

ST. MARY CHURCH HYDE PARK

FEBRUARY 18, 2024



“GO FORTH, THE MISSION HAS BEGUN”

LENTEN MISSION

FEBRUARY 19-21
@ SAINT CECILIA CHURCH

WITH LAVINIA SPIRITO





Weekend Mass Schedule

St. Cecilia (Oakley): Saturday 3:30 PM | Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 8:15 PM

St. Mary (Hyde Park): Saturday at 4 PM | Sunday at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville): Saturday 3 PM | Sunday 9:30 AM

Daily Mass Schedule

St. Cecilia (Oakley): 9 AM Mass, Monday-Saturday.

All-day Adoration follows the 9 AM Mass on Wednesdays with 7 PM Holy Hour and Confessions from 7-7:50 PM

St. Mary (Hyde Park): 5:30 PM evening Mass, Monday-Thursday with Holy Hour on Tuesdays following the 5:30 PM Mass.

The Oratory of St. John Vianney at St. Anthony Church (Madisonville): 11:45 AM Mass, Monday-Friday

Confession Schedule

Confessions begin immediately after all daily Masses and one hour before weekend Masses, ending 30 minutes before Mass.

For information on weddings, baptisms and funerals, please visit eastsidefaith.org or call the appropriate parish office.

St. Cecilia (Oakley)

3105 Madison Road, Cincinnati OH 45209

Office: (513) 871-5757

www.stceciliacincinnati.org

facebook.com/stceciliacincinnati

[instagram: stceciliaparish](https://instagram.com/stceciliaparish)

St. Mary (Hyde Park)

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6104 Desmond Street, Cincinnati, OH 45227

(513) 271-0920

www.eastsidefaith.org

Priest Emergency Line: (513) 815-5038

Mass Intentions (St. Mary)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19

5:30 PM No Mass – Presidents Day

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

5:30 PM Tom Brigger ☩

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

5:30 PM Hugh Cahill ☩

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

5:30 PM Kathleen Hannah ☩

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

5:30 PM No Mass

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

4:00 PM Edward Haithcoat ☩

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 Second Sunday in Lent

8:30 AM Paul Wombles ☩

10:30 PM Dr. & Mrs. Esley R. Froats ☩

Mass intentions may be requested and paid for online at EastsideFaith.org, under the “About” section. Masses may also be scheduled at one of our offices. Payment may be made online, in an envelope clearly marked in the collection basket, or in person during office hours. Intentions are often requested for those who have died, but may include any kind of need that you or someone you know is experiencing for which prayer is needed.

Wedding Banns

No wedding banns this week.

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Lenten Mission

February 18, 2024

The Eastside Family invites everyone to the Lenten Mission with Lavinia Spirito which begins on Monday, February 19, and ends on the Wednesday, February 21. We will gather each evening at 6:30 at St. Cecilia.

Lavinia is a speaker with Renewal Ministries and has served the Catholic community through her work as a Catholic Answers contributor, a founding team member and teacher for Catholic Way Bible Study, and through offering retreats and days of reflection for countless priests and Catholic communities on an international scale. She comes to us this week to speak about the true and powerful effect of the Holy Spirit on our journeys of faith. Each night she will focus on a different theme: intentional discipleship, the practical graces of the sacraments, and what it means to be a Catholic in the public square. During this season of Lent, may we embrace this opportunity to take a pause from our busy schedules and enter into a time of

prayerful reflection together as a Family. We had such a great turnout for our Advent Mission and I hope we can bring the same spirit of preparing ourselves for our Lenten season by attending the mission. Please feel free to invite friends and family. We never know what someone needs to hear, but hopefully this talk will reach many.

Amen? Amen.

Fr. Jackie

Stations of the Cross during Lent

Every Friday during Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 9:30 AM and 7 PM at St. Cecilia. During this special devotion, through meditation and prayer, we will walk with our Savior on his way of suffering from the time he was condemned to death until he died and was buried. Making this devotion part of your Lenten commitment to prayer will help you grow closer to Christ.

Join the Oratory in Praying for Priests!

Please join together this week in praying for **Fr. David Reilly, Fr. Michael Savino, Fr. Terrance Schneider, Fr. Marc Sherlock, (retired) Fr. Ronald Williams (Chaplain)** Through the intercession of St. John Vianney, may they grow in holiness and zeal. Please consider joining in the Rosary especially offered for these priests at the Oratory each weekday at 11:15 AM, before the 11:45 Mass.

