

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT-MARCH 1, 2026

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| Sat.   | 2-28 | 5:30 p.m.        | <b>The 2nd Sunday of Lent</b> (St. Francis) +Braxton Irish            |
| Sun.   | 3-1  | 8:00 a.m.        | <b>The 2nd Sunday of Lent</b> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parishes    |
| Sun.   | 3-1  | 10:00 a.m.       | <b>The 2nd Sunday of Lent</b> (St. Francis) +Winnie, Roger, Jim Walsh |
| Mon.   | 3-2  | 7:30 a.m.        | <b>No Mass</b>  |
| Tue.   | 3-3  | 7:30 a.m.        | (St. Francis) PMRV Residents  |
| Wed.   | 3-4  | 5:45 p.m.        | (St. Francis) +Michael Trepagnier                                     |
| Thurs. | 3-5  | 8:30 a.m.        | (St. Ambrose) +Edward Voss  |
| Fri.   | 3-6  | 8:00 a.m.        | <b>First Friday</b> (St. Francis) +Leslie Treiber                     |
| Fri.   | 3-6  | 9:00 a.m.        | <b>First Friday</b> (PMRV) +Karen Steinbacher                         |
| Fri.   | 3-6  | 4:00 p.m.        | <b>Eucharistic Holy Hour &amp; Confessions</b>                        |
| Fri.   | 3-6  | 5:00 p.m.        | <b>Stations of the Cross</b>  |
| Sat.   | 3-7  | 8:00 a.m.        | (St. Francis) +Clarence Vitt  |
| Sat.   | 3-7  | <b>4:30 p.m.</b> | <b>The 3rd Sunday of Lent</b> (St. Francis) +Greg Grosdidier          |
| Sun.   | 3-8  | 8:00 a.m.        | <b>The 3rd Sunday of Lent</b> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parishes    |
| Sun.   | 3-8  | 10:00 a.m.       | <b>The 3rd Sunday of Lent</b> (St. Francis) +Michael Diskin Jr.       |

**CONFESSIONS:**  
 Saturday 4:30-5:15 p.m. at St. Francis  
 Wednesday 5:00-5:30 p.m. at St. Francis  
 30 minutes before each Mass.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**  
 If you are going to have a significant surgery, please call for Anointing of the Sick before you enter the hospital.

**Fr. Matthew's Email:**  
*pastor.saintfrancisambrose@gmail.com*  
**Sacramental Emergency Number:**  
**620-236-0705**

**ST. AMBROSE LITURGICAL MINISTERS**  
**Sunday, March 8th-8:00 a.m.**  
**Altar Server:** Bill & Nancy Schoenhofer  
**Lector:** Donna Bohrer  
**Gifts:** Mr. & Mrs. Brian Schoenhofer  
**March Ushers:** Mr. & Mrs. Rusty Lero

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

|                        | <b>Total Amount Needed</b> |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| St. Francis \$5,641.00 | \$6,920.94                 |
| St. Ambrose \$1,046.00 | \$1,219.52                 |

**Please remember your parish in your Will.**

**HOMEBOUND:** If you know someone who is elderly or can not attend Mass, please let us know.

**The prayer list will be updated March 1. Please call the office to add a name to the new list. 620-449-2224. PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Brad & Katie Stout, Lenny and Anita Boatman, Chelsea Smith, Jerry Church

**ST. FRANCIS LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

**Tuesday, March 3rd-7:30 p.m.**  
**Altar Servers:** Marisela, Adriana  
**Wednesday, March 4th-5:45 p.m.**  
**Altar Servers:** Ian, Isaac  
**First Friday, March 6th-8:00 a.m.**  
**Altar Servers:** Devin, Landon  
**Saturday, March 7th-8:00 a.m.**  
**Altar Servers:** Benson, Knox  
**Saturday, March 7th-5:30 p.m.**  
**Altar Servers:** Jace, Micah, Daxen  
**Lector:** Ron Reeves  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Kenny Paisley  
**Gifts:** Mr. & Mrs. Rick Coomes  
**Rosary:** Mary Jean Zandler  
**Sacristan:** Ron Reeves  
**Sunday, March 8th-10:00 a.m.**  
**Altar Servers:** CYM-Ava, Aubrey, Anderson  
**Lector:** CYM  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Kari Chambers  
**Gifts:** CYM/4th Grade  
**Rosary:** CYM  
**Sacristans:** Ken & Kari Chambers  
**March Ushers:**  
**Sat.-5:30 p.m.**—Ross Albertini, Charles Schettler, Joel VanLeeuwen  
**Sun.-10:00 a.m.**—Steve Harmon, Don Smith, Mark Smith  
**St. Francis Hall Chapel Cleaners-March 7th**—Paula Crager, Alex LaForte, Kaleigh Gazaway

