

Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of the Scapular:

We are now drawing near to the holiest time of the liturgical year. February 17th will be Ash Wednesday and every good Catholic will be called personally by the Lord to embrace the season of penance and prayer. Lent should be a time of spiritual growth for us. It should NOT be a sad and dreary time! It is a time of opportunity! Each one of us will have many opportunities presented to us during this holy season to grow in our understanding of God's great love for us, by serving each other's needs (*alms*), by meditating on God's goodness to us and His willingness to help us always (*prayer*), and of course by getting control of the things that surround us in this life (*fasting*). For a successful Lent, each one of these things must be approached from a positive perspective for they are OPPORTUNITIES!

In the parish we want to offer our people as much help during this season as we possibly can! Therefore you will find inside, the complete schedule of services to be celebrated during the season of Lent, Holy Week, the Triduum and the first days of the Easter Season. Some things will be done slightly differently this year, and some new things will be introduced this year during Lent.

Two things that were previously introduced will return this year are Lenten devotional booklets with daily meditations and the possibility of receiving Holy Communion at the end of the Friday Stations of the Cross devotions. The Forty Hours Schedule will once again conclude on Sunday afternoon, March 14th at 4:00 PM. St. Joseph's Feast day will be observed on Friday, March 19th with a special Mass at 12:00 noon. The Solemnity of the Annunciation will be observed with a Tridentine Mass on Thursday evening March 25th. Every Friday in Lent there will be a Fish Fry, (take out only this year).

It is my personal hope that all parishioners will find themselves attending services more and more often. Our parish is unique and very special. It offers many opportunities for growth in holiness to all of us.

May God bless us all as we begin another season of Lent, and may this be one of the best seasons we have ever known!

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Rev. Mark A. Borkowski
Pastor

The Holy Season of Lent

****Wednesday, February 17th – Ash Wednesday, Fast & Abstinence**

- Mass with distribution of ashes

12:00 noon – Mass

12:00 noon – 6:00 PM – Take Out Fish Dinners – Parish Hall

7:00 PM – Mass in English & Polish

Thursday, February 18th – Lenten Weekday

7:00 PM – Mass

***Friday, February 19th – Lenten Weekday, Abstinence**

12:00 noon Mass

3:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Take Out Fish Fry – Parish Hall

7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross in English with distribution of Holy Communion

Saturday, February 20th – Lenten Weekday

3:00 PM – Confession

5:00 PM – Mass – *First Sunday of Lent*

Sunday, February 21st – First Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM – Mass in Polish

11:00 AM – Mass

3:00 PM – Gorzkie Żale – Polish Lenten Devotion to the Passion of Christ

Monday, February 22nd – The Chair of St. Peter

7:00 AM – Mass

Tuesday, February 23rd – St. Polycar, Bishop & Martyr

6:30 PM – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 PM – Mass

Wednesday, February 24th – Lenten Weekday

Thursday, February 25th – Lenten Weekday

7:00 PM – Mass

***Friday, February 26th – Lenten Weekday, Abstinence**

12:00 noon – Mass

3:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Take Out Fish Fry – Parish Hall

7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross in English with distribution of Holy Communion

*** Day of Abstinence**

– No Meat May Be Eaten (from the 14th birthday on)

**** Day of Fast – Only One Full Meal May Be Eaten**

and nothing between meal (from the 18th birthday to the 59th)

Saturday, February 27th

3:00 PM – Confession

5:00 PM – Mass – *Second Sunday of Lent*

Sunday, February 28th – *Second Sunday of Lent*

9:00 AM – Mass in Polish

11:00 AM – Mass

3:00 PM – Gorzkie Żale

Monday, March 1st – *St. David, Abbot*

7:00 PM – Mass

Tuesday, March 2nd – *Lenten Weekday,*

6:30 PM – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 PM – Mass

Wednesday, March 3rd – *St. Katherine Drexel, Religious*

Thursday, March 4th – *St. Casimir, Prince*

7:00 PM – Mass

Friday, March 5th – *First Friday, Abstinence

12:00 noon – Mass

3:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Take Out Fish Fry – Parish Hall

5:00 – 6:30 PM – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration

7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross in English with distribution of Holy Communion

Saturday, March 6th – *Lenten Weekday*

3:00 PM – Confession

5:00 PM – Mass – *Third Sunday of Lent*

Sunday, March 7th – *Third Sunday of Lent*

9:00 AM – Mass in Polish

11:00 AM – Mass

3:00 PM – Gorzkie Żale

Monday, March 8th – *St. John of God, Religious*

7:00 PM – Mass

Tuesday, March 9th – *St. Frances of Rome, Religious*

6:30 PM – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 PM – Mass

Wednesday, March 10th – *Lenten Weekday*

Thursday, March 11th

6:00 PM – Eucharistic Holy Hour

7:00 PM – Mass & St. Joseph Novena

***Friday, March 12th – Lenten Weekday, Abstinence**
– Beginning of Annual Solemn Forty Hours Devotion

12:00 noon – Mass & St. Joseph Novena
12:30 PM – 6:30 PM – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration
3:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Take Out Fish Fry – Parish Hall
6:00 PM – Confession
6:30 PM – Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross in English with distribution of Holy Communion

