

In many cultures there is an ancient custom of giving a tenth of each year's income to some holy use. For Christians, to observe the forty days of Lent is to do the same thing with roughly atenth of each year's days. After being baptized by John in the river Jordan, Jesus went off alone into the wilderness, where he spent forty days asking himself the question what it meant to be Jesus. During Lent, Christians are supposed to ask one way or another what it means to be themselves.

If you had to bet everything you have on whether there is a God or whether there isn't, which side would get your money and why?

When you look at your face in the mirror, what do you see in it that you most like and what do you see in it that you most deplore?

If you had only one last message to leave to the handful of people who are most important to you, what would it be in twenty-five words or less?

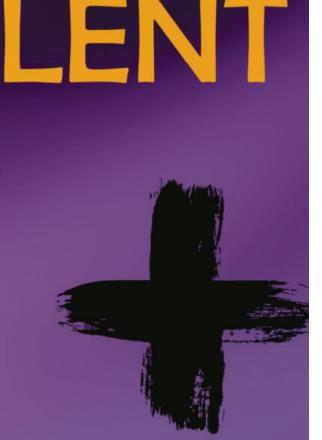
Of all the things you have done in your life, which is the one you would most like to undo? Which is the one that makes you happiest to remember?

Is there any person in the world or any cause that, if circumstances called for it, you would be willing to die for?

If this were the last day of your life, what would you do with it?

To hear yourself try to answer questions like these is to begin to hear something not only of who you are, but of both what you are becoming and what you are failing to become. It can be a pretty depressing business all in all, but if sackcloth and ashes are at the start of it, something like Easter may be at the end..

Frederick Buechner





CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Ash Wednesday

Gill Service

14TH FEBRUARY

8:00am, 8:45am, 12:10pm, & 5:30pm

A Clean Heart For Me, GOD; Renew Within Me A Steadfast Spirit

Psalms 51:12



OUR PRAYERS: The Lord's Prayer

Deep in every human heart is a desire for the living God that expresses itself in prayer. In the Catholic tradition, some prayers have become classic expressions of what the human heart seeks. Words of Faith: Our Prayers explores prayers that for centuries have revealed a faith that fosters a deep, personal, growing, and loving relationship with Jesus Christ. These prayers teach us much about who we are and about the God to whom we belong. -Keith J. Egan, Series Editor

We Pray

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

(Matthew 6:9-12)

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

Amen

We Practice

ver a lifetime we may pray no other prayer more often than the Lord's Prayer. Ever since Jesus taught his disciples to say what we call the Lord's Prayer, the Our Father or, by its Latin name, the Pater Noster, this prayer has had a place of honor in Christian piety.

One day he was praying in a certain place. When he had finished, one of his disciples asked him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say, Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come . . . "

-Luke 11:1-2

Throughout the centuries, Christians have recited and sung the Lord's Prayer at their liturgies, in their homes, and wherever the heart has turned to God. The prayer in Luke's gospel is the shorter of two versions and seems to be the older, while the longer version in Matthew has been universally adopted for common use by Christians.

Early on, the Lord's Prayer found a home at the Eucharist where we pray it together after the Eucharistic Prayer. As this great prayer comes to an end, the presider invites the assembly to recite or sing the Lord's Prayer. After we pray the Lord's Prayer, the priest begins a prayer known as the embolism: "Deliver us, Lord from every evil . . . The presider and assembly then pray together an ancient doxology: "For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever." With a resounding "Amen" the assembly ratifies all that has been expressed in the Lord's Prayer.



At the Church of the Epiphany, we pray to the Father/Creator as dependent creatures in awe of God's unconditional love.

@EPIPHANY

EVENTS

FEB 11 - FEB 18

I I:00am Family Mass & Sunday Scripture 7:30pm Young Adult Mass



Sunday

FEB

12:10pm Mass 12:30pm Miraculous Novena



11:00am 22 Club 12:10pm Mass 7:00pm Connect

13

Wednesday

FEB

14

ASH Wednesday 8:45am & 12:10pm Mass 8:00am & 5:30pm Prayer Service 7:00pm Breaking Open The Word



15

12:10pm Mass 7:00pm YA Alpha



FEB

16

12:10pm Mass



FEB

17

2:30pm Parish Alpha 4:00pm Vigil Mass



FEB

18

Food Drive & Hunger Sunday I I:00am Family Mass & Sunday Scripture 7:30 Young Adult Mass

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& countless others take refuge in the Lord
through his Church & her ministries.
The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal
guides people in need to an encounter with
Jesus. As always, we appreciate our generous
parishioners.

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MASSES

Monday-Friday 12:10pm Saturday Vigil: 4pm Sunday 11am & 7:30pm

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 10

4:00pm deceased members of the Fredericks family

Sunday, February 11

11:00am John Astorina 7:30pm Ann Ahern

Monday, February 12 Memorial of Saint Agatha

12:10pm George E. Dillon

Tuesday, February 13 Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions

12:10pm intentions of Chris Escueta

Wednesday, February 14

8:45pm the Lenten journey of our Epiphany families

12:10pm Anna Mary Fitzgerald

Thursday, February 15

12:10pm Gertrude & Edward O'Dea

Friday, February 16

12:10pm Gertrude Walsh

Saturday, February 17 Memorial of Saint Scholastica

4:00pm Robert Minichiello

Sunday, February 18

11:00am Lucy & Theresa Spadaro

7:30pm Carmine Fiore

Monday, February 19

12:10pm NO MASSES TODAY

Tuesday, February 20

12:10pm Santa Kinzler

Senatuary Lamp
Feb 11 – Feb 17
Lillian & George Conard,
Jack Warmbrand & James Lee

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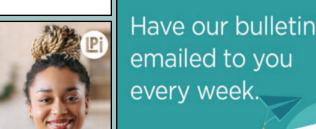
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