**LENT 2026:**  
**Fridays During Lent:**  
 Eucharistic Holy Hour & Confessions, 4:00–4:50 p.m.; Stations of the Cross at 5:00 p.m.  
 On cold days: St. Ambrose. On warm days: Holy Hour at the Hall Chapel and Stations in the Church Garden. (The location will be announced every Friday on Facebook.)  
**Please remember to read** *The Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality* during Lent.  
**Lenten Mission – March 7–9**  
 St. Francis Parish Hall | Fr. Ed Herzog, Speaker  
 Saturday: Confessions 3:30 p.m., Mass 4:30 p.m., Opening Talk 5:30 p.m.  
 Sunday: Talk 4:00 p.m., Penance Service 5:00 p.m.  
 Monday: Closing Talk 6:00 p.m., Social to follow.

**ST. FRANCIS PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED** to stop by the West Hall immediately following Mass on Sunday, March 1 for refreshments and fellowship. We hope to see you there!

**THE OUR LADY OF LOURDES TOURING CHOIR**, who recently traveled to Rome to sing at the Vatican, will present a free public concert on Sunday, March 1st, from 5:00–6:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 109 E. 9th Street, Pittsburg, KS. During their January 1–6, 2026 pilgrimage, the choir sang in six major basilicas in Rome, including St. Peter's Basilica. All are welcome.

**OCIA CLASS:** There will be class on Tuesday, March 3rd at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Francis Parish Hall. The topic will be “Moral Teaching: Natural Law & Sin.”

**PSR** will have class this Wednesday, March 4th at 6:30 p.m. If you have any questions call Bridget Paisley. (316-833-1722)

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** will be at St. Francis on Wednesdays from 6:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Adoration at St. Ambrose will be on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY:** Council 760 will host two Lenten Fish Fries on Friday, March 6th and 20th at the St. Francis Parish Hall. Serving until 7:00 p.m. Dine in or Carry out available.

**BENEFIT FOR AUSTIN AND CHELSEA SMITH FAMILY:** Pulled Pork Dinner on Sunday, March 8th at the St. Michael Parish Hall in Girard from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

**HARVEST HOUSE** will be held on Thursday, March 19th at 12:00 noon at the St. Paul Café. We will each share the name of our favorite saint and explain why they are special to us.

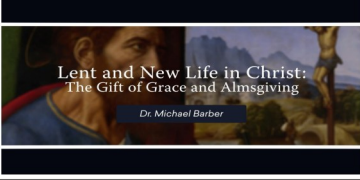
**RIDES TO MASS** are now available for elderly members of our parish. If you or someone you know needs a ride, please call Tammi Norris 620-778-2784.

**PASTOR MUSINGS:** A parish mission is a multi day series of spiritual renewal and conversion for a parish community. There is a long history of parish missions in the Church. In fact, the Passionists were originally founded by St. Paul of the Cross with that as their main work: to preach parish missions on Jesus Christ crucified. Generally a parish mission involves some kind of speaker coming to the parish and giving talks multiple evenings in a row, and possibly some kind of community prayer or penance service. From what I understand, it has been many years since such a thing has happened for St. Paul or Erie. I remember as a kid attending parish missions at my home parish, Resurrection, in Wichita. In this time of Lent when we are seeking to purify our hearts and better see the Lord, I believe the time is now to be reinvigorated with the truths of the faith. I invited Father Ed Herzog, a priest of our Diocese yet originally from the state of New York, to come to St. Francis and give talks next weekend – March 7, 8 and 9<sup>th</sup>. Father Ed preaches in a very engaging manner and will be discussing practical truths from a famous trilogy of books called *The Divine Comedy*. The books are referred to by their Latin titles which are *Inferno (Hell)*, *Purgatorio (Purgatory)* and *Paradiso (Heaven)*. We will end his Sunday talk with a penance service and his Monday talk with a parish social. All are invited to attend – although high school and up will get the most from the talks. I am currently working on a babysitting situation so young parents can be freed up! I look forward to witnessing what kind of renewal such an event can work in all of us as we walk this journey together.

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU:** The Braxton Irish Family would like to thank Father Matt Davied, Travis Modesitt, officiant, all the Fire Fighters from across the area, and the Walnut Group for preparing, serving and donating the food, hall, and their time. We also thank our entire community for the Masses, prayers, food and expressions of sympathy. We deeply appreciate your kindness and will be forever thankful.

**ST. FRANCIS THRIFT STORE:** Hours: Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. The drop-off shed will be locked at dark but remains open for donations during daylight hours. **We now offer a selection of Catholic gifts for children and adults—perfect for First Communion, birthdays, and other special occasions.** Stay connected! Follow us on Facebook: **St. Francis Thrift Store.**

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