Saturday, March 13th – Second Day of Forty Hours Devotion

12:00 noon - Mass followed by Eucharistic Exposition
3:00 PM – Confession
4:30 PM – St. Joseph Novena & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
5:00 PM – Mass – *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

Sunday, March 14th – Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare),
Third & Final Day of Forty Hours Devotion

9:00 AM – Mass in Polish & St. Joseph Novena
11:00 AM – Mass followed by Eucharistic Exposition
2:00 PM – Confession
3:00 PM – Gorzkie Żale
4:00 PM – Closing ceremonies of Forty Hours Devotion

Monday, March 15th – Lenten Weekday

7:00 PM – Mass & St. Joseph Novena

Tuesday, March 16th – Lenten Weekday

6:30 PM – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 PM – Mass & St. Joseph Novena

Wednesday, March 17th – St. Patrick, Bishop & Patron of Ireland

Thursday, March 18th – St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor

7:00 PM Mass & St. Joseph Novena

***Friday, March 19th – Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary**

12:00 noon – Mass & St. Joseph Novena
3:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Take Out Fish Fry – Parish Hall
7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross in English with distribution of Holy Communion

Saturday, March 20th – Lenten Weekday

3:00 PM – Confession
5:00 PM – Mass – *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

Sunday, March 21st – Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM – Mass in Polish
11:00 AM – Mass
3:00 PM – Gorzkie Żale

Monday, March 22nd – Lenten Weekday

7:00 PM – Mass

Tuesday, March 23rd – *St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop*

6:30 PM – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 PM – Mass

Wednesday, March 24th – *Lenten Weekday*

1:00 PM – Confession

6:00 PM – Confession

Thursday, March 25th – *Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord*

1:00 PM – Confession

6:00 PM – Confession

7:00 PM – Tridentine Mass

Friday, March 26th – *Lenten Weekday, Abstinence

12:00 noon – Mass

3:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Take Out Fish Fry – Parish Hall

7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross in English with distribution of Holy Communion

Saturday, March 27th – *Lenten Weekday*

3:00 PM – Confession

5:00 PM – Mass – *Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion*

Holy Week

Sunday, March 28th – *Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion*

9:00 AM – Mass in Polish

11:00 AM – Mass

3:00 PM – Gorzkie Żale

Monday, March 29th – *Monday of Holy Week*

7:00 PM – Mass

Tuesday, March 30th – *Tuesday of Holy Week*

6:30 PM – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 PM – Mass

Wednesday, March 31st – *Wednesday of Holy Week*

9:00 AM – Church Cleaning for Easter

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM – Knights of Columbus Ham & Kielbasa pick up

– Social Room

Triduum

Thursday, April 1st – *Holy Thursday*

7:00 PM – 11:00 PM - Holy Thursday Mass & Adoration at the Repository

9:00 PM – 10:00 PM – Adoration by the Women's Societies of the parish

10:00 PM – 11:00 PM – Adoration by the Men's Societies of the parish

****Friday, April 2nd – Good Friday, Fast & Abstinence**

12:00 noon – Gorzkie Żale, Stations of the Cross, & Liturgy of Good Friday
3:00 PM – 6:30 PM – Private adoration of the cross and at the tomb of Christ
3:00 PM – Divine Mercy Novena begins
3:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Take Out Fish Fry – Parish Hall
6:30 PM – Tenebrae Service

Saturday, April 3rd – Holy Saturday

1:00 PM – Blessing of Food in Polish
2:00 PM & 3:00 PM – Blessing of Food in English
3:00 PM – Divine Mercy Novena
7:00 PM – Easter Vigil & Mass

Sunday, April 4th – Easter Sunday

8:30 AM – Solemn Easter Mass in Polish and English with Eucharistic Procession
11:00 AM – Divine Mercy Novena
11:15 AM – Easter Mass

Eastertide

Monday, April 5th – Easter Monday

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7:00 PM – Mass & Divine Mercy Novena

Tuesday, April 6th – Easter Tuesday

6:30 PM – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 PM – Mass & Divine Mercy Novena

Wednesday, April 7th – Easter Wednesday

7:00 PM – Mass & Divine Mercy Novena

Thursday, April 8th – Easter Thursday

6:00 PM – Eucharistic Holy Hour
7:00 PM – Mass & Divine Mercy Novena

Friday, April 9th – Easter Friday

7:00 PM – Mass & Divine Mercy Novena

Saturday, April 10th – Easter Saturday

3:00 PM – Confession
4:30 AM – Divine Mercy Novena
5:00 PM – Mass – *Second Sunday of Easter*

Sunday, April 11th – Second Sunday of Easter & Feast of Divine Mercy,

9:00 AM – Mass in Polish
11:AM – Mass followed by Exposition and Eucharistic Adoration
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Confession
3:00 PM Benediction