

HOLY NAME PARISH

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Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri 9 am - 12 noon 1 pm - 5 pm

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday: 5:00 pm (in the church)

Sunday: 10:00 am (children's program only at 10 am service)
12:00 pm (African Catholic Community)

Weekday: Monday-Friday at 12:05 pm in the church

Eucharistic Adoration: every Friday 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm in the church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm and on request.

BAPTISM

By appointment and after instruction.

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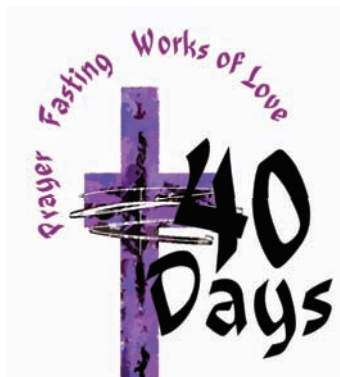
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Dear parishioners,

I would like to say a few words here about the upcoming season of Lent. It seems hard to believe, but in less than 2 weeks we will find ourselves in that holy season. I find that it can be helpful to look ahead a little bit, so that we can be prepared when the time arrives and it make it a more fruitful experience for our personal faith. In fact, for a long time the Church had an interesting way of helping us to prepare for Lent. The 3 Sundays before the beginning of Lent were given specific names, each of them connected to the period of Lent. To understand the names, we do have to turn to the Latin language. The name for Lent in Latin is Quadragesima. It sounds complicated, but all it really means is "40 days". Lent, after all, is a 40-day period; the original name, then, was just "The 40 Days" (in Italian, the word for Lent — Quaresma — is drawn from the Latin).

In order to help people to prepare for the holy season, those 3 Sundays before Lent were identified and they were given certain themes. The priest would actually start wearing purple vestments, and the readings and prayers at Mass were pointing to the time of penance and sacrifice. The names for these Sundays also connected to the time period. Three Sundays before Lent was called Septuagesima Sunday, two Sundays before Lent was called Sexagesima Sunday, and the Sunday before Lent was called Quinquagesima Sunday.

Again, the names might sound complicated, but here is what they mean: "Seventy Days (Septuagesima)", "Sixty Days (Sexagesima)", and "Fifty Days (Quinquagesima)"! Now, of course,

I'm sure you are thinking...how does that make sense? The math does not add up!

Well, the names are meant to be symbolic rather than exact numbers. Just as Lent is 40 Days, symbolically, the weeks before are given those names, almost to make it more dramatic and significant.

So, technically, we are now in this special period of time before Lent. Although we don't use those names anymore, perhaps it can be helpful to start thinking of how we can make those 40 Days before Easter a special, prayerful, and spiritually fruitful time.

Fr. Eric



- Mon. February 24th
12:05 pm: **Doris Gruccio +**
Tues. February 25th
12:05 pm: **Jagdishbhai Vrajlal Chudasama +**
Wed. February 26th
12:05 pm: **Deceased Members of the Wilkinson Family**
Thurs. February 27th
12:05 pm: **Mary & Harry Keane +**
Fri. February 28th
12:05 pm: **Rose & Domenic Ruggiero +**
Sat. March 1st
5:00 pm: **Spyros Gazetos +**
Sun. March 2nd
12:00 pm: **Maria Izaura Cezarina Gonsalves + Ruth Conforti +**

READINGS FOR EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, March 2nd, 2025

1st Reading: Sirach 27.4-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 92.1-2, 12-13, 14-15

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.54-58

Gospel: Luke 6.39-45

We keep in our prayers the sick, elderly, the homebound, the "forgotten members" in our community, and their families and caregivers. "Lord surround them with your healing and steadfast love." especially

Kateri Ryan, Darryl Smart, Carl Wilcox, G. Pitrolo, Ann Gilbride, Paul Ryan, Sherry MacEachern, Daniel Giles, Mae Bradley, Jaden Babcock, Valrie Lashley and Maria Jose Bouey.

SANCTUARY LAMP

is lit this week

In Appreciation and Congrats to Pamela Cobham
on her 40th Anniversary as Parish Secretary
requested by Holy Name Choir



A BIG THANK YOU TO THE SCOUTS, THEIR
LEADERS AND OTHER PARISHIONERS WHO
CLEARED THE SNOW FOR THE PARISH LAST
WEEKEND.
THEY DID A SUPER JOB!

Annual Parish Statistical for 2024

Baptisms	
Up to 1 year old	14
1 to 7 year old	15
Over 7 year old	6
First Communions	34
Confirmations	22
R.C.I.A.	12
Weddings	4
Funerals	7



Masses on Ash Wednesday, March 5th will be at 12:05 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the church. Ashes will be distributed at both Masses.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, March 1st – 5:00 p.m. Mass
Sacrament of Confirmation.

Saturday, March 1st – 9:30 a.m. 1st
Reconciliation Family Day (church)

Monday, March 3rd – 7:00 p.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation (church)



**Launch of Share Lent and
Jubilee Campaign Combined
this Year**

This year, 2025, has been declared a **Jubilee Year** by Pope Francis. It is a very long tradition to hold a Jubilee Year every 25 years. It is a time to re-set “right relationships” where injustice has taken over. This is a global event, and as in the year 2000, this Jubilee Year will focus on reversing the unjust debts of the poorest nations and peoples. **Development and Peace is giving their annual Share Lent Campaign the title of “Turn Debt into Hope”.** This is the theme of the Global Jubilee Campaign.

The launch of the Campaign will take place on Saturday, March 1 at 1:30 p.m. It can be watched on Zoom. Registration is necessary. <https://devp.org/en/campaign/turn-debt-into-hope/>

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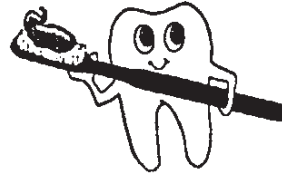
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