

# ALL SAINTS

## CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



**Love God ♦ Serve Others ♦ Form Disciples**



**February 25 & February 26, 2023;  
First Sunday of Lent**

**“At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights.” Mt 4:1-2**

WEEKEND MASS TIMES		WEEKDAY MASS TIMES		ADORATION	
Saturday	4:00 PM	Tuesday	8:00 AM	Monday	5:30 - 6:30 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM	Tuesday	6:00 PM	Wednesday	8:30 - 9:30 AM
STATIONS OF THE CROSS		Wednesday	8:00 AM	RECONCILIATION	
Tuesday	5:30 PM	Thursday	8:15 AM	Tuesday	5:00 - 5:30 PM
		Friday	8:00 AM	Saturday	3:00 - 3:45 PM

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## Sacrament Information

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

By appointment only during this time.

### Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptism preparation class is required for parents. Contact Deacon Ed Martin ([DeaconEd@allsaintscr.com](mailto:DeaconEd@allsaintscr.com) or 319-364-7524) to schedule a class and date for the baptism (some date restrictions may apply).

### Sacrament of Matrimony:

Couples are to make arrangements at least six months before the intended date of the wedding in order to fulfill the necessary requirements. Please contact Deacon Mike Klappholz at [deaconmike@allsaintscr.com](mailto:deaconmike@allsaintscr.com) to begin the process.

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):

Classes are scheduled for Sunday Mornings beginning in the Fall. Contact Dan Tatara, Director of Formation, for more information at [formation@allsaintscr.com](mailto:formation@allsaintscr.com).

### Confirmation:

High school sophomores through seniors meet one Sunday per month from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM, September through February to prepare. Contact Isabelle Werner for more information ([youthministry@allsaintscr.com](mailto:youthministry@allsaintscr.com)).

### First Reconciliation & Eucharist:

Second graders combine home study and retreats to prepare for these sacraments. Contact Stacy Cataldo, Director of Catechesis, for more information at [catechesis@allsaintscr.com](mailto:catechesis@allsaintscr.com).

### Anointing of the Sick:

Please contact the office at 319-363-6130, ext. 100 to schedule anointings.

## Miscellaneous Information

### Newcomer Registration:

Call the Parish Office at 363-6130, ext. 100, or register on line at [www.allsaintscr.com](http://www.allsaintscr.com).

### Bulletin Deadline:

Items must be submitted electronically to the parish office by Noon on the preceding Monday to: [bulletin@allsaintscr.com](mailto:bulletin@allsaintscr.com).

## Please Pray For The Following People

(Why people want prayers isn't important, *the prayers are!*)



Vera Mehring, Brette Dostal, Pat Malloy, Scott Bembenek, Kevin Conway, Tina Schmitz, Christina Rinderknecht, Randy Krejci, Kerry Lynn, Christina Lynn, Tammy Fox Hingtgen, Isabelle Werner, Joyce Jeanblanc, Bette & Patrick Logan, Jim Thompson, Deb Gallagher, Mindi Van Gilder, Imelda Tatara, Stacey Lehr, Jenny Owens, Allan Murray, Elsa Mudong, Gregory Anexstad, Joe Zachar, Larry Richards, Nyle Pratt, Donna Feld, Teddy Sabet, Jerry Noel, Mary Gallagher, Boheman/Bowers Family, Jones Hingtgen, Jerry Alderson

### Parishioners & Family Members on Active Duty

Andy Murtha, Stephen Ocenosak, Zachary Gilbert, Ryer Barnes



To add a name call Dan Tatara, at 363-6130, ext. 112. Names will be listed for 4 weeks and may be renewed. ☩ Recently deceased will be listed for two weeks.

## Communal Anointing of the Sick During Mass March 11 & 12

During his ministry on earth, Jesus had a particular concern for sick people; he healed them not just with a word of power, but also with a human and compassionate touch.

The Anointing of the Sick, like all sacraments, is one way that the church continues the ministry of Jesus. Through it, Christ continues to touch, heal, and comfort. The Letter of James attests that this practice has always been part of ministry: "Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint [him] with oil in the name of the church" (5:14).

