

St. Francis PRE

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Lent

Special points of interest:

- *Keep practicing prayers at home.*
- *As a family, can you do a Lenten sacrifice together.*

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What does Lent mean to you? When you hear Lent, what is the first thing that comes to mind? Is it that we have to eat Fish on Ash Wednesday and every Friday till Easter? What is your Lenten Sacrifice you are going to do? Whatever it is, are you keeping in mind the sacrifice that Jesus did for us during these 40 days?

In the back of church there is a book called “the WORD Among Us”. This book has some amazing stories in the front of the book. Stories that talk about how Jesus suffered for us. Could He have called the angels to save Him from the punishments He was about to suffer? Yes He could of but He did not. He suffered the death He did for

all of us. He wanted to show us all the love He has for us.

It talks about how if we are not able to receive Jesus’ blood during Mass but if we receive His body, we are receiving Him in full, body and blood. Is that not amazing? It is. We need to remember that partaking in Mass during this trying time is what reminds us of God’s love for us. He is there for us, we join our community family in church to celebrate God’s love. Nothing can stop God’s love for us.

The last story I want to touch on is where it talks about what sacrifice we are going to give during Lent. It states you can give up chocolate, or give up technology or coffee. Or are



Can you do something this Lent to change the world just a little?

you going to do something that can change the world just a little? There are simple things you can do that make a difference in the world today.

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Class

With the PRE year coming to an end, there are still a lot that we need to do to make sure your children are on track for when they have to start

preparing for the next sacrament that they are to receive. Prayers is one area.

I encourage each of you help your child practice the prayers

they are needing a little more help to know. We will be attending church a couple times yet before Easter to go over the Stations of the Cross. Doing the Stations will hopefully allow the kids to understand what Jesus had to go through just so we can have the change to live our eternal life with Him.

I have been talking to the 4-6 Graders about the decisions they are making today, are they happy with these decisions if they were taken from this Earth today? I tell them that no one can change what they do but themselves. And that saying goes for all of us as well.

Jesus loves us no matter what, but we have to show Jesus we love Him as well. We have to open that door with Jesus to have that relationship with him. He is waiting, waiting for us to reach out to him to ask him to be in our lives. As I tell the kids, all our gifts come from God, we need to take time to thank Him.



God looks past our faults and loves us if we are willing to come to Him to confess our sins.

2023-2024 Yearly Schedule

~~Sept 6 — First night of class~~

~~Sept 10 — Confirmation retreat in
Tarnov at Noon~~

~~Sept 13 — Class~~

~~Sept 20 — Class~~

~~Sept 27 — Class~~

~~Oct 1 — Bazaar~~

~~Oct 4 — Mass~~

~~Oct 11 — Class~~

~~Oct 18 — Class~~

~~Oct 22 — Confirmation~~

~~Oct 25 — Class~~

~~Nov 1 — Holy Day (mass)~~

~~Nov 8 — Class~~

~~Nov 15 — Class~~

~~Nov 22 — No Class HAPPY TURKEY DAY~~

~~Nov 29 — Class/First Reconciliation
Parent meeting @ 7pm in Humphrey~~

~~Dec 6 — Confessions~~

~~Dec 9 — First Reconciliation 1PM~~

~~Dec 13 — Class~~

~~Dec 20 — Christmas Party~~

~~Dec 25 — Merry Christmas~~

~~Dec 27 — No Class~~

~~Jan 1 — HAPPY NEW YEAR~~

~~Jan 3 — No Class~~

~~Jan 10 — Class~~

~~Jan 17 — Class~~

~~Jan 20 — First Reconciliation (time to be
determined)~~

~~Jan 24 — Class~~

~~Jan 31 — Class~~

~~Feb 7 — Class~~

~~Feb 14 — Ash Wednesday~~

~~Feb 21 — Class~~

~~Feb 28 — Class~~

~~March 6 — Class~~

March 13 — Stations of the Cross

March 20 — Stations of the Cross

March 27 — Easter Break — No Class

March 31 — Easter

April 3 — Class

April 10 — Class

April 14 — Class

April 17 — Class

April 21 — First Communion at 1PM

April 24 — Class/Last night of class