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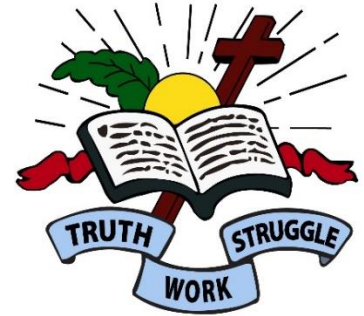
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## ASH WEDNESDAY

### A Thought for this Day

Now is the time of our salvation. We take up Christ's cross because it will lead us to new life. Today's ashes speak to us of conversion. Our journey through Lent will transform the world's darkness and pain into Easter joy and life.

### About Today's Bible Readings

#### JOEL 2:12-18

The prophet makes one thing very clear about Lent: in order to change our lives, we must first change our hearts.

#### Responsorial Psalm: 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17

**R. Be merciful, O Lord,  
for we have sinned.**

#### 2 CORINTHIANS 5:20 – 6:2

Now is the time for conversion. If we accept God's gracious gift, then Christ will live in us.

#### MATTHEW 6:1-6, 16-18

Why do we do what we do? Only when our motivation springs from good hearts will we fulfill the duties of righteousness.

### ENTRANCE RITE Wisdom 11:23-24

*V. You Lord have mercy on all, because You can do all things; and You overlook the sins of men that they may repent.*

**R. For You love all things that are and loathe nothing that You have made; for what You hated, You would not have fashioned.**

*V. 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**

### Tract (Recited in place of the Alleluia during Lent)

*V. Remember not against us the iniquities of the past; may Your compassion quickly come to us, for we are brought very low.*

**R. Help us, O God, our Savior, because of the glory of Your name; deliver us and pardon our sins for Your name's sake.**

### THE GOSPEL MATTHEW 6:1-6, 16-18

Jesus said to his disciples: "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father. When you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you. "When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you. "When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden. And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you."

**This is the Gospel of the Lord!**

## Worship Services

**TODAY Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
**7:00 PM - HOLY MASS**

*Blessing and distribution of  
Ashes to the faithful*

**SUNDAY Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**First Sunday of Lent**  
**9:00 AM - HOLY MASS**  
*Distribution of Ashes for those  
who were unable to attend Mass  
on Wednesday.*

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### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During the season of Lent we will be praying the Stations of the Cross after Mass each and every Sunday starting next week and leading up to Holy Week. I hope that everyone will plan on staying after Mass to join together and that you urge your families, friends and neighbors to attend as well. This is a beautiful and moving form of worship and it helps to focus our thoughts and prayers on our Lord and Savior as we reflect on His Passion and Death.

### LENT

Ash Wednesday is today. I hope that everyone is ready to begin our solemn Lenten journey as we follow our beloved Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ along the path of His Passion. Please be sure to take one of the Lenten Devotional Booklets from the table in the Narthex to aid you in your prayers and meditations during the Lenten Season.

### Sip and Paint

On Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting a **Sip and Paint Event** here in the Fellowship Hall at 2:00 PM. For the very reasonable fee of \$25.00 you will receive a canvas and the use of paints and other supplies along with guidance and instructions that will allow you to create a unique work of art. No previous knowledge or skills are required to do this. You are welcome to bring your own food and drinks and light refreshments will be available for purchase. Invite your friends and neighbors to what promises to be a fun time for all.

## INTENTIONS:

**My Brothers and Sisters:** Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish; For the health and wellbeing of Jules Nagy, Howard Friedman, Bernice Muha, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, Robert Paterson, Michael Havrilla, Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Carol Parker, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Sally Urban, Duane Schulte, Ruth and Michael Pivovarnick, Bernice Biroscak, Patrick Toner, Frank Gonzales, Gary Graham, Jackie Bayak, Berne Bloom, Joan Mainzer, Tom Goff, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterce, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, Teresa Vista Gumiran, George Jugan, Prime Bishop Emeritus John Swantek and Joseph Seliga. **Our Father...**

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## Saint Valentine's Day Breakfast

Our annual Saint Valentine's Day Breakfast will be held Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets will be:

**ADULTS \$10.00**

**CHILDREN (under 12) \$3.00**

I hope that everyone will be able to attend and that they will bring family, loved ones and friends for the good food and Christian Fellowship that we always enjoy at these events. Loretta Mikovsky can be contacted for advance ticket sales.

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## Today's Hymns

**Please, join with the choir to make a beautiful noise unto the Lord!**

**The Hymns below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Books.**

### Opening Hymn

#1 – Hymn Of Faith (Verses 1 & 4)

### Hymn to the Holy Spirit

#144 – Come, Thou Creator (Verses 1 & 4)

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