While the sacrament is often administered individually, the church encourages celebrating it within Mass. Many parishes celebrate it on one or more Sundays each year. The sacrament may be received by a baptized person who "begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age," according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church (1514)—seriously ill, but not necessarily near death—so it may not be apparent that someone receiving the sacrament is ill. The communal celebration reminds us that suffering is part of our human condition and may move us to look on each other with the compassion of Christ the healer. Celebrating this sacrament during Mass also helps us unite our sufferings with Christ's as we recall his body broken and his blood poured out for us.



Sacrament of Anointing

### Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a loved one remembered with a Mass, please call 319-363-6130 or stop by the office during business hours. We are scheduling



intentions for all of 2023.

## Nomination Weekend is March 4 & 5

Parish Elections for Council positions will be held soon! Please pray about who you would like to represent you on Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Board of Education and Faith Formation Commission. We will collect your recommendations at Masses on March 4 & 5, in preparation for elections May 6 & May 7. Self nominations are always welcome. Nominations may also be left in the parish office before March 6th. Nomination forms will be available soon.



## Scrip News

- We have new items in stock: Donutland in \$10 and \$25 cards, and McDonald's in \$10 cards  
 - We are welcoming new local merchants to participate in our scrip program! Contact Lori at [scrip@allsaintscr.com](mailto:scrip@allsaintscr.com) for more details.



### - Volunteers Needed

We are always looking for additional volunteers to participate in our scrip program! In which other ministry can you financially help our parish, our parish school, our school families, AND several church ministries, all without any additional cost to you?

Scrip's top volunteer need today: **adults to sell scrip after Mass**. It only takes a few minutes before Mass, 20-30 minutes after Mass, and it's always at least two people working together. Right now, scrip is sold after Masses only on the first full weekend of the month, due to lack of volunteers. The more people we have, the more often we can have scrip available after Mass. Email Lori at [scrip@allsaintscr.com](mailto:scrip@allsaintscr.com) to learn more.

More scrip information is available online! Scan the code to visit our website:

[sites.google.com/view/aptscrip](https://sites.google.com/view/aptscrip).



As always, scrip is available anytime at [RaiseRight.com](http://RaiseRight.com), plus order forms and drop boxes are in both the parish and school entryways.

*Thanks for supporting All Saints!*

## Stewardship Corner

What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship?  
 Possessions? Pride? Power?  
 Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us!



## METRO LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE



Thursday	March 09	St. Joseph Parish, Marion	6:30 PM
Tuesday	March 14	St. Matthew Parish, CR	6:00 PM
Sunday	March 19	St. John Parish, Mt. Vernon	2:00 PM
Sunday,	March 26	St. Mary Parish, Urbana	3:00 PM
Thursday	March 30	St. Jude Parish, CR	6:30 PM
Saturday	April 01	St. John XXIII Parish, Fairfax	9:00 AM

Make plans to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation this Lenten season.

## Mass Intentions

Tues	Feb 28	8:00 AM	For the People
Tues	Feb 28	6:00 PM	For the People
Wed	Mar 01	8:00 AM	For the People
Thurs	Mar 02	8:15 AM	✠ James Bries
Fri	Mar 03	8:00 AM	For the People
Sat	Mar 04	4:00 PM	For the People
Sun	Mar 05	9:00 AM	✠ Marie & Maynard Marek

## Scripture Readings

### Week of February 26, 2023

#### Sunday:

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17/Rom 5:12-19/Mt 4:1-11

#### Monday:

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

#### Tuesday:

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

#### Wednesday:

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

#### Thursday:

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

#### Friday:

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

#### Saturday:

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

#### Sunday:

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

## Opportunities for Prayer

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays, 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM in the Church.

### All Saints Prayer Group

Tuesdays at 3:00 PM in the church lower level.

### Prayer Tree

Available to anyone who would like us to pray for their intentions. Please call Ramona Welsh at 319-366-1770.

### Women's Prayer Group

Tuesday mornings after 8:00 AM Mass.

