



Letter from the Pastor Rev. David Wells



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Dear St. Martin's Parishioners,

Well, that was quick. I just got through with putting Christmas decorations away, and Lent arrived. Without further ado, here are Lenten highlights to put on your calendar as you enter into this holy season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

- Consecration to St. Joseph: The 33-day preparation for consecration began on Monday, February 15. Each day contains a brief reflection on St. Joseph with a few prayers, and the consecration takes place on March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph. We have books in English available in the office if you'd like to purchase one.
- Monday night reflections on our Journey with St. Joseph. Fr. Tony and Deacon Bill will offer reflections in English in the parish hall from 6:30pm-7:30pm (also viewable through St. Martin's YouTube channel). Deacon Mauricio and Sr. Mariana will offer reflections in Spanish in the church from 7:00pm-8:00pm (also viewable on Facebook Live).
- Lenten Parish Mission: Thursday, March 18 and Friday, March 19, we host a bilingual mission on the theme of St. Joseph. Talks, opportunity for confession, adoration, Mass are all included. More details are forthcoming.
- Stations of the Cross: Friday evenings Stations will be prayed in English at 5:30pm and in Spanish at 7:30pm.
- Outdoor Live Stations: For those of you who enjoyed our outdoor Nativity drive-thru during Advent, we are designing a similar drive-thru spiritual pilgrimage on Saturday, March 27.

I hope that you take advantage of these spiritual offerings to aid you in preparing for a blessed Holy Week and Easter.

In Christ,
Fr. Dave