

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

6:15 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday

12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am  
& 6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)

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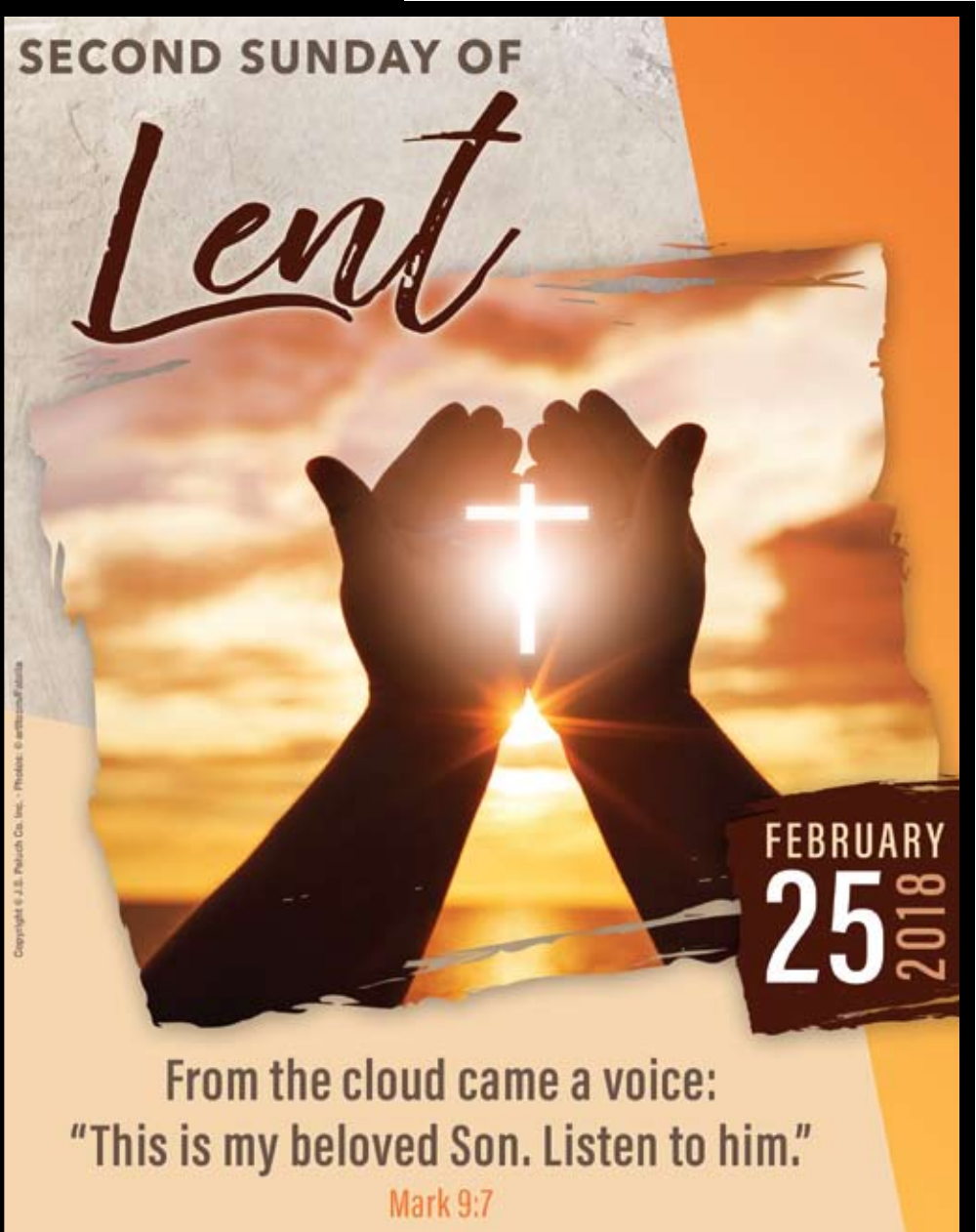
## DEACON:

Deacon Gary Gaudin

## SECOND SUNDAY OF

# Lent

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From the cloud came a voice:  
"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

Mark 9:7

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## DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

