

St. Rita Catholic Church, Clarklake, Michigan

Our parish calendar from Ash Wednesday (March 5) until Palm Sunday (April 13)

Our Lenten Journey: Forty Days and Forty Nights

I Have Called You by Name, You Are Mine –Isaiah 43:1

✦ *The Celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass* ✦

ASH WEDNESDAY, March 5 (*a day of fasting and abstinence*)

- 7:00am Sunrise Mass with Imposition of Ashes
- 9:00am Mass with the Imposition of Ashes (*with an opportunity for confession from 8:30-8:45am*)
- 7:00pm Mass with the Imposition of Ashes (*with an opportunity for confession from 6:30-6:45pm*)

SUNDAY & WEEKDAY MASSES

- *Sundays*: Sunday morning Masses at 9:00am and 11:00am ❖ Vigil Masses: *Saturday* at 4:30pm
- *Weekdays*: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:00am, Thursday at 6:30pm

✦ *The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation* ✦

TIMES FOR CONFESSION

- *Weekly*: Saturdays 3:00-4:00pm (EXCEPT HOLY SATURDAY) & Sundays 8:15-8:40am and 10:15-10:40am
- *Each Friday of Lent* (EXCEPT GOOD FRIDAY) following 9:00 Mass
- *Wednesday of Holy Week*: 7:00 –8:00 pm

AREA COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES with individual confession, each at 7:00pm (except St. Mary).



Thur. April 3—Our Lady of Fatima, Michigan Center

Mon. April 7—St. Rita

Wed. April 9—Queen of the Miraculous Medal, Jackson

Thur. April 10—St. John, Jackson

Sat. April 12—St. Mary, Jackson (at 10:00 AM)



✦ *Eucharistic Adoration* ✦

EXPOSITION and ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

- *Every Friday during Lent*: Following 9:00am Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be present in the Monstrance on the altar for public Adoration until Benediction at 5:00pm

✦ *Via Dolorosa* † *Praying the Stations of the Cross* ✦

- *Each Friday during Lent* at 5:30pm (EXCEPT GOOD FRIDAY)
- *20 minutes before each weekend Mass*: (FROM FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (MARCH 8-9 THRU PALM SUNDAY/APRIL 12-13)
- *Good Friday*, April 18, at noon

✦ *As a Parish: Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving* ✦

ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT... are days to abstain from eating meat.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

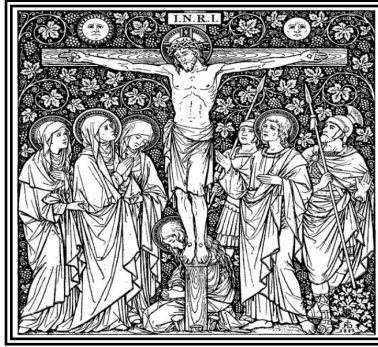
- **ASH WEDNESDAY**: We will have the collection basket available for the Parish Evangelization Fund.
- **GOOD FRIDAY**: The Holy Land Collection to support the Holy Places & the welfare of our Christian brethren

RICE BOWL (*to benefit Catholic Relief Services*): Rice Bowls can be found in the pews and at all the doors. Return bowls on Palm Sunday.

LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS: Take-Out / Dine In - \$15. Pizza available for the kids. 5:30pm in Cornfield Hall, Each Friday of Lent (except Good Friday), March 7, 14, 21, 28, & April 4, 11.

THE CHOSEN—SEASON 4—Starting on Ash Wednesday, March 5, we will watch and discuss Season 4 of The Chosen. The program is offered twice on Wednesdays, in the morning after the 9:00am Mass (approximately 9:30-11:30) and again on Wednesday evenings from 5:00-7:00p.m. The evening session will include a simple supper of soup and bread to start and the video/discussion will follow.

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Grant, almighty God,
through the yearly observances of holy Lent,
that we may grow in understanding
of the riches hidden in Christ
and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

(Collect prayer of the Mass, The First Sunday of Lent)



REFRESHER ON THE RULES OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT

- *Ash Wednesday and Good Friday* are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics.
 - *ALL Fridays during Lent* are obligatory days of abstinence from meat.
- ☞ **When fasting**, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. These norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59.
- ☞ **The norms concerning abstinence from meat** are binding upon members from age 14 up.