



Resurrection Our Lord Church

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First Sunday of Lent: Feb. 26, 2023

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Offering for Feb. 19, 2023

Total Sum. Collection \$3,478.00

Capital Improvement \$ 105.00

Donation \$ 2,700.00

Voice candles \$ 88.00

A Vocation View First Sunday of Lent

Through the obedience of Christ comes acquittal from sin. Through our obedience to Christ, we can be a conduit of Grace to this world.

**luhal@dwci.edu or call
1-800-553-3321**

Baptism : Arrangements must be made one week in advance.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sunday from 7:15 am to 7:45 am or by appointment.

Mass Schedule & Mass Intentions

Sun 2/26: * All souls by Tam Dung family
* Joseph by Tam Hai and Hung Tam family

Mon 2/27: * Well-being for family by Hong Au
* All souls by Hong Au

Tue 2/28: * Ann by Phuc Tram family
* Paul by Thuy Le

Wed 1/3: * Maria by Hung Tien
* Vincent by Amy

Thus 2/3: * Maria by Hung Tien
* Vincent by Amy

Fri 3/3: * Joseph and Maria by Hong Au
* All souls and unborn babies by Soan Nguyen

Sat 4/3: * John the Baptist and Ann by Soan Nguyen
* Maria by Hung Tien

Today's Gospel: Mt 4: 1-11 At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply, "It is written: *One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.*" Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written: *He will command his angels concerning you and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*" Jesus answered him, "Again it is written, *You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*" Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written: *The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.*" Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Holy Father's Intention for February: For Parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

Ash Wednesday (Feb 22, 2023), all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday (April 7, 2023):

are days of abstinence (refraining from meat) for all Catholics from age 14 onwards. On these two days, fast, as well as abstinence, is also obligatory for those from the ages of 18-59. Abstinence means refraining from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquids are permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation.

Rice Bowl: CRS Rice Bowl begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb 22, 2023, 75 percent of Rice Bowl donations support CRS's humanitarian relief programs in more than 100 different countries. Additionally, Catholic Relief Services allows each diocese that participates to keep 25% of the collection in the local community to be used for hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. In the Archdiocese of St. Louis, these funds support food pantries and other programs.

Steadfast in Faith: Forward in Hope: Lent 2023

As you know, the Archdiocese of St. Louis is rooted in a strong Catholic legacy. Your ministry work is a key part of that legacy. You play an important role in bringing Christ's gospel message to those you encounter every day.

We are not living in an age of change - we are living in the change of an age (Pope Francis). We are called to embrace this missionary creativity, to think in new ways about how we share our faith. This requires a discerning heart, rooted in prayer.

Discernment is one of the most difficult types of prayer that we can encounter as we grow in faith. The Holy Spirit makes us discern between trials, which are necessary for our inner growth, and temptation, which leads to sin.

To help equip the people in our parishes for a meaningful Lenten journey, Archbishop Rozanski invites us to enter deeper into prayer this season. He writes that in Lent the Church pushes the "pause" button for six weeks. This gives the faithful time to establish new habits. He writes: "Contemporary psychologists say that it takes roughly 90 days to build a new habit...if you could push "pause," take 90 days to acquire a new habit and then reenter your life with that habit in place, what would it be?"

Together we pray: Dear Lord, let us no longer avoid the effort to change, but that all our powers be gathered to acknowledge our offenses and beg for a clean heart and a steadfast faith.