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FEBRUARY 15 2026 + SIXTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

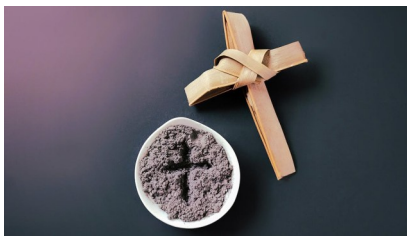
ASH WEDNESDAY Q & A

from nationalshrine.org, 'Your Lent Questions Answered', originally posted 2.28.22

Why do the faithful put ashes on their heads for Ash Wednesday? Where do the ashes come from? The custom of being "covered with ashes" was introduced in the Catholic Church back in the second century, but, only around the year 1000 did the placing of ashes on the head become part of the Ash Wednesday Liturgy as a symbol of recognizing our sinfulness and repentance. The ashes themselves come from burnt palm that was blessed the previous Palm Sunday.

How did this practice originate, and what is its biblical significance? The use of ashes finds its origin in the Old Testament. While there are many references, the most significant for Ash Wednesday is from the Book of Job, "therefore I disown what I have said, and repent in dust and ashes (42:6) as well as the response of the King of Nineveh to the preaching of Jonah, "he rose from his throne, laid aside his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes" (Jonah 3:6). Ashes are a symbol of mortality, mourning, humility, and penance.

Why do the faithful fast on Ash Wednesday? Ash Wednesday is a day of Universal Fasting and Abstinence. This means for all Catholics over 18 years of age to the beginning of their 60th year, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together should not equal another full meal, unless dispensed or excused. Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age or older. Ash Wednesday, every Friday of Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence. Fasting and Abstinence "[express] conversion in relation to oneself, to God and to others" (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1434) and are meant to open us to God's presence. Where fasting and abstinence have created a human void, God replenishes with His grace and a deeper relationship with Him.



Mass & Reconciliation Schedule

Daily Masses	Reconciliation	Misas Diarias	Confesiones
Monday - 5:20 PM Tues. through Sat. - 7AM	Tuesdays - 12 PM, Thursdays - 4:30 PM & 9 PM	Lunes - 5:20 PM Martes hasta Sábado - 7:00 AM	Martes - 12 PM, Jueves - 4:30 PM, 9 PM Sabado 9 PM, o pueden hacer cita
Saturday Vigil Masses 5:30 PM 4:15 PM (St. Patrick's in Ogden)	Saturday 9 PM, or by appointment	Sábado de Vigilia 5:30 PM 4:15 PM (St. Patrick's en Ogden)	Horario de oficina parroquial Lunes, Miércoles, Jueves: 9AM - 1PM 1:30 - 4:00 PM Martes: 9AM - 1PM & 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM Viernes: 9AM - 12PM
Sunday Masses 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, & 12:30 PM (Spanish)	Parish Office Hours Monday-Thursday: 9 AM - 1 PM & 1:30 - 4 PM (closed Tuesday 1:30-2:30 for staff meeting) Friday 9:00 AM to Noon	Domingo 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, y 12:30 PM (En Español)	

SEVEN DOLORS WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

SAT 2/14	7A-----Mass for Vocations 4:15P--Mass @ SP + <i>Venita Patzell</i> 5:30P--Mass <i>SI Ron Wells</i> 7P-----Coro 7P(ESP) & 9P-Reconciliation
SUN 2/15	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time SDCW Coffee & Donuts 8A-----Mass + <i>James Michael Phalen</i> 10A----Mass + <i>Clayton Umscheid</i> 12:30P-Misa(ESP) <i>For the Parishes</i> 3P-----Confirmation Class
MON 2/16	4P-----Ladies Prayer Group 5:20P----Mass <i>SI Phyllis Boyle</i> 7P-----Parish Council Meeting
TUES 2/17	7A-----Mass + <i>Dec'd of St. Veronica Circle</i> 7:50A--MCS Mass <i>SI Dale & Carolyn Anderson</i> Noon--Reconciliation 5:30P--Parish Choir
WED 2/18	Ash Wednesday - Office Closed 6:30A---Men's Bible Study 7A-----Mass + <i>Martin & Norma Bisnette</i> 8:15A---MCS Mass + <i>Francis T Biller</i> 12:10P--Mass + <i>Larry Giller</i> 5P-----Children/Youth Choir Practice 7P-----Bilingual Mass + <i>Beloved Dead</i>
THU 2/19	7A-----Mass + <i>Marie Krob</i> 7:50A---MCS Mass <i>SI Bob & Jane Mullen</i> 9A-----Food Pantry 4:30P/9P-Reconciliation 6P-----Misa (ESP) + <i>Mervin Sexton</i>
FRI 2/20	7A-----Mass + <i>Jim Rick</i> 7:50A-NO MCS Mass 3P-----Rosary @ ML Hills 5:30P-Living Stations 6P-----KofC Fish Fry 7P-----Via Crucis
SAT 2/21	7A-----Mass for Vocations 4:15P--Mass @ SP <i>For the Parishes</i> 5:30P--Confirmation Mass <i>SI Seven Dolors, Confirmandi</i> 7P-----Coro 7P(ESP) & 9P-Reconciliation
SUN 2/22	First Sunday of Lent 8A-----Mass + <i>Mary Zoeller</i> 10A----Mass + <i>Delores Thomas</i> 11A----Married & Young Families 12:30P-Misa(ESP) <i>SI Vickie Smith</i>