Fast and Abstinence Guidelines for Lent

- **Ages 18-59:** Fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting allows one full meal a day.
- **Ages 14 and up:** Abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent.



Crib Project 2024

For many years, parishioners of St. Cecilia have generously contributed to a dresser project through which we collect baby items that will be donated, through Pregnancy Center Plus, to a mother who has made the choice of life for her un-

born child. Many parishioners find this to be a very positive way to express their support for the pro-life movement. Pregnancy Center Plus has informed us that they have a much greater need for cribs than for dressers, so now we have a **crib** in the vestibule with a list of suggested items. We are collecting baby items through February 18; your participation is welcome and appreciated!

Adult Classes at the Seminary

Looking for a good venue to help in deepening or growing your faith? The Adult Spirituality Institute (ASI) offers short term non-credit courses at Mount St. Mary's Seminary. Their mission is to foster ongoing spiritual development through scripture and theology. Classes run for four weeks on Mondays, 10 AM to noon. The upcoming class is "A Lenten Walk with the Art of Jesus' and Mary's Sorrowful Passion" taught by Dr. Cecelia Dorger starting March 4. **For more details and to register, please go to our website: www.spirituality-institute.com.**

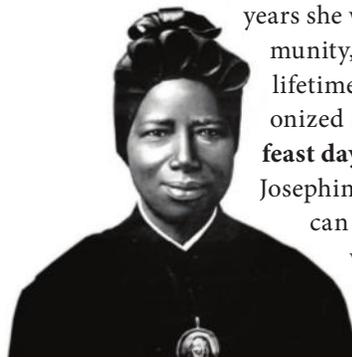
The Witness of a Saint

St. Josephine Bakhita was born in Sudan in 1869, where she lived happily with her family until she was kidnapped by Arab traders at the age of 9 and sold into slavery. She endured terrible cruelty, which made her forget her own name and the names of her parents. Her name, Bakhita, meaning "Fortunate," is the ironic name given to her by her kidnappers. After tremendous sufferings, she was sold to an Italian who treated her with kindness and brought her to Italy where she was educated along with a girl she was caring for. She was freed, since Italy had outlawed slavery, and under the guidance of the Canossian sisters was baptized and confirmed, taking the name Josephine Margherita Fortunata. Three years later she became a Canossian sister her-

self, taking final vows in 1893. For the next 50

years she was a beloved member of the community, known as a saint even during her lifetime. She died in 1947 and was canonized in 2000 by Pope John Paul II. **Her feast day was on February 8.** The life of St. Josephine Bakhita bears witness that God

can bring greater good out of even the worst sufferings we can experience. *St. Josephine Bakhita, pray for us!*





From the Desk of Fr. Ken

On this First Sunday of Lent, Jesus is tempted in the desert. Each time, Jesus stands firm and doesn't cave in. I am sure all of us are tempted in some way or another; how many times do we stand firm, and how many times do we cave in?

Fr. Ken Schoof

From the School Office

Congratulations to the SMS Class of 2024! These fine young men and women earned over \$383,500 in academic scholarships and over 20 academic admissions honors to area Catholic High Schools based on transcripts, high school placement test results, and applications.



Pancake Breakfast
 Day of Caring
 Sunday, February 25
 9:00 am - 12:30 pm
 St. Mary School Cafeteria

100% of all ticket sales go to the Freestore Foodbank
 Ticket Donations: \$6 / Seniors & Children under 12: \$4

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED 

?s or volunteer from the scan code or with Beth Berkowitz:
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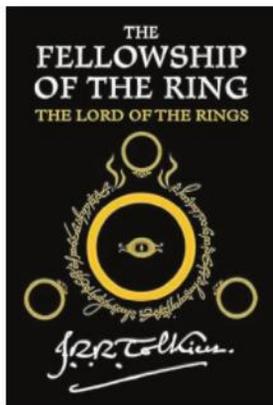
God Bless the Newly Baptized

Isla Quinn
Daughter of Justin and Haley Trick



SAVE THE DATE
 Friday, March 22, 2024
Fish Fry
 St. Mary Cafeteria
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

