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TODAY - FEBRUARY 15, 2026

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY - 50 DAYS

9:00 am – Holy Mass in the Traditional Rite

10:00 am - Fellowship Hour

OPENING HYMN

“TO THEE, WE COME, O LORD OUR GOD”

To Thee we come, O Lord, our God,
 Before Thine altar, Father

Thou knowest best our yearning hearts;
 This supplication answer.

Lift up from want Thy people, Lord,
 Bless us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

Under Thy cross we stand prepared,
 To serve Thee with devotion;
 Be it with sweat of blood or tears,
 Or humble resignation.

For we Thy people are, O Lord,
 Save us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

ENTRANCE HYMN

(Psalms 77:2-3)

V. I cry aloud to God, cry to God to hear me.

R. On the day of my distress, I seek the Lord; by
 night, my hands are raised unceasingly, I
 refuse to be consoled.

R. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and
 to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever
 shall be, world without end. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also to you.

V. Let us Pray: Almighty God; You care for us
 above all other creatures. Free us from all
 anxiety and turmoil of heart that we may seek
 first Your kingdom and submit to Your reign.
 We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus
 Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and
 the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

R. Amen.



LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

(Isaiah 49:14-15)

But Zion said, The LORD has forsaken me, my
 Lord has forgotten me. Can a woman forget her
 sucking child, that she should have no compassion
 on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet
 I will not forget you.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

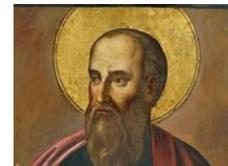
R. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

(Isaiah 54:7-8)

V. For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with great
 tenderness I will take you back.

R. In an outburst of wrath, for a moment I hid My
 face from you; But with enduring love I take
 pity on you, says the Lord, your Redeemer.



**A READING OF THE 1ST LETTER OF PAUL
 TO THE CORINTHIANS**

(1 Corinthians 5:1-5)

It is actually reported that there is immorality
 among you, and of a kind that is not found even

among pagans; for a man is living with his father's wife. And you are arrogant! Ought you not rather to mourn? Let him who has done this be removed from among you. For though absent in body I am present in spirit, and as if present, I have already pronounced judgment in the name of the Lord Jesus on the man who has done such a thing. When you are assembled, and my spirit is present, with the power of our Lord Jesus, you are to deliver this man to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that His spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

TRACT
(Wisdom 1:2)

V. Because He is found by those who test Him not

R. And He manifests Himself to those who do not disbelieve Him.



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

(Matthew 6:24-34)

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with you.

V. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory be to You, O Lord.

“No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore, I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; ^{yet} I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like

one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore, do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first His kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well. Therefore, do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Let the day's own trouble be sufficient for the day.

V. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in One God, the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth
Of all that is seen and unseen.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
The only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father.

God from God,
Light from Light,
True God

from true God,
begotten not made

of one being with the Father

Through Him all things were made

For us and for our salvation.

He came down from heaven:

By the power of the Holy Spirit

He was born of the Virgin Mary

AND BECAME MAN.

For our sake, He was crucified

under Pontius Pilate

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day, He rose again

In fulfillment of the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and

is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

To judge the living and the dead

And His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

The Lord and Giver of Life
 Who proceeds from the Father
 With the Father and the Son
 He is worshipped and glorified.
 He has spoken through the prophets.
 I believe in One, Holy, Catholic
 and Apostolic Church
 I acknowledge one baptism
 for the forgiveness of sins.
 And I look for the
 resurrection of the dead
 And the + life
 of the world to come. Amen.



OFFERTORY VERSE

(Psalm 145:19)

V. You satisfy the desire of those who fear You;
 You hear their cry and save them.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

V. Heavenly Father, You provide all that we need,
 grant that we who offer You this oblation may
 experience a foretaste of Your glory. We ask
 this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who
 lives and reigns with You, and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever.

COMMUNION VERSE

(Joshua 1:9)

V. I command you: be firm and steadfast! Do not
 fear nor be dismayed, for the Lord, your God,
 is with you wherever you go.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

V. Let us pray: Lord our God, when fears
 threaten us and doubt worry us, be our refuge
 and our strength. Grant us courage through
 this Holy Communion to follow Your Son
 wherever He may lead. We ask this through the
 same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with
 You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and
 ever.

R. Amen



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass with the blessing and
 distribution of ashes to the faithful.
 7:00 pm – Holy Mass of the Eucharist with the
 distribution of ashes to the faithful.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass of the Eucharist
 12:00 pm—Stations of the Cross
 7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:45 am – General Confession for adults
 9:00 am - Holy Mass of the Eucharist
 10:00 am - Fellowship Hou



THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any man would
 come after Me, let him deny himself and take up
 his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save
 his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for My
 sake will find it.” **- Matthew 16:24-25**

The “Way of the Cross” during this season of
 Lent, is where one takes up of their own cross and
 follows the calling of the Lord “to follow Me.”

We are reminded in today’s Gospel, that in the
 end everyone must choose and follow one who is
 more experienced and serves has been a guide, in
 their life.

Living in the world, so many people lose their
 moral and spiritual “compasses”, and so many
 more get and lost in the “trappings” of the world
 which cannot provide true happiness.

