

## The Week Ahead

### Sat / March 5

4pm - Vigil Mass: Eleanor Kocz - SI † by M Kocz  
Food Pantry & St. Vincent de Paul Society Collections

### Sun / March 6 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent

9am - Mass: People of the Parish  
Food Pantry & St. Vincent de Paul Society Collections  
Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall  
10:30am - CCD  
1:30pm - B--I--N--G--O

### Mon / March 7 - Ss. Perpetua & Felicity

9am - Mass: Kootz Family - SI by B & A Kootz  
10am - RCIA, in the Parish Hall

### Tue / March 8 - St. John of God

### Wed / March 9 - St. Frances of Rome

12pm - Altar Society Card Party, in the Parish Hall (3<sup>rd</sup>)  
6pm - Mass: Living & Deceased Parishioners by G & C Raikes

### Thu / March 10

9am - Mass: Briana Dilorio - SI by B & A Kootz  
6pm - B--I--N--G--O

### Fri / March 11

9am - Mass: Healing by Anonymous  
5pm - Stations of the Cross

### Sat / March 12

3-3:45pm - Confessions, in the Library  
4pm - Vigil Mass: Herman & Anna Grieshaber † by T Grieshaber  
Easter Flower Collection

Daylight Savings Time begins, turn clocks AHEAD one hour.

### Sun / March 13 - Second Sunday of Lent

9am - Mass: Living & Dec. Raikes & Mancino Family by Family  
Easter Flower Collection  
KC Breakfast after Mass, in the Parish Hall  
10:30am - CCD

#### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...**

*LENT is a call to know a commitment grown dull by a life more marked by routine than by reflection. -Joan Chittister*

🙏 *Wishing you a blessed week!* 🙏

## Journeying Together

Pope Francis is inviting everyone to share their experience with the Catholic Church, particularly those who feel left out or hurt by the Church. The online questionnaire can be found at: <https://bit.ly/dolrjourneytogether>. If you have any questions about the form, you may contact Liz Tingquist at the diocese, [ltingquist@dolr.org](mailto:ltingquist@dolr.org), or 501-664-0340.

## Lenten Prayer

God of all compassion and goodness, heal the wounds our sins and selfishness bring upon us. You bid us turn to fasting, prayer, and sharing with our brothers and sisters. We acknowledge our sinfulness, our guilt is ever before us; when our weakness causes discouragement, let Your compassion fill us with hope and lead us through a Lent of repentance to the beauty of Easter joy. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen †

### Join Us NEXT Sunday for an All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast after Mass!

Adults/\$8; children 6-12/\$4, under age 6/free

### Diocesan Safe Environment Program

The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse, or have been abused yourself by clerics, Church volunteers, or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes Against Children, 1-800-482-5964, and the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, Dcn. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340, ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gottsponer, (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. For questions or more info, write the Safe Environment Office, Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

### Open Adoration Hours

Mon: 4-5pm; 5-6pm

Tue: 3-4pm; 7-8pm

Thur: 1-2:30pm

Fri: 12-1pm; 4-5pm; 6-7pm; 7-8pm

If you are interested in one of the above hours (or any hour), call Rose, 870-994-2744, or Anne, 870-847-1985. Please Note: substitutes are always needed, please call and volunteer.

### Birthdays Next Week:

9 - Ryan Munroe

10 - Mary Jolley

13 - Joyce Doucette

*We wish you many blessings on your birthday!*

## Lenten Reflection

We thank the anonymous family who donated the books, *I Thirst*, which was handed out after Masses last weekend, for our Lenten Reflection.

We invite all of you to participate in a small group this Lent focusing discussion on the meditations from "I Thirst". Two groups that are already formed are:

- Sunday after Mass in the church hall
- 3:00 Sunday at Brandenburg home  
28 Fairground Rd. Ash Flat

If you have any questions, feel free to call Rose Brandenburg, 870-994-2744.

## 2022 Mass for Hope and Healing

**What:** Mass to pray for healing for survivors of child sexual abuse, and to commemorate April as the National Child Abuse Prevention Month, celebrated by Bishop Taylor.

**When:** Sunday, April 24, at 5:30 p.m.

**Where:** Cathedral of St. Andrew, 617 S. Louisiana St., Little Rock.

**Who:** Anyone who is interested in praying for victims, their families and friends.

## Holy Father's Prayer Intention

### **March 2022**

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

## Paschal Candle Donation

As we do each Lent, a new Paschal candle, to be blessed at the Easter Vigil Mass and used throughout the year, needs to be purchased. The cost is \$200. If you would like to help with this purchase, please slip a check under the church office door, with a notation "for paschal candle". Checks should be made payable to the Altar Society. God bless you! - Fr. Amal

## Friday Lenten Meals

Following Stations of the Cross on March 4, 18, and April 1, the Knights of Columbus will offer a Fish Fry. The cost of \$8 for Adults, \$4 for children over age 6, and free for under age 6, includes catfish fillets, coleslaw, fries, and hush puppies. Mark your calendars and join us!

## 2022 Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal

As we look at our lives and the many ways God has blessed us, let us give back a proportionate gift to CASA as a way of saying "thank you" to God. Our parish goal this year is **\$14,900**. **Make checks to "CASA" and include our CASA #7215 on the lower left corner of your check.** Envelopes are available in the vestibule. You may either mail them or return them to the Office and we will mail them for you. God bless you for your generosity!

## Prayers for the People of Ukraine

As we begin the holy season of Lent, let's continue to pray for the unrest in Ukraine and the surrounding countries, where a humanitarian crisis is unfolding. Please read Bishop Taylor's letter inserted in this weekend's bulletin, as well as the inserted Prayer for Ukraine.

## Inclement Weather Policy Reminder

**Weekend Mass** is rarely canceled, but we ask that you please use prudent judgment, according to your own particular circumstances and road conditions, as to whether it is safe for YOU to drive. In the case of severe snow or ice when Mass needs to be canceled, we will communicate with you through our calling system. If you are elderly and there is snow or ice on the roads, *please stay home*, you don't need to be out and take the chance of falling. (Even if you can get here, we can't guarantee what condition our side street/parking lot/walkways will be.) *Please use caution and be safe!* After a snow or ice storm, please be careful when walking near the overhang of the roof, as sheets of ice may slide off.

**Weekday Mass** - If weekday Mass is canceled, the calling system will be activated, calling only those who asked to be called. If you wish to receive last-minute notifications when weekday Mass is canceled, please let us know in the Church Office.

**Adoration Chapel** - If the public schools would normally be in session but are canceled due to bad weather, then the Chapel will also be closed. If you have questions, call your coordinator.