



FEBRUARY 22ND, 2026

**FIRST SUNDAY
OF LENT**

MASS TIMES:

DAILY: Mon - Sat - 8:30am

SAT: 4pm

SUN: 9am, 11am

1pm at Vistancia Elementary
School

CONFESSIONS:

SAT: 9:30am - 10:30am

TUE & THURS: 5pm-6pm

ADORATION:

MON-SAT: 9am - 4pm

THURS: 12pm-6pm

SUN: Closed

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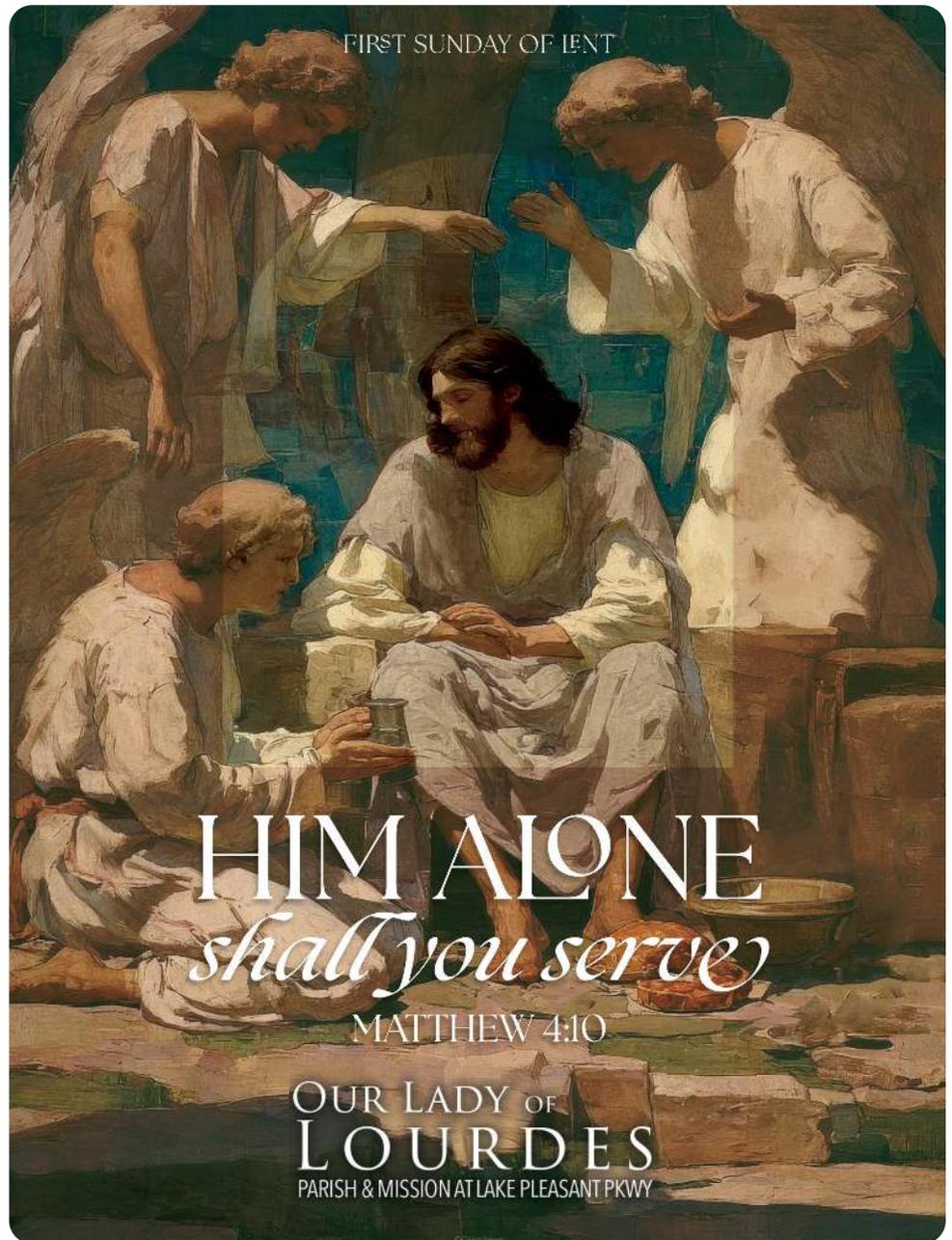
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Upholding the dignity of human life by nourishing it from
conception and strengthening it to the end
Following the Way of Jesus in our Worship and Living



MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday, February 22nd

9:00am For the Parishioners
11:00am † For the Soul of Charles Straus
1:00pm † For the Soul of Thomas Walker

Monday, February 23rd

8:30am † For the Soul of Justin Zimmer

Tuesday, February 24th

8:30am † For the Souls of Keith Getsinger & Carrie Falbe

Wednesday, February 25th

8:30am † For the Soul of Chuck Gameros

Thursday, February 26th

8:30am † For the Soul of Ken Meske

Friday, February 27th

8:30am † For the Soul of Dominick Fleri

Saturday, February 28th

8:30am † For the Soul of David Whitesel
4:00pm † For the Soul of Charles Straus

Sunday, March 1st

9:00am † For the Soul of Liam James Bustamente
11:00am † For the Soul of Alfred H. Pilz
1:00pm For the Parishioners



WEEKLY READINGS:

Sunday, February 22nd

First Sunday of Lent

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17; Rm 5:12-19, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11

Monday, February 23rd

Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday, February 24th

Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday, February 25th

Jonah 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday, February 26th

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

Friday, February 27th

Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday, February 28th

Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday, March 1st

Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; 2 Tim 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

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**If you have any questions or if you are interested, please reach out to
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- Must be Catholic and attending a Catholic School
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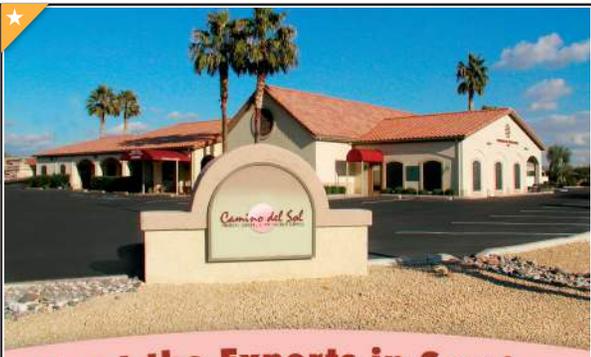


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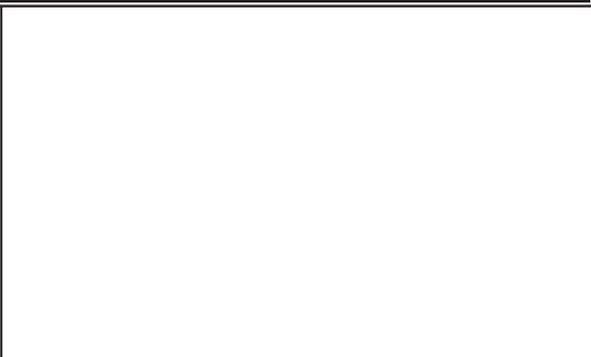
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All proceeds will benefit Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, First Way Pregnancy Center and other Local Charities.

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Respect Life: Did You Know???

Did you know that Casa St. Gianna has opened in the Phoenix area? Casa St. Gianna is a house for homeless pregnant women. There will be additional information available about Casa St. Gianna at a later date.

Did you know that the U.S. House of Representative passed the Pregnant Students' Rights Act as well as the Supporting Pregnant Women and Families Act? Read the USCCB's statement at www.usccb.org/news/2026/bishop-chairmen-praise-legislation-helping-mothers-be-able-welcome-their-new-children. Last week, the Trump Administration took many steps to protect preborn babies including: expanded pro-life protections for foreign assistance spending, ending HHS research funding using aborted fetal tissue, and greater enforcement of health care conscience protection laws.

February Pro-Life activities and pray options include:

- **February 11, 2026** is World Day of the Sick – “The compassion of the Samaritan: Loving by bearing the pain of the other.” Search “world day of the sick 2026” to find several Catholic websites that offer information regarding this special day. Love In Action opportunities include: offer a Mass, host a Holy Hour, pray the rosary for this intention, visit or call someone you know who is ill, take a food basket or cook a meal for a sick person, or offer some other prayer or sacrifice that you feel called to do for this intention.
- **February 7-14, 2026:** National Marriage Week. Sunday February 8, 2026: World Marriage Day. Visit www.foryourmarriage.org/celebrate-national-marriage-week/ for additional information.
- **40 Days for Life begins on 2-18-2026** and continues through 3-29-2026. Visit www.40daysforlife.com/en/glendaleaz for additional information. Opening Mass is Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 6 pm at St. Mary's Basilica in Phoenix.
- **Arizona March for Life is Saturday, February 28, 2026.** Pre-rally activities begin at 10 am, Rally at 11 am and March begins at 12 noon. Rally and march take place at the Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza, 1700 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007. Visit www.chooselifeaz.org/azmarchforlife for additional information.

