

LENT

Pray + Fast + Give

Holy Thursday and Good Friday Collection

On Holy Thursday and Good Friday we have two special collections to address very special needs. According to a longstanding Church tradition, parishes do not take up a collection for the benefit of the parishes themselves on Good Friday. Any funds collected that day typically are given to the poor or to an organization that serves the poor. Our Diocese mandates a Good Friday collection for the upkeep of the Catholic shrines in the Holy Land. So, here at St. Bavo, we choose to devote our Holy Thursday collection to the poor, through the "Operation Rice Bowl" envelopes. While we do not physically take up a collection during the Good Friday liturgy, you may drop your envelopes for the Holy Land into the collection basket either on Holy Thursday or Easter Sunday.

Lent remains, as it always has been, the Church's preparation for Easter. Lent is marked by two themes, the baptismal and the penitential. Every member of the parish is invited to prepare for the Easter renewal of Baptism by entering into deeper prayer, penance, and renewal. This preparation is also social. Our private disciplines of fasting, prayer and almsgiving must be linked to the wonderful rites and parish programs our community celebrates. We are invited to move forward to the paschal Lamb as a people of faith to the new and eternal Jerusalem.

REGULATIONS

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday: Days of Fast and Abstinence. Fasting means limit of one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive. Abstinence means no meat permitted for those who have reached 14th year.

All Fridays of Lent: Days of Abstinence for all who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

All Days of Lent: Voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

Lenten Confession Schedule

All Saturdays

**February 25th thru April 8th
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM**



The Light is on for You!

**Tuesday, March 14th
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM**



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday in Lent

at 5:30 PM

HOLY WEEK



Palm Sunday Masses – Saturday, April 1st – 5 PM

Sunday, April 2nd – 7:00 AM Mass

9:00 AM Mass

11:00 AM Mass

Palms blessed at each Mass

Chrism Mass: Monday, April 3rd – 7:00 PM at St. Matthew Cathedral

Easter Triduum

Triduum means “three days”. The Paschal Triduum is the three days, counted sunset to sunset, from Holy Thursday night through the Easter Vigil.

During these days we keep one festival---our Passover, our Easter.

We come together with all the people of our parish,
to fast, pray and keep watch with the Lord.

Holy Thursday: April 6th – 7 PM Mass of the Lord’s Supper
(Church will remain open until 9 PM for Adoration)

Good Friday April 7th – 12:30 PM Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
5:30 PM Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday: April 8th – 9:00 PM Easter Vigil
(No 5 PM Mass)

Easter Sunday: April 9th – 7:00 AM Mass
9:00 AM Mass
11:00 AM Mass