

Holy Redeemer Chapel

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First Sunday of Lent

February 22nd, 2026

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The temptations of Christ

“Begone, Satan, for it is written, The Lord thy God shalt thou adore, and him only shalt thou serve.” (Matt. 4, 10)

* **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK** *

Sunday, February 22 nd	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT All living (<i>Mrs. Coleen Cortese</i>) ✠Diane Lambert (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lambert</i>)	8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.
Monday, February 23 rd	St. Peter Damian, BpCD ✠All Deceased (<i>Mrs. Coleen Cortese</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Tuesday, February 24 th	St. Matthias, Ap Special Intention (<i>Fr. Ercoli</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Wednesday, February 25 th	Ember Wednesday ✠Mr. & Mrs. James Burke (<i>Fr. Ercoli</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Thursday, February 26 th	Ferial Day ✠Maria Nu Nguyen (<i>Nguyen family</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Friday, February 27 th	St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows, C (<i>Ember Friday</i>) Daniel F. Pablo -birthday (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Wilfredo Pablo</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Saturday, February 28 th	Ember Saturday ✠John Kohler (<i>Will Shafer</i>)	9:00 A.M.
Sunday, March 1 st	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT ✠Justina Holtzworth (<i>Miss Diane Strutz</i>) ✠Deceased parishioners (<i>Purgatory League</i>)	8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.

* **ANNOUNCEMENTS** *

- **DISTRIBUTION OF BLESSED ASHES** will follow Holy Mass today.
- **WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY ARE EMBER DAYS.**
- **SEVEN SUNDAY OF ST. JOSEPH DEVOTION.** Today is the fifth Sunday.
- **STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT:** every **Saturday after 9:00 A.M. Mass.** The Stations will conclude by a blessing with a relic of the true Cross (*Holy Redeemer Chapel*)
- **DAY OF RECOLLECTION DURING LENT.** We are having a *Day of Recollection* on Saturday, **March 21** for ladies & gentlemen. More information is available in the vestibule.

* **RULES OF FAST & ABSTINENCE DURING LENT** *

- **RULES OF FAST:** The laws of fast apply to persons between the ages of 21 & 59. On a fast day one may eat one full meal and two light meatless meals, which together would not equal the main meal. Meat may be taken at the principal meal, except on days of complete abstinence. Liquids such as water, milk, and fruit juices may be taken between meals.
- **RULES OF ABSTINENCE:** The laws of abstinence apply to everyone seven years of age and over. On a day of complete abstinence no meat, meat gravy or soup made from meat may be taken. On a day of partial abstinence meat may be taken once.

“THOU SHALL NOT TEMPT THE LORD THY GOD” by St. Alphonsus de Liguori

If God were to immediately chastise those who offend Him, He certainly would not be insulted as He now is: but because the Lord does not punish instantly, and delays, therefore do sinners take courage to offend Him all the more! We must, however, be assured that although God waits and endures, yet He does not wait and endure for ever. It is the opinion of many of the holy Fathers, of St. Basil, St. Jerome, St. Ambrose, St. Cyril of Alexandria, St. John Chrysostom, St. Augustine, and others, that as God has determined for each man the number of days he has to live, and the degrees of health or talents He chooses to bestow on him, *Thou hast ordered all things in measure, and number, and weight* (*Wis. xi. 21*); so also has He determined the number of sins He will pardon in each one: when that number is filled up, He pardons no more. *"We should remember this,"* says St. Augustine, *"that for a certain time the patience of God bears with each one; that time being completed, no more pardon is reserved for him."* Eusebius of Caesarea says the same: *"God waits up to a certain number, and afterwards abandons"*; and so speak also the above-named Fathers.