### THE CASE FOR JESUS

At both Annunciation and St. Anthony we have a book for parishioners, **THE CASE FOR JESUS**, written by Dr. Brant Pitre. Dr. Pitre brings together both faith and reason in seeking the truth about Jesus Christ in biblical and historical evidence. Jesus many times asked his disciples and those for whom he healed to keep silent about what he did. In Mark's Gospel we see his secret clearly. As we follow Jesus into our Lenten desert, Dr. Pitre's work consoles us and challenges us to be more dedicated to God the Father as his children in Jesus Christ. Please pick up a copy. Remember the words heard in today's Gospel (Mark 9:2-10): "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

### RCIA: Scrutinies

As we have a Catechumen preparing to celebrate the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil, we celebrate the scrutinies at the 9:00 a.m. mass at St. Anthony Church beginning next Sunday and the next two Sundays. The scrutinies are celebrated with the Cycle A readings of the Lectionary. So on these Sundays in Lent at the 9:00 a.m. mass, the readings of the Lectionary from Year A will be used. The focus for each scrutiny is based on the gospel: the first scrutiny is based on the Samaritan Woman (John 4:5-42), the second scrutiny is based on the Man Born Blind (John 9:1-41), and the third scrutiny is based on Lazarus (John 11:1-45).

The scrutinies are a time when we as a whole church pray for the elect and also let the grace of the scrutiny touch our lives. Let us all allow the readings, homilies, and prayers of the scrutiny help us search our soul and become more aware of sin and the need for the Lord's saving grace. As the scrutiny names the sin from which we want to be delivered, let us join the elect in naming the parts of our life where we have experienced change and conversion. With the elect, let us come before God who is like a physician, searching for whatever needs healing. Together we move forward towards God, in our freedom as children of God.

### Lenten Missions

We were very fortunate in Father Chris Cambre's mission last week at Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church. His theme, "Why the Cross", was very appropriate as we journey with Jesus in the Desert of Lent. Msgr. John Griesbach's mission at St. Anthony of Padua builds on Father Cambre's theme. Msgr. Griesbach is the Director of St. Anthony Retreat Center in Three Rivers, California. His theme is "Becoming An Intentional Disciple of Christ." The Mission dates are March 18-21, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. SAVE THE DATES!

### WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

**Question:** Can you recommend some good books for Lenten spiritual reading?

**Answer:** On more than one occasion, a coach being interviewed about his team -- successful or not -- will be asked about the next

step. The inevitable response includes something about getting back to basics. Reviewing the fundamentals of the sport strengthens performance and builds confidence.

The best Lenten reading takes us back to the fundamentals. If Lent is the time for the Church to be on retreat, then we should focus on the texts that help us deepen our understanding of our faith. Spend time reading one of the Gospels, and use a Scripture commentary to learn all you can about the passion of Jesus. Read about the lives of the saints, especially your patron saint and that of your parish. Finally, you can use the Catechism of the Catholic Church to learn more about the church's teachings and beliefs. The sections on prayer and the Mass are really great reflections. Focusing on the basics really helps us take another step forward in our faith. We have not only a better understanding of what we believe and practice, but also why we believe. With that belief comes the confidence we need to be better, more faithful witnesses to Christ.

### Gospel for the Second Sunday of Lent, Year B – Mark 9:2-10

How are your Lenten resolutions? By the time week two rolls around, plenty of well-meaning people have skipped, neglected, or outright forgotten their Lenten resolutions at least once. It can be easy to start excusing our Lenten commitments altogether.

Last week we saw Jesus driven into the desert. This Sunday, we see Jesus leading his disciples to an equally barren place: he "*led them up a high mountain apart by themselves.*" But what happens there? "*And he was transfigured before them and his clothes became dazzling white.*" Today's Gospel reminds us of the goal. We don't enter into the desert for the sake of suffering, but for the sake of transformation.

Mountain imagery is prevalent throughout Scripture. The sacrifice of Isaac, Moses receiving the 10 Commandments, Elijah's revelation of God as a tiny whispering sound: all these occur on the mountaintop. Mountains are strenuous to hike. To assist the traveler in the ascent, trails often involve switchbacks. These lead the traveler back and forth across the mountainside, sometimes appearing as if hardly any ground is gained. Perhaps Peter, James, and John hiked a similar path as Jesus led them up the side of Mount Tabor.

