



LENTEN TUESDAY SPEAKER SERIES

As in the past, we will have our **Tuesday evening** Mass at 5:30 pm, simple supper at 6:00 pm and speaker at 6:45 pm.

This year's series is
Connecting the Parish Church and the Domestic Church

March 2nd Keeping the Sabbath

Father Kevin Peters

Sabbath is the ancient human practice of resting with a purpose. It involves stepping away from our routines in order to focus our attention on the activity of God in our lives. Sabbath rest renews us and gives us new perspectives on how we might realign our lives according to God's will. We celebrate Sabbath in a focused way on Sunday, but how can we sustain God's refreshment throughout the week? This presentation will help participants explore the daily practice of keeping the Sabbath.

March 9th Living the Word

Father James Walker

The Word of God is a living Word. Jesus is the Word of God. We discover his spoken words and his actions in the Gospels. Each Sunday we gather as a community to hear the empowering words of the gospel, but the words quickly lose their power if we don't keep them close to our hearts and our minds throughout the week. This presentation will help participants explore the daily practice of reading the Bible and living the Word.

March 16th Serving our Neighbors

Father Nicholas Shori

The pain of the world is Christ's pain. The pain of our neighbors is Christ's pain. Christians are the body of Christ. We feel the pain of those who suffer in the world, and, like Christ, we reach out to alleviate suffering wherever and whenever it happens. When we gather on Sunday, we offer our finances to be used by the parish to alleviate suffering in our community, but our offering rings hollow in our hearts if we don't cultivate a lifestyle of service throughout the week. This presentation will help participants explore the daily practice of serving our neighbors

March 23rd Participating in Community

Deacon Mike Kocjancic

Isolation and individualism are potent and dangerous realities in our culture. The Christian insistence that human beings find their fulfillment in community is perhaps one of the most countercultural themes in Christian spirituality. Our Sunday gathering is a profound celebration of people gathered in communion with God and each other. How can we prevent the ties that bind us together on Sunday from unraveling throughout the week? This presentation will help participants explore the daily practice of participating in Community.

March 30th: Communal Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation

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With the Church's observance of **Ash Wednesday 17 February 2010, Lent begins**. This holy season is a time to rediscover the Lord and live like Him more consciously. In these forty days, marked by traditional penitential practices, we are challenged to turn away from sin. We are called to commit ourselves anew to live the Gospel of our

Lord Jesus Christ. Turning *from* sin and *toward* the Lord is the best preparation for Easter's joy.

For Catholics, the spiritual renewal we undertake in Lent has numerous forms. Acts of charity and almsgiving help us to become more mindful of providing for the poor all through the year. The reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation offers us the Lord's forgiveness, which is always available to us through God's grace. Reading Sacred Scripture opens us to hear the Word of God more deeply. Praying the Stations of the Cross reminds us of Christ's supreme sacrifice for us and of the importance of sacrificing for others ourselves. Time-honored practices of fasting and abstinence bring us closer to the Lord who Himself often fasted and prayed.



LENTEN MISSION Feb 21-23, 2010 7:00 pm Practicing Our Faith

You are invited to join the parish family as we begin our Lenten journey with a Parish Mission. Jim Merhaut will help us explore the presence of God in the creases and folds of our daily routines. Jim will offer practical suggestions for simple things we can do each day to release the power of God's joy in our lives and in our relationships. Jim uses music, drama, storytelling and humor to deliver the gospel message in fresh and interesting ways that will stay with you long after the mission is over

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