



# 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT



“All this will be yours, if you worship me.” Jesus said to him in reply, “It is written: ‘You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve.’”

*Luke 4:7, 8*

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| <b>Saturday, March 8   First Sunday of Lent</b>   |   |                     |
| 8:30-8:45 AM                                      | Confessions .....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 9:00 AM   | Mass of the Day   Saint John of God, Religious<br>Special Intention .....                           | St Joseph Onekama   |
|   | Holy Hour of Adoration ( <i>following Mass</i> )  |                     |
| 3:00-3:45 PM                                      | Confessions .....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 4:00 PM   | Mass   Special Intention.....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 6:30 PM   | Mass   Jeff Brooks .....  | St Raphael Copemish |
| <b>Sunday, March 9   First Sunday of Lent</b>     |   |                     |
| 7:20-7:45 AM                                      | Confessions .....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 8:00 AM   | Mass   Father Nursey.....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 10:00 AM  | Confessions   Rosary.....   | St Raphael Copemish |
| 10:30 AM  | Mass for the People .....   | St Raphael Copemish |
| <b>Monday, March 10</b>                           |   |                     |
| 8:45 AM   | Holy Hour of Adoration .....  | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 10:00 AM  | Mass .....  | St Joseph Onekama   |
| <b>Tuesday, March 11</b>                          |   |                     |
| 4:15 PM   | Holy Hour of Adoration   Devotions to the Holy Face of Jesus<br>and Our Lady of Perpetual Help..... | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 4:50-5:10 PM                                      | Confessions .....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 5:30 PM   | Mass   Margaret Siemiantkowski .....  | St Joseph Onekama   |
| <b>Wednesday, March 12</b>                        |   |                     |
| 8:00-8:15 AM                                      | Confessions .....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 8:30 AM   | Mass   Greg Miller.....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
|   | Holy Hour of Adoration ( <i>following Mass</i> )  |                     |
| <b>Thursday, March 13</b>                         |   |                     |
| 3:45-4:45 PM                                      | Holy Hour of Adoration w/Confessions .....  | St Raphael Copemish |
| 4:55-5:15 PM                                      | Stations of the Cross .....   | St Raphael Copemish |
| 5:30 PM   | Mass   James Berninger.....   | St Raphael Copemish |
| <b>Friday, March 14</b>                           |   |                     |
| 8:00-8:15 AM                                      | Confessions .....   | St Raphael Copemish |
| 8:30 AM   | Mass   Herb Sudemann .....  | St Raphael Copemish |
|   | Holy Hour of Adoration ( <i>following Mass</i> )  |                     |
| 5:45-6:10 PM                                      | Stations of the Cross .....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| <b>Saturday, March 15   Second Sunday of Lent</b> |   |                     |
| 11:00 AM  | Mass of Christian Burial   †Jeannine McGlynn .....  | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 3:00-3:45 PM                                      | Confessions .....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 4:00 PM   | Mass   Special Intention.....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 6:30 PM   | Mass   Miles Kamaloski .....  | St Raphael Copemish |
| <b>Sunday, March 16   Second Sunday of Lent</b>   |   |                     |
| 7:20-7:45 AM                                      | Confessions .....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 8:00 AM   | Mass   †Caroline Heiman .....   | St Joseph Onekama   |
| 10:00 AM  | Confessions   Rosary.....   | St Raphael Copemish |
| 10:30 AM  | Mass for the People .....   | St Raphael Copemish |

— The Rosary is recited 30 minutes prior to each weekend Mass. —

**Pastoral Staff**

Administrator ..... Fr. Nursey  
 Faith Formation ..... Tracy Daberkoe  
 Maintenance..... Nathan Miller  
 Secretary..... Nan Kamaloski  
 Diocesan Pastoral Council Rep  
 ..... Myla Loeffler

**Celebrating Birthdays 🕊**

03/10 Joseph Knoche, Carolyn Stahl  
 03/11 Kristie Harless, Betty Janicki  
 03/12 Krista Anhalt, Carol Dyer  
 03/14 John Martuch, Emma Smart  
 03/15 Miles Kamaloski  
 03/16 Kathy Dixon, Keira Long  
 Gary Willis

**UPCOMING  
EVENTS**

**Tuesday, March 11**

1:00 PM Stained Glass Ministry..... SJ  
 4:00 PM Legion of Mary Meeting ..... SJ  
 6:20 PM Faith Night w/Father Nursey..... SJ

**Wednesday, March 12**

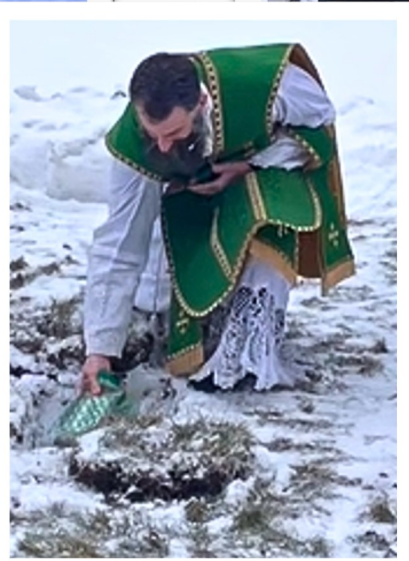
9:30 AM Bible Study | The Prophets ..... SJ  
 6:00 PM OCIA ..... SJ  
 6:00 PM Youth Faith Formation Class ..... SJ