### M.O.M.S Rosary

7:30 PM 1st Monday of the month, Queen of All Saints Chapel.

### Prolife Rosary

Fridays after 8:00 AM Mass, in the Sanctuary.

### Parish Website

You may both submit and view prayer intentions any time at:

<https://allsaintscr.com/get-involved/prayer-requests>.

SEE, I AM DOING A NEW THING ... FOR HAITI

## The 2023 Lenten Alms for Haiti theme is "See, I am doing a new thing."



Members of our sister parish celebrate mass with music and dancing.

*By: Tina Lampe*

This year's Lenten Alms theme is an excerpt from Isaiah 43 and is a perfect description for how I got involved.

Several years ago, I went to a Haiti Committee meeting, thinking it was a parish council meeting. Some of the same people were around the table, so I didn't realize it until they passed out the agenda. I later told the group I hoped to join someday. Maybe it was fate. That "someday" was in 2018, when my daughter and I traveled to Haiti during her senior year in high school. I continued supporting the mission and began attending regular meetings. I went to Haiti again the following year, and I can't wait to go back when it's safe.

Being part of this "new thing" has positively affected many areas of my life. I met new friends, both All Saints parishioners and Haitians. I learned to appreciate things I take for granted, like access to clean water, food, employment, transportation, government, church, education, and more. But most of all, I was inspired by the friendly, generous, resilient, hope-filled people at our sister parish.

The parishioners at Notre Dame de Lourdes also want to "do new things," and our educational funding, prayers and presence (when possible) give

them hope. The children at our sister parish look forward to going to school. The teachers are dedicated and enjoy their ability to work and support their own families. And communities benefit from the injection of funds into their economy.

Haitians are plagued with civil unrest, political instability and natural disasters. But we can't lose hope – because they don't. They are proud of their heritage. They celebrate mass with beautiful music and dancing. And they treasure education, with the hope it will lead them to a life of independence and the ability to "do new things" themselves.

We invite you to "do a new thing" this Lent. Join us in supporting Haiti or choose another way to get involved in the parish. As always, we appreciate your ongoing prayers and contributions.

**Your Lenten Alms support education in Haiti.**

**Please give generously.**

Donate at [allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/giving](https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/giving) (choose "Haiti Education" from the drop-down) or send a check to the parish office with "Haiti" in the memo.

LOVE GOD, SERVE OTHERS, FORM DISCIPLES.

## See I am doing a new thing . . .

By Peg Schmitz, Faith Formation Commission

If you go to All Saints' parish website the 2023 Annual Giving theme "See, I am Doing a New Thing" is one of the first things you see under Announcements. Considering this "call to action" has me reflecting on how I might challenge myself in my spiritual growth this Lent. For me, Lent is an opportunity for prayerful contemplation on where I am in my spiritual development. There are many opportunities for additional prayer and contemplation this Lent at All Saints: Evening Adoration on Mondays at 5:30 in the chapel, Stations of the Cross followed by Mass on Tuesday evenings, communal reconciliation services, the Bible Study "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion" and the parish mission on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> and Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup>.

Contemplative prayer gives us time to assess areas of need and determine our next steps. Father Josh Johnson in his book "Pocket Guide to Adoration" encourages reading scripture and using *lectio divina* (divine reading) during Adoration. A very basic outline of *lectio divina* is:

**Read:** What does the Scripture text say in and of itself?

**Meditate:** What does the Scripture say to me?

**Pray:** Converse with the Holy Spirit of Jesus about what the Scriptures are saying to you.

**Contemplate:** Allow myself to be in the stillness of the gaze of Christ as I look at him.

**Resolve:** What concrete action will I take in my daily life in response to *lectio divina*?

Putting action with prayer stimulates our spiritual growth. It allows us the possibility to co-create with God. Saint Hildegard of Bingen was a 12th Century Benedictine abbess, mystic, composer, and writer. She described our role as: "Humankind, full of all creative possibilities, is God's work. Humankind alone is called to assist God. Humankind is called to co-create."

