

Calendar

Monday

February 26

Lenten Weekday

Dn 9:4b–10

Lk 6:36–38

Tuesday

February 27

Lenten Weekday

Is 1:10, 16–20

Mt 23:1–12

Wednesday

February 28

Lenten Weekday

Jer 18:18–20

Mt 20:17–28

Thursday

March 1

Lenten Weekday

Jer 17:5–10

Lk 16:19–31

Friday

March 2

Lenten Weekday

Gn 37:3–4, 12–13a,
17b–28a

Mt 21:33–43, 45–46

Saturday

March 3

Lenten Weekday

Mi 7:14–15, 18–20

Lk 15:1–3, 11–32

Sunday

March 4

Third Sunday
of Lent

Ex 20:1–17 or

Ex 20:1–3, 7–8, 12–17

1 Cor 1:22–25

Jn 2:13–25

Dear Padre,

Our guitar group plays music five minutes before the opening song at Mass. By the time the interminable *Gloria* is sung, I already have a headache! Why so much music?

At Mass, the faithful “form one body, whether in hearing the Word of God, or in taking part in the prayers and in the singing, or above all by the common offering of the Sacrifice and by participating together at the Lord’s table” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 96). Thus, liturgical music can be a form of prayer, uniting the assembly in praise to God. Ideally, it’s “a particularly apt way to express a joyful heart, accentuating the



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solemnity of the celebration and fostering the sense of a common faith and a shared love” (On Keeping the Lord’s Day Holy [*Dies Domini*], 50) by Pope John Paul II.

However, this ideal isn’t always reality. To address your question, let us divide humanity into two groups: people who like

to sing and people who don’t; those who sing in full voice in the shower and those who prefer monastic silence. Every congregation includes both groups. While not everyone is naturally inclined to make a joyful noise, most people appreciate music’s power to give voice to what’s deep in the human heart.

Some may even feel there’s not *enough* music at Mass instead of too much. Nevertheless, happy the liturgical ministers who know when the sum of the individual Mass parts—sung or otherwise—can become too tedious. And blessed are the music makers who know the power of silence, an instrumental, or an optional recessional song, even for solemn occasions.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR | From *Liguorian* magazine, October 2017
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A Word From Pope Francis

Lent...is a special time for recalling the gift of our baptism, when we became children of God. The Church invites us to renew the gift she has given us, not to let this gift lie dormant as if it were something from the past or locked away in a memory chest.

—Homily, February 14, 2016



Second Sunday Of Lent



February 25th, 2018

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**

Both Before Mass and by Appointment.
Mass Schedule for this Week

Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am +Tara 'Lyne' Robinson
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 4:00 pm Our Parish Family
Sun 9:00am +Tara 'Lyne' Robinson
Sun 6pm Our Parish Family

Mon 8 am Benefactors
Tues 8am Spec int
Wed 6pm +Tara 'Lyne' Robinson
Thu 8am +Fr Pete
Fri 8am +Tara 'Lyne' Robinson

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends, Jesus likes you. Jesus loves you. Jesus longs for you!

How are your Lenten resolutions? By the time week two rolls around, plenty of well-meaning people have skipped, neglected, or outright forgotten their Lenten resolutions at least once. It can be easy to start excusing our Lenten commitments altogether.

Last week we saw Jesus driven into the desert. This Sunday, we see Jesus leading his disciples to an equally barren place: he "led them up a high mountain apart by themselves." But what happens there? "And he was transfigured before them and his clothes became dazzling white." Today's Gospel reminds us of the goal. We don't enter into the desert for the sake of suffering, but for the sake of transformation.

Mountain imagery is prevalent throughout Scripture. The sacrifice of Isaac, Moses receiving the 10 Commandments, Elijah's revelation of God as a tiny whispering sound: all these occur on the mountaintop. Mountains are strenuous to hike. To assist the traveler in the ascent, trails often involve switchbacks. These lead the traveler back and forth across the mountainside, sometimes appearing as if hardly any ground is gained. Perhaps Peter, James, and John hiked a similar path as Jesus led them up the side of Mount Tabor.

A climb is difficult. A climb in a barren place leaves you thirsty, exhausted, and quite possibly frustrated or discouraged. Yet this is precisely how Jesus leads his closest disciples. Why? Because he has something to reveal to them. Practically speaking, Jesus needed to bring Peter, James and John away from the crowds for this revelation of glory to remain hidden. There are spiritual truths we will

encounter only if we pass through difficulty. So, let's persevere this Lent! Today's Gospel invites us to trust that, if we persevere in following Jesus, he'll lead us to something beautiful and glorious as well.

May God bless all of us! Enjoy your praying!

...Fr. Khoa

The Catholic Sharing Appeal Campaign:

This year's Catholic Sharing Appeal calls us to a quieter place in our world, our homes, and especially our hearts. As we enter into God's love more deeply through prayer, please remember those in our communities who long for God's love and presence in their lives. Help us to be perfect examples of His love to our brothers and sisters through our prayers, works, and lives. Our parish goal is \$15,891 for St. Ann and \$1,595 for Our Lady of Chartres. Thank you for your generosity.

Knights of Columbus: Meet next Sunday.
For more info, contact Garland M. 697-1266.

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: **
80 Identifiable: **\$1,747.00**; Loose: **\$1,391.00**;
Total: **\$3,138.00**; Children: **\$22.30**. Black and
Indian Missions: **\$297.00**, Building Fund:
\$25.00

OUR LADY OF CHARTRES
STEWARDSHIP: Identifiable: **\$85.00;**
Loose: **\$198.00** Total: **\$283.00**.

****Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.**

Thank you for your generosity.

First Friday Adoration

Please join us at St. Ann this **Friday, March 2nd**. for **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**. **Adoration** will begin after the 9:00am Mass and end about 9:30am. Please come as "**Jesus longs for your visit**".

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Feb 24 5pm	Lisa Cuevas	Doris Snowden, Mike Mays, Diane Mays	Austin S.	Doug Ladner Kermit	Mary Ladner
Sun 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Feb 25 9am	John Davis	Lester Palmer, Carolyn Brewer, Robin Peterson	Will Keegan	Robert Pat	Pat & Robin Peterson Family
Sun 6pm	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Sat March 03 5pm	Lanny Acosta	Rita Acosta, WC King, Lennell King	Austin S.	Mike John Necaize	August & Ruth Schonewitz
Sun 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun March 04 9am	Kim Wood	James Quintini, Will Burke, Susan Peleaz	Nick Jaseigh	Garland Dale	Franke & Emma Ladner
Sun 6pm	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES

Lenten Fish Fry: Please join us each Friday evening during Lent for the Fish Fry Buffet from 4-7pm. The profit will be shared among the ministries. Thank you very much for your support and generosity.

Friday Stations of the Cross: Please join us each Friday evening during Lent for the Stations of the Cross. The Stations begin at 6:00p.m. at St Ann.

Church Cleaning: Thank you Marie Chasse for cleaning the church on Feb 18 & 25. Keshia Palmer will clean the church on March 2 and 9. Thank you

Bereavement Committee: Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

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SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE
Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Please contact us well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic pre-nuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:
Leslie Cuevas, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Breanna Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, Margaret Northrop, Andrew, James Moran, Sharon Somora, Patricia Lizana, August Schonewitz, William Shaw, Robert Necaize, Nancy Ladner, Matt Bryant, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Emmie Tubbs, Jenny Hinton, Marie Cuevas, Jayz Lind, and Sharon Smith.