Did you know that Aid to Women Center is the February “Center of the Month” at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish & Mission? The collection will take place the weekend of February 21st & 22nd, 2026. Items needed include: 18-24 month boy and girl winter clothes, 2T-3T girl and boy clothes, baby wipes, infant car seats (not Evenflo, please), potty chairs, high chairs, fluffy baby blankets (these blankets are given to the mothers in the ultrasound room the first time they see their baby). Direct donations can be made at www.aidtowomencenter.org/donors. The center is currently seeing 300-350 women a week after opening the Chandler Center that allows for two providers on the floor at all times. Moms can attend Parenting Prep and visit the Baby Boutique once a week and then can also participate in the additional monthly Group Class. They can also attend weekly classes from confirmation of pregnancy to when their baby turns 18 months old.

Did you know that the Respect Life Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month? A pro-life rosary is prayed in the church at 1:00 pm, followed by the general meeting at 1:30 pm in the Fr. McGivney room. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Please direct any questions to Terese Boas at boasfmly@comcast.net.



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VOTIVE CANDLE REMINDER

To ensure safe and proper use of the votive candle altar, please remember to keep candles in their plastic sleeves and place them inside the glass globe holders provided, any glass candles will be removed. All candles used must be purchased from the Parish. Thank you for your cooperation and care for our sacred space.



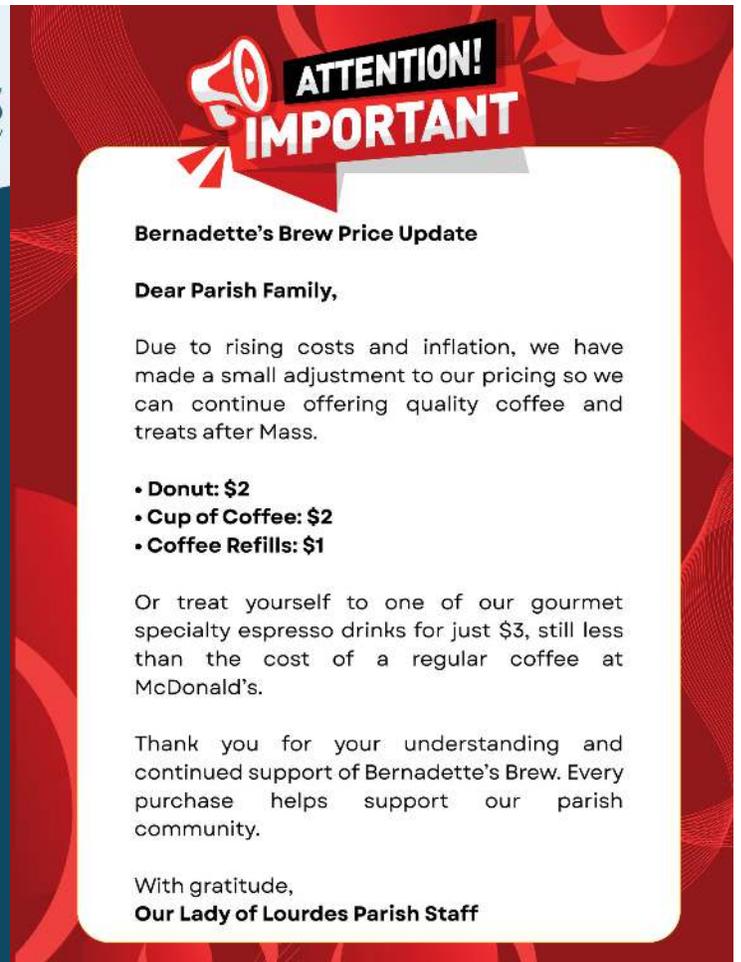
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Price Increase Notice

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Bernadette's Brew Price Update

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Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Staff



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WOMEN'S GUILD

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 2ND

9-9:30 SIGN IN AND SOCIAL TIME

9:30 BUSINESS MEETING

PROPOSED SLATE OF NEW OFFICERS ANNOUNCED

Attendance Prize and 50/50 Drawing

Guests are always welcome!

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY SOCIALS ARE BACK!

9:00 - 11:30 AM MADONNA HALL

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Questions may be directed to:

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February 25, March 4, March 11,
March 18, March 25

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Please join us to pray the Miraculous Medal Novena every Monday after the 8:30am Mass.