In "co-creating", we are not putting ourselves on the same level as God. We are surrendering ourselves to God, we are asking Him to make the best use of our unique gifts. In the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" it states that: "God is the sovereign master of his plan. But to carry it out he also makes use of his creatures' co-operation. For God grants his creatures not only their existence, but also the dignity of acting on their own, of being causes and principles for each other, and thus of co-operating in the accomplishment of his plan." (Paragraph 306)

During Lent, I try to take a deeper look at what might be blocking my ability to surrender. Many years ago, I was struggling with maintaining a positive attitude towards a particular person in my life. During prayer as I was literally listing all of this person's faults to God, I suddenly stopped and I really listened to what I had been saying and how it sounded. What an awful way to pray! It was almost like God was giving me an instant playback! I realized that I was attributing all kinds of intent to their actions. This was literally my story to myself and being the author I had the choice as to how the story was going to play out in my head. I felt I was standing at a crossroads with two choices as to how to proceed. Thankfully I was able to adjust my thoughts and attitude and my relationship with that individual is much better today.

I find using the visual aid of my thoughts as a path can be very helpful. Envisioning the not so positive path as dark and overgrown with nasty, thorny plants is a quick reminder of why you'd want to choose the lighter, clearer path that allows you to go further faster!

I read a meditation in the February 2023 Magnificat by Father Louis Bouyer recently. In that he wrote, "You cannot get rid of evil thoughts simply by rejecting them. They must be driven out by good thoughts. The Christian who dedicates and applies themselves to this renewal and perfection of themselves, beginning with their intelligence, will develop above all their ability to recognize the truth. To the degree that they develop it, they will see more and more clearly how every search for the truth tends, consciously or unconsciously, towards God."

I know I will be working on finding the lighter, clearer path this Lent!

## March Meetings

1st	Men of the Eucharist Library	7:00 PM
2nd	Parish Plant Library	5:30 PM
7th	Haiti Committee Library	6:30 PM
8th	Liturgy Library	5:15 PM
8th	Men of the Eucharist Library	7:00 PM
14th	Stewardship Library	6:15 PM
15th	School Board School	5:30 PM
15th	Men of the Eucharist Library	7:00 PM
16th	Pastoral & Finance Zoom	5:00 PM
21st	St. Annes Social Hall	1:00 PM
22nd	Men of the Eucharist Library	7:00 PM
23rd	FFC Library	6:00 PM
29th	Men of the Eucharist Library	7:00 PM

