

March 1, 2026



2nd Sunday in Lent

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 28 ~ 2nd Sunday in Lent/Vigil
5:30 PM
Sunday, March 1 ~ 2nd Sunday in Lent
9:30 AM Anna Adamo/healing
Monday, March 2
9:00 AM
Wednesday, March 4
9:00 AM The People of the Parish
Friday, March 6
9:00 AM
Saturday, March 7 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent/Vigil
5:30 PM Dave Barbuti
Sunday, March 8 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent
9:30 AM

Ministers of the Word

Saturday, March 7 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent/Vigil
5:30 PM Al Ceriale
Sunday, March 8 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent
9:30 AM Eric Halahan

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, March 7 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent/Vigil
5:30 PM Kim Grzybek (a), Brandon Kennedy (c)
Sunday, March 8 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent
9:30 AM Colleen Wall (a), Lisa Dyer (c)

Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Marion Andersen, Bridget Auer, Joanna Bach, Rob Brosnan, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, S.C., Kevin Burns, Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, Quinn Desibia, Anna DiMare, Michael DiMare, Marie DiMare, Marie Elena DiMare, Drew, Anna Gallo, Rocco Gallo, Kirk Haarklau, Margaret Hale, Linda Hembree, Diane Hriniaik, Mike Hurd, Fr. Joe Komonchak, MaryEllen Malone, Mark, Rob Marsh, Julia Oparski, Marianna Oparski, Carol Orlando, Frank Orlando, Brittany Osborne, Sal Rappo, Helen Ryan, Fran Salewski, Lula Shkreli, Chris Strobl, Deacon & Fran Trapani, Terry Waterson

Pray For Those Who Serve

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)
Juan Gonzales (Navy) Joshua Aaron Gross (MP - Deployed)
Kaila McGowan (Marines)
Robert Pape-Laucella (Marines) Joseph Ruize (Navy)
Pasko Shkreli (Army) Carissa Tironi (Army)
Nicholas Turner (Army) Elliott Weidel (Marines)

Pray for Residents of Facilities

Brad Ceriale, Gina Lempka, Fran Salamone, Sue Schmaus, Elissa Zahn, Vickie Zedda

Looking Ahead

A.A. Meetings
Thursday 6:30 PM Sunday 3:30 PM



Saturday, February 28 & Sunday, March 1
Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal
Commitment Weekend

Tuesday, March 3

Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Friday, March 6

First Friday Holy Hour with Exposition
9:30 AM (immediately following 9 AM Mass)
There will be no Stations of the Cross on 3/6.

Saturday, March 7

Faith, Food & Fun ~ 3:00-5:00 PM
For Religious Education Students & Families

Sunday, March 8

“No Greater Love” Performance
by The Xavier Company at 4:00 PM
Followed by a light supper. Please sign up.

Monday, March 9

Parish Council Meeting ~ 7:00 PM

Friday, March 13

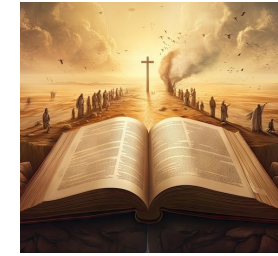
Stations of the Cross at 9:30 AM
(immediately following the 9 AM Mass)

Sunday, March 15 ~ 3:00 PM

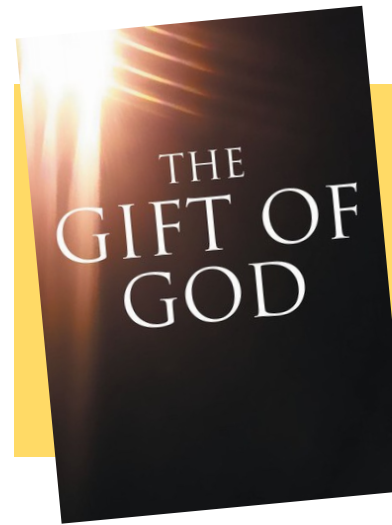
GMIC Choral Festival (see flyer for details)

Today's Scripture Readings

Genesis 12:1-4a
2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Matthew 17:1-9



**LIVING THE LITURGY:
THE GIFT
OF GOD**



Each of the Scripture readings today shows us the generosity of God. In the First Reading, God asks Abram to leave his homeland, but in turn promises him “a great nation.” The Responsorial Psalm speaks of the Lord’s deliverance and preservation for all who follow him. The Second Reading, taken from the Second Letter of the Apostle Paul to Timothy, reminds us of God’s salvation that was won for us, “not according to our works, but according to his own design.” In the Gospel Reading, Jesus offers the three apostles a glimpse of his own divine nature – what greater gift can God offer than himself?

Lent can seem like a time of deprivation and austerity, and in one sense, it is. Lent centers on the practice of fasting among others. However, fasting is not something we do for its own sake. In place of the smaller things we give up, we can recognize the greater generosity of God himself, who desires to fill our hearts with good things that are more profitable for us than we can imagine. If we listen to Jesus, he can transfigure us into his own sisters and brothers, children of God, that we too may shine like the sun.

Abraham provided a model response to the promptings of God. Where do you find it easy to follow the call of God? Where do you find it challenging?

The apostles are initially afraid of the transfigured Jesus. Have you ever been afraid at God’s presence in your life? Why?

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Stations of the Cross
Friday, March 6
9:30 AM
Immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass

the **Xavier Company**

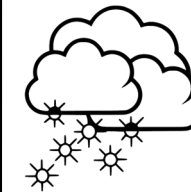


“No Greater Love”

The Passion of Christ in Drama, Song & Dance

Sunday
March 8
4:00 PM

Followed by a light supper. All are invited. Please sign up on the sheet in the Gathering Area.



Marilyn Pierce GMIC Warming Station

Due to the extreme weather and temperatures the Marilyn Pierce Warming Station for the Homeless continues to need donations of: NEW Men’s Boxer Briefs (all sizes); NEW Men’s T-Shirts (small); NEW heavy Insulated Gloves; NEW Thermals (long johns—all sizes); Ground Coffee; Tea; Individual Creamers; Hot Chocolate Packets. They go through A LOT of these items! Please bring your donations to the Gathering Area and place them in the marked box.

GMIC 10th Choral Music Festival

Sunday, March 15 at 3 pm
United Church of Middletown
25 Orchard St., Middletown

Featuring talented members of our congregations!

Free Will Offering

Proceeds benefit GMIC’s Marilyn Pierce Warming Station — a safe overnight space for homeless men and women served by hundreds of community volunteers.



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