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Early Bird through Feb. 15

6:30 PM - SOCIAL HOUR WITH "LATIN GUITARS"
7:30 PM - MAIN EVENT

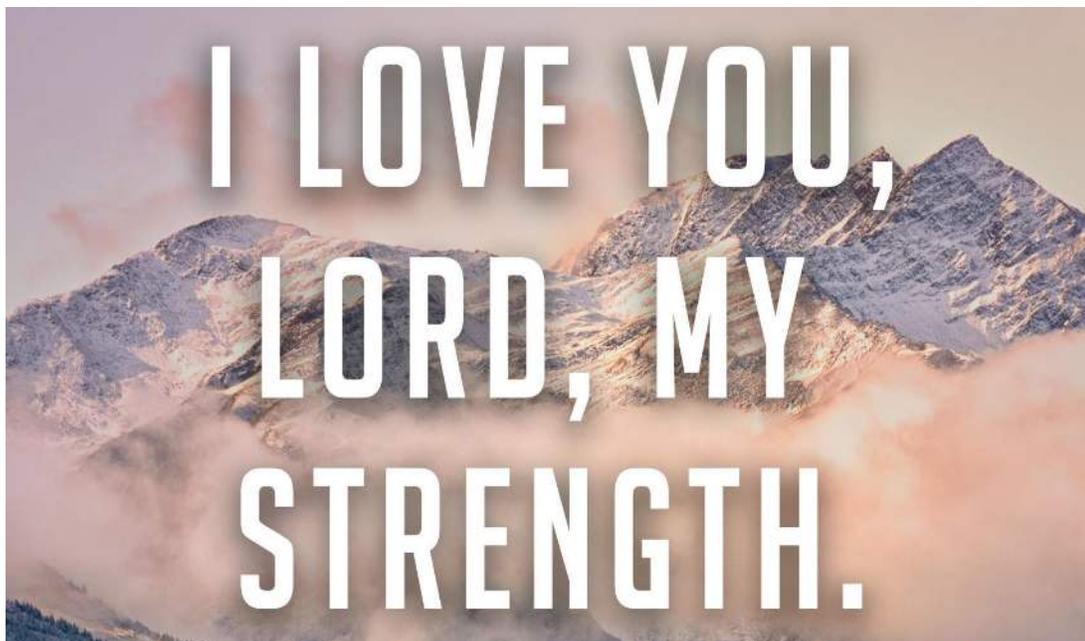


Thank You

Dear Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners,

From the bottom of our heart, THANK YOU for the outpouring of love, generosity and support for pregnant women and unborn babies in need!!! Life Choices is so grateful to you for your kindness and generosity. You gave beautiful baby items and practical gifts that every mom needs! We are neighbors and Jesus told us to love our neighbor and Our Lady of Lourdes has certainly done that! Please stop by for a tour to find out more and recommend us if someone you know faces an unexpected pregnancy. Pray to end abortion and thank you again for your support.

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Women's Clinics*





STEWARDSHIP SPOTLIGHT

From Gratitude Flows Generosity

Faithful in the Desert

“At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. He said in reply, ‘It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.’”

The desert is a place of testing, but it is also a place of clarity. In the midst of hunger and temptation, Jesus shows us what it means to trust completely in the Father. He refuses to grasp for comfort, power, or glory apart from God’s will. Instead, He chooses obedience, humility, and worship. True stewardship begins in this same spirit—recognizing that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God, and that we are called to serve Him alone.

Petition:

Lord, when we are tempted to rely on ourselves, to seek comfort over sacrifice, or to chase success over faithfulness, strengthen us with Your Word.

Stewardship: Grace In Action

This week, identify one “desert” in your life—a struggle, distraction, or attachment that pulls your focus away from God. Offer it to the Lord through prayer, fasting, or an intentional act of generosity. Let your choices reflect that you worship and serve God above all else.

- What “stones” am I tempted to turn into “bread” instead of trusting God to provide?
- In what ways do I sometimes test God rather than trust Him?
- How can I more intentionally worship and serve the Lord alone with my time, talent, and treasure this week?