## Save the Date

### Confirmation Mass

March 5: 2:30 PM

### Parish Mission

March 26 and 27: 6:30 PM

### Holy Thursday

April 6: 5:30 PM

### Good Friday

April 7: 5:30 PM

### Easter Vigil

April 8: 8:00 PM

### Easter Sunday

April 9: 9:00 AM

### First Communion Mass

April 15: 4:00 PM

April 16: 9:00 AM

**Ministry Schedule**  
**March 4, 4:00 PM Saturday**

**Sacristan**

Mary Pat Wilkinson

**Extraordinary Ministers**

Aaron Kelly

Suzanne Lammers

Ellanor Morrissey

**Altar Servers**

Willa English

James Lammers

Remington Taylor

**Lectors**

Joan Murrin

Terry Murrin

**Hospitality Ministers**

Sue Bright

Chris Colby

Jen Colby

Ryan Donnelly

Peg Schmitz

Tom Takes

**March 5, 9:00 AM Sunday**

**Sacristan**

John Michael

**Extraordinary Ministers**

Stephanie Guzman

Tom Amosson

Gregory O'Connell

**Altar Servers**

Tate Cairney

Annabel Cairney

Roman Kilburg

**Lectors**

David Shema

Loesje Shema

**Hospitality Ministers**

Jeanne Amosson

Pete Rethwisch

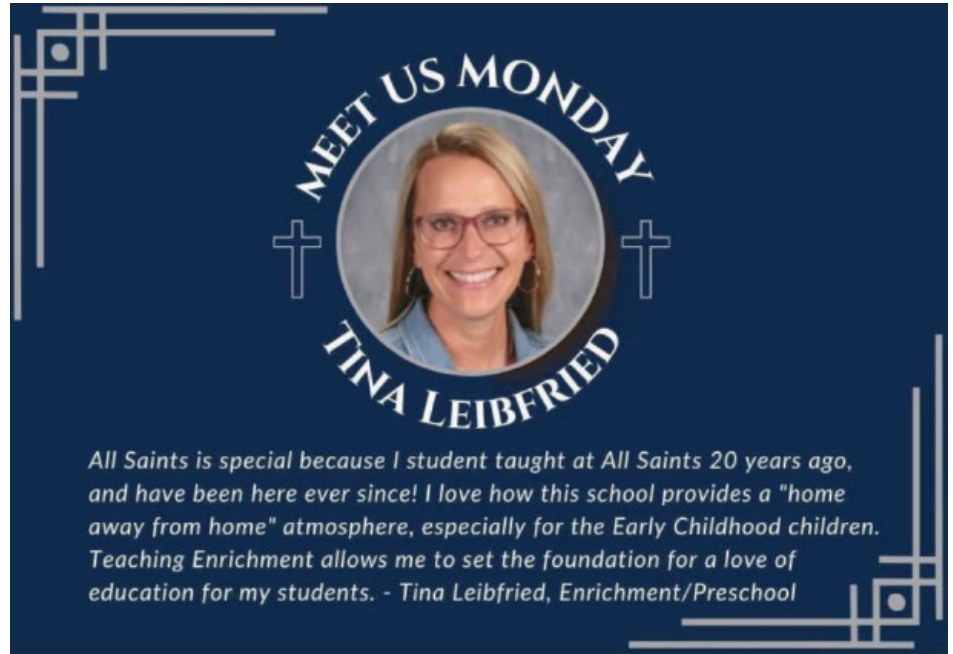
Bea Rethwisch

Tony Satariano

Chris Shimon

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# Bruins Beat



*All Saints is special because I student taught at All Saints 20 years ago, and have been here ever since! I love how this school provides a "home away from home" atmosphere, especially for the Early Childhood children. Teaching Enrichment allows me to set the foundation for a love of education for my students. - Tina Leibfried, Enrichment/Preschool*



LEARNING WITH A HIGHER PURPOSE

# KC LENTEN SEAFOOD DINNER *Fundraiser*

*All are Welcome!*  
*Bring your Family, Friends, & Neighbors*

## MENU

*\$15.00 age 12 yrs. and older*  
*\$6.00 Kids meal option*  
*FREE: Kids 5 and younger*

*Choose 1, of 3 Entree meals,*  
*Catered by HyVee, Mt. Vernon Road*

- 1. Baked Salmon/Tilapia fillet*
  - 2. Vegetarian Lasagna*
  - 3. Seafood Gumbo or Shrimp Alfredo (alternate weeks)*
- Includes: Salad, Dessert, Coffee, Milk, Fountain Pop*  
*Mac and Cheese Kids Meal Option Available*

# Feb. 24th-Apr. 7th

# 5PM-7PM, FRIDAYS!

# Family Ministry

**February 26, 2023 • First Sunday of  
Lent Matthew 4: 1-11**

**Get Away, Satan!**

*Jesus goes into the desert to pray and to fast. At the end of forty days he is tempted three times, first with food, then with power, and finally with riches. Jesus answers the tempter by quoting Scripture. The tempter responds with his own quotes from Scripture. Finally, Jesus tells the devil to go.*

Temptation is a part of life. Everyone must deal with it, even Jesus. One of our jobs as parents is to help our children develop a right conscience so they can face temptation. I remember when my young children were watching the movie Pinocchio and I was wishing my children had their own Blue Fairy.

There is a very solemn scene in the movie where the Blue Fairy asks Jiminy Cricket to kneel as she dubs him the “Lord high-keeper of right and wrong, counselor in moments of temptation.” Wouldn’t it be great if all our children were given tiny umbrella-wielding consciences to keep them on the straight and narrow.

As Christians, we have very definite ideas of what is right and wrong. We are called to value others as much as we value ourselves and to value our-selves as much as God values us.