A climb is difficult. A climb in a barren place leaves you thirsty, exhausted, and quite possibly frustrated or discouraged. Yet this is precisely how Jesus leads his closest disciples. Why? Because he has something to reveal to them. Practically speaking, Jesus needed to bring Peter, James and John away from the crowds for this revelation of glory to remain hidden. There are spiritual truths we will encounter only if we pass through difficulty. So let's persevere this Lent! Today's Gospel invites us to trust that, if we persevere in following Jesus, he'll lead us to something beautiful and glorious as well.

### Questions for the Week

**First Reading** – Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 - Abraham's willingness to unconditionally obey God's command brought him the divine blessings of land and descendants. What blessings would you like to receive from God?

# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 25, 2018

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## STEWARDSHIP TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

February 18, 2018

Sunday's Offertory .....	\$7,846.00
Mailed-In Offertory .....	540.00
Online Giving .....	300.00
<b>Total Offertory for the week .....</b>	<b>\$8,686.00</b>
Ash Wednesday Collection .....	\$2,809.00

Weekly Average 2018 .....	\$8,857.64
Children's Contribution .....	\$10.00

\* Extra prayers ..... Matthew  
\* Praying for Uncle Gary in heaven ..... Shawna, Reese,  
Ariana & MacKenzie

Number Registered Parish Families.....	1504
Number of Envelopes Used.....	128
Number of Children's Envelopes Used.....	1

**Thank you for your generosity.**

*Please remember St. Anthony Church  
& St. Edmund School in your will.*

## MSGR.'S ARTICLE CONTINUED...

**Second Reading** – Romans 8:31b-34 - In this short reading, Paul asks the Christians in Rome four rhetorical questions. Of what do you think Paul is trying to convince the Roman Christians?

**Gospel Reading** – Mark 9:2-10 - Why do you think Jesus commanded Peter, James, and John not to tell anyone they witnessed the transfiguration until after his resurrection?

*Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero*

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross are celebrated at St. Anthony Church on Fridays during Lent at 12:00 p.m. At Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church the Stations are celebrated on Fridays of Lent at 5:30 p.m.



## HOLY WEEK CHOIR

Any St. Anthony parishioner interested in singing for Holy Week Masses can join this choir. We need both **MALE & FEMALE** voices. For more info, call Rodney Sonnier at 457-5285. The rehearsals are scheduled for: **Thursdays, March 8, 15 and 22 at 6:00 p.m. in Church.**



## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, February 26

**6:15 a.m.:** August Leonards, Jr. (*Anniv. of Death*)

### Tuesday, February 27

**12:00 p.m.:** Clara Soileau (*Liv. - Birthday*); Souls in Purgatory; Manuel family (*Liv. & Dec.*)

### Wednesday, February 28

**6:15 a.m.:** Hilda M. Roche; Clifton F. Seale; Glen 'Butch' Marcantel (*Birthday*)

### Thursday, March 1

**12:00 p.m.:** Robert E. Brown; Donald V. Tanner, Sr.; Antonia Thevis Hoffpaur (*Liv.*)

### Friday, March 2

**6:15 a.m.:** John Howard Best (*Liv.*); Jacques & Oline Guillory

### Saturday, March 3

**4:00 p.m.:** Dutch Spekschate; Merita Guillory; Joan Schatzle-McManus; Don Hebert; Dr. Sylvan Manuel; Burley Marcantel; Ed Dietz; Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; James C. LaFleur (*Anniv. of Death*); Mary Lou & Shelton Boone; Bill Weatherford; Glenn Durbin; Sally Fontenot

### Sunday, March 4

#### Third Sunday of Lent

**7:00 a.m.:** St. Anthony Parishioners; Vernell Soileau; Helen Vidrine

**9:00 a.m.:** Frankie LaFleur; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; M/M Norris Young; Lillie & Louis McGee, Sr.; M/M Amos Durio, Sr.; Toby Durio

**11:00 a.m.:** Hazel Miller; Eva Chachere

**6:00 p.m.:** Joan Schatzle-McManus; Patricia Gaspard



## PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018

4:00 p.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Kayla Fontenot, Dora Johnson, Ken Richard, Barry Soileau	Aimee Summerlin	Evan Aucoin, John Patrick Fruge Doug Summerlin Jr., Henry Summerlin
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### SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2018