THE CATECHIST'S CORNER

The Fellowship of the Ring by J.R.R. Tolkien

At the risk of sounding like a broken, Catholic record, this Lent I challenge you to embark on a spiritual quest of epic proportions by beginning J.R.R. Tolkien's beloved series, *The Lord of the Rings*. For those outside of the 25% in our Family who have likely already read it, I'm guessing that you may have a number of questions popping up in your head. "Isn't *The Lord of the Rings* filled with elves, wizards, and trolls?" Yes, and orks, too! "How am I supposed to get something out of this series when it's for children?" While it is a faerie-story, Tolkien himself would argue that many fantastic tales are unfairly relegated to the nursery though they contain truths for all people. And perhaps most predominantly "why would this be a catechetical recommendation, especially for Lent?" While not allegorical like C.S. Lewis' series *The Chronicles of Narnia*, *The Lord of the Rings* is an intrinsically Catholic story that features Christological (or Christ-like) characters, allusions to the sacraments, and an overarching plot that resonates the story of salvation history in a universe parallel to that of our own. One cannot deny the similarities of Aragorn, Gandalf, and Frodo to our Lord during moments which point to unlikely kingship, resurrection, and the destruction of enslaving powers. Sacraments like the

Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick can be seen through scenes that feature "lembas" and requests for final reconciliation before death. And one can't miss the theologically rich backdrop of a world under the temporary rule of Sauron, whose Ring of Power, which corrupts and possesses its owner, can be understood as an otherworldly embodiment of sin. Frodo's quest can actually be seen as a reenvisioning of the Way of the Cross! With these bite-sized spiritual tidbits to draw you into the plot of this literary masterpiece, see what other rich interpretations you discover as you accompany the Fellowship, the Apostles of Middle Earth, on their own Lenten journey of sacrifice, recommitment to virtue, and the rejection of sin. *(Reviewed by Haley Metzger)*

Interested in becoming Catholic?

Or simply learning more about our faith?

Contact RCIA Director Colin Kunath at rcia@eastsideregion.org or visit eastsidefaith.org/rcia. Classes are Wednesday nights at 7PM in St. Mary's Robisch Hall.

Classes are in session, but you can still join us!

How will you pray this Lent?

Looking for a variety of ways to enter into the liturgical season? We've got you covered! Between parish goings-on, video series, Bible studies and worldwide prayer challenges, we can assure you that this Lent will be anything but ordinary.

Recommit to prayer this season and visit:
www.eastsidefaith.org/lenten-resources



A Pro-Life Gathering for Her

Saturday, February 24th

8:00am: Mass, followed by coffee

9:15am-2:30pm: Conference Presentations

at St. Susanna Church
616 Reading Road, Mason, Ohio 45040

National & Local Speakers!



Emily Macke



Rebekah Hagan



Donna Murphy



Tickets: \$40

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or call 513-728-7870

(Event includes lunch, and priests will be available for confession)



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If yes, the FATHERS TEAM offers practical advice, fellowship, and encouragement to men, to build their capacity to be devoted spiritual leaders for their families and grow closer in their relationship to God.

For more information on meeting times and how to get connected visit us at

www.eastsidefaith.org/fathers-team

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3/9/2024

8am - 12pm
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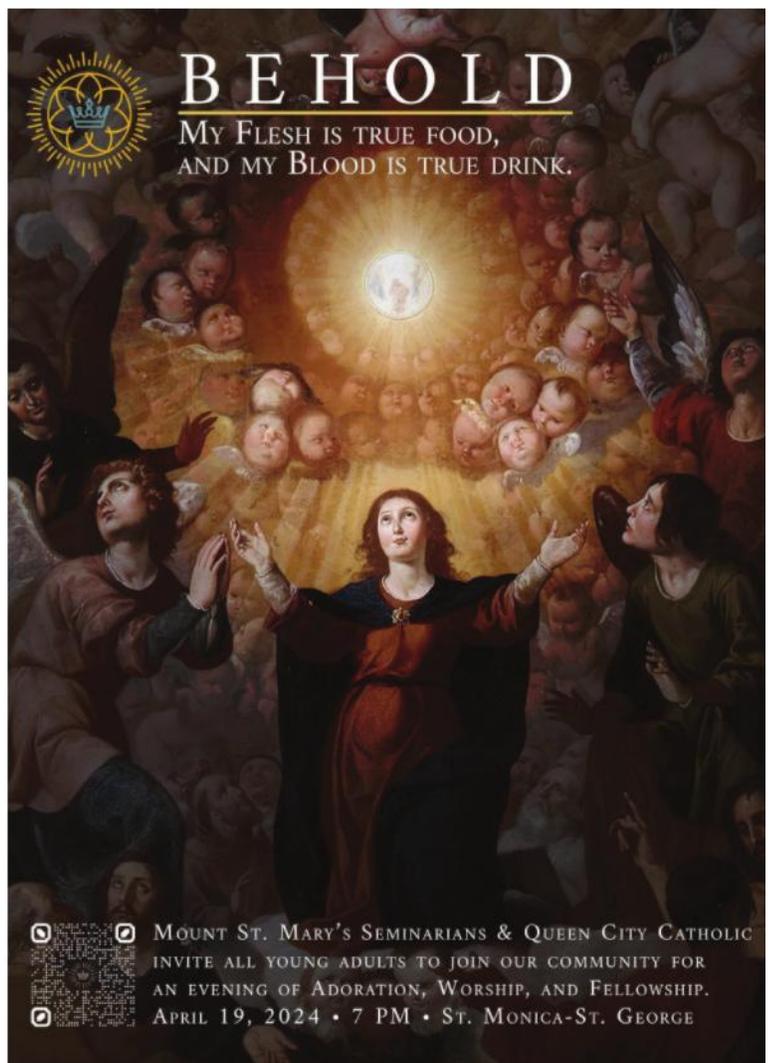


