

Lent 2018 for St. Clare of Assisi & St. Stephen

Ash Wednesday, February 14: Masses at St. Clare of Assisi are 8AM & 6:30PM and at 5 PM in St. Stephen. PREP will be at the 6:30PM Mass this Mass could be crowded.

Ash Wednesday is a Day of Strict Fast: one full meal and two smaller meals w/ no snacking for those 21-59. It is also a Day of Abstinence: meatless meals for those age 14 and up.

Exposition/Stations of the Cross/ Benediction

This Schedule is for BOTH Parishes and we Encourage attending in each church

	Place	Exposition	Stations	Benediction	Confessions
Tues. 2/ 20	St. Stephen	5:45PM	6PM	After Stations	After Stations
Tues. 2/27	St. Stephen	5:45PM	6PM	After Stations	After Stations
Tues. 3/6	St. Stephen	5:45PM	6PM	After Stations	After Stations
Sun. 3/11	St. Clare	4PM	7PM	After Stations	6:15-6:45PM
Tues. 3/20	St. Clare	4PM	6PM	After Stations	After Stations
Tues. 3/27	St. Clare	4PM	6PM	After Stations	After Stations

Lenten Mission

The Mission will begin at 7PM each night. Confessions will be heard each night of the Mission from 6:15-6:45AM. A light social will follow each night.

- Sunday, March 11 Stations of the Cross with a reflection by the Rev. Stephen Isaac
- Monday, March 12 Mass with homily by the Rev. David Anthony
- Tuesday, March 13 Anointing of the Sick with reflection by the Rev. John Rother
- Confessions will be heard each night of the Mission from 6:15-6:45PM
- Berger's Trinity Peace Religious Goods on sale each night

Lenten Confession Schedule

St. Clare of Assisi	St. Stephen the Martyr
Saturday, Feb. 24 3:15-3:45PM	Tuesday, Feb. 21 following Stations
Saturday, March 3 3:15-3:45PM	Sunday, Feb. 25 8:45-9:15AM
Saturday, March 10 3:15-3:45PM	Tuesday, Feb. 28 following Stations
Sunday, March 11 6:15-6:45PM	Tuesday, March 7 following Stations
Monday, March 12 6:15-6:45PM	Sunday, March 11 8:45-9:15AM
Tuesday, March 13 6:15-6:45PM	Sunday, March 25 8:45-9:15AM
Saturday, March 17 3:15-3:45PM	
Saturday, March 24 3:15-3:45PM	
Tuesday, March 27 after Stations	

N.B. Wednesday, March 21 at St. Clare at 6PM to 7:30PM with extra priests. Our PREP children meet at St. Clare and after their confessions will be dismissed.

Lenten Adult Education Opportunities

1. Thursday Morning Bible Study

- Join us after the 8AM Mass for a cup of coffee and an informal discussion on the Sunday readings for Mass. Each week we will capture those elements of Sacred Scripture to make our Lent more meaningful.

2. Thursday Evening Adult Faith Discussion

- On the Thursdays of Lent from 6:30Pm to 8PM (or a tad later),

This year we will explore how a Catholic Christian finds happiness. We will use Matthew Kelly’s book Resisting Happiness in conjunction with Bishop Robert Barron’s video series Priest, Prophet, & King. The better we understand Jesus, the better we understand ourselves. Following the insights of Bishop Barron and Matthew Kelly we will focus on our baptismal promises and how Jesus’ gift to us as priest, prophet, and king can lead to happiness.

	Discussion Topics
2/15	Our hesitancy to live in communion with God
2/22	The High Priest
3/1	Challenging False Gods
3/8	The Incarnation
3/15	Your Kingdom Come
3/22	Christ the King

3. “Born For This”

- Sunday, March 4 6PM St. Clare of Assisi Church
- A musical production detailing the final hours of Jesus (in contemporary form). Donation is \$10 (children 16 and under free accompanied by an adult)

4. Best Lent Ever.com :“Don’t Give Up Chocolate for Lent” – a 40 day e-mail series where participants receive an e-mail daily with a inspirational video, a focus for prayer, a prayer reflection, and a spiritual act to perform