

WELCOME TO

Calvary

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



We are here for God
and we are here for you.

The First Sunday in Lent
The Year of our Lord, 2026, being February 22
Year A

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Please remember to wear your name tags.

Prelude

The Call to Worship

The Parish Chimes

The Processional Hymn

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

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Welcome

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures forever.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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The Holy Eucharist I

Lord, have mercy upon us *Kyrie*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer -

cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

A Reading from Genesis

2:15-17; 3:1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden’?” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of
trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

A Reading from Romans

5:12-19

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand if your health allows.

Gradual Acclamation

Holy Scripture

O Christ, the Word Incarnate, V. 1

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1 O Christ, the Word In - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
 2 The Church from our dear Mas - ter re - ceived the word di - vine,
 3 O make thy Church, dear Sa - vior, a lamp of pur - est gold,

O Truth, un - changed, un - chang-ing, O Light of our dark sky;
 and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.
 to bear be - fore the na - tions thy true light as of old;

we praise thee for the ra - diance that from the scrip-ture's page,
 It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sea,
 O teach thy wan-dering pil - grims by this their path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
 mid mists and rocks and quick-sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.
 till, clouds and dark-ness end - ed, they see thee face to face.

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897), alt.

Music: Munich, melody from *Neu-vermehrtes und zu Übung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch*, 1693; adapt. and harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But he answered, “It is written,

‘One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you,’
and ‘On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please kneel, sit or stand.

Prayers of the People

The Litany of Healing

Leader God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;
People **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might
 have it more abundantly;
People **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your
 presence;
People **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our
 being;
People **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or
 disabled, that they may be made whole;
People **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are
 lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and
 an awareness of your presence;
People **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional
 distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;
People **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the
 suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and
 patience;
People **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

People **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

People **Heal us, and make us whole.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Laying on of Hands and Anointing

Any who wish to pray and have anointing with oil may come to the altar now.

Music during healing

After all have received healing

Celebrant As you are outwardly anointed with this holy oil, so may our loving God give you the inward anointing of the Holy Spirit. May God relieve your suffering and restore you in body, mind, and spirit. May all of us in the frailty of our flesh know God's healing power.

People **Amen.**

Please stand if your health allows.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
People: **And also with you.**

Please be seated.



The Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Forty Days and Forty Nights #150

The people's offerings are collected and brought forward to the altar.

Please stand for the Doxology.

Celebrant and People sing:

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

The Eucharistic Prayer B

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People Sing

The Holy Eucharist II

Holy, holy, holy Lord *Sanctus*

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Please kneel, sit or stand.

Celebrant:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of

your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All Sing

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, then says:

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Holy Eucharist

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Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on



us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re-deem - er of the world: give us your peace.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please be seated.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the bread and the wine; or just the bread, as is your need or custom. If you are not a baptized Christian, please know that you are also most welcome at the altar rail. Just cross your arms over your chest for a special prayer of blessing. This is God's place and no one is turned away.

Please let an Usher know if you need the Sacrament brought to your pew.

The Holy Communion Hymn

Abide with Me

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Please kneel, sit or stand.

Celebrant and People:

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Please stand if your health allows.

The Celebrant blesses God's people.

People **Amen**

The Recessional Hymn

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

All are welcome to Castle Hall after
the service for coffee hour!



Our 2026 Lenten Project

South Sudan is currently experiencing what many relief organizations are saying is the "world's worst humanitarian crisis." Refugees escaping the civil war in Sudan to the north are augmented by victims of violent conflict within South Sudan itself. The history of the region is complex and involves religious and tribal/ethnic conflicts of long standing, as well as conflicts over economic resources. But what is clear is that the Episcopal Diocese of Renk, a Chicago Diocese partner, is at the center of a deepening crisis. Renk is located in the Upper Nile region of South Sudan, and its Transit Center is the main point of entry for refugees fleeing the war to the north. The Transit Center currently attempts to shelter three times its capacity. These refugees, primarily women and children, are traumatized by war, exhausted and hungry, and now face inadequate shelter, food, sanitation and medical care.

With the help of the Chicago Diocese, including Calvary Church, the Diocese of Renk has built schools, a health clinic, a seminary, and a cathedral, and has established micro finance enterprises. However, the ongoing violence and political instability, made worse by six consecutive years of flooding, is straining these resources past their limits. As we enter the season of Lent and remember the ultimate sacrifice of our Lord, let us give generously to help the Diocese of Renk to do God's work among the poor and desperate it seeks to serve.