We can try to help our children internalize this message by taking the time to listen and ask questions as they unpack their good deeds and bad. Why did they do what they did? How did they feel? Did the action help or hurt others or themselves? How was the action wrong or right? We will do well if we teach our children to ask themselves these questions before they act.

We play the role of Jiminy Cricket for the first few years of our children’s lives. We are the outside voice that points out right from wrong, until, we hope, like Pinocchio, they learn from their mistakes and successes and begin to listen to the quiet voice inside.

Then, like that little wooden boy, they, too, are on their way to becoming all their Creator hopes they will be.

## FAMILY RESPONSE

Have family members talk about what they think they will be like in ten years. What do they think God would want them to be like in ten years?

## PERSONAL RESPONSE

Write down your responses to the Family Response. How do you feel about your response?

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## Ministry Schedule

**March 11, 4:00 PM Saturday**

**Sacristan**

Cate Biro

**Extraordinary Ministers**

Joan Fishburn

Anrew Lang

Alison Prentice

**Altar Servers**

Joseph Cataldo

Vivy Robbins

Emma Colby

**Lectors**

Teel Thebeau

Kathy Ulrich

**Hospitality Ministers**

Elie AbouRaad

Chris Colby

Jen Colby

Ryan Donnelly

Peg Schmitz

Tom Takes

**March 12, 9:00 AM Sunday**

**Sacristan**

Joe Latta (sub req.)

**Extraordinary Ministers**

Bill Knapp

Dianne Knapp

Dennis Mullarkey

**Altar Servers**

Adalyn LaMere

Bella Schmidt

Eli Shane

**Lectors**

Lynn Holverson

Todd Holverson

**Hospitality Ministers**

Jeanne Amosson

Pete Rethwisch

Bea Rethwisch

Tony Satariano

Chris Shimon

**Not Filled**

## Service to Others

### Metro Catholic Outreach



Thanks to you,  
the food pantry  
served 355

Metro Catholic Outreach people from 123 families last week, as well as providing 45 homeless bags and 28 school bags.

#### Pantry Needs

Canned Meat	Potatoes/Rice
Helper Meals	Soup/Stew/Chili
Pancake Mix	Mac & Cheese
Syrup	Peanut Butter
Pork & Beans	Canned Fruit
Soap/Body Wash	Single Serve Meals
Toilet Paper	Shampoo
Laundry Pods	Dental Supplies
Plastic and brown paper bags	

**Thank you all for everything you do for MCO!**

### All Saints Nights at Green Square Meals

All Saints helps prepare and serve dinner at Green Square Meals soup kitchen, 2-3 times a month. Sign up to help at the link below or contact Melissa Peckosh (847-975-1785 or [missypeckosh@yahoo.com](mailto:missypeckosh@yahoo.com)).

**ALL SAINTS NIGHTS: 2nd & 5th Tuesday, 3rd Monday**

**All volunteers in grades 6 and up are welcome.** Sign up at: <https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm>

### Take Away Hunger Food Packaging

We have temporarily postponed the packing events the last Sunday of even numbered months



after mass. When pandemic restrictions are eased, you may also host an event; the

more events, the better! Contact Bea Rethwisch at 319-651-4831 or [pbr8675@msn.com](mailto:pbr8675@msn.com).

## You are Cordially Invited...



Welcome to the first Sunday of Lent. One may find my greeting a bit strange. Welcome? Lent is typically viewed as a time of denial; a time to just get through and just get it over. Lent is a time that we slog through and hope that Easter gets here quickly. Welcome?

Well, that attitude has been one I have also shared at times. As we ponder all of the readings for today, though, I feel that this year, they are calling us to so much more. Let's make Lent different this year by immersing ourselves into the story. Today's readings are a great place to start our Lenten journey.

