

St. Jerome Church

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**The First Sunday of Lent
February 18, 2018**



**Create
in me a
clean heart,
O God,
and put a
new and right
spirit within me.
Psalm 51.10**

Mass Schedule

Saturday evening	5:00 PM
Sunday	9:30 AM
Weekdays	7:30 PM Tuesdays and First Fridays

Reconciliation before weekend Masses and by appointment

Pregnancy assistance services (nationwide) 1-800-848-LOVE

Baptisms and Weddings: Call the Rectory (513) 231-7042

How to register at St. Jerome's: New member registration packets are under the table to the right as you leave church. Fill out the registration form and return that form by dropping it in the collection basket, or mailing it to the Rectory at 5858 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45230. If you have any questions, please call the Rectory at 231-7042.

Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Intention	Petitioner
Sat 2/17	5:00 PM	Paul Brandner	
Sun 2/18	9:30 AM	Rose Tartz	Norm Klotz
Tue 2/20	7:30 PM	The Intentions of Jon Markley	Cliff and Eileen Wollering
Sat 2/24	5:00 PM	Dave and Gail Brockman	The Brockman Family
Sun 2/25	9:30 AM	Jeanette Schiermeier	Sandy Kienzle
Tue 2/27	7:30 PM	Frank Deimling	Ruth Deimling

Minister Assignments for February 24th and 25th, 2018

Date/Time	Lector	Communion Minister	Servers	Ushers
Saturday 2/24 5:00 PM	Bill Ellis	Jenny Imholt	Charlie Hoh Kellie Kallas	Tim Hogan Ed Harvey
Sunday 2/25 9:30 AM	Norm Klotz	Ron Kienzle	Andrew Chapman Zoe Auer	Mike Adams George Kamphaus

What's Happening?

Monday 2/19	7:30 PM	<i>Come and Savor</i> in the rectory
Monday 2/19		Presidents' Day – Office closed
Tuesday 2/20	7:30 PM	Stations of the Cross followed by Mass
Monday 2/26	7:30 PM	<i>Come and Savor</i> in the rectory
Tuesday 2/27	7:00 PM	Confessions (The Light is On 4 You) in church
	7:30 PM	Stations of the Cross
	7:45 PM	Mass in church
	8:15 PM	Confessions (The Light is On 4 You) in church

Sunday Collection 2/10 - 11/2018

\$2,576.00

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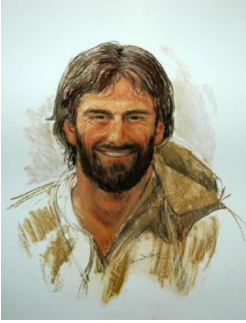
\$881.00

You are among the best people on earth!

*Catholics in good health over the age of 14 should abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent. Catholics in good health between the ages of 18 and 59 should also fast (i.e., limit themselves to only one full meal) on Good Friday.

"Totally love Him, Who gave Himself totally
for your love." --St. Clare of Assisi

Now You Know



Can Lent be joyful? Lent has typically been the time of fasting, rending garments, long faces, abstinence, and sobriety. We give up something we crave or we add some spiritual or corporal work to our already busy lives. We frequently grumble about meatless Fridays or our hunger on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

The word “Lent” comes from the “lengthening of days,” the hint of spring that is in the air and the promise of new growth in the realm of plants and animals. While growth requires pruning, the growing season that lies ahead should be reason for joy as well as repentance. As Jesus suggests (Matthew 6:5-6), Lent is not about long faces, but about an inner transformation that leads to transformed behaviors and commitments. The pruning of Lent is the way we let the sun shine in and the blossoms grow into fruit. The mortality we recognize during Lent is not intended to burden us with fear, but to invite us to see life as precious and focus on what’s truly important. It is a call to treasure each day, and not mess around with the unworthy or unimportant

We should let go of negative feelings and grudges and make amends with loved ones and associates. We can celebrate our relationships with others and behave in ways to lift them up. We can get up each morning with gratitude and appreciation – saying “thank you” to God and others – counting our blessings, not as denial, but in remembrance of the gifts we’ve received.

Yes, Lent can be joyful. Our mortal lives can participate in God’s everlasting vision. In pruning our lives of consumerism, violence, injustice, and feelings of unworthiness, we can awaken to God’s abundance that brings joy and beauty to every moment and encounter. May we all have a joyful Lent!



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Stand Firm for Life! 40 Days for Life Spring 2018 Campaign: The 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign is taking place **through March 25**. The 40 Days for Life campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer, fasting, constant vigil and community outreach, with the goal of turning hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life. All ages, young and old, are welcome to join in this concert of prayer for protections for and renewed understanding of the beautiful gift of human life, plus hope and healing for those suffering from past decisions or actions. For directions and/or other information, please go to <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/cincinnati/>.



Don't forget GA's wonderful fish fry. The menu includes fried and baked fish, shrimp, cheese pizza, mac-n-cheese, French fries, Cole slaw, and dessert baked goods. Dine in or take out options are available. There will be a separate dining room for seniors who want to avoid the crush of children. Serving begins at 5 pm in the undercroft.

If you haven't already, please mail your **CMA pledge** or bring it and drop it in the collection as soon as you can. For more information about the campaign, visit <https://catholicappeal.info/>

Men's Retreat February 23 – 25, 2018 **Lent as a Pilgrimage**. Msgr. Frank Lane, professor emeritus and spiritual director will guide you on a virtual pilgrimage. Reflections include:

- Life as a journey from conception to the grave
- A Pilgrimage expresses awareness of the journey and its purpose (Exodus)
- Jesus was a pilgrim - going up to Jerusalem for Passover
- Early Christians took pilgrimages to the Holy Land
- Contemporary Pilgrimage sights and their meaning for us.

The retreat will be at Our Lady of The Holy Spirit Center the weekend of February 23 through the 25th. **All men are welcome**. It's Sponsored by Knights of Columbus. Registration and \$165 payment deadline is Tuesday, February 20. Call Larry Tracy [513-321-4879](tel:513-321-4879)

"Build an oratory within yourself, and there have Jesus on the altar of your heart. Speak to Him often while you are doing your work. Speak to Him of His holy love, of His holy sufferings and of the sorrows of most holy Mary." — St Paul of the Cross