

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

CONFESSIONS HEARD BEFORE ALL MASSES.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 — First Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Low	Celebrant's Intention
10:30 a.m. High	Celebrant's Intention
1:00 p.m. Low	Pro Populo

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27 — Feria

6:30 a.m.	Celebrant's Intention
9:00 a.m.	Rebecca Fidero

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28 — Feria

6:30 a.m.	Natalie & Patrick Singletary
9:00 a.m.	† Matthew & Bernice Nies

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 — Ember Wednesday in Lent

6:30 a.m.	Celebrant's Intention
9:00 a.m.	Michael & Roxene Saviano

THURSDAY, MARCH 2 — Feria

6:30 a.m.	Celebrant's Intention
9:00 a.m.	David Johnson

Adoration after 9:00 a.m. Mass until 3:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3 — Ember Friday in Lent

9:00 a.m.	Celebrant's Intention
7:00 p.m.	† Traci Ann Nies

Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. followed by Mass.

SATURDAY, MARCH 4 — Ember Saturday in Lent

7:00 a.m.	Celebrant's Intention
9:00 a.m.	Sebastian Carver

SUNDAY, MARCH 5 — Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Low	Celebrant's Intention
10:30 a.m. High	Pro Populo
1:00 p.m. Low	Celebrant's Intention



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February 26, 2023 — First Sunday of Lent

FR. RAPOPORT will be out of town March 1-9.

LEGION OF MARY All members of the Legion of Mary both Active and Auxiliary are invited to attend the Diocesan wide ACEIS ceremony at Saint Thomas the Apostle on Saturday March 11th. The ACEIS oaths will take place in the church after the 10:00 am mass. The Curia meeting and lunch buffet follows.



An apostolate of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter for the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be hosting their annual Lenten Food Drive to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Bins for nonperishable foods will be available the 1st-4th Sundays of Lent. May God reward you.

YOUR PRAYERS are kindly requested for the health of Fr. John Azar, that he may make a speedy and full recovery.


DOM GUÉRANGER ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT:

Lent solemnly opens to-day. We have already noticed, that the four preceding days were added since the time of St. Gregory the Great, in order to make up Forty days of fasting. Neither can we look upon Ash Wednesday as the solemn opening of the Season, for the Faithful are not bound to hear Mass on that day.

Each Sunday of Lent offers to our consideration a passage from the Gospel, which is in keeping with the sentiments wherewith the Church would have us be filled. To-day she brings before us the Temptation of our Lord in the Desert. What light and encouragement there is for us in this instruction! We acknowledge ourselves to be sinners; we are engaged, at this very time, in doing penance for the sins we have committed; —but, how was it that we fell into sin? The devil tempted us; we did not reject the temptation; then, we yielded to the suggestion, and the sin was committed. This is the history of our past; and such it would, also, be for the future, were we not to profit by the lesson given us, to-day, by our Redeemer.

When the Apostle speaks of the wonderful mercy shown us by our Divine Saviour, who vouchsafed to make himself like to us in all things, save in sin, he justly lays stress on his temptations [Heb. iv. 15]. He, who was very God, humbled himself even so low as this, to prove how tenderly he compassionated us. Here, then, we have the Saint of Saints allowing the wicked spirit to approach him, in order that we might learn, from His example, how are to gain victory under temptation. But, let us observe how it is, that our Divine Model, our Redeemer, overcomes the tempter. Does he hearken to his words? Does he allow the temptation time? and give it strength by delay? We did so, when we were tempted, and we fell. But our Lord immediately meets each temptation with the shield of God's word. He says: *It is written: Not on bread alone doth man live. - It is written: Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. - It is written: The Lord thy God shalt thou adore, and Him only shalt thou serve.* - This, then, must be our practice for the time to come.

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A - ve Re-gí-na cæ-ló-rum, * A-ve Dómi-na Ange-
ló-rum: Salve ra-dix, salve porta, Ex qua mundo lux est
orta: Gaude Virgo glo-ri- ó-sa, Super omnes spe-ci- ó-sa:
Va-le, o valde decó- ra, Et pro no-bis Christum ex-ó- ra.

INFORMATION & CONTACTS

Eucharistic Exposition: Thurs. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Friday after evening Mass

Rosary: Before 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Sunday Masses

Baptism: Contact the parish at least three months before birth

Marriage: Contact the parish at least six months before the wedding

Inquirers Class (*For prospective converts*): Contact Fr. Rapoport

Religious Education for Children: Sundays at 9:15 a.m. To register, contact the parish office.

FNE Catholic Explorers Scouting Group: info@atlantafne.org

Juventutem Young Adults Group (18-35): juventutematlanta@gmail.com

Choir: Contact director@sfd choir.com for auditions

Guild of St. Stephen: Altar boy society, meets 1st Saturday of every month; contact Fr. Rapoport for more information.

Saint Gerard Ministry: Support for expectant mothers; contact stgerardministry@gmail.com

Legion of Mary: Sundays at 2:20 p.m. in the parish library; contact legionofmaryvirgofidelis@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus: <https://sites.google.com/view/kofc14625/home>

Confraternity of Christian Mothers: contact Fr. Rapoport