Take a few minutes this week to contemplate the faceted glass window of Adam, Eve and the serpent. We have posted a picture of this on our website if you are not able to do this in person. Gaze at this window; picture yourself in the Garden of Eden: the warm temperature, the cooling breeze, the scent and color of beautiful flowers, the tranquility of babbling brooks, the calm of knowing that all your needs are being met. Feel the utter sense of peace that this brings and allow the muscles in the body to relax. Take a deep breathe and exhale any remaining tension. Do you hear that? There is a rustling in the tree leaves that is not from a breeze. A slight tilt of the head brings the serpent into view. Ah - it is the serpent. There is no fear as the serpent speaks; just curiosity. But as I listen, the words the serpent speaks bring physical and emotional tension. The serpent is telling me to do something that God has told me not to do. God is my friend; He walks with me every evening. Why would I want to do something that He told me not to do? It can be very uncomfortable, but let's sit with those feelings for a few minutes.

In the book, Forgiveness - A Guide for Prayer by Jacqueline Syrup Bergan and Marie Schwan, CSJ, they propose that, "the common interpretation of the tree [is] in terms of pleasure, possessions and power. [These] are all contained within this pursuit of self..." We see this in ourselves and in our culture. The world around us is much like the serpent. We are constantly bombarded with the message that we deserve all that we can get, no matter the means used to obtain it. Return to the garden. What fruit(s) on the tree of knowledge is the serpent tempting you to eat? Take the time to name them and write them down.

We'd all like to think that we, like Jesus, would tell Satan to go take a hike as he presents and tempts us with worldly things for which God has not created us. If we are honest, though, I think that many of us, like Adam and Eve, would eat the fruit. And it's likely that we really didn't even much care about the fruit. We just don't like to be denied something that we think or are told that someone else has and we do not. It's not that God does not want us to have good things in our life. It's not that God doesn't want us to have ambition and be the best person that we can be. Rather He has created us as individuals who all have a unique true self that in cooperation with others is meant to bring about a community that restores the world to focusing on the common good for all not just for some.

Return to the garden one last time. Really focus on the fruit. What if this year, we said no or tried to wean ourself off the "fruit" we listed? Giving up chocolate, snacks, coffee, alcohol, etc. is good as long as one is doing it to strengthen the true self within. But if we use those items as a temporary means to an end, how is that helping us to journey with Jesus to the cross? How is that restoring the bond between God and the world that was broken when we ate of the tree of knowledge?

And so, I invite you to attend the weekend liturgy (and then the next and the next...) Immerse yourself in the Lenten journey this year. Attend Stations, daily Mass, devote 5 minutes each day to prayer, etc. This Lent, let us come together to be healed, to be restored and to be transformed.

Praying with you always.

Tracy Huk Business Manager



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### All Saints Lenten Mission

Save the date for the All Saints Mission!

**When:** March 26 and March 27, 6:30—8:00 PM

**Who:** Deacon Allen Tatara

**What:** Recharging Your Spiritual Batteries

In many ways, our spiritual life is a lot like a cell phone battery.

There are times when our "spiritual battery" is fully charged.

We're into the Scriptures, our prayer life is healthy, our spiritual

appetite is good, and our passion and enthusiasm is running high. But then there are times when our "spiritual battery" is low or even dead. We have no hunger for God's word. We spend little or no time in prayer. Our spiritual passion is gone, and we're just going through the motions in our spiritual life.

This mission (through Scripture, stories, humor, and song) will offer six spiritual practices that we need to follow to recharge our spiritual batteries in order to renew our strength, restore our joy, release our anxieties, rekindle our hope, and reconnect us with God.

Deacon Allen Tatara is a permanent deacon in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Ordained in 2009, he serves at St. Hubert Parish in Hoffman Estates, Illinois. He has been involved with teens and young adults for more than 30 years, and is blessed to work alongside his wife, Stephanie, as Youth Ministry Coordinators at the parish.

Deacon Allen is a dynamic and fiery speaker, preacher, storyteller, musician and evangelizer. He loves sharing his God-given gifts in his ministries and is truly humbled to be in service to God and his people. He ministers around the country at diocesan, school, and parish adult and youth events. He has motivated and inspired groups of all ages to a greater awareness of how to recognize God's presence in their daily lives through his unique blend of storytelling, humor, audience participation, music, and deep-seeded spirituality.



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