



# Journey through Lent with St. Bridget of Kildare Parish

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## 2018 Lent & Holy Week Schedule

### Pre-Lenten Parish Mission with Fr. Albert Haase ~ "Signed and Sealed with the Cross," Sunday thru Tuesday, February 11-13 at 7:00PM each evening in the church



As early as the 3rd century, Christians started to sign themselves with a cross. 18 centuries later, we continue the practice of making the sign of the cross when we start to pray, when we celebrate the sacraments, and when we enter a church. Done so often and usually out of habit, has this ancient gesture lost its meaning for us?

Over 3 nights, Fr. Albert Haase, OFM, will lead us in a parish mission entitled, *SIGNED AND SEALED WITH THE CROSS*. We will explore the identity of our God proclaimed in the ancient gesture of being signed with a cross. We will also explore the challenges and responsibilities we accept when we seal our lives with the sign of our salvation.

Ordained a Franciscan priest in 1983, Fr. Albert Haase, OFM, is a popular preacher, teacher, spiritual director and radio personality. A former missionary to mainland China for over eleven years, he is the author of nine books on popular spirituality and the presenter on four bestselling DVDs. He has trained spiritual directors for ten years. He resides in Texas. Visit his website at [www.AlbertOFM.org](http://www.AlbertOFM.org).



REMEMBER THAT YOU  
ARE DUST AND TO DUST  
YOU SHALL RETURN

### Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule ~ February 14

6:30AM 9:00AM 4:30PM 7:00PM

### The Chaplet of Divine Mercy, followed by the Recitation of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

**Wednesdays at 6:30PM:** February 21, March 7, March 14, March 21



### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays from 3:00-7:00PM

*"Without prolonged moments of Adoration, of prayerful encounter with the Word, of sincere conversation with the Lord, our work easily becomes meaningless."*

*~ Pope Francis from his Encyclical, The Joy of the Gospel*

Exposition is open to the entire parish. Parish groups are encouraged to promote their designated Friday among their membership.

- February 16**     **Evangelization Commission** (Youth Ministry, RCIA)
- February 23**     **Faith Formation Commission** (Adult Religious Education, Couple-to-Couple Marriage Ministry, PSR, Scripture Study)
- March 2**             **Worship/Spiritual Development Commission** (Adult Servers, Avilas, Children's Liturgy of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Music Ministry, Readers, Sacristans & Ushers)
- March 9**             **Community Life Commission** (*Bridget's Beacon* Staff, Fall Festival Committee, Holy Name Society, Ladies Guild, Senior Citizens, Welcoming Committee)
- March 16**            **Outreach Commission** (Ministry of Care and Compassion, Ministry of Praise and Mercy, Parish Meal Ministry, Pro-Life Committee, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Good Samaritan Ministry, Wellness Ministry, Bereavement Ministry)
- March 23**            **Parish Pastoral Council, Parish Finance Council**

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**Stations of the Cross with Benediction, Fridays at 7:00PM**

- February 16** The Way of the Cross
- February 23** Our Way of Salvation
- March 2** Everyone’s Way of the Cross
- March 9** Praying the Way of the Cross with St. Theresa of Calcutta
- March 16** All of You Drink of This
- March 23** The Living Stations, presented by the 6th Grade students of St. Bridget of Kildare School, in Blair Hall

**Women’s Day of Reflection ~ “Untying the Knots of Life” with speaker Mary Pat Frey:** All women of the cluster parishes of St. Bridget of Kildare, St. John Bosco and Mary Queen of the Apostles are invited to come away for a day of spiritual enrichment, prayer and reflection on **Saturday, February 17** at St. John Bosco Parish (6480 Pearl Rd., Parma Hts.). The day will include talks, quiet time and small group sharing, presented by Mary Pat Frey, pastoral associate at St. Albert the Great Parish. She will talk about how we can use forgiveness, compassion, and communion as ways to smooth out the “knots” of our lives. The day will also include an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The cost is \$15.00. The detailed Registration Form is in the church narthex.

**Men’s Lenten Day of Retreat with Speaker Fr. James Kulway:** All men of our cluster parishes are invited to share an afternoon of prayer, reflection, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation and fellowship at Mary Queen of the Apostles Parish (6455 Engle Rd., Brook Park) on **Sunday, March 4** from Noon to 4:00 PM. The speaker will be Fr. James Kulway, Parochial Vicar of Mary Queen of the Apostles. The cost is \$15.00. The detailed Registration Form is in the church narthex.

**Lenten Soup & Presentation ~ February 27 , March 6, and March 13**



Join the cluster parishes of St. Bridget of Kildare, St. John Bosco, and Mary Queen of the Apostles for our annual three-part Lenten soup and speaker series. Sessions are on Tuesdays beginning with a simple soup meal, free of charge, at 6:30PM, followed by the speaker’s presentation at 7:15PM, and an opportunity to ask questions. The evening will conclude by 8:00PM. The locations, topics and speakers for this year are as follows:

**Tuesday, February 27 at St. Bridget of Kildare Parish in Blair Hall:**  
*Abbot Gary Hoover will speak about “Lectio Divina.”*

**Tuesday, March 6 at St. John Bosco Parish in the Bell Tower (6480 Pearl Rd., Parma Hts.):**  
*Dr. John Bertschler will speak about “Forgiveness.”*

**Tuesday, March 13 at Mary Queen of the Apostles Parish in McCafferty Hall (6455 Engle Rd., Brook Park):**  
*Sr. Mary McCormick will speak about “Our Relational God.”*

**Lenten Confession Schedule**

**Saturdays at 3:00PM** (*Confessions are not scheduled for Holy Saturday, March 31*)

**Wednesday, February 28, from 5:00-8:00PM ~ Diocesan-wide Evening of Confession**

**Saturday, March 24, from 2:30-3:30PM**

**Wednesday, March 28, from 6:30-8:00PM**

***Cluster Communal Penance Service at Mary Queen of the Apostles Parish:***  
***Monday, March 26 at 7:00PM (6455 Engle Rd., Brook Park)***

*Cluster Communal Penance Service with Individual Confession for the parishioners of our cluster parishes.*

**The Sacred Triduum ~ Holy Week Schedule**

**Holy Thursday, March 29, at 7:00PM ~ Mass of the Lord’s Supper**  
*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the church following Mass until 10:00PM.*  
*Night Prayer prayed at 9:50PM.*

**Good Friday, March 30:**

**12:00PM:** Stations of the Cross ~ **3:00PM:** Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Passion

**Holy Saturday, March 31**

**11:00AM:** Blessing of Food & Children’s Easter Baskets ~ **7:30PM:** Easter Vigil Mass

**Easter Sunday Masses, April 1**

8:00AM      10:00AM      12:00 Noon

