## LENT 2025 Reflect. Repent. Restore.

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			Ash Wednesday— Lent Begins  Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the LORD, your God. (Joel 2:13)	"Prayer, almsgiving and fasting are not three unrelated acts, but a single movement of openness and selfemptying, in which we cast out the idols that weigh us down, the attachments that imprison us."  (Pope Francis, Message for Lent 2024)	Explore some new meatless recipes and commit to living more simply, accompanying our brothers and sisters who lack material resources.	March 8  Many who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil will celebrate the Rite of Election tomorrow. Say a prayer for the elect, for those who will be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church, and for all who seek God with a sincere heart.
March 9	March 10	March 11	March 12	March 13	March 14	March 15
First Sunday of Lent "You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve. (Luke 4:8)	"Lent is a season of conversion, a time of freedom."  (Pope Francis, Message for Lent 2024)	Examine your conscience before going to bed tonight and make plans to receive the Sacrament of Penance during Lent.	"Both in the liturgy and in liturgical catechesis, through remembrance of Baptism or preparation for it, and by penitence, Lent renews the community of the faithful together with the elect and disposes them to recall the Paschal Mystery."  (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, no. 138) (see Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, no. 109)	Prayerfully discern ways that you can give to others by sharing your time, treasure, and talent.	Fast from television, streaming, gaming, social media, or some other pleasure and spend the extra time praying or reading the Bible.	Invite a friend or neighbor to join you for Mass, a Lenten service, or a faith formation program at your parish.

Sunday	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
March 16	March 17	March 18	March 19	March 20	March 21	March 22
Second Sunday of Lent Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. (Philippians 3:20)	On this memorial of Saint Patrick ask God for the graces you need to become a missionary disciple.	After dinner, pray a decade of the Rosary for those who feel unwelcomed, unheard, and unloved.	On the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we pray for all fathers, that through the example of St. Joseph, they may fully embrace their vocation and accept the privilege and responsibility of caring for their children as St. Joseph cared for Jesus.	"To the extent that this Lent becomes a time of conversion, an anxious humanity will notice a burst of creativity, a flash of new hope."  (Pope Francis, Message for Lent 2024)	"The time of purification and enlightenment is given to a more intense preparation of spirit and heart, which has the character of recollection rather than of catechesis, and is intended to purify hearts and minds by examination of conscience and penitence."  (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, no. 139)	If possible, apologize to someone you have hurt or offer forgiveness to someone who has hurt you.
March 23	March 24	March 25	March 26	March 27	March 28	March 29
Third Sunday of Lent "This is my name forever; thus am I to be remembered through all generations."  (Exodus 3:15)	Pray one of the Penitential Psalms (Psalms 6, 32, 38, 51, 102, 130, 143) and give thanks for God's mercy.	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord  On this 25th Anniversary of Saint John Paul II's encyclical Evangelium vitae, pray with this prayer resource from Walking with Moms in Need: WWMIN-prayerguide-03.pdf (usccb.org)	"In Baptism nothing other than the Paschal Mystery is recalled and accomplished, because in it human beings pass from the death of sin into life."  (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, General Introduction no. 6)	As Lent nears its halfway point, recommit yourself to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to purify your heart for the Paschal feast.	"Today too, the cry of so many of our oppressed brothers and sisters rises to heaven. Let us ask ourselves: Do we hear that cry? Does it trouble us? Does it move us?"  (Pope Francis, Message for Lent 2024)	Lord Jesus, have mercy on me, a sinner.
March 30	March 31	April 1	April 2	April 3	April 4	April 5
Fourth Sunday of Lent "But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found" (Luke 15:32)	Gentle and merciful God, who are revealed in pardoning and who delight in making holy, graciously wipe away the stain of sin from us who are penitent and restore our hearts to life (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, no. 296)	If possible, spend some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, asking God to fill you with his grace so that you may draw ever closer to the Body of Christ.	"It is time to act, and in Lent, to act also means to pause. To pause in prayer, in order to receive the word of God, to pause like the Samaritan in the presence of a wounded brother or sister."  (Pope Francis, Message for Lent 2024)	Pray for peace in all the troubled parts of our world, in our communities, and in our families.	Pray the Stations of the Cross (Stations Of The Cross   USCCB), either in your parish or on your own.	In Lent, we are called to renew our baptismal commitment. We recall those waters in which we were baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
April 6	April 7	April 8	April 9	April 10	April 11	April 12
Fifth Sunday of Lent Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new!  (Isaiah 43:18-19a)	As we journey with Jesus towards Holy Week, remember all those in our world today who carry heavy crosses of poverty, homelessness, and hunger.	"In the presence of God, we become brothers and sisters, more sensitive to one another: in place of threats and enemies, we discover companions and fellow travelers."  (Pope Francis, Message for Lent 2024)	Do not let the power of death hold back those who by their faith will share in the triumph of your Resurrection.  (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, no. 175)	Pray for a deeper respect for all human life, especially for the most vulnerable: the unborn, the infirm, those with disabilities, those on death row, and the terminally ill.	On this final Friday of Lent, let your sacrifices unite you with your suffering brothers and sisters and with Jesus' perfect sacrifice on the Cross.	If possible, make plans to participate next week in your parish's celebration of the moving liturgies of the Triduum (Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday).
April 13	April 14	April 15	April 16	April 17	April 18	April 19
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord "I tell you, if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!" (Luke 19:40)	"The community together with the neophytes, by meditation on the Gospel, by participation in the Eucharist, and by the exercise of charity, makes progress in understanding the Paschal Mystery more deeply."  (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, no. 244)	As Lent draws to a close, reflect on your Lenten journey. How have you grown closer to God? How have you grown in holiness? Give thanks to God for accompanying you in this season.	"We need to combat a deficit of hope that stifles dreams and the silent cry that reaches to heaven and moves the heart of God."  (Pope Francis, Message for Lent 2024)	Holy Thursday  On the night before he died, Jesus instituted the Sacrament of the Eucharist at his Last Supper with his friends. Pray for the grace to be ever aware of Jesus' Real Presence in the Eucharist.	Good Friday  We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world.	Holy Saturday  If possible, spend today in quiet prayer, praying for those who receive Sacraments of Initiation tonight and that you will have renewed strength to live your baptismal call.
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord  Why do you seek the	"Prayer, almsgiving and fasting are not three unrelated acts, but a single movement of openness and self-emptying, in which we cast out the idols that weigh us down, the attachments that imprison us."  —Pope Francis, Message for Lent, 2024					

Why do you seek the living one among the dead?

He is not here, but he has been raised.

(Luke 24:5-6)

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