



# Saint Philip Parish

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## Lenten Schedule

February 22 – April 8, 2012

*“Lent is a privileged time of interior pilgrimage towards Him Who is the fount of mercy. It is a pilgrimage in which He Himself accompanies us through the desert of our poverty, sustaining us on our way towards the intense joy of Easter.”*

~ Pope Benedict XVI on “Lent”

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The word “Lent” means “springtime” because it is our annual opportunity to change, to grow, to deepen our friendship with God in Jesus Christ through the life of the Holy Spirit. Lent is “basic training” when we concentrate on the 3 pillars that constitute this Holy Season of grace: prayer, fasting, and works of mercy.

We encourage you to participate to your fullest in the Masses, devotions, and activities that are outlined in this flyer. Especially we urge you to consider participating at daily Mass. The official rules of the Church governing our fasting and abstinence are basic and minimal. All of us are urged to find ways to “give up” and cut back in all areas of life, not just food and drink!

Finally, our works of charity must be joyful and generous as we become more aware of our own poverty before God by noticing and responding to the poverty of others. Let us open wide the doors to Christ through His suffering, dying and rising, for us and in us!

God bless you and God bless our Lent!



### Lenten Fast Regulations

Lent is the 40-day period before Easter. The Christian faithful are to do penance through prayer, fasting, abstinence and performing works of piety and charity. On **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**, Catholics between the ages of **18 & 59** are to observe a modified **fast** (one full meal a day, no eating between meals). Catholics age **14** and over **abstain** from meat on **Ash Wednesday** and every **Friday** during Lent.

A time to consider the giving up of what we are, for what we may become.



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### Ash Wednesday

Masses at **8 AM, 12 Noon**  
and **7 PM**  
Ash Service at **4 PM**

### Daily Mass Schedule

Mondays through Saturdays, **8 AM**  
Mondays, **12 Noon**  
Tuesdays thru Fridays, **5:30 PM**  
(Mass on Fridays at 5:30 PM begins  
Friday—February 24)

### Stations of the Cross



- † Wednesdays at **1:30 PM**  
(beginning February 29)
- † Fridays at **6 PM**  
(following the 5:30 PM Mass  
beginning February 24)

### Parish Lenten Mission

**Father Pat Martin** will offer our Lenten Mission. Father Pat will preach at Masses on Saturday and Sunday, March 24 and 25 and then will continue preaching the Mission on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday – March 26, 27, and 28 at 7 PM.



### A "Just-For-Men" Movie Night

will be held in Saint Philip Parish Center on Thursday – March 1 at 6:30 PM. The inspired and inspiring film *Courageous* will be shown with a discussion following the film. All men and young men at least 16 years old are welcome and encouraged to attend this free evening. A light supper will be served before the film begins.

### Operation Rice Bowl

Operation Rice Bowl is the official Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services calling us to reach out to assist our brothers and sisters around the world. Operation Rice Bowl boxes are available next to the parish bulletins at the entrances to the church. The Operation Rice Bowl collection will be taken on Palm Sunday, April 1.

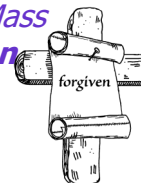


## All-Day Confessions

**Saturday - March 31**  
**8:30 AM to 3 PM**

Confessions are heard on:

**Saturdays** from **3 PM – 3:45 PM**  
**First Friday - March 2, 6 PM – 7 PM**  
**Holy Week** after 8 AM daily Mass and  
before 5:30 PM daily Mass  
**Holy Saturday 10 AM – 12 Noon**



## Sacred Triduum

### Holy Thursday – April 5

- † Morning Prayer at **8 AM**
- † No Perpetual Adoration after Morning Prayer until after the Noon Mass on Easter Sunday.
- † Mass of the Lord's Supper, **7 PM**
- † Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Our Lady's Chapel following the Mass until **Midnight**.



### Good Friday – April 6

- † Morning Prayer at **8 AM**
- † Stations of the Cross at **3 PM**
- † Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Holy Communion at **7 PM**

### Holy Saturday – April 7

- † Morning Prayer at **8 AM**
- † Confessions **10 AM – 12 Noon**
- † Easter Vigil at **8 PM**

### Easter Sunday - April 8



**Easter Masses at**  
**7:30 AM, 9 AM, 10:30 AM** and  
**12 Noon (no Mass at 6 PM)**