

REPENT & BELIEVE

HOLY REDEEMER

CATHOLIC PARISH

1st
SUNDAY
of LENT

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

MASS TIMES

Wed, Thurs, Fri. 9:00 a.m.

Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession:

Saturday at 4:30 p.m.

First Sunday of the Month:

The Mass of Healing ...5:30 p.m.

Our Parish Mission Statement

To all who need comfort...

To all who are lonely and need companionship...

To all who seek sheltering love...

To all who sin and need a Redeemer...

To all who offer praise to the Lord...

To all who long for peace...

To those who would serve a living God...

To all who come, from near or afar

*this church opens wide its doors
and in the name of Jesus says:*

Welcome

PASTORAL STAFF

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Are You Interested in the Catholic Faith?

If you are non-baptized or baptized in another denomination and are interested in exploring our faith, please consider joining our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program. Contact DRE for more information.

Holy Orders and Religious Life

For information on the Sacrament of Holy Orders and/or Religious Life, please contact Fr. Jonathan Wallis, Director of Vocations, 817-945-9321 or email vocations@fwdioc.org.

Adoration for Vocations

The first Sunday of each month, for one hour, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Bulletin Deadlines

Articles for the bulletin should be submitted a week in advance. Friday is the deadline. Phone the parish office or email the office.

Parish Registration

Welcome to our parish! Please pick up a welcome packet located in the Narthex and complete the registration form inside and return to the office.

Sacrament of Baptism

You must be registered parishioner for 3 months prior to baptism. Private baptisms are on the first Saturday of the month at 3:00 p.m. Baptisms during Mass are on the first weekend of the month at rotating Masses.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation is a two year program beginning in 9th grade. Contact the DRE for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the parish office to schedule an initial meeting with the Pastor or Deacon 9-12 months before the wedding date. Pre-Cana and NFP must be completed before the wedding date.

Marriage Tribunal

If you were previously married and wish to inquire about an annulment or would like your current marriage blessed, please call Deacon Scott France.

Communion for the Sick and Shut-ins

If you or a member of your family is unable to receive communion at Mass due to sickness or other disability, please call the parish office.

Readings and Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

8:00 a.m. Mass...Tommy Gregg †

10:30 a.m. Mass...Lupe Rangel †

5:30 p.m. Mass...Special Intention

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17/
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

MONDAY, MARCH 2

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/
Mt 25:31-46

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/
Mt 6:7-15

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

9:00 a.m. Mass...Joe Rogers †

Jon 3:1-10/51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/
Lk 11:29-32

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

9:00 a.m. Mass...Doug LeMoine Sr. †

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab,
2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

9:00 a.m. Mass...Hank & Ann

Margaret Costello

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/
Mt 5:20-26

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

5:30 p.m. Mass...Jesse & Laura Puente

Dt 26:16-19/119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/
Mt 5:43-48

Into the Desert

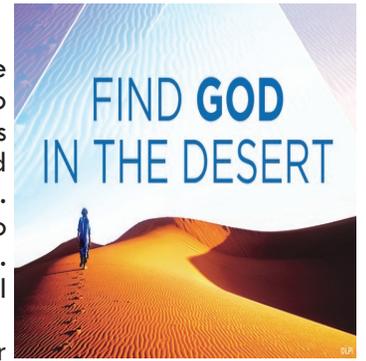
We begin our Lenten readings in a most appropriate place: the desert. In the desert, life is stripped to basics and everything, including our weakness, is exposed. We are forced to stand alone and vulnerable before God. Our faith is put to the test. Little wonder, then, that Jesus went to the desert to fast and pray before plunging into his public works. It's there, amid the rocks and reptiles, that the devil comes to him with three temptations.

When we read about the temptations, it's easy for us to dismiss them as having no relevance to our own lives. When was the last time you were tempted to change stones to bread, for instance?

While the specifics of the temptations don't resonate with us, the lure of pushing God aside, of making him secondary in our lives, lies at their heart-and that is a common temptation for all of us. For example, when we struggle with daily concerns of how to pay our bills or provide for our families, we are tempted to turn from God's way and pursue our own path. That's, in a sense, what the devil was suggesting to Jesus when he told him to turn stones to bread.

The same is true with the other two temptations. The devil was urging Jesus to prove his divinity by jumping off a building. We often want God to prove he is God by giving us exactly what we want, when we want it. And just as the devil tempted Jesus with the glory and power of this world, so he tempts us, deep down, to crave power, wealth, and fame and the lifestyle they provide. We are drawn to the ways of the world and both covertly and overtly deny our faith if we think we can get away with it.

This Lent, we are called to remember the primacy of God and to turn to him in our moments of weakness and need.



HOLY REDEEMER'S PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

Please continue to remember and pray for all those listed in our prayer intention book and the names listed below.

**Barbara Stockman †
& Ken Mican**

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Men of Holy Redeemer

Our next meeting on
Tuesday, March 3rd
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

*Striving to become the men
God wants them to be.*

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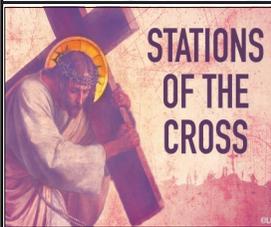


Holy Redeemer's

First Friday Adoration

March 6th at 9:30 a.m.

following our morning
9:00 a.m. Mass.



Why do we have Stations of the Cross during Lent?

The Way of the Cross, also known as the Stations of the Cross, is a way to pray and meditate on Christ's sacrifice for us. It is divided into fourteen stations from the time He was condemned to his burial.

The devotion, highly recommended by the Church, was developed during the Crusades when the knights and pilgrims began to follow the route of Christ's way to Calvary. This devotion spread throughout Europe and was promulgated by the Franciscan friars in the 14th and 15th centuries. Eventually, the Stations of the Cross became an

important catechetical tool, and the popularity of this devotion inspired some of the greatest examples of medieval Christian art.

Simple Supper at 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Each Friday during Lent we will have a Simple Supper in the Parish Hall.

- March 6th *Fellowship & Bible Study*
- March 13th *Youth Group*
- March 20th *Knights of Columbus*
- March 27th *Mom's Group*
- April 3rd *Men of Holy Redeemer (Fish Fry) starts at 5:30 p.m.*

