

LENT & EASTER SCHEDULE 2018 as of 1.27.18

The Season of Lent begins on ASH WEDNESDAY Feb. 14



6:30 AM	Liturgy w/ Distribution of ashes	3:30 PM	Liturgy w/ Distribution of ashes (Children)
8:00 AM	MASS w/ Distribution of ashes	5:00 PM	Liturgy w/ Distribution of ashes
10:00 AM	Liturgy w/ Distribution of ashes	6:15 PM	Liturgy w/ Distribution of ashes
12:15 PM	Liturgy w/ Distribution of ashes	7:30 PM	Liturgy w/ Distribution of ashes (Spanish)



40 CANS FOR LENT ~ 40 DAYS FOR LIFE ~ OUTREACH TAKE-HOME PROJECTS

ALL Lenten Activities begin on Ash Wednesday. See parish bulletin and web site for more info.

FISH FRY – Sponsored by A.C.T.S. on all Fridays in Lent **except. March 16** –due to Spring Break: February 16, February 23, March 2, March 9, break, and March 23 from 5-8PM in the Pavilion

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays - All at 7PM except for March 30th presented by various ministries

February 16th	Stations of the Cross	Chapel	Seminarians
February 23rd	Stations of the Cross	Chapel	Altar Society
March 2nd	Stations of the Cross for Life	Chapel	Pro Life
March 9th	Stations of the Cross	Chapel	Knights of Columbus
March 16th	Stations of the Cross	Church	Comunidad de Emaus -Spanish
March 23rd	Scriptural Stations of the Cross	Chapel	Staff
March 30th	Living Stations of the Cross at 11 AM	Annex	LIFETEEN LOCATION: ANNEX

PARISH MISSION – WITH FR. JIM WARD – “THE WISDOM OF POPE FRANCIS”

MON, MARCH 5 through THURSDAY, MARCH 8

Daily Morning Mass @ 8AM followed by Mission presentation;

Daily Evening presentation @ 7PM followed by Q&A; No Q&A on Wed. March 7*

Monday: “Joy of the Gospel”; Tuesday: “Laudato Si” ; Wednesday & Thursday: On Love in the Family

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICES (Bilingual priests available at all services)

Wednesday, March 7 at 7PM Parish Mission presentation 7-7:30 - Parish-Wide Reconciliation 7:30PM*

Monday, March 19 at 6:45PM High School/Middle School/EDGE Class

Tuesday, March 20 at 7PM Parish (Spanish)

WEEKDAY CONFESSIONS DURING LENT: Wednesdays 7-8 PM Feb. 21 (Chapel), 28, March 7*, 14, 21 & 28.

PASSION RETREAT, Thursday, MARCH 15th (NEW) in the Parish Hall

One hour presentation and subsequent breakout sessions with Deacon Rudy Mendez 6:30-9:30PM

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 25th

Regular Mass Schedule with Distribution of Palms and the Reading of the Passion

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 29th

7PM – Mass of the Lord’s Supper (Bilingual) followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 10PM.

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 30th

*Living Stations of the Cross: 11am, Annex Property, 11762 FM 1560

Communion Services: 3PM (English) and 7PM (Bilingual)

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Date	SPANISH	Location	Date	ENGLISH	Location
Mar. 30 Fri.	8:00pm	Chapel	Mar. 30 Fri.	2:00pm	Chapel
Mar. 31 Sat.	6:00pm	Chapel	Mar. 31 Sat.		on your own
April 1 Sun.	1:00pm	Chapel	April 1 Sun.		on your own
April 2 Mon.	8:00pm	Chapel	April 2 Mon.	8:30am	Chapel
April 3 Tues.	8:00pm	Chapel	April 3 Tues.	6:30pm	Chapel
April 4 Wed.	8:00pm	Chapel	April 4 Wed.	8:30am	Chapel
April 5 Thurs.	8:00pm	Chapel	April 5 Thurs.	8:30am	Chapel
April 6 Fri.	8:00pm	Chapel	April 6 Fri.	8:30am	Chapel
April 7 Sat.	8:00pm	Chapel	April 7 Sat.	8:30am	Chapel
April 8 Sun.	3:00pm	Chapel	April 8 Sun.		on your own