WHAT EYE HAS NOT SEEN,
AND EAR HAS NOT HEARD,
AND WHAT HAS NOT
ENTERED THE HUMAN HEART,
WHAT GOD HAS PREPARED
FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM

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SACRAMENTS @ SEVEN DOLORS

Baptisms are scheduled after a prep session.

Marriages (not scheduled during Advent or Lent) require a minimum six-month notice and preparation sessions.

Anointing of the Sick is for those preparing for surgery, facing serious illness or experiencing declining health, or for those of advanced age.

Contact the Parish Office for more information or to schedule.

Stewardship Report

Last Sunday's Collection	\$9,088.89
Average Needed Weekly	\$12,653.85



Food Pantry Needs

Canned Pineapple
Canned Veggies
Egg Noodles
Beef Broth
Chicken Broth
Saltines
Tuna Helper

Any and all food donations are greatly appreciated.

The suggested items are those in short supply and not currently available to order from Breadbasket.

CONFIRMATION

Conferral of the
Sacrament of Confirmation
for the 2025-26 Candidates will be
Saturday, February 21st (5:30pm Mass)

Please pray for our Confirmandi.

For men interested in the Diaconate:

The Diocese of Salina is beginning another cohort for deacon formation. There will be an information session held at St Thomas More in Manhattan on Sat., March 7 from 10am-Noon in the Tower Room of the parish hall.

The ministry of deacon is about service in charity after the example of Christ the Servant. Wives of potential candidates are also welcome to attend.

Please contact Dcn Wayne Talbot (pastassoc@stmmanhattan.com) or Dcn Harry Hardy (hfhcat@yahoo.com) for more information.



www.manhattancatholicschools.org


Kindergarten Round Up

Monday, March 2nd at 6:30 PM
Manhattan Catholic Schools | 306 S. Juliette, Manhattan


Registration is not required for the round up on March 2nd. We will gather your contact information at the event. Children who are 5 on or before August 31, 2026 are eligible for Kindergarten. You are welcomed and encouraged to bring your Kindergarten with you.



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ST. PATRICK'S CORNER

- ✦ The Annual St. Patrick's Celebration will be Saturday, March 7th after Mass. There is a food sign-up in the gathering space of the church. Mark your calendar for this family friendly event!
- ✦ Stations of the Cross-Friday, March 13th at 6 p.m. Meat-free potluck to follow. There will be a brief review before stations, at 5:30. Please contact Margaret Haug at sacraments@sevendolors.com to be a prayer leader for one or two of the stations.

WEEKEND MASS TIME IS SATURDAY AT 4:15 PM
CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD BEFORE
MASS EACH 1ST & 2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH.



Eucharistic Adoration

is open to the public 7 am - 9 pm daily.

Hours of Need:

**Tuesday 6 pm, Thursday 7 pm,
Saturday Noon, Saturday 3 pm
Sunday 4 pm**

Contact Mary Knapp for hours information:
785-537-2814 or ksstonehouse@yahoo.com

✠ Next Week's Ministry and Mass Schedule ✠

	EMOC	Hospitality	Altar Server	Lector
Saturday 5:30 PM 2/21	CONFIRMATION MASS- ROLES ASSIGNED SEPARATELY			
Sunday 8:00 AM 2/22	Jolene Amtower John Wertin Suzette McGuire Lisa Johnson Carlos Palacian	Coleen Umscheid Rick Umscheid Jerry Shivley Marlene Irvine	Graysen Jagels Augustine Irvine Bridget Bussard Jude Bussard	Jeremy McGuire (1) Mary Siegle (2)
Sunday 10:00 AM 2/22	Dan Richards Mitzi Richards Dennis Kuehler Jean Kuehler VOLUNTEER	Todd Ruder Shannon Ruder VOLUNTEER VOLUNTEER	Ava Major VOLUNTEER VOLUNTEER VOLUNTEER	Emily Vieyra (1) VOLUNTEER (2)

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