Please welcome Jackie Kraus, the liaison between the Diocese of Renk and our Chicago Diocese, who is joining us today to fill us in on the humanitarian needs in Renk. Come one, come all!

Your Sister in Christ,
Marilyn

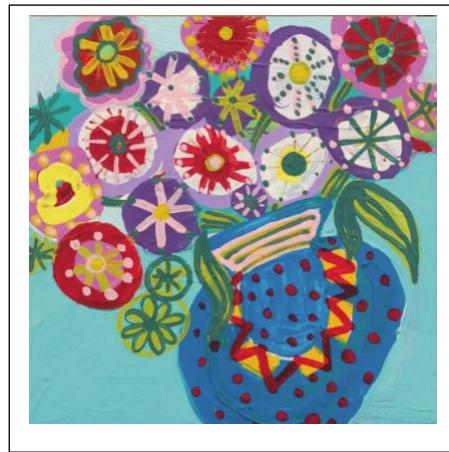


Do you have any ideas for events you'd like to see at Calvary?

Our events coordinator, Gessika, is looking for some fresh ideas. Please email Linda in the church office at office@calvarylombard.org with ideas.

Looking to express your creativity with flowers? Calvary is hosting a floral arrangement social on 3/28/26 at 1pm in Castle Hall. The instructor for this class is none other than our own Calvarian, Barb Simmons. If you are interested in attending this event please RSVP to Office@calvarylombard.com or to Jennifer Henrich in person no later than 3/25/26. All supplies will be provided to create a Spring centerpiece of fresh flowers. Cost for the class is \$40 and all profits will go towards our Lenten project. Let me know if you have any questions.

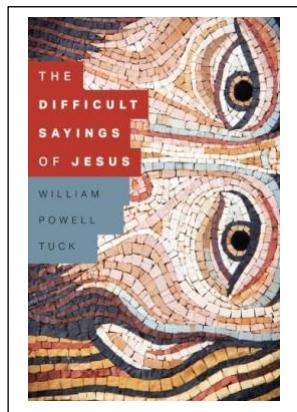
Thank you,
Jennifer



Our next Book Group will be Saturday March 7, from 10-11:30, in the Calvary Book Nook.

We are finishing reading "The Difficult Sayings of Jesus" by William Powell Tuck.

For the **season of Lent**, parishioners are encouraged to read [The Disciple's Way: Daily Reflections for Lent](#), put out by Forward Movement. I have purchased 10 copies, which should arrive for distribution by Sunday 2/22.





The next Daughters of the King meeting will be March 21. We meet in Castle Hall from 10-11:30 AM. All interested women of the parish may join us for our meeting of prayer, study and sharing. Carla Castle, President Calvary's DOK, Castle Chapter



Hi there, Calvary! This is just a reminder to keep on bringing in your aluminum pull tabs. They can be from soda, adult beverages, or canned fruit, soup, meat, veggies - - - basically ANYTHING with a pull tab.

Why are we collecting them?

When we get a critical mass together, they are taken to the Ronald McDonald House Charity in Winfield. RMHC gives them to United Scrap Metal of Chicago. United Scrap donates approximately .55¢ per pound to RMHC and then adds an additional monetary gift. Every little bit adds up and we're keeping junk out of landfills.

What is Ronald McDonald House?

These are compassionate "homes away from home" for the parents and siblings of hospitalized children. The families pay nothing for a clean place to stay with a full kitchen, bath, laundry, entertainment, and activities. Imagine the stress many of these parents are under. particularly if their child has a serious or terminal illness! We can play a small part in showing them care and compassion.

So pull your tab and pop your top, Calvarians!

