTRY:** The Greater Groveport Food Pantry needs the following Jello/Pudding, saltines, sloppy joe sauce, canned pears, saltine crackers, Jiffy corn mix . . Drop items in the "Food Pantry" wicker basket located in the entryway.

**ST. MARY PRAYER MINISTRY:** Participation is encouraged. Contact, Pam Scott (map1492@yahoo.com) for details.

**Father, help me to see this holy season of Lent as a time of spiritual renewal, rather than a time of deprivation. Motivate me to reach a new level of experiencing your grace.**



# Kids Corner

READ THE  
GOSPEL &  
COLOR



Every day turn back to God. If your bedroom is messy, straighten it up. If you push your sister off her bike, help her get up and ride again. If you tear down your brother's blocks, help him build something new. If you disobey your parents, go and do the right thing right now. Ask God to help you stay close to him today. Then you will be close to him in heaven forever.

## PRAYER

Holy Spirit, help me remember to obey you every day.

## MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will be a builder, not a wrecker.

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### What is FASTING?

The **limitation** of food and drink – typically to one main meal and two smaller meals, with no solid foods in between  
But remember to drink enough fluids!

### When do we fast?

Ash Wednesday & Good Friday\*

\*Paschal Fast: Good Friday and Holy Saturday are days of prayer and quiet reflection. We honour the suffering and death of Jesus and prepare to share in the joy of his resurrection at Easter.

ALL ABOUT

# Fasting & Abstinence

### Why fast?

It helps us to **pray better**:  
an empty stomach can lead to more attentive prayer

### Who has to fast?

Catholics aged 18 to 59  
Those with impaired health should not fast in any way.

### What is ABSTINENCE?

**Avoiding** certain kinds of food or drink, typically meat or other desirable foods

### When do we abstain?

Catholics are obliged to abstain from **meat every Friday** throughout the year (except solemn feast days)

TIP: **Instead of abstaining, you may substitute special acts of charity or piety on Fridays**

### Why abstain on Fridays?

It's the **day of Christ's saving death** on the cross; we abstain to share in His work of saving the world

### Who has to abstain?

Catholics aged 14 and older

During **Lent**, the money we save on food while fasting and abstaining should be given to others in alms

## FASTING AND ABSTINENCE...

- Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent.**
- The Difference Between Fasting and Abstinence:
  - Fasting and abstinence are closely related, but there are some differences in these spiritual practices. In general, **fasting** refers to restrictions on the quantity of the food we eat and on when we consume it, while **abstinence** refers to the avoidance of particular foods. The most common form of abstinence is the avoidance of meat, a spiritual practice that goes back to the earliest days of the Church.