THE SEASON of LENT

Mass Etiquette during Lent:

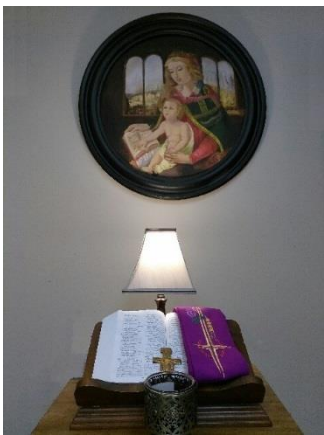
During Lent, to create an opportunity for prayer, we ask that you leave Mass in silence; visit with each other outside the Chapel / Church before or after Mass



*Turn away from Sin
and
Believe in the Gospel*

ASH WEDNESDAY marks the beginning of one of the seasons in the Church Year - the Season of Lent. Lent is a season of self-denial and more intense prayer. It is a time when we remember God's great love for us which he showed by sending his only Son, Jesus, into our world, to free us from sin, suffering and death.

During Lent, we who are disciples of Jesus through our Baptism, make a sincere effort to grow in our relationship with Jesus and with our brothers and sisters. We try, through the grace of the Holy Spirit, to become more aware of those things in our lives which weaken our relationship with God and with our brothers and sisters and we take advantage of the spiritual opportunities offered through the church to strengthen what is weak in us and to loosen the grip of sin in our lives. **Lent is a season of conversion**, which prepares us for the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday.



Lent is here. What are you giving up for lent?

Is lent about giving up something for forty days? Lent is not just about giving up something for forty days. It is a call to repentance and deep meditation on the Grace of God given to us through the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Easter will have no meaning if we do not grasp the meaning of Good Friday when God sacrifices His Son for us to attain grace. As part of preparing for this great mystery of Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have to fast and give ourselves space to meditate, reflect, pray, and purify ourselves before God. Lent for us should be a time to grow in the grace of God.

Giving up of something for Lent ought to help us become intentional disciples in devotion to God. We should try to give up something that is tough to give up. By so doing we are able to be constantly reminded the reason why we are fasting; namely, to be intentional disciples who willingly follow God's grace. Fasting must help us to focus on God, look ahead to Good Friday and the Resurrection (Easter as a whole). We have to prepare ourselves to appreciate the power of the Cross and the Victory of Christ. Lent is a period in which we are invited by God to meditate on Christ's suffering and sacrifice, God's grace and our own salvation in Christ.

Lent and fasting must remind us our commitment to God and giving Him first priority in our lives. Lent should help us to put aside our "worldly idols" and embrace God more. In order to embrace God more during lent, choose something that you can do to enhance your spirituality for example, reading scripture daily, attending a retreat, Bible study, devotional prayer, adoration, and etc. Learn to set aside time this Lenten season for quiet moments with God, let God inspire you into doing something for your spirituality. Allow God to shower you with His grace during this lent as you enter into deep prayer.

May you disrupt your life this Lenten season by abstaining from focusing on personal gains and instead focus on the great Mystery of salvation.

Fr. Danny.

EASTER SCHEDULE 2018

EASTER VIGIL, MARCH 31

Saturday, March 31, 8pm Mass (English) at the Parish (English, Sacraments of Initiation)

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 1 THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

Sunday, April 1, 7am Mass (English) at the Parish

Sunday, April 1, 9am Mass (English) at Pedrotti's Northwind Ranch (13715 FM 1560 N – HELOTES 78023)

Sunday, April 1, 11am Mass (English) at Pedrotti's Northwind Ranch

Sunday, April 1, 12noon (Spanish) at the Parish

Pedrotti's Ranch provides plenty of seating and ample parking.