

**Important Dates to Remember**

Spring Break April 1-11.

Beginning April 12th, we will be back in school Monday-Friday.

**All Saints Catholic School Collections**

All Saints Catholic School is collecting HyVee, Supermercado/Family Fare Receipts, Box Tops, Our Family UPCs, and Coke lids from bottles and pop tabs. Please drop these off at the School or the Cabrini Parish Center reception desk.



**THANK YOU!**

In 2018, we completed much needed upgrades to our outdated heating and cooling systems in the church. Because of your generosity, the 20-year Furnace Debt loan (new HVAC system) with the Archdiocese was paid off this month after only 2 years and 4 months. Please disregard the monthly Furnace Debt Reduction envelope in your packet. It will take a few months for the envelope company to have them removed. This is a great accomplishment! Thank you for your support!

**Alpha** (Offered via Zoom)

This Alpha session continues on Tuesdays from 6 - 7:15 PM through March 30th. The summer Alpha will be “live” at the Cabrini Parish Center on Tuesday evenings from 6 - 8 PM (dinner included), for 21-35 year-olds, and run from June 1 to August 10th with the Retreat day on July 17th. To register for this or a future session, please contact Ann Lenz at [alenz@archomaha.org](mailto:alenz@archomaha.org) or Deacon Doug Lenz at [dalenz@archomaha.org](mailto:dalenz@archomaha.org). Registration forms are also available at the back of church.



**Exodus Lenten Bible Study with Fr. Damian** (Limited in-person and via Zoom)

The Bible Study of Exodus with Fr. Damian concludes this Wednesday from 7 - 8:30 PM as we cover chapters 34-40, The Restoration of Israel.

**Spending Time With Jesus in the Temple**

The week prior to his crucifixion, Jesus spent time teaching in the temple. He gave important guidance for the future to his disciples & religious teachers. This two-evening event, sponsored by Christians Encounter Christ (CEC), will be presented by Fr. Scott Hastings and Fr. Padraic Stack. They will examine the final lessons Jesus imparted to his followers before his death so we can gain valuable insight about how God wants us to grow in faith, thought, action, and engaging the world. Tuesday, March 22nd & Thursday, March 24th, at 7 PM at Christ the King Church (654 S 86th St, Omaha). Go to [www.cecomaha.org](http://www.cecomaha.org) to sign up for “In Person” attendance OR link to Livestream.

**You Are Invited to the Un-Gathering**

Un-book your calendar! Un-hire a babysitter! Un-fill a table! Un-find parking! After thoughtful consideration, CUES has cancelled their largest fundraiser for the second time due to Covid-19. But they still need your love and support! Your contributions help provide quality education and support services to hundreds of students and their families, including All Saints Catholic School. If you are interested in donating, please go to [cuesschools.org](http://cuesschools.org) and look for information on the Un-Gathering. Thank you!