*AND JESUS HIMSELF CAME UP AND
WALKED ALONG WITH THEM.*
LUKE 25:12



BEHOLD

MY FLESH IS TRUE FOOD,
AND MY BLOOD IS TRUE DRINK.



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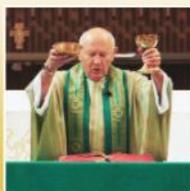
with Catholic Answers Contributor, Lavinia Spirito

St. Cecilia Catholic Church
February 19-21, 2024
6:30-8 pm

“As the Father has sent Me, so I send you.” -John 20:21



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Worship Aid for the First Sunday in Lent

Prayer for Vocations



Almighty Father, You have created for us some definite purpose.
Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for us in this life and
to respond with a generous "Yes." Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes
and hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations. May our young people
respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among our men a desire and
the strength to be good and holy priests. Bless us with consecrated religious
and those called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons, and faithful
husbands and wives, who are a sign of Christ's love for His Church. We
commend our prayer for vocations to You, Father, through the intercession of
Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr

Entrance Hymn

Entrance Antiphon for Lent

God an - swers us in our dis - tress, de -
liv - ers us from death. With length of days we
have been blessed, freed by God's sav - ing pow'r.

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Verses

Choir or cantor

1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High,
and abides in the shade of the Almighty,
says to the LORD, "My refuge,
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!"
2. He will free you from the snare of the fowler,
from the destructive plague;
he will conceal you with his pinions,
and under his wings you will find refuge.

Penitential Rite

**I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and
in what I have failed to do,
And striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask
blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.
Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.

Christe Eleison/Christ, have mercy.
Christe Eleison/Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.
Kyrie Eleison/Lord, have mercy.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Gn 9:8-15

God said to Noah and to his sons with him: "See, I am now establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you: all the birds, and the various tame and wild animals that were with you and came out of the ark. I will establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all bodily creatures be destroyed by the waters of a flood; there shall not be another flood to devastate the earth." God added: "This is the sign that I am giving for all ages to come, of the covenant between me and you and every living creature with you: I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth, and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the covenant I have made between me and you and all living beings, so that the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all mortal beings."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm Response

Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9



Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth, to those who keep your cov-e-nant.

O LORD, make me know your ways.
Teach me your paths.

Guide me in your truth, and teach me;
for you are the God of my
salvation. *R.*

Remember your compassion, O LORD,
and your merciful love,
for they are from of old.

In your merciful love remember me,

because of your goodness,
O LORD. *R.*

Good and upright is the LORD;
he shows the way to sinners.
He guides the humble in right
judgment;
to the humble he teaches his
way. *R.*

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refrain, *Lectionary for Mass*, © 1969, 1981, 1997, ICEL
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Second Reading

1 Pt 3:18-22

Beloved: Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison, who had once been disobedient while God patiently waited in the days of Noah during the building of the ark, in which a few persons, eight in all, were saved through water. This prefigured baptism, which saves you now. It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Mk 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ.



