

Most Holy Trinity Parish

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Genesis 3: 7



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MISSION:

We are a people graced by God, who come together as a community of faith, supporting each other as we live and celebrate the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Parish Mass Schedule: 9:30 AM Sunday (church); 4:00 PM First Saturday of the Month (rectory chapel)

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Let us begin this Lent with eyes open to the abundant life of goodness and forgiveness that God offers all. We celebrate the joy that comes from offering love and compassion to all who enter and even interrupt our life. This Lent we pray the liturgy of Ash Wednesday, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the scripture accounts of compassion and mercy and the stations of the cross. We offer service at the fish fries, the gift of hospitality to our guests. Our everyday prayer guides us throughout the six weeks of Lent. We walk together, eyes wide open. We reflect: What is the meaning and significant message of this holy season? Where is my loving God calling me?



– Sister Janice

WE HOLD IN HEART AND PRAYER: Philip Brown, Mike Caruso, Ed Deason, Joan Hasser, Mary Lee Howard, Doris (Feeherty) Janz, Lester Jones (Uncle of Rochelle Jones), Paul King, Ethel Long, Joetta Lukowski, Mary Meyer, Sharon Morrow, Marta Reyna, James Smith, Amanda Suchara, John Towles, and the Tracy and Usanga families.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 9:30 AM

President: Father Dan Kearns

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 4:00 PM

President: Father Tom Bryon

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 9:30 AM

President: Father Gerry Kleba

Lectors: *First Reading:* Mattie Patterson; *Second*

Reading: Doris Speed

Eucharistic Ministers: Christine Trudell and Sister Gail

COLLECTION: 2/19/23 \$858.00

LITURGY MEETING: Thursday, March 2, 1:00 in the rectory

MASS INTENTION

Sunday February 26, 9:30 AM: Willy Howard

Saturday March 4, 4:00 PM: Bessie Karandzieff and Rosalie Sadowski

MISSION ADVANCEMENT MEETING today after Mass in the rectory

BREATHING WITH THE DRUMBEAT: The Book of Genesis tells the story of humanity coming to life through the power of the divine breath. *God breathed into all the breath of life.* Walking in silence with an internal drum beat during Lent is an opportunity to be aware of our breath and our union with God. In gratitude we sing, *Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison*; God have mercy, Christ have mercy

THE BRANCH IN THE SANCTUARY visually portrays the contemplative tone of the six weeks of Lent as a time to deepen our personal connection with God and others. Each week the branch bears a new symbol of the gospel. Together we pray the branch and symbol of each week during Lent deepening our grace-filled life, love, and experiences of resurrection.

CLUB TRINITY FEBRUARY WINNER: Lynn Grisham

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY: We welcome Lynn Beckwith, Jr., Ed. D., a native of St. Louis, and graduate of the Charles Sumner High School. He is a first-generation college graduate from what is now Harris-Stowe State University and earned a Master of Education Degree and a Doctor of Education Degree from Saint Louis University. He had a distinguished career in the field of education for 31 years in the St. Louis Public Schools and 15 years at the University of Missouri. Among his awards are the St. Louis Chapter of the NAACP's 100 Most Inspiring St. Louisans Award and recipient of the St. Louis American Foundation's Lifetime Educator Award. On April 28, 2022, the St. Louis County Library District opened its new administrative building, named in his honor as the Lynn Beckwith, Jr. Administrative Building. Dr. Beckwith comes to us through his friendship with Mattie and Kenneth Patterson.

CELEBRATE LENT: PRAYER, FASTING, ALMSGIVING

We seek God in praying Sacred Scripture. We serve by giving alms. We practice self-discipline through fasting. – *United States Catholic Bishops*

ARCHDIOCESAN LENTEN GUIDELINES

Ash Wednesday (February 22, 2023), all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday (April 7, 2023) are days of abstinence (refraining from meat) for all Catholics from age 14 onwards. On these two days, fast, as well as abstinence, is obligatory for ages of 18-59.

Abstinence means refraining from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals except liquids. Catholics take these Lenten obligations seriously.