



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE
ASSUMPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Holy Mass

SUNDAY

8:30 am Extraordinary Form (Latin)
11:00 am Novus Ordo (English)
4:30 pm Syro-Malabar Rite (Malayalam)

MONDAY

12:00 pm Extraordinary Form (Latin)

TUESDAY-FRIDAY

6:00 pm Novus Ordo (English)

SATURDAY

9:00 am Extraordinary Form (Latin)

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

6:00pm Novus Ordo (English)

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 10:00am-11am
before Mass and by appointment

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 11, 2018

Dominica in Quinquagesima ~ II. classis

Fr. William writes: **Ash Wednesday and St. Valentine's Day** fall on the same day this year, Feb 14. It's the first time since 1945 that Ash Wednesday and St. Valentine's Day have fallen on the same day. The observance of Ash Wednesday requires fasting and abstinence for Catholics. Quoting from the US Bishops:

"Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence (from meat) for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. 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. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards." (Note there is no upper age limit for abstinence from meat).

In many traditions, St Valentine's Day is a time for celebrating love, often by eating out and giving candy. Bishop Robert J. Baker, of the Catholic Diocese of Birmingham, suggests that those celebrating St. Valentine's Day do so on Tuesday ("Fat Tuesday" 13th February) or on another day before Lent. In the letter to his Diocese Bishop Baker wrote: "The good Lord, who suffered so much out of love for us, will surely reward our fidelity and sacrifice".

Ash Wednesday begins the fasting season of the 40 days of Lent. Liturgical fasting during Lent traditionally emphasized eating plainer food and refraining from "pleasurable" foods such as deserts, cakes, cookies and meat during the week. Sunday is not a day of Penance even during Lent. Many people "give something up" during Lent as a way to prepare for Easter. Fasting from social media might be a good idea.

St. Valentine was a priest in Rome during the reign of Emperor Claudius II. Claudius was having difficulty enlisting enough soldiers for his army, which he attributed to men being reluctant to leave their wives and families. Claudius banned marriages and engagements. The priest, Valentine defied the edict and continued to perform marriages. He was arrested, beaten and beheaded on Feb. 14, in about 269 A.D. He was also reputed to find spouses from within the Church for young people – a "Catholic match-maker", hence the St. Valentine Day tradition grew up in the Middle Ages. We should keep the "Saint" in the name given to February 14th: **Saint** Valentine's Day.

40 Days For Life is a serious and godly initiative. Our observance will begin in our Church with 6pm Mass on Tuesday, February 13th and it will be followed by a candlelight vigil at 7pm outside Planned Parenthood(412 Dr. DB Todd Blvd.) A day of prayer from 7am-7pm will continue over 40 Days to Sunday March 25(Palm Sunday). We invite you to join us in Prayer on Thursdays (for any length of time, please come when you can). If you are unable to join us on Thursdays, you are welcome to go out on any day. Your presence and your prayer is what we need; no one has to carry signs or march. Your peaceful, prayerful presence is all that is required.

Month's Mind Mass for the Repose of the soul of Fr. John O'Neill's mother, Dr. Martha O'Neill, will be held at Cathedral of the Incarnation, Monday, February 12 at 7pm. Those that remember Fr. O'Neill's assisting on Sundays for 3 years at Assumption might like to be there.

The Bible study A Biblical Walk Through the Mass will be offered this semester at St. Pius X. It will be a 5 week study on Mondays from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm beginning on February 19th. The cost will be \$20.00 and will include the study's book, A Biblical Walk Through the Mass and the Student Workbook. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Cindy Catignani at 615-210-8351 or email teacheratignani@yahoo.com.

Office of Adult Formation's speaker series "Praying with the Saints," 10 a.m. and repeated at 7 p.m., Catholic Pastoral Center, 2800 McGavock Pike, Nashville. Open to every-one. Each talk stands alone, so come to as many as you would like. Info/RSVP: joan.watson@dioceseofnashville.com or 615-783-0263. **February 21:** St. Francis of Assisi – Joan Watson **February 28:** St. Catherine of Siena – Sr. Mary Michael Fox, O.P. **March 7:** St. Therese of Lisieux – Father Kevin McGoldrick **March 14:** St. Josemaria Escriva – Michael Gilstrap.

Nashville Catholic Business Women's League Meeting (February 21), 5:30 p.m., University Club of Nashville. Guest speakers are Pete (Nashville Predators) and Claudia Weber (formerly Catholic Charities). RSVP: kathy.langan@comcast.net

The Pregnancy Help Center training for both nurses and client advocates is scheduled for February 12th and 13th. This training is mandatory if you want to work or volunteer on the Pregnancy Help Center mobile unit. Nurses will need to attend both days. Client Advocates will need to attend Tuesday only. Catholic Pastoral Center – 2800 McGavock Pike, Nashville – Use Entrance #7Monday, February 12th – 9 am – 4:30 pm – Training for Nurses; Tuesday, February 13th – 8:30 am – 4 pm – Training for both Nurses and Client Advocates Lunch will be provided. Please let me us know if you will be attending and if you have any questions. You can reach me by email or phone – 615-414-9937.

Mater Ancora a Diocesan wide community of Catholic moms living in solidarity Let the Children Come to Me: **Wednesday, February 14th at 10am**, at Assumption and recurring the second Wednesday of each month Occasionally, Benediction will be provided for Mothers during this event.

****LENTEN RICE BOWLS MAY BE PICKED UP IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH****

SUN 2/11 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Quinquagesima Sunday

8:30am **Mass-Extraordinary Form**
Special Intention

9:45am Religious Education CAMPUS

9:45am Legion of Mary RECTORY

11:00am **Mass**
Pro Populo

3:30pm Syro-Malabar Catechism

4:30pm Syro-Malabar Rite(in Malayalam)

MON 2/12 Seven Holy Servite Founders, Confessors

12:00pm **Mass- Extraordinary Form**
Gale Wheaton

TUE 2/13 Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

6:00pm **Mass**
+Rose Carr and +Henry Joseph Schmitt

7:00pm 40 Days for Life Candlelight Vigil
PLANNED PARENTHOOD DB TODD BLVD

WED 2/14 Ash Wednesday

10:00am Mater Ancora FR BERNARD HALL

12:00pm **Mass- Extraordinary Form**
Intentions of the Donor

5:00pm **Adoration**

6:00pm **Mass**
Intentions of the Donor

7:00pm Catechism Study Group FR BERNARD HALL

THU 2/15 Thursday after Ash Wednesday

6:00pm **Mass**
Priestly Vocations

FRI 2/16 Friday after Ash Wednesday

5:30pm Stations of the Cross

6:00pm **Mass**
Holy and Forgotten Souls

SAT 2/17 Saturday after Ash Wednesday

9:00am **Mass-Extraordinary Form**
Ken Auerweck

9:00am Baile Ceol Pipe Band BUDDEKE HOUSE

10-11:00am **Confessions**

10:00am **First Penance**

2:00pm **Frazier Baby Shower** BUDDEKE HOUSE

Last Week's Contributions

\$4185

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