



# St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

## Lenten Schedule

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### **Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule – February 14**

7:00 am, 12:10 pm, 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm (Spanish)

#### **Ash Wednesday Collection for Mother Teresa Fund**

Your gifts to the Mother Teresa Fund helps to meet the short-term needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ when they are in trouble. Please pray for those who need our help and share your many blessings.  
(Please make checks payable to St. Francis Xavier)

### **New Church Dedication Mass will be March 11 at 9am**

*(All Lenten services and events will be at the current St. Francis Xavier until the after the March 11 Dedication)*

### **Confessions**

Every Wednesday 5:30-6:30 pm

Every Saturday 3:00-4:30pm (or by appt.)

**A Night of Mercy on March 15** - Penance Rite from 6pm to 8pm (3 priests)

### **Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday 11:30 am, 6:00 pm, 7:30 pm (Spanish)

Lenten Dinners follow the 6:00pm Stations of the Cross

### **Lenten Mission with Fr. Michael Pratt**

Stillwater Native and Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Tulsa  
March 25 – 26 in the evenings (TBD)

*The Holy Week Schedule will be distributed separately later in Lent.*

### *Lenten Guidelines for All Catholics*

*Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent. This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products, or condiments of any kind, even if they are made from animal fat.*

*Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day.*

*Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength. However, the two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal.*

*Moreover, eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted.*

*Note: When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the rule does not oblige.*

*"Above all, I urge the members of the Church to take up the Lenten journey with enthusiasm, sustained by almsgiving, fasting and prayer. If, at times, the flame of charity seems to die in our own hearts, know that this is never the case in the heart of God! He constantly gives us a chance to begin loving anew."*

**-MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2018**

## **St. Francis Xavier Lenten Dinners**

You are invited to enjoy food and fellowship on Fridays of during Lent! The dinners are held in the Parish Hall following Stations of the Cross.  
We will play BINGO after the dinners!

**Everyone is welcome!**

The following groups will provide this year's delicious meatless meals:

**February 16 —The Wieder Family**

**February 23 —Hispanic Ministry**

**March 2—Music Ministry**

**March 9—EDGE/LifeTeen**

**March 16—Potluck (more details to come)**

**March 2—The Knights of Columbus**