<u>Liturgy Schedule</u>

Cantor Sr. Amy

Saturday 5pm

Lector

Parish Life Director

Brenda Marshall

Sister Amy Westbrook awestbrook@cdlex.org

Gifts
Bob Dahl

Eucharistic Minister

Sacramental Minister

Jeremiah Gilbert

Fr. Livinus Uba

Announcements

- Our next pilgrimage is scheduled for Sunday (tomorrow) to St. Mark's in Richmond.
 Meet here at church at 9 am for car-pooling, Mass begins at 11 am. Bring a little money for lunch in Richmond.
- Wednesday afternoon at 4 pm we will have an hour of Adoration. This is a great time to come and spend a quiet time of prayer with the Lord as a special Lenten devotion.
- A Simple Supper of soup and bread will take place between Adoration and Bible Study (5 pm). All are welcome!
- This Wednesday we will resume our Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark in the parish hall. 5:30 6:30pm.
- Please join us for Stations of the Cross on Friday at 4:30 pm. The Way of the Cross is an experience and reflective journey that pilgrims take to remember the Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem. The objective of this practice is to make a spiritual pilgrimage through the Passion of Christ. Using postures such as standing, kneeling, and genuflecting, we can consider and embrace the terrible suffering endured and awesome love given for us through the Cross.
- We are invited to light a Memorial Candle in the back of Church for a special cause, or in memory of a loved one during this season of Lent. Suggested donation is \$.50 per candle. This collection of money will go for food to place in our Blessing Box.
- Last Saturday Offertory 2/10/2024 \$111.00

Liturgy Notes

Breaking Bread: p.72 First Sunday of Lent

Music:

Entrance: #198 "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

Offertory: #663 "Hosea"

Communion: #345 "Seed, Scattered and Sown" Closing: #436 "Though the Mountains May Fall"

<u>Psalm Response</u>: Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant"

Dear Holy Cross Parish,

Pope Francis writes in this year's Lenten message to the people: "Lent is a season of conversion, a time of freedom" during which Christians seek to rediscover God's call and promise. Through prayer, almsgiving and fasting, Christians experience "openness and self-emptying, in which we cast out the idols that weigh us down, the attachments that imprison us."

Pope Francis invites every Christian community to ask its members to "rethink their lifestyles" and to examine their role in society and the contribution they can make to its betterment.

"Let us ask: Do I want a new world? Am I ready to leave behind my compromises with the old?" the Pope wrote, inviting the faithful to "keep seeking and be ready to take risks." I think this is exactly what Jesus did as he opened the world up to God's love.

Yours in Christ, Sr. Amy (614-282-2103)



Gospel Reflection:

Following his baptism, Jesus fasted in the desert for forty days. There he faced the same temptations to stop trusting God's care and power that Adam and Eve faced in the Garden of Eden...the same temptations faced by the Israelites in their forty-year journey through the desert to the Promised Land. Jesus shares the experience of his people but stays faithful and trusting. We now follow Jesus as God's people chosen in the New Covenant. We share his experience and seek the faith he lived so completely.

(Faith Sharing for Small Communities by Baranowski)

Reflection Question:

Recall an experience when you had to trust without assurances.

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First Sunday of Lent Vigil, February 17, 2024



"One does not live by bread alone, but on every word forth from the mouth of God."