

Family LENTEN Calendar

February—March 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			17 Ash Wednesday Mass 8am, 12pm & 7pm Hold hands during grace & pray for those living and deceased.	18 Do something today before you are asked.	19 Stations of the Cross 7pm Fast from a TV program & spend that time helping a family member or a neighbor.	20 Place the newspaper under a cross in your Lenten holy space. Pray for your city, town, street . . .
21 Talk about a favorite Bible story during this Lenten season and see how it challenges you to practice a spiritual or corporal work of mercy.	22 This week give a sincere compliment to a spouse, a child, sibling or parent (One a Day Vitamin for family health.)	23 Do something for the youngest in the household.	24 Take your neighbors some cookies or bread. (Feed the hungry.)	25 Help Mom today. Read to a younger sibling. Can you teach him/her a new word?	26 Stations of the Cross 7pm Talk about the ways that we fall, like Jesus did when carrying the cross.	27 Write a letter to a faraway relative.
28 Fast from a TV program & play a creative/board game. Feast on feeding the “hungry” in your family—those who need quality time together.	1 Light a candle at dinner for family unity—yours, others, your parish family, the whole world.	2 No matter how little your resources (see Luke 21: 3-4) decide how to give generously of your time, talent & treasure.	3 Share on this question: How fair are we toward others?	4 Pray for peace among nations.	5 Stations of the Cross 7pm How well do we accept our own crosses in life?	6 How many names for Jesus can you think of?
7 Talk about a favorite Bible story. How does it challenge you?	8 Be prepared to give someone a helping hand today.	9 Pray for peace among nations.	10 Remember the good in people. Share this with each other at mealtime.	11 Do something for the oldest in the household.	12 Stations of the Cross 7pm Be like Simon today and help someone carry their cross.	13 Compose a special prayer for the sick and share this with each other. (Rotate the person leading the prayer on a nightly basis.)

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March—April 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
14 Discuss the Gospel reading for today.	15 Have a silent evening. Turn off all electronic devices.	16 Each person spring clean one room thoroughly. Give away items to a charity location of your choice.	17 Pray for the second grade children celebrating Reconciliation on Saturday.	18 Have a simple meal. Give to the poor.	19 St. Joseph Stations of the Cross 7pm Pray for the unborn, the unloved and the abused (mentally, physically, spiritually.)	20 Make Easter decorations today. Attach colorful symbols to pieces of string & tie them to a coat hanger. Hang your Easter mobile in a special spot.
21 Have a family meal together.	22 Penance Service 3 and 7pm Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.	23 Thank a family member for serving you.	24 Pray for missionaries near and far.	25 Read stories about Jesus' heart for others: Luke 10: 26-28 Luke 13: 10-12 John 9: 6-7	26 Stations of the Cross 7pm Be like Veronica and show compassion for another person today.	27 All who can, go for a walk in your neighborhood. Pray for those whose houses you pass and ask God's blessing for them.
28 Palm Sunday Talk about the meaning of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.	29 Pray for the people being Baptized this Saturday.	30 Pray for the children receiving Eucharist for the first time in April and May.	31 Pray for our youth receiving Confirmation in April.	1 Holy Thursday Mass at 7pm Parents tell your children about your First Communion.	2 Good Friday Service at 2pm and Stations of the Cross 7pm At 3pm have an hour of silence and no electronics devices in the house.	3 Holy Saturday

4 Easter Sunday

Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Shelter the homeless
- Clothe the naked
- Visit the sick
- Help the imprisoned
- Bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

- Share knowledge
- Give advice to those who need it
- Comfort those who suffer
- Be patient with others
- Forgive those who hurt you
- Give correction to those who need it
- Pray for the living and the dead

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