

Saint Philip Neri  
(Reed City)

Saint Anne  
(Paris)

First Sunday  
of Lent

February 18, 2024



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**Sunday, February 18**

**First Sunday of Lent**

Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22;  
Mark 1:22-15

**Monday, February 19**

Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25:31-46  
**1:00 PM Al Anon**

**Tuesday, February 20**

Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15  
**1:00 PM – Bible Study – Pius Room**  
**1:00 PM – Parish Life Meeting – Parish Room**

**Wednesday, February 21**

**St. Peter Damian**

Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32  
**6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Faith Formation K-6**  
**6:00 PM – Stations of the Cross – St. Philip Neri**  
**Office Closed**

**Thursday, February 22**

**The Chair of St. Peter**

1 Peter 5:1-4; Matthew 16:13-19

**Friday, February 23**

**St. Polycarp**

Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26  
**9:00 AM -St. Philip Neri -Rectory**  
**†James Wisniski by Robert Walle**

**Saturday, February 24**

Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matthew 5:43-48  
**9:00 AM – 12:00 PM - Lenten Retreat at Evart**  
**3:00 PM Reconciliation at St. Philip Neri**  
**4:00 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri**  
**†David Jaques by Mary Jaques**

**Collection Report**

**February 10, 2024**

**St. Philip Neri**

<b>Envelopes</b>	<b>(50)</b>	<b>\$3,137.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>		<b>\$205.00</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$3,342.00</b>
<b>Wkly. Budget</b>		<b>\$3,100.00</b>
<b>O/ (U) Budget</b>		<b>\$242.00</b>
<b>YTD Budget</b>		<b>\$102,300.00</b>
<b>YTD Collection</b>		<b>\$96,098.59</b>
		<b>(\$6,201.41)</b>

**Schedule of Ministers**

**February 24, 2024 4:00 PM**

<b>Eucharist:</b>	Jesse Becerra
<b>Eucharist:</b>	Karah Hensel
<b>Eucharist:</b>	Kalee Kailing
<b>Word:</b>	Lynne Kreger
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Steve Leporowski
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Richard Karns
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Ed Suckow
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Kay Suckow



## **Faith Formation News**

I pray your Lent is off to a good start! As our society and culture continues its push that we must be busy all the time. It is necessary for us to take time away from that push and thought process. One way to do this during this Lenten season is to commit to coming to the Lenten Retreat on Saturday February 24 from 9 am until noon at Sacred Heart in Evart. This retreat will be a short time for you to be away, to focus on Jesus and where the Spirit is leading you this Lenten Season

### **From Wounds to Wonder and Awe: A Paschal Mystery Pilgrimage**

Pilgrimages have been a vibrant part of Catholic devotion for millennia. Pilgrims come to understand that a pilgrimage is not about the destination, but rather how God transforms their lives during their journey. The Lenten season is an annual pilgrimage we make while staying home. On this pilgrimage, our Lenten retreat will journey into the heart of the Paschal Mystery. We will reflect on how God's grace is transforming each of our hearts and conforming our lives. By encountering the love of Christ in each movement of the Paschal Mystery, we will prayerfully ponder the wisdom of the Paschal Mystery as a template for our lives. With Jesus as our pilgrimage guide and companion, we will come to encounter how our own wounds can be transformed into profound moments of wonder and awe. Cami Beecroft-Mann is a trauma-informed spiritual director. In her 27-year span of working within the Catholic Church in the arenas of youth, young adult, and family ministry, managing editor for FAITH Grand Rapids Magazine, author of On the Road to Sunday monthly column, and for the last nine years as spiritual director, Cami has grown in her devotion to and study of the Paschal Mystery. Cami and her husband Mark live in Grand Rapids, MI, where they take great delight in watching the generations of their family grow.

I encourage you to take this time and opportunity to reflect, pray and take time away from your normal routine this Lenten season. I have been to several retreats and reflection times that Cami has done. She is a prayerful, caring, holy woman of God.