The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

All make a profound bow:
and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father
and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic
and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the
forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the
resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Offertory Hymn

Hosea

Verses



1. Come back to me with all your heart.
‡ Trees do bend, 'though straight and tall;
2. The wil - der - ness will lead you
In - teg - ri - ty and jus - tice,
3. ‡ You shall sleep se - cure with peace;



Don't let fear keep us a - part.
so must we to oth - ers' call. (To refrain)
to your heart where I will speak.
With ten - der - ness, ‡ you shall know. (To refrain)
faith - ful - ness will be your joy. (To refrain)

Refrain



Long have I wait-ed for your com - ing home to me and
liv - ing deep - ly our new life.

Text: Hosea 6:1, 3:3, 2:16, 2:1; Joel 2:12; Weston Priory, Gregory Norbet, OSB, b.1940
Tune: Gregory Norbet, OSB, b.1940; arr. by Mary David Callahan, OSB, b.1923
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Sanctus



San - ctus, San - ctus, San - ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá -
ba - oth. Ple - ni sunt coe - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a.
Ho - sán - na in ex - cé - l - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in
nó - mi - ne Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cé - l - sis.

Text and music: Chant; *Graduale Romanum*, 1974.

Mystery of Faith



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion
un - til you come a - gain.

Agnus Dei



A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se -
ré - re no - bis. A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta
mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. A - gnus De - i,
qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Text and music: Chant; *Graduale Romanum*, 1974.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Recessional Hymn

Led By the Spirit

Communion Hymn

Not By Bread Alone

Refrain

Not by bread a - lone do we live but by
 ev - ery word that comes from the mouth of God, but by
 ev - ery word that comes from the mouth of God.

Verses

1. The Spir - it led Je - sus out to a des - ert
 2. Re - ject - ing temp - ta - tion, no glo - ry would he
 3. And know - ing our weak - ness, like us in all but
 4. O Christ, live with - in us, come teach us wis - dom's
 5. O taste, taste and see, the good - ness of our

1. place to heal sin and bro - ken - ness with God's a -
 2. seek; o - bey - ing the will of God his on - ly
 3. sin, he gave him - self will - ing - ly that we might
 4. ways and make us your dwell - ing place, a sac - ri -
 5. God; how bless - ed, how bless - ed those who shel - ter

to Refrain

1. bound - ing grace, with God's a - bound - ing grace.
 2. food and drink, his on - ly food and drink.
 3. ful - ly live, that we might ful - ly live.
 4. fice of praise, a sac - ri - fice of praise.
 5. in the Lord, who shel - ter in the Lord.

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Turn Our Hearts

*Ostinato Refrain

Turn our hearts to you, O God. With you there is heal - ing,
 whole - ness and for - give - ness, free - dom from fear, last - ing peace.

1. Have mercy on me, God of love. Lead me in the path of justice.
2. You have placed your truth in my heart, O God. Teach me wisdom of heart.
3. Enfold me in the arms of love. Restore in me the joy of your saving grace.

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1. Led by the Spirit of our God, we go to fast and pray
 With Christ into the wilderness; we join his paschal way.

“Rend not your garments, rend your hearts. Turn back your lives to me.”
 Thus says our kind and gracious God, whose reign is liberty.

2. Led by the Spirit, we confront temptation face to face,
 And know full well we must rely on God's redeeming grace.

On bread alone we cannot live, but nourished by the Word
 We seek the will of God to do: this is our drink and food.

3. Led by the Spirit, now draw near the waters of rebirth

With hearts that long to worship God in spirit and in truth.

“Whoever drinks the drink I give shall never thirst again.”

Thus says the Lord who died for us, our Savior, kin and friend.

4. Led by the Spirit, now sing praise to God the Trinity:

The Source of Life, the living Word made flesh to set us free,
 The Spirit blowing where it will to make us friends of God:

This myst'ry far beyond our reach, yet near in healing love.

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AROUND THE PARISH | 15



February 14-March 24 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Bringing Christian witness to the place where babies' lives are in extreme danger.

- ◇ Volunteers will pray in Cincinnati in front of Planned Parenthood at 4124 Auburn Ave from 7 AM-7 PM daily from Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday.
- ◇ **St. Mary Parish is committed to praying every Thursday during Lent, from 3-5 PM.** Invite fellow parishioners to join you for 30, 60, or 120 minutes on a Thursday afternoon this Lent.
- ◇ For questions or to participate with fellow St. Mary parishioners, please contact Bob and Dianne Donlan at bdonlan14@msn.com. Parking is on nearby streets or at Holy Name Church, three blocks away.

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