



*Please see Marisa before Mass  
if you would like to do a Reading*



*Quechan woman standing next to her home,  
on the Fort Yuma Reservation in western Arizona  
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**Readings for the Week Beginning**

**Sunday, March 9, 2025**

**1st Sunday of Lent**

Sunday

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 4-10  
Psalms 91: 1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15  
Second Reading: Romans 10: 8-13  
Verse Before the Gospel: Matthew 4: 4b  
Gospel: Luke 4: 1-13

Monday

First Reading: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 11-18  
Psalms 19: 8, 9, 10, 15  
Verse Before the Gospel: Second Corinthians 6: 2b  
Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46

Tuesday

First Reading: Isaiah 55: 10-11  
Psalms 34: 4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19  
Verse Before the Gospel: Matthew 4: 4b  
Gospel: Matthew 6: 7-15

Wednesday

First Reading: Esther C: 12, 14-16, 23-25  
Psalms 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8  
Verse Before the Gospel: Psalms 51: 12a, 14a  
Gospel: Matthew 7: 7-12

Thursday

First Reading: Ezekiel 18: 21-28  
Psalms 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8  
Verse Before the Gospel: Ezekiel 18: 31  
Gospel: Matthew 5: 20-26

Friday

First Reading: Ezekiel 18: 21-28  
Psalms 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8  
Verse Before the Gospel: Ezekiel 18: 31  
Gospel: Matthew 5: 20-26

Saturday

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 16-19  
Psalms 119: 1-2, 4-5, 7-8  
Verse Before the Gospel: Second Corinthians 6: 2b  
Gospel: Matthew 5: 43-48

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*Father Edward J. Cook*

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***Sunday Gathering: 9:30am***  
***Sunday Mass Service: 10:00am***



**Church Office**

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*Rectory Hours: Tuesday - Friday; 10am-3pm*

**Siggenauk Center Food Pantry**

*Serving Native Americans & 53204 residents*

*Hours: Thursday: 1:00pm-3:00pm*

*Friday: 10:00am-12:00 noon*



**Prayer Group Meeting**

*Tuesday: 1pm - ? pm @ Church Hall  
Potluck dinner. Bible study and prayer  
with emphasis on Native Spirituality.*

**Social Justice Meeting**

*Thursday Evenings:  
Call the Church Office for schedule.*

*Please scan the QR Code below to make an  
easy & secure donation to our  
Parish or Food Pantry...*



*March 9, 2025  
Daylight savings time begins  
Turn clocks ahead 1 hour*





## Lenten Season

Lent for the year 2024 starts on  
**Wednesday, March 5, 2025 and ends on Thursday, April 17, 2025**  
with evening Mass on Holy Thursday.

*Lent is a Christian annual period that starts on Ash Wednesday and lasting for 40 days, (not Including Sundays), representing the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the desert and enduring temptation by Satan, according to the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, before beginning his public ministry*

## Lenten Recommendations

*The following are recommendations for observing the Lenten season.*



- Every person *14 years of age* or older should abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent.**
- Every person between the age of *18 and 59 (your 59th birthday begins your 60th year)* should fast on **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.**

***“Speak when you are angry  
and you’ll make the best speech you’ll ever regret”***

***Ambrose Bierce***



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## *Prayer Insights and Advice*

*Three Spiritual Directors Speak*

*Tuesdays, March 25, April 1, April 8 6:30–7:30 PM, St. Joseph Church, 12130 W. Center St., Wauwatosa*

### *“Ask, and You Will Receive,”*

Bishop James Schuerman, Auxiliary Bishop of Milwaukee,  
March 25, 6:30–7:30 PM

What Is Prayer and Why Do We Pray?

The Wellsprings of Prayer

The Way of Prayer – Christian Prayer Is Trinitarian

Petition and Intercession

Prayer and Conversion

Prayer and Spiritual Growth

Challenges with Prayer – Spiritual Battle and the Dark Night of the Soul

A Close Look at the Lord’s Prayer



### *“Haven’t Got a Prayer? Four Reasons and Two Ways to Pray,”*

Fr. Robert Kroll, S. J. Director of Spiritual Formation at St. Francis Seminary  
April 1, 6:30–7:30 PM

Four Essential Principles of Prayer along with Two Specific Prayer Practices

Lectio with Scripture

The Ignatian Examen



### *“Prayer: Our Heart’s Greatest Desire,”*

Mrs. Mary Matestic, MTS, Leader of Retreats for Women, Contributor to the Catholic Herald  
April 8, 6:30–7:30 PM

I will look at different types of prayer as manifested in the Gospels.

To See the Face of God

To Hear the Voice of God

To Touch the Divine

To Taste the Goodness of God

To Be the Fragrance of God