In faith, Beth Dake Director of Faith Formation

## **Msgr. Victor Gallagher** **Council 12668**



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### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

The Stations represent critical events of Jesus' journey to Calvary. Celebrated originally only outdoors, the Stations were allowed inside churches in the mid-18th century. Eventually fixed at fourteen, the Stations soon became a familiar feature in Catholic; Lutheran, and Anglican churches.

The object of the Stations is to help the faithful to make a spiritual pilgrimage of prayer, by meditating upon the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death, and is often performed in a spirit of reparation for the sufferings and insults that Jesus endured during His Passion.

The devotion may be conducted personally by the faithful, making their way from one station to another and saying the prayers, or by having an officiating celebrant move from cross to cross while the faithful make the responses.

The traditional 14 Stations of the Cross represent what Christ experienced on His way to crucifixion. Usually represented as a series of artistic representations, the Stations of the Cross are also known as the "The Way of the Cross"

Each of the Stations are a devotion to the passion of Christ consisting of prayers and meditations on fourteen occurrences using each of the Stations to commemorate the Passion, often moving physically around a set of stations.

During the time of the crusades (1095-1270), it became popular for pilgrims in the Holy Land to walk in the footsteps of Jesus to Calvary. After the Moslems recaptured the Holy Land pilgrimages were too dangerous. As a result, the Stations of the Cross became a popular substitute pilgrimage throughout Europe.

The tradition as a chapel devotion began with St. Francis of Assisi and extended throughout the Roman Catholic Church in the medieval period and is most commonly observed during the Season of Lent, especially on Good Friday and on Friday evenings during Lent.

## Ash Wednesday and Holy Week Schedule

### **Stations of the Cross-St. Philip Neri Church**

6:00 PM -Every Wednesday thru Lent

### **Holy Thursday-March 28**

6:00 PM – Sacred Heart

### **Good Friday-March 29**

12:00 PM – Stations of the Cross – St. Philip Neri

1:00 PM – Liturgy of the Passion – St. Philip Neri

### **Easter Vigil Initiation Mass-March 30**

Saturday 7:00 PM – Sacred Heart

### **Easter Sunday-March 31**

8:00 AM – St. Philip Neri

10:00 AM – St. Agnus

### **Easter Flower Envelopes**

Please note that the envelope for Easter flowers is in your envelope box in April. If you would like to use that envelope please be sure to write on the envelope who you would like it in memory of.

Second option: Envelopes are in the back of the church that may be used that already have the line for in memory of.

I would like the envelopes all turned in by March 16, 2024 to be able to get the names in the bulletin.

Thank you

### **Friday Fish Fries**

Here are some local fish fries that are being offered for the Lenten season:

**St. Anne Senior Center**, Baldwin 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM

**Christ the King**, Howard City 4:30 PM – 7:00 PM

**St. Mary Parish**, Big Rapids 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM

**St. Michael's**, Remus 4:30 PM – 7:00 PM



## **Baby Shower**

The Lenten Baby Shower is now underway. Life Resources of Big Rapids and its clients are the recipients of this baby shower. Besides the free pregnancy test, free ultrasound, and free parenting support, free baby items are given. That's where we come in. Baby items needed are as follows:

Toiletries – diaper cream, lotion, baby wash, etc (no powder, please)

Bottles

Gerber Soothe Pro infant formula

Infant gas relief drops

Name brand (pampers, huggies) diapers Size NB, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

Pull ups size 2t/3t, 3t/4t and 4t/5t

Household child safety items- Gates (new), outlet covers, safety locks, etc)

Baby health & Hygiene/Grooming items (Tylenol, thermometers, nail clippers, etc)

Newborn size clothing

New or Gently used girls infant clothing 0-24 months (Current urgent need)

New Potty Chairs

New infant toys, such as tummy time mats or toys



## **Mark Your Calendars!**

As we begin the season of Lent, the Diocese of Grand Rapids will once again offer a special opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.

**“The Light is ON for You: An Evening of Penance”**

**Thursday, March 14**

**5 - 8 p.m. in almost every parish of the diocese**

Visit [GRdiocese.org/penance](http://GRdiocese.org/penance) for details