It is on Ash Wednesday, that a personal
 spiritual retreat begins of 40 days in which the
 followers of the Jesus back away from earthly

attachments and concentrate on the spiritual. “Remember man, that thou art dust” and unto dust thou shall return, but that your soul returns unto God.”

In choosing to walk with Jesus, we are first called upon to stop and consider the cost of this walk. We are called upon to reflect on His teachings of life, love, forgiveness, prayer, compassion and sacrifice.

Lent is a time where one strives to discern between the physical and the spiritual; the temporal versus the eternal. “Seek ye first the Kingdom of God” as found in Matthew 6:33. It is the message that Jesus taught from the beginning. He was to also teach, that the “Kingdom of God is within”, as it is found in Luke 17:21. St. Paul would remind the congregation at Corinth in his first letter to them about discernment: Brothers and sisters: When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality.” Seeking the Kingdom within” tells us of the path where we meet the Lord.

So, what does it mean to deny oneself? During Lent, some will give up for 40 days everything from chocolate to alcohol, cutting back on watching TV, or spending less time shopping at the malls. Lent is not so much as the giving up of “old stuff” but rather putting on a “new” importance & examination of self.

Our Blessed Lord teaches us in Mark 2:22 that “No one puts new wine into old wineskins; for if he does, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and so are the skins; but new wine is for fresh skins.”

During this season of Lent, we are asked to take a personal inventory of ourselves as stewards and disciples of the Lord. We are called upon this season of Lent to contemplate the significance of His teachings. The entire New Testament message is a story of “redemption” and “salvation.”

St. Paul brings a message of saving power as found in his First Letter to the Church of Corinth 1:18: “For the word of the cross is folly to those who

are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”

“Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.”

- Ephesians 5:1



OUR PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAMS

“Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.” - Philippians 2:4



OUR FOOD MINISTRY

“I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat.” - Matthew 25:35

Our ministry to help feed the hungry will be held on **Saturday, February 21, 2026** from 10:00 am until supplies last. We wish to thank all those who have donated to our food ministry.

We are still in need of the following:

- Cereals and instant oatmeal.
- Fruit juices, - V8, Apple and Cranberry juices.
- Powder milk / condensed milk.
- Hot chocolate and tea bags.
- Pasta and spaghetti sauce.
- Boxes of Mac-n-cheese.
- Canned tuna in water.
- Canned meats- chicken, salmon,
- Ramen noodles.
- Soups- all varieties.
- Canned veggies and fruits.
- Children’s snack packs

Please note: Also, through our Parish ministries, we are continuing to collect “full sized” containers of **personal care items and cleaning items** to aid others in need



PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

“And He sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.” - Luke 2:9

May we pray for the health and healing for all those, who we remember in our prayer:

George Sadowski, Wayne Shaw, Linda Puchalski, Richard Foster, Carolyn Rapalye, Karen Herzig, Paula Winn, Stefanik Gadecki, Marge Sanderson, Brandon Poe, baby James, Liam & Evelyn Spatcher, Jennie Harrington, Eric Rose, Lori Lukomski, Mick Szumski, Toka Bara, Laurie Lis, Todd Odell, David Moskin, Laurie Lis, Renata Wos, Jan Clark, Zoe Kinnunen, as well as many of all our own personal intentions.

Let us Pray: O Lord, God of mercies, in Your kindness, stretch out Your hand and heal all our brothers and sisters who are in any way are ailing. Deliver them, according to Your will, from all their present sicknesses and illnessness, and grant them recovery in Jesus’ holy name. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, and are One God. Amen.



ED MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMISSION CALL TO PRAYER

In the month of February, our Eastern Diocese has called upon all its members and others to offer prayers for our parish families at 12:00 noon each Wednesday:

My Lord and my God, hear my prayers for the well-being of my parish family. Grant us Your grace and all that is necessary for the spiritual growth and welfare of our congregation. Enlighten and guide my pastor and all who minister to the needs of Your people. Strengthen and awaken in us a living faith; comfort and heal the sick, lonely, and brokenhearted; soften those who are contentious

or stubborn; awaken the indifferent and rescue the fallen. Lord, help us to continue to proclaim Your truth. Unite us with Christ in like-mindedness of purpose. I ask this through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.



LENTEN ALM BOXES

Several years ago, the Mission and Evangelism Commission of the Eastern Diocese of the PNCC, decided that during the Lenten Season, it would incorporate “Lenten Alm Boxes,” asking all its congregations to think during the season of Lent about those individuals who are in need of prayers and offerings.

This message would reflect the three “virtues” of Lent; namely: **Prayer, Fasting and Alms giving.**

These simple Lenten boxes would and presently serve as a commitment of its congregations to follow the teachings of our Lord, Also, each parish would at the end of the Lenten season to address the needs of its communities and contribute its collections to that need.



ONE BREAD, ONE BODY Daily Devotions

The Lenten booklet “One Bread, One Body” a daily devotional booklet is now available, free of charge, and may be found in the vestibule of our Church. These daily readings and devotionals are based on the Common Lectionary and helps to bring its readers to the importance of the Lent.