You are a blessing!
Fr. Jim

To learn more about RMHC of Chicagoland and NW Indiana, check out this link:
<https://ronaldmcdonaldhousechicago.org/>

February Celebrations

Birthdays:

Daven Janis Sr.
Jeri Kellan
Marilyn Stein
Dave Pardue
Gessika Campanati
Nicholas Torres
Michelle Crouso



PRAYER REQUESTS

Calvary Members:

Kris, Michelle C., Fran Cole, Rachel Thompson, John Bruesch, Jim, Jan, Nancy and Mick Caspar, Edward FitzPatrick, Francis Mercier, Don Bradley, Jan B., Gwen, Brynn, Kelly, Callie, Lynn L., PK, Amauri, Jayne, Janis Family, Carol Halla, Bill Kendall, Sally McClure, Tammy McClure, Eileen Elliot, Alex, Kyle, Crystal Hacker, Lynda Neely, Jim N., Marge, Carol, Kelly, Tranita, Kortney, Bill, Lynne, Barbara, Janet, Don, Gladys, Cliff Williams, Carol Visney, Debbie Hall, Teri Pizza, Luke, Linda Dixon, Daven Janis, Gladys Smith, and Nicki Jaska

For those who are ill, in need, or experiencing hardship:

Robert Kent Scott, Mary Bishop, Beth, Jack Habich, Abram Davies, Salley, Sharon, Coleen, Cora Jo, Jean A., Kaye Veverka, Brian, Karen, Art, Mark, Leah, Kat, Mic, Tuskey Family, Maeann, Kari, Rich, Trever, Bev Madsen, Abby & Family, Rina, Kathleen, Al Thompson, Wayne, Nancy, Ashlee Neely, Larry, Tom Murphy, Emily Hennings, Jim Shannon, Betty Wood, Nicolas Carl, Dirk, MacKenzie, Barbara, Joshua, Ruth, Bette, Doug, Angie B., Mary, Andres, Brian T, Wendy Joslin, Henry, Alex, Cindy S., Sue, Judy Mazzolini, Cal Packard, Stacy, David J., Roger Brown, Kim T, Rebecca, Blake, Peggy Zeiner, Terri

Missionaries:

Fr. Russ & Heidi Smith

For those in prison:

Gary, Bruce

For those in the Armed Forces/First Responders:

K. Mahoney, Alyssa Elliott, Edgar Arellano, Eric M. Casper, Clint, Michael Jancaric, Brian Visney

College Students:

Ian Nolan, Austin Nolan, Benjamin Dakis, Allie Castle, Luke Ceplecha

Please contact us if you are in need of prayers. **Prayer Request cards are in the narthex and the pews, and you can submit them in the collection plate.** Or, if you'd prefer, confidential E-requests are still being offered. Please email Jan or Drew that you desire prayer and they will call you back to pray with you.



Please consider serving Christ and Calvary by sharing in one of our much needed and much appreciated ministries. Please contact Linda Leonard in the office or one of our Church wardens if you are interested. Training and support will happily be provided.

We are in need of coffee hosts. Please contact the office or sign up on the clipboard in the narthex if you'd like to help out with this important ministry.

2026	February 1 Fr Jim Stanley 9:00 am	February 8 Fr Jim Stanley 9:00 am	February 15 Fr Jim Stanley 9:00 am	Ash Wednesday February 18 Noon	February 22 Fr Jim Stanley 9:00 am Healing Service
Opening					
Preacher	Fr Jim	Fr Jim	Fr Jim	Fr Jim	Fr Jim
Music	Michelle	Michelle	Michelle		Michelle
A/V	Ben	Matthew	Peter		Ben
Chalice	Ada	Ada	Ada		Ada
Pop-Up Chalice		Grant	Grant		Grant
Old Testament & Psalm	Dave	Grant	Carla		Carla
New Testament	Carla	Carla	Grant	Carla	Dave
Intercessor					Grant
Ushers (Greeters)	Marilyn	Marilyn	Marilyn		Marilyn
Coffee Host					
Altar Guild	Ada				
Altar Flowers					
Offering Counters	Pat, Carla	Grant, Carla	Grant, Pat		Grant, Carla

Ministers of the Liturgy

Priest	Father Jim Stanley
Director of Music:	Michelle Crouso
Parish Administrator:	Linda Leonard
Audio Visual Ministers:	Peter Prasad, Matthew Bambas and Ben Perez

The Vestry

Senior Warden:	Ken Pardue
Junior Warden:	Jennifer Henrich
Buildings & Grounds:	Stephenie & Donald Castle
Events/Outreach:	Gessika Campanati
Finance:	Lisa Pardue
Formation/Education:	Marilyn Stein
Welcome:	Carol Halla
Stewardship:	Jeri Kellan

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