February 26, 2023

First Sunday in Lent



Jesus fasted for forty days and forty nights and was tempted.

#### Mass Schedule

Sat. Sun.	5:00 PM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 5:00 PM	Rita Carpenter memorial (birthday) by children Maria Tran memorial by Tran family Jozefa & Wladyslaus Markiewicz memorial by family Pro populo – for the people
Mon.	7:30 AM	All Souls – anonymous
Tues.	7:30 AM	Dec. of Long & Forkin families Diane Ferrara
Wed.	7:30 AM	Manuel Jordao memorial by Maria Eldad Jordao & family
Thurs.	7:30 AM	Ronald Lavallee memorial by Lucille
Fri.	7:30 AM	All Souls – anonymous
Sat.	5:00 PM	Charles Provencal memorial (23rd) by nieces and nephews
Sun.	8:30 AM	Santo Benetti memorial (birthday) by Kara & Chris Pride
	10:30 AM	Rosina Salvatore memorial by Rose & Ray Thurber
	5:00 PM	Pro populo – for the people



Weekend of February 19, 2023 Weekly Offering: \$1688.00 Thank You!

### Lenten Rice Bowl

Join our faith community—and nearly 13,000 Catholic communities across the United States— in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's **CRS Rice Bowl** at the doors of the church. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on the impact of global hunger and climate change on vulnerable communities around the word, and we will pray, fast and give alms to help our sisters and brothers in need. To learn more, visit <a href="https://www.crsricebowl.org">www.crsricebowl.org</a>

## MASS INTENTIONS 2024

The book for Mass Intentions 2024 will be opened <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>Feb. 21</u>, for booking of Mass intentions. If you would like to schedule Masses in memory of deceased loved ones, please call or stop by the rectory Monday through Friday 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon, <u>but Tuesdays and Fridays 9:00 to noon are best, when our parish secretary Lynn is in the office. Many Masses for 2022 are still available as well.</u>

## Catholic Charity Appeal 2023 – In-Pew Weekend

This year's Catholic Charity Appeal has begun and our parish's In-Pew Phase of the Catholic Charity Appeal will take place on the weekends of **March 4/5 and March 11/10.** You will have the opportunity after the homily to make your gift or pledge to this year's Appeal. Some have already responded to the mailing that went out and made their donation, bringing our parish up to \$7,673 toward our parish goal of \$17,900. Thank you! We're off to a good start!

Please remember you may also choose to make your gift online, or mail in their pledge/gift, or place their pledge or gift in the collection basket during Mass on any weekend. We hope and pray that we will once again attain our parish goal of \$17,900. Please be as generous as possible. We hope and pray that we will once again attain our parish goal of \$17,900. Please be as generous as possible. THANK YOU.

### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL BUSINESS

Our parish Finance Council and Trustees met this past week to review the mid-year financial position of the parish. Also discussed was the much over-due need for a <u>new roof on the rectory</u>. Reviewing several bids that had been sought and received, the project was approved to commence early spring. Cost for the work will be approximately \$33,000 – the lowest bid.

A few weeks ago, work was also done on the top landing of the church's front steps to stop leaking-through which had begun. The pavers were re-set and caulking was replaced all around. The cost was \$8,700. Such maintenance and repairs are possible because of your generosity in financially supporting our parish. That generosity is greatly appreciated and we make every effort to employ it wisely. Thank you! --Msgr. Simconc

# **Earthquake Relief for Turkey and Syria**

On February 6, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake devastated large areas of central Turkey and northwest Syria. The death toll has surpassed 36,000 and continues to climb. The earthquake is the worst to strike Turkey this century. Later that day, the region experienced a second magnitude 7.7 quake.

Catholic Relief Services will support emergency relief efforts led by local partners in both Syria and Turkey with Caritas Turkey, Caritas Syria in Aleppo and Lattakia—where extensive damage has been reported—and other local partners. Already in Turkey, Caritas Anatolia, in coordination with authorities, is bringing displaced people to safe, open spaces and distributing hot meals and clothing.

To donate, please visit: https://www.crs.org/