7:00 a.m.	<b>Fr. Henry Broussard</b>	Norma Diaville, Ed & René Benoit	Genny Dischler	Hannah & Rebecca Benoit Isaac Russell, Emile Soileau
9:00 a.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Doug Marcantel, Rachel Andrus, Mitch Fontenot	Rachel Smith	Alex Fontenot, Gabby Fontenot Victoria Marcantel, Trent Thibodeaux
11:00 a.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Donnie Darbonne, Vergie Ardoin, Lynn Pavich Debbie Ortego, Todd Ortego	Charlotte Darbonne	Bailey Conde, Vincent Thibodeaux, Austin Miller <b>Thurifer:</b> Jack Miller <b>MC: Minister Needed</b>
6:00 p.m.	<b>Msgr. Romero</b>	Brayden Gaspard, Angie Aguillard, Rickey Aguillard	Life Teen Member	Garet Hebert, Lindsay Hebert Koy Trahan, Luke Trahan

## MINISTERS OF PRAYER



**Please pray for:** Gracie Zaunbrecher, Cynthia Price, Carl Comeaux, Marcus Venable, Helen Tanner, Edmund & Alberta Frey, Erika Dupont, Sheila DeRouen, Leroy Vige, Patricia Sittig, Royne Fontenot, Susan Semien, Ann Duran, Evette Fall Bellow, John Landreneau, Gail Landreneau, Joan Burson, Pamela Lejeune Deville, Doug Bergeron, Pauline Miller, Randy Courville, Cathy Bergeron, Colleen Landreneau, Pat Manuel, Loretta West, Roger 'Yogi' Hollier, Lisa Miller, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Linda Gaudin, Leroy Vige, Elaine Moosa, Michael Blanchard Sr., Hubert J. Blanchard, Elaine McGee, Brady Thibodeaux, Liz Charlie.

*Pray for our troops & peace in the world!*

**For a list of Catholic Churches & Mass Times when traveling, please visit:**  
[www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com)

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

### Monday, February 26

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
Elementary Faith Formation (CCD) classes -- 4:00 p.m.  
Jr. High Faith Formation (CCD) classes -- 6:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, February 27

That Man Is You -- 5:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.  
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.  
Women's ACTS Formation -- 6:00 p.m. Parish Hall.

### Wednesday, February 28

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.  
[St. Edmund All School Mass -- 9:00 a.m.](#)  
R.C.I.A. -- 7:00 p.m. St. Mathilda Parish Hall.

### Thursday, March 1

Ladies Altar Society -- 9:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.  
Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

### Friday, March 2

Daily Mass - 6:15 a.m. / Nursing Home Mass - 9:30 am  
Way of the Cross -- 12:00 p.m. in Church.  
Baptism Class -- call the Rectory to register.

### Saturday, March 3

First Saturday O.L. of Fatima -- 8:00 a.m. at S.T.M.  
Confessions - 3:00 p.m. / Anticipated Mass - 4:00 p.m.  
[St. Edmund Dancing with the Stars Fundraiser](#)

### Sunday, March 4

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
R.C.I.A. 1<sup>st</sup> Scrutiny -- 9:00 a.m. Mass.  
Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.  
Life Night -- 7:00 p.m.  
Confirmation Session # 6 -- 7:00 p.m. Parish Hall

**Save the Date!!**

**HAPPY DAYS...**

**June 18-21, 2018**

**Lent**



**EASTER DECORATIONS**



You may wish to make a donation towards paying for Altar flowers and decorations for the church. Your donation (*in a separate envelope*) can be put into any collection basket or dropped off at the Rectory. If you would like to make the donation in memory

of a loved one (*living or deceased*), please write their names on the envelope. All names will be published in the Easter Bulletin.



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**2018 - 2019 Registration**

**Returning Families**

March 12 - 16  
in administrative building  
8:00 - 3:00

**New Families**

March 19 - 23  
in administrative building  
8:00 - 3:00

**DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION FEES apply if registering at this designated time.**

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- 1) Good report from doctor.
- 2) My new job.



