

Lent 2021

Prayer | Fasting | Almsgiving

Opportunities for Prayer and Spiritual Growth

Ash Wednesday, February 17

Celebration of Holy Mass with Distribution of Ashes – 7:15 am* (No reservations required)

**This Mass will be livestreamed.*

Service of Distribution of Ashes – Noon and 5:30 pm (No reservations required – approx. 20 minutes)

Celebration of Holy Mass with Distribution of Ashes – 7 pm (Reservations required. Visit the Parish website or call the Parish office beginning February 8 to sign up.)

Lenten Tuesdays of Eucharistic Adoration and Quiet Prayer – Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays, 8 am – 5 pm in the Church. Sign-up on the Parish website or the back of church for a time slot each week or come as you are able. Enter through the Church door facing the Parish office.

Opportunities for Individual Reconciliation

Saturdays, 3 - 4:30 pm in the Ministry Center Community Room. (No Confessions on Holy Saturday, April 3)

Mary's Mantle Consecration: A Spiritual Retreat for Heaven's Help

This 46 day Lenten journey includes a daily spiritual reading and praying the rosary. The retreat will begin on Wednesday, February 10 and culminate on Saturday, March 27 with a total consecration to Our Blessed Mother. Register to participate by emailing Jeniece Buczek (jeniecebuczek@comcast.net).

Traditional Stations of the Cross

Fridays (2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26) in the Church.

Father Jim's Virtual Lenten Reflections on the *Map of Life*

These reflections can be found on the Parish website each week.

Lenten Mission: An Afternoon of Prayer and Reflection

with Sr. Colleen Ann Nagel of the Franciscan Life Process Center

Sunday, March 14, 2 – 4 pm. *This event will be livestreamed.*

Opportunities for Almsgiving and Service

Catholic Relief Services: For Lent for Life

CRS Rice Bowl invites you to reflect on how your Lenten sacrifices can help families around the world overcome the challenges of hunger and poor nutrition. Pick up your rice bowl in the back of church the weekend of Feb. 14 and 21.

40 Days for Life

You are invited to pray for LIFE at the Saint Thomas Prayer Vigil on Friday, March 12 from 7 am to 7 pm at 320 E. Fulton. Sign up in the back of church on the weekend of March 6/7 or go to www.40daysforlife.com/GrandRapids. Call Respect Life leader Helen Milanowski at (616) 774-8471 for more information.

God's Kitchen

God's Kitchen continues to provide lunch for anyone who needs it in the community. Food distribution is set-up to ensure the health and safety of all. Volunteers are needed to prep and pack the day's meal Monday - Saturday from 10:30 am - 1:30 pm. Sign up on the Parish website or call Mary Davis at 456-7469 for details. Masks are required.



SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH 2021

Individual Reconciliation

Monday, March 29: Noon – 1 pm in the Eucharistic Chapel in Church
 6 - 7 pm in the Ministry Center Community Room

Wednesday, March 31: Noon – 1 pm in the Eucharistic Chapel in Church
 6 - 7 pm in the Ministry Center Community Room

Reservations for all Holy Week and Easter Sunday Masses are strongly encouraged.

Register on the Parish website or by calling the Parish office beginning Monday, March 15 at 8:30 am.

Holy Thursday – April 1

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper* – 7 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 8:30 – 11:30 pm in the Church

Night prayer: 11:30 pm in the Church

Good Friday – April 2

Morning Prayer – 7:15 am

Stations of the Cross – 12 Noon

Hours of Reflection – 1 - 3 pm

The Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion* – 7 pm

Holy Saturday – April 3

Morning Prayer – 8 am

The Blessing of Easter Foods – 12 Noon

The Easter Vigil and Mass of Resurrection* – 9 pm

(Attendance at Mass at the Easter Vigil fulfills the obligation for Easter Sunday)

Easter Sunday – April 4

Masses will be celebrated at 7:30 am, 9 am* and 11 am

(Please note: The Parish office will be closed Easter Monday.)

****These services will be livestreamed.***