**Thursday, March 13**

1:00 PM Stained Glass Ministry..... SJ  
 4:55 PM Stations of the Cross ..... SR  
 6:20 PM Choir Practice..... SR  
 6:30 PM Lenten Supper..... SR  
 7:00 PM SR Finance Council Meeting ..... SR

**Friday, March 14**

10:30 AM Bible Study | The Prophets ..... SR  
 5:45 PM Stations of the Cross ..... SJ  
 6:15 PM Lenten Supper..... SJ



Burying the  
*Alleluia*

Thank you to David Clous  
 for his talent  
 in making an Alleluia plaque  
 for each of our parishes.

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## Happy Lent everyone!

Well we have finally made it. We have entered into the glorious season of Lent, which is the pre-season of Easter.

As we know, we're supposed to delve into this season which reminds us of our mortality, **the fact that we were made for God and belong to him, in the joy of the hope that we can be happy with God forever in the next life.** So as we are obliged to take this season seriously, I recommend that you do, indeed, take this season seriously.

The church only requires that we **fast** on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The church requires that we **abstain** on Ash Wednesday and **all** the Fridays of Lent. So, really, Lent on an official level is not very demanding. But on a personal level, we should strive to make it more demanding. Not that we have to fast everyday, although it would not hurt on occasion throughout Lent, but that we should have something that we are either offering up or doing and take it seriously. **It doesn't have to be super strenuous, but it should be something that makes us feel it a little bit. That's what Mother Teresa would say, give until it hurts.**

In addition to some form of penance, **we really should be delving into a deeper relationship with God.** Talk to God more, pray more, exercise devotions more, simply stop by the church to say hello on occasion. The goal of Lent is for us to become more of who we should have already been. At the end of Lent, even though we may not hold on to some of our exact dependences and practices, the spirit of it should remain. We should have a deeper relationship with God throughout the year. But God, and his all-knowing goodness, knows that it will fade throughout the year and so he gives us the great season of Lent to be repeated every year. It's a time to refocus and recalibrate. Something that is immensely helpful as we do this is to go to confession.

**Although the church requires us to only go to confession once a year, we will find if we are truly striving after God, we will be going much more frequently than that. Confession should not be intimidating, but liberating.** The devil will want to keep us from it so he will make us nervous, super ashamed, or simply have us think we don't have time for it, but realize these for what they are, merely tactics of the devil. It's seeing that they are tactics of the devil, and we should overcome them. **We should never worry when we go to confession. Know that you are going to encounter the loving mercy of God. Just lay your sins out there and be done with it.** Yes, it does take a little time out of our day and perhaps a little planning, but this we can also consider part of the penance and making up for our sins. That said, if you have trouble making any of the regular confession times, feel free to make an appointment. God has put me here for you and so I will do what I can to help you.

Lent is just in its beginning. So if you have been lukewarm already in the first few days of Lent, don't let it get you down.

### Make a fresh start today!

In the love of our Lord Jesus Christ,

— Fr. Nursey



### Continuing Prayers for Pope Francis

Bishop Walsh has asked that the Diocese of Gaylord unite themselves in prayer for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, during his hospitalization. Around the world, the faithful began on February 24 uniting themselves in saying a Rosary for Pope Francis' health. A public rosary is led by the cardinals in Rome each night at 9PM local time. Thus, it is fitting that we offer a rosary each day at 3PM EST. If you are not able to offer a rosary at 3PM, it is still encouraged that you offer one — privately or publicly — at another time of the day.

## Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center

Thank you to all of you who supported the ministry of Lighthouse Pregnancy Care Center financially, materially, and/or with prayer and your time during 2024. Because of your partnership, we were able to welcome 152 families into the center for 542 visits. We gave out 16,000+ diapers, 209 cans of formula, 543 jars of baby food and 4,000+ pieces of clothing after we met and prayed for each person.

*"May the God of hope fill you with joy and peace." Romans 15:13a*

— March 9, 2025 —



### Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you so very much for your generosity of talent and treasure.

**It is truly appreciated!**

#### St. Joseph of Onekama

**March 2, 2025**

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| Envelope Offertory | \$2305        |
| Loose Offertory    | \$945         |
| Votive Candles     | \$44          |
| Donation           | \$1000        |
| Mass Stipend       | \$20          |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>\$4314</b> |
| Cemetery           | \$115         |
| Food Pantry        | \$30          |

#### St. Raphael of Copemish

**March 2, 2025**

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| Envelope Offertory | \$1702        |
| Loose Offertory    | \$342         |
| Votive Candles     | \$88          |
| Heating Fuel       | \$71          |
| Building Fund      | \$20          |
| Mass Stipend       | \$40          |
| Donation           | \$2000        |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>\$4263</b> |