**Adorers needed for the following hours**  
**starting at:** Sun. 9 am, Wed 8 am, 5 pm,  
Thurs. 3 am; Fri. 11 pm; Sat. 11 am, 12 pm, 1 pm, 2 pm,  
midnight

**Prayer Partners Needed:** Sun 12 am, 3 pm; Mon 8 am, 10  
am; Wed 8 am; Thurs 4 pm, Fri 5 am, 7 am;



# St. Anthony of Padua Church

## March 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>4</b></p> <p><b>Third Sunday of Lent</b> Pray for Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell 9:00 AM RCIA 1st Scrutiny 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass <b>7:00 PM Confirmation Session # 6</b> 7:00 PM Life Night</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Pray for Msgr. Romero 9:00 AM SEH School Mass 4:00 PM CCD Elem. classes 6:00 PM ACTS Core Team 6:00 PM C.D.A. 6:00 PM CCD JrHS classes</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Matthew Hebert 5:30 AM That Man Is You! 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Formation</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Pray for Deacon Gary Gaudin 9:00 AM St. Ed Elem. Mass 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. @ St. Mathilda</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Pray for Deacon Jim Cormier 6:00 PM Holy Week Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>Pray for Deacon Korey Lavergne 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor &amp; Oak Lane 12:00 PM Way of the Cross</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Dustin Dought &amp; Fr. Travis Abadie</p>
<p><b>11</b></p> <p><i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> Pray for Fr. Darren Eldridge &amp; Den. Chuck Ortego <i>Daylight Saving Time set clock AHEAD 1 hour</i> 9:00 AM RCIA 2nd Scrutiny 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass 7:00 PM Confirmation Practice 7:00 PM Life Night</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. John Brown SJ &amp; Fr. Matthew Barzare 4:00 PM CCD Elem. classes 6:00 PM CCD JrHS classes</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Clinton Sensat &amp; Den. David Guillery 5:30 AM That Man Is You! 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Formation</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Austin Leger &amp; Fr. Henry Broussard 9:00 AM St. Edmund School Mass -- Bishop Deshotel <b>6:00 PM Confirmation Mass (Fr. Tom Voorhies)</b> 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. @ St. Mathilda</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Pray for Deacon T.J. Richard 6:00 PM Holy Week Choir Practice 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Pray for Deacon Robbie Leger 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor &amp; Oak Lane 12:00 PM Way of the Cross</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Nathan Comeaux <i>Second Collection: Bishops Services Appeal</i> RCIA Meditation @ Annunciation BVM</p>
<p><b>18</b></p> <p><b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b> Pray for Fr. Stephen Ugwu &amp; Fr. Alphonse Thainese 9:00 AM RCIA 3rd Scrutiny 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass 7:00 PM Life Night</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Chris Cambre 9:00 AM St. Edmund School Mass 4:00 PM CCD Elem. classes 6:00 PM CCD JrHS classes</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Kendal Faulk &amp; Fr. Jerry Mesley 5:30 AM That Man Is You! 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Formation</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. William Massie 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. @ St. Mathilda</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Gil Dutel &amp; Fr. Tom Voorhies 6:45 PM Holy Week Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. William Schambough 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor &amp; Oak Lane 12:00 PM Way of the Cross</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Randall Moreau <b>Ladies Altar Society Bake Sale weekend</b> 9:00 AM First Communion Retreat (Parent &amp; Child)</p>
<p><b>25</b></p> <p><b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</b> Pray for Fr. Sonny Brown &amp; Fr. Tommy Montelaro 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass 7:00 PM Life Night</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Blaine Clement 9:00 AM SEH All School Mass 4:00 PM CCD Elem. classes 6:00 PM CCD JrHS classes <b>6:00 PM Lenten Penance Service @ St. Anthony</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>Pray for Sr. Agnes Thevis &amp; Sr. Nell Murray 5:30 AM That Man Is You! 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Formation</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>Pray for Fr. Jim Brady &amp; Fr. Jonathan Janise <b>10:00 AM SE Living Way of the Cross</b> 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. @ St. Mathilda</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p><b>Holy Thursday</b> Pray for Fr. Joseph Sai Tran &amp; Fr. David Hebert <b>6:30 PM Mass of Lord's Supper</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p><b>Good Friday</b> Pray for Fr. Paul Lafleur &amp; Fr. Keenan Brown <i>Second Collection: Holy Land</i> <b>3:00 PM Good Friday Service</b></p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p><b>Holy Saturday</b> Pray for Sr. Joel Miller &amp; Sr. Stephanie Brignac <b>8:00 PM Easter Vigil</b></p>

**Parish Lenten Mission @ 6:00 p.m. -- Msgr. John Grisback**