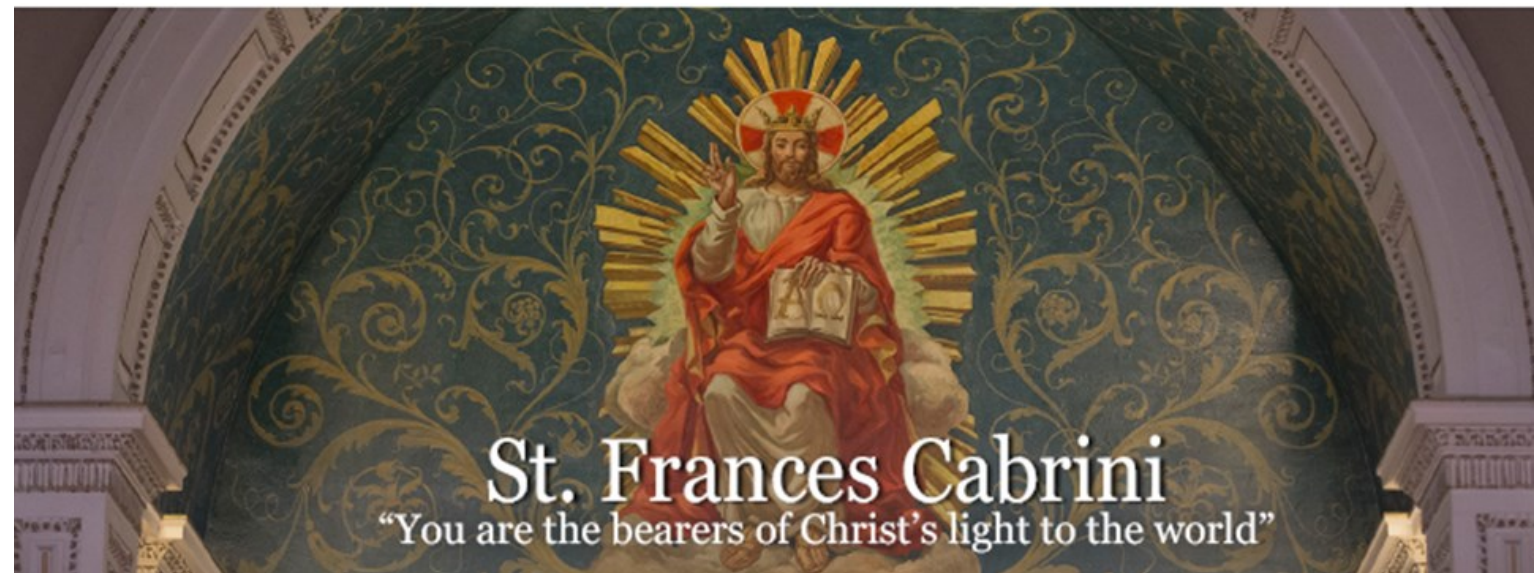
**Easter Flower Donations**

How wonderful it will be to participate in and remember the events of Holy Week as a faith community together this year in our church. And then, to experience the beauty and meaning of the Liturgy of the Easter Vigil, and rejoice in thankfulness for our risen Lord on Easter as a faith community in our church. If you would like to remember loved ones or raise up thankfulness for blessings received, please consider an Easter flower donation this year. Any level of donation is gratefully appreciated and will be used for our Easter environment. Thank you!

**Flowers for Easter**

Your name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

In Remembrance of \_\_\_\_\_



**The Fifth Sunday of Lent  
March 21, 2021**

**Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Monica Mora, Sophia Riera, and Olivia Riera who are honor roll students at Gross Catholic High School for the 3rd quarter!

**Lenten Almsgiving—For One More Week!**

Holy Family Ministries has been selected for our Lenten almsgiving. They are requesting donations of **mens's** items:  
 Size 32-34 denim jeans  
 Size 2XL and larger sweatshirts (preferably “hoodies”)  
 Size 2XL and larger long-sleeve t-shirts, belts  
 Drawstring backpacks (large capacity preferred)  
 These items can be dropped off in the baskets placed at the front of Church, in the sacristy at Mass times, or brought to the Parish Center, through next Sunday, March 28th. Or, you can make a financial donation. Please make checks payable to Holy Family Community Center and drop them in the collection baskets (please mark the envelope for Holy Family CC).

**Save the Dates!**

Our **Meatball/Sauce Drive-Thru** will be April 18th from Noon til 6 PM. Meatball Set-up is April 9th. Making meatballs, onions, and bones will be April 10th. Sauce will be made April 11th. Packaging meatballs and sauce will be on April 14th. Make plans to join us! You can sign up to help with prep work and/or to work the day of the drive-thru via our website [stcabriniomaha.org](http://stcabriniomaha.org), under Service & Justice, and Spaghetti Dinner Helpers. (Covid restrictions still apply. We hope to return to our regular dinner this fall).

**Upcoming Schedule**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
March 22	March 23	March 24	March 25	March 26	March 27	March 28
	Alpha 6 PM (Zoom)	Exodus Bible Study 7 PM (Live or Zoom)		Exposition 5 PM  Stations 6 PM		Palm Sunday





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### Liturgy and Mass Schedule

#### Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Mar. 23	11:30 AM	+Edward Dolan
Wednesday, Mar. 24	11:30 AM	+Marie & George Meehan
Thursday, Mar. 25	11:30 AM	+Virginia Tranisi
Friday, Mar. 26	11:30 AM	+Orfelina Labasan
Saturday, Mar. 27	5:00 PM	+Joseph Anthony Venditti
Sunday, Mar. 28	9:00 AM	+Al Vacanti
Sunday, Mar. 28	11:00 AM	+Charlie Post
Sunday, Mar. 28	5:30 PM	Pro Populo

#### Other Masses Schedule

There are no Masses at St. Joseph's Villa or Tower at this time.

#### Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays: 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM  
(northwest room)

#### Bulletin Additions

To have information published in the upcoming bulletin, please email [bulletineditorcabrini@gmail.com](mailto:bulletineditorcabrini@gmail.com) by Wednesday evening.