Your Sacrificial Giving Totals February 15, 2026 Thank you for sharing your treasure

Plate Giving (Cash & Check)	\$14,931
Mission Giving	\$708
Electronic Giving	\$4,825
Building Fund	\$260
Respect Life	\$20
Ash Wednesday	\$75
Maintenance Fund	\$58.50
Total Giving	\$20,877.50

Grotto Nights - XLT

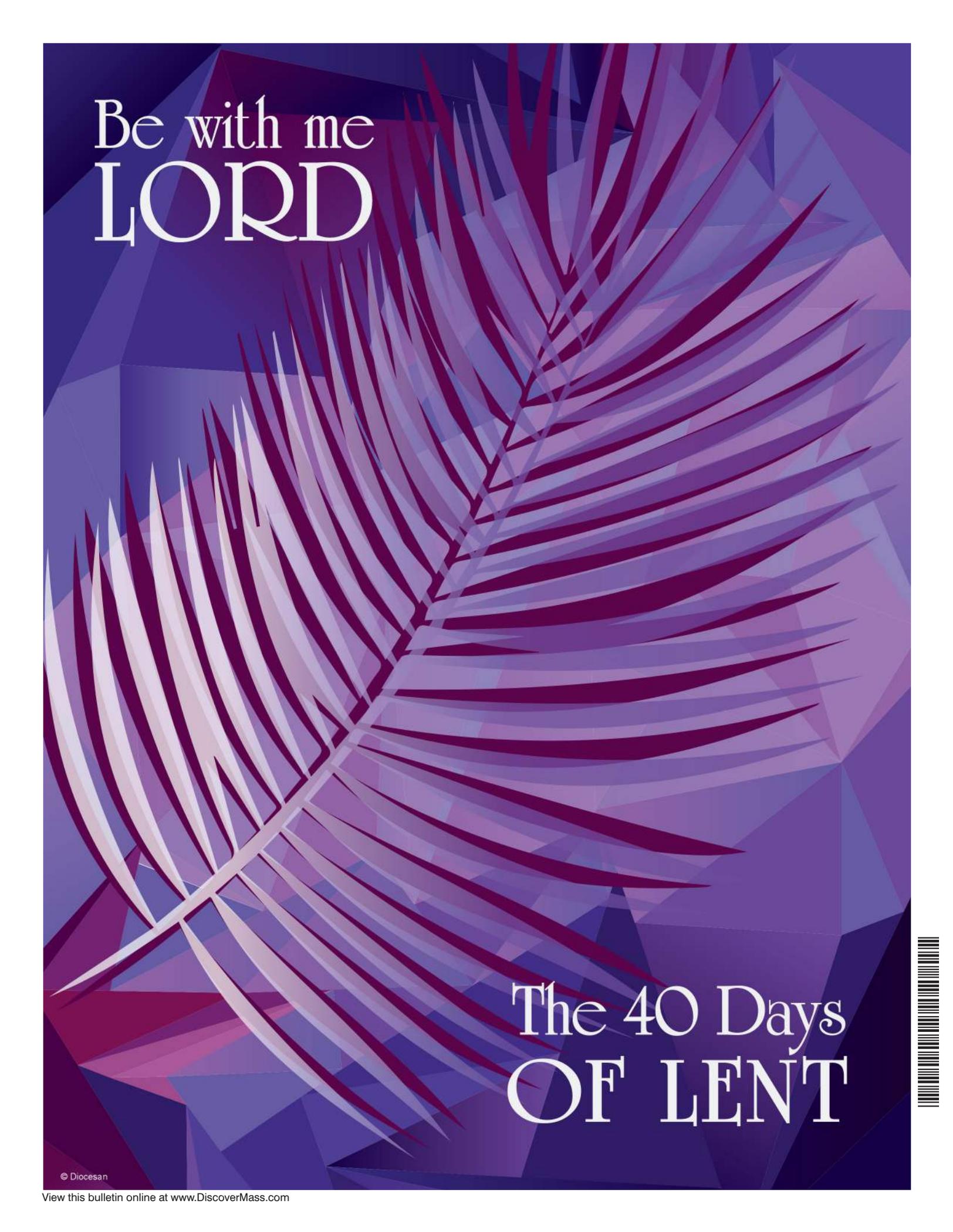
As we enter this Lenten season, I personally want to invite you to join us for **Grotto Nights - XLT** every **Wednesday evening from February 25th through March 28th.**

(see the full page advertisement in the bulletin)

These evenings of Eucharistic Adoration and worship are a beautiful opportunity to slow down, sit with the Lord, and intentionally deepen your prayer. Lent gives us the space to return to what matters most, and I truly believe this time together can help renew our hearts. I hope you’ll come and allow the Lord to meet you there.



For any questions on how to give to our Parish, email:
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Be with me
LORD

The 40 Days
OF LENT

