



The Lord God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so man became a living being.

Book of Genesis

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

2020

Sunday, March 1, *First Sunday of Lent*

8:30 BW Gino Martini from The Perrino's
10:30 BW Special Intentions of the Parishioners & Friends of St. Rose
12:00 BW Tom Finn from Phil and Cathy Gleeson

Monday, March 2

12:10 George Abraham from Tom & Mary Ann

Tuesday, March 3, *St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin*

12:10 Barry Savage from Barbara Juengling

Wednesday, March 4, *St. Casimir*

12:10 Kathleen Hueneman from Bob and Tote Brodbeck

Thursday, March 5

12:10 Charlie Brosey from Mary Rust

Friday, March 6

12:10 Dave White from James & Jacquelyn Wetzel

Saturday, March 7

12:10 Purgatorial Society

7:00 BW The Bolan Family from Mary and Barry Smyth

Sunday, March 8, *Second Sunday of Lent*

8:30 BW Special Intentions of the Parishioners & Friends of St. Rose
10:30 BW Barry Savage from Julia Jackson
12:00 BW Mary Bacciocco from Cindy Bacciocco

From the Pastor's Desk

The Little Black Books for Lent are available in the baskets in the back of church.

Lent	Lenten Penance Service • Monday, March 30th at 7:00 p.m.
+	The Way of the Cross and Benediction
2020	Wednesdays in Lent at 7:00 p.m.
	<i>Beginning Wednesday, March 4th at 7:00 p.m.</i>

The collection for Pregnancy Center East was \$4,033.00. Thank you for your generosity.

As Archbishop, I invite all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati to avail themselves of the sacrament of Reconciliation, especially on **Tuesday, March 24th**. On that date, I have asked every parish or pastoral region to offer Confession from 7-9pm. We call this Lenten initiative ***The Light Is On For You.***

Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr

Harper Elizabeth, Millie Christine and Whitman Michael Hazenfield were welcomed into the Catholic Church and Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism February 23rd here at St. Rose Church.

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the soul of **Harold Caldwell** whose funeral was this past week here at St. Rose Church.

The collection for Ash Wednesday was \$2,188.01. Thank you for your generosity.

Fasting not only helps detoxify the body but it clarifies the mind and strengthens the spirit. It can deepen our hunger for a deeper journey with God.

Healing Mass

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish
Saturday, March 21st, 2020 at 3:00pm
and will be a regular Sunday Mass for the 4th Sunday of Lent

We feel it is important to celebrate anniversaries. If you and your spouse are celebrating your **25th, 50th or 60th anniversary in 2020** please call the office

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Retrouvaille: Help for troubled Marriages— The Retrouvaille Program consists of a weekend experience combined with a series of 6-12 post-weekend sessions over 3 months. It provides the tools to help a couple who struggle to put their marriages back on track. Upcoming 2020 weekends: March 29-31, September 6-8. for information or registration, go to <https://www.cincyretrouvaille.org/> or <https://www.helpourmarriage.org/>.

Lectors/Lay Distributors for March 7th and March 8th

7:00 Rich Crawford, M. Luehrmann, Mike Gregorio, W. Russ, L. Solimine
8:30 Jon Hemmer, Matt Howland, Tom Perrino, Michael Trotta, Lenny Diaspro
10:30 Michael Alfieri, Timothy McMahan, Bob Sheil, J. Sonnefeld, Robert Bruyer
12:00 Pat Burke, John Flick, Shawn Gillete, Tim Tepe

Rev. Barry Windholtz

Pastor

This Weekend's Hymns

All hymns can be found in the Seasonal Missalette.

Opening Hymn: #209

Communion: #231

Closing Hymn: #211

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Opening Prayer

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. Amen.

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

Temptations can be difficult to avoid! Even the Lord's Prayer concludes with the exhortation to "lead us not into temptation." But what is a temptation in the modern world? Sometimes, for people attempting to control their weight or lose weight, a temptation can be dessert or an especially delightful meal. For others who tend to procrastinate, a temptation can be a movie, a good book, some TV, or nearly anything else but the task at hand!

In today's gospel we learn that Jesus himself faces temptation, and not only one but three. The early church fathers recognized that these temptations were metaphorical for (1) the needs of the body, (2) one's relationship with the divine, and (3) one's own desire for power and glory. In each instance, of course, Jesus overcomes the temptation. He recognizes that one does not live on bread alone, that one does not put the Lord to the test, and that power and glory are not to be had by worshiping anything other than God.

In the end, temptation does not approach us as the devil incarnate. Christians have known this for centuries. The story in Matthew's gospel was meant to be understood broadly, addressing fundamental temptations of humankind for the self. In those circumstances, we rest in our baptism, knowing that our relationship with God is secure. As disciples of Christ, we are confident sons and daughters of God.

Closing Prayer

Our Father, in heaven, your Son Jesus taught us to pray that we may not be led into temptation. Keep our minds and hearts focused solely on you, and when we do face opportunities to choose another path, give us the grace to choose you. We ask this as disciples of your Son, who taught us about you. Amen.

For Reflection:

• In the desert Jesus is tempted to satiate his hunger, test God's love for him, and rule the kingdoms of the world by worshiping the devil. Which of these temptations (material goods, testing God, power and glory) is the greatest struggle for you?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayers."

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MARCH 1, 2020

Gospel Matthew 4:1-11

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread."

He said in reply, "It is written: *One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.*"

Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down.

For it is written: *He will command his angels concerning you and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*"

Jesus answered him, "Again it is written, *You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*"

Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain,



and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me."

At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan!

It is written: *The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.*"

Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

Readings for the week:

1st Sunday of Lent	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	2nd Sunday of Lent
Gen 27-9; 31-7 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 Matt 4:1-11	Lev 19:1-2, 11-13 Ps 108, 9, 10, 15 Matt 25:31-46	Isa 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 Matt 6:7-15	Jnah 3:1-30 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 Luke 11:29-32	Ezth C12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cd-3, 7c-8 Matt 7:7-12	Ezek 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 Matt 5:20-26	Daut 28:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Matt 5:43-48	Gen 12:1-4a Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 2 Tim 1:8b-10 Matt 17:1-9