### Sick and Recovering

Please pray for the sick and those recovering including: Dan Gillespie, Joseph Setlak, Lisa Reboloso, Larry & Glenda Davis, Maddy Miller and all those in our nursing homes.

(To add or remove a name on our list, please email [bulletineditorcabrini@gmail.com](mailto:bulletineditorcabrini@gmail.com) or call (402) 934-7706. Please have the person's permission to print their name publicly.

### Stewardship

#### 5th Sunday in Lent

*"I will be their God and they shall be my people." - JEREMIAH 31:33*

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

#### Weekly Collections March 6-7

Sunday Tithe- Collections	\$	5,680.00
All Saints Gift Fund	\$	147.00
Organ Fund	\$	20.00
Improvement Fund	\$	60.00
Furnace Debt Reduction Fund	\$	80.00
St. Vincent de Paul Fund	\$	230.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	347.00

#### Ixim Has Coffee for Sale Again!

Your morning cup of solidarity is back! Support Ixim's mission with delicious coffee from our sister diocese in Huehuetenango, Guatemala. Guatemala is home to some of the best coffee in the world. Ixim's direct-trade relationship supports coffee farmers, and the work of Ixim brings clean water, quality healthcare, and educational improvements to the farmers' communities in Huehuetenango. 8 ounce ground: \$6. 32 ounce ground: \$16. 2.5 pound whole bean: \$23. Coffee may be purchased/picked up at the Cabrini Parish Center. Please have exact amount in cash or check.



### Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends,

If you walked into the church this weekend, then you noticed that the statues and images are covered – at least the ones we can reach! You may be wondering why the parish does this the last couple weeks of Lent. We might first ask why we have statues and images to begin with.

Sacred images serve many purposes. While sacred images in a Catholic church are never to be objects of worship in themselves, they point to spiritual realities beyond themselves and beyond even the subjects they depict. Any sacred art within a church, besides the individual devotional service they serve, form part of the function of giving us an image of what the church truly is meant to be. Liturgical imagery unites our earthly worship with that of which it is a foretaste and a participation: the heavenly liturgy. The image of Christ the King, along with the angels dancing below, on our ceiling above the back altar make that clear. Our Eucharistic celebrations are the place where earth and heaven touch and reveal to us what heaven is going to be like. The images of the saints in churches establish visually what the words of the liturgy proclaim when we say "...with all the hosts and Power of heaven..."

Here is what the Church says in the General Instructions of the Roman Missal:

*In the earthly Liturgy, the Church participates, by a foretaste, in that heavenly Liturgy which is celebrated in the holy city of Jerusalem, toward which she journeys as a pilgrim, and where Christ is seated at the right hand of God; and by venerating the memory of the Saints, she hopes one day to have some share and fellowship with them. Thus, in sacred buildings, images of the Lord, of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and of the Saints, in accordance with most ancient tradition of the Church, should be displayed for veneration by the faithful and should be so arranged so as to lead the faithful toward the mysteries of faith celebrated there. Care should, therefore be taken that their number not be increased indiscriminately, and moreover that they be arranged in proper order so as not to draw the attention of the faithful to themselves and away from the celebration itself.*

So, why cover them up the last weeks of Lent? During Lent we fast from things which in themselves are good gifts of God in order to focus more intently on the giver and appreciate them more. And we are reminded of our unworthiness to receive those gifts in preparation for the annual celebration of the Paschal Mystery which makes us worthy. During Lent, in worship, we forego expressions of joy and the fullness of God's glory by suspending the Gloria and the Alleluia before the Gospel. In Lent, we reflect on presence through absence.

Veiling images that represent the fullness of God's glory and images of the heavenly worship in which all the saints in glory participate is the same as omitting the Gloria. It is also fitting that during the days when we celebrate both the institution of the Eucharist and the sacrifice it remembers, we focus on the centrality and primacy of the Eucharist celebration. Veiling devotional images in the church reinforces the visual centrality of the altar.

At a very basic level, the veils provide simplicity. The veils used are simple and are solid violet to be unified with the vestments. They should not draw attention to themselves. Veiling provides a visual expression to accompany the other Lenten practices of fasting and abstinence.

I hope that helps you to understand why your favorite statue is covered up! May the covering help you to focus a bit more devoutly on the great giver of all good gifts – God.

Peace,  
Fr. Damian