These Fathers have not spoken at random, but according to the Holy Scriptures. In one place the Lord says that He delayed the ruin of the Amorrhites because the number of their sins was not yet filled up: *For as yet the iniquities of the Amorrhites are not at the full.* (*Gen. xv. 16*). In another He says: *I will have no more compassion upon Israel.* (*Os. i. 6*). *They have tempted me ten times; they shall not see the land of promise.* (*Num. xiv. 22*). In another place, Job says: *Thou hast sealed up my offences as it were in, a bag.* (*Job xiv. 17*). Sinners keep no account of their sins; but God indeed keeps it, that He may chastise when the harvest is ripe, that is, when the number is filled up: *Put ye in the sickles, for the harvest is ripe.* (*Joel iii. 13*). In another place, God says: *Be not without fear about sin forgiven, and add not sin upon sin.* (*Ecclus. v. 5*). By which He would say: *"Sinner, thou must fear even for the sins I have forgiven thee, because if thou addest another, it may be that the new sin, together with those pardoned, will complete the number, and there will then be no more mercy for thee."* In another place, the Scripture still more plainly says: *The Lord waiteth patiently, that when the day of judgment shall come he may punish them (that is, the nations) in the fulness of their sins.* (*2 Mach. vi. 14*). So that God waits until the day in which the measure of sins is filled up, and then He punishes.

Of such punishment there are many examples in Scripture, especially that of Saul, who for his last disobedience was abandoned by God. When he pleaded with Samuel to intercede for him: Bear, I beseech thee, my sin, and return with me, that I may adore the Lord. Samuel replied, I will not return with thee, because thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, and the Lord hath rejected thee. There is the example of Balthassar, who being at table profaned the vessels of the temple; and he then saw a hand which wrote on the wall, Mane, Thecel, Phares. Daniel came, and explaining these words, said to him, among other things, *Thou art weighed in the balance and art found wanting.* (*Dan. v. 27*). Giving him to understand that the weight of his sins had already sunk the scale of Divine justice; and in effect he was destroyed that same night. And oh, to how many miserable sinners does the same happen! They live on for years in their sins; but when their number is filled up, they are overtaken by death and condemned to hell: *They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment go down into hell.* (*Job xxxi. 13*). Some apply themselves to searching out the number of the stars, the number of Angels, or of the years of such a one; but who can set about to discover the number of sins that God will pardon in each of us? And therefore must we tremble. Who knows, but that after that first criminal pleasure, that first thought consented to, that first sin which you shall commit, God will never again forgive you?

* A NOTE TO NEWCOMERS *



Welcome to the traditional Latin Mass, and to the unchanged Catholic Faith. The priests and parishioners of Holy Redeemer Chapel reject the changes of Vatican II. They want to preserve the Roman Catholic Faith by maintaining everything that was taught and done by the Church prior to Vatican II. In order to receive the sacraments here, it is therefore necessary that you attend exclusively the traditional Latin Mass, and avoid the new Mass and reformed sacraments. We also invite you to take our booklet entitled *The Traditional Latin Mass*, which is very informative. We encourage you to visit our bookstore for some additional reading & information about the present crisis in the Church.

* PLEASE, OBSERVE OUR DRESS CODE *

For Men: A shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes on Sundays and holy days of obligation. No earrings. **For Ladies:** A dress or skirt is required; no pants. The skirt must at least cover the knee, and should not be tight or otherwise revealing in any way. Immodest slits are forbidden. Clothing should be loose and not form-fitting. A head covering is also required. See-through blouses are forbidden, as well as clothing which is low-cut. **For Everyone:** No tennis shoes, sandals, denim, even on weekdays. The standards of Catholic modesty must be observed.

* APPOINTMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION *



If you wish to make an appointment with the priest, please call the rectory at (206) 299-1522. **Baptisms** are by appointment. At least one of the **Parents & Godparents** must be practicing Catholics in good standing who reject the changes of Vatican II. If you are contemplating **Matrimony**, catechism instructions may be needed; depending on the case, you may need to contact the priest as early as one year in advance of your wedding. When making arrangements for **Funerals**, please contact the priest before contacting the funeral director. **Extreme Unction & Sick Calls**, please do not put off making arrangements until the last moment. Let us know if a member of the Chapel is sick, hospitalized or in danger of death. For any emergency, please call **Fr. Ercoli** at (586) 215-3251.

INDULGENCES OF THE WAY OF THE CROSS



The faithful who with at least a contrite heart, whether singly or in company, perform the pious exercise of the **Way of the Cross**, when the latter has been legitimately erected according to the prescriptions of the Holy See, may gain:



- A **plenary indulgence** as often as they perform the same;
- Another **plenary indulgence** if they receive Holy Communion on the same day, or even within a month after having made the Stations ten times;
- An **indulgence of 10 years** for each station, if for some reasonable cause they are unable to complete the entire Way of the Cross. (*RACCOLTA 194*)