

# Dear Padre,

As long as I can remember, our parish has offered the Stations of the Cross as a special devotion during the Lenten season. How ancient is this practice?

Over the centuries, many pilgrims would visit the Holy Land to retrace the steps of Jesus. When they returned to their home churches, many of these pilgrims paid for shrines to be built that represented the holy places they visited. In 1342, the Franciscans became the official guardians of the holy places, and they would guide pilgrims along the Way of the Cross. In 1668, Pope Innocent XI gave permission to the Franciscans to place Stations of the Cross in all of their churches. The number of these early stations varied, from as few as seven to as many as thirty-seven. Finally, in 1731, Pope Clement XII defined fourteen stations as the official devotion.

In recent years, two modifications of the Stations of the Cross have become fairly common. Some churches have a fifteenth station representing Jesus' Resurrection. Other churches have scriptural accounts that are not in the traditional station devotion. In more recent years, a popular Lenten devotion is the "Living Stations of the Cross." This is a play with music, singing, and dramatic speaking parts.

Regardless of their format or the liturgical season of the year during which they are celebrated, the Stations of the Cross are a gentle reminder that we journey with Jesus on his way to Calvary.

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## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Let us invite Jesus into the boats of our lives. Let us hand over our fears to him so that he can conquer them. Like the disciples, we will experience that with him on board there will be no shipwreck. Because this is God's strength... He brings serenity into our storms, because with God life never dies.

EXTRAORDINARY MOMENT OF PRAYER  
FOR THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, MARCH 27, 2020

## Calendar

**Monday**  
FEBRUARY 22  
*The Chair of*  
*St. Peter the Apostle*  
1 Pt 5:1-4  
Mt 16:13-19

**Tuesday**  
FEBRUARY 23  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Is 55:10-11  
Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday**  
FEBRUARY 24  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Jon 3:1-10  
Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday**  
FEBRUARY 25  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Est C:12, 14-16,  
23-25  
Mt 7:7-12

**Friday**  
FEBRUARY 26  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Ez 18:21-28  
Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday**  
FEBRUARY 27  
*Lenten Weekday*  
Dt 26:16-19  
Mt 5:43-48

**Sunday**  
FEBRUARY 28  
*Second Sunday of Lent*  
Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13,  
15-18  
Rom 8:31b-34  
Mk 9:2-10



## First Sunday Of Lent

February 21, 2021



*Holy Spirit Catholic Church & Christ the King Catholic Mission*

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Office Hours: Mon-Thur-8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Fr. Peter is off on Monday



The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert,

### Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

*Week of February 20 – February 26*

Sat 6:00 pm †Mary Holliman (Birthday)  
Sun 11:00 am †Len Sumter  
Sun 6:00 pm †Robert Robbins  
Mon 8:00 am NO MASS  
Tue 8:00 am †Patricia Hutterer  
Wed 8:00 am †Margaret Dubuisson  
Thr 8:00 am Augustine Arcadia (Birthday)  
Fri 8:00 am †Stella, Frank & Joseph Wozniak

### Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

*Week of February 20 – February 26*

Sat 4:00 pm †Elizabeth Byrd  
Sun 9:15 am Parishioners Living & Deceased  
Tue 6:00 pm †All Souls in Purgatory

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm  
at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick's Chapel  
Adoration at Christ the King – Tuesday 5:30pm-6pm