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Monday-Friday: 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 7:30pm

Saturday : 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 3:30pm

Sunday: 9:00am – 1:30pm

Parish Office is located at:

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"Lent is a favourable season for opening the doors to all those in need and recognizing in them the face of Christ."

-- Pope Francis

Ash Wednesday is March 1

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of universal fast and abstinence. Fasting is obligatory for all who have completed their 18th year and have not yet reached their 60th year. Fasting allows a person to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may be taken, not to equal one full meal. Abstinence (from meat) is obligatory for all who have reached their 14th year.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

Fridays in Lent are obligatory days of complete abstinence (from meat) for all who have completed their 14th year.

On **Sunday, March 12th**, the Sisters of the Sacred Heart will be giving Catechetical instruction in Hungarian in the Church after lunch.

March 26, Sunday – 2nd Collection: The Catholic Relief Services Collection

The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC) works at home and abroad to give aid to victims of persecution and natural disasters, provide legal services to poor immigrants, and advocate for the powerless. By supporting six Catholic agencies, this collection offers an opportunity for each of us to help Jesus in disguise. Please prayerfully consider contributing to the CRSC.

Stations of the Cross in Hungarian (Keresztúti ajtatosság) will take place in the Church at 1:00PM every Sunday during Lent.

Daylight Saving Time begins March 12!



***Don't forget to turn your clocks
ahead 1 hour!***

Parish Calendar for March 2017

March 5, Sunday – First Sunday of Lent – violet

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe Ella Hefner (deceased) Theresia Seitz (deceased)	Otto Hefner The Boehm Family
10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise Rezső Lantos (deceased) Sandra Maddox (living)	The Lantos Family Géza Binger

March 12, Sunday – Second Sunday of Lent – violet

Daylight Saving Time begins – turn your clocks ahead 1 hour!

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe Robert Kutzly (deceased) Emilie Markovic (deceased)	A friend The Gump Family
10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise László Nemes (deceased)	Adrienne Nemes

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March 19, Sunday – Third Sunday of Lent – violet

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe Sofie Haberstroh (deceased)	The Burmeister Family
10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise Csaba Tóth (deceased)	Attila Tóth and Family

March 26, Sunday – Fourth Sunday of Lent - 2nd Collection: Catholic Relief Services Collection – violet or rose

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe Theresia Gutmann (deceased)	Frank and Gerda Trutzl
10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise Jozsef Mándoky (deceased)	Joe Mándoky

Please contact Monika Mohos before or after Sunday Mass for any Mass intentions you would like to request. You may also contact her by phone at:

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Lent



Lent is the 40 days before Easter in which Catholics pray, fast, contemplate, and engage in acts of spiritual self-discipline. Catholics do these things because Easter, which celebrates the Resurrection of Christ, is the greatest holy day of the Christian year (even above Christmas) and Catholics have recognized that it is appropriate to prepare for such a holy day by engaging in such disciplines.

The reason Lent lasts 40 days is that 40 is the traditional number of judgment and spiritual testing in the Bible. Lent bears particular relationship to the 40 days Christ spent fasting in the desert before entering into his public ministry Catholics imitate Christ by spending 40 days in spiritual discipline before the celebration of Christ's triumph over sin and death.

Fasting is a biblical discipline that can be defended from both the Old and the New Testament. Christ expected his disciples to fast and issued instructions for how they should do so Catholics follow this pattern by holding a partial fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Abstinence from certain foods is also a biblical discipline. In Daniel 10:2-3 we read, "In those days I, Daniel, was mourning for three weeks. I ate no delicacies,

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 C R E O R N X U A R S N Q J F
 W P A N I A E B V I I A J C A
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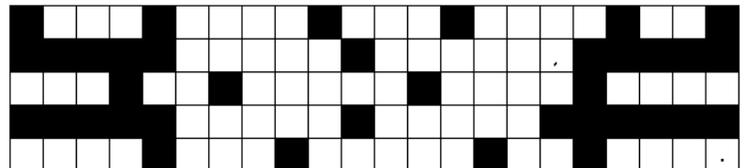
Find this month's vocabulary words in the puzzle above.

ABSTINENCE	CROSS	DAYS
FASTING	FORTY	FRIDAY
LENT	MOURNING	PREPARE
SUFFERING		

Rearrange the letters below into the columns above to fill in the English translation of a verse from one of this month's readings.

"Nemcsak kenyérrel él az ember, hanem minden ígével, amely Istennek szájából származik."

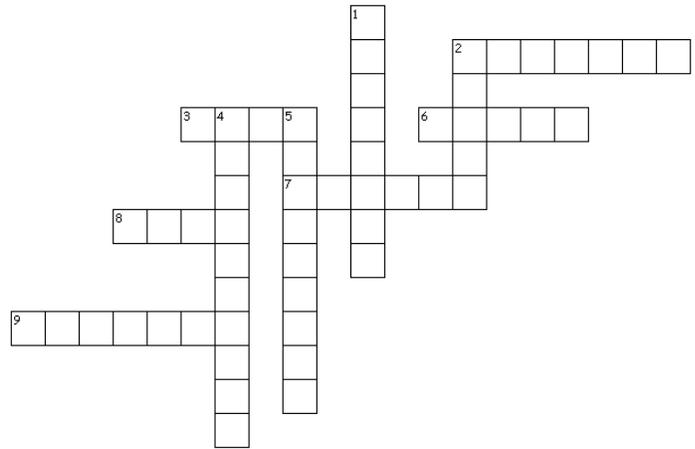
„Der Mensch lebt nicht nur von Brot, sondern von jedem Wort, das aus Gottes Mund kommt.“



B E F R
 C H E S E O T H O H
 U O D R M E S R U T W T I V O A
 B R N M N O E V M N A L O L O F G H N
 F O T E O T O E A D O Y O R N E D E T O D T

no meat or wine entered my mouth, nor did I anoint myself at all, for the full three weeks." Catholics use a practice similar to Daniel's when, as a way of commemorating Christ's Crucifixion on a Friday, they abstain from eating meat on that day of the week during Lent. The only kind of flesh they eat on Friday is fish, which is a symbol of Christ.

Even the Ash Wednesday practice of having one's forehead signed with ashes has a biblical parallel. Putting ashes on one's head was a common biblical expression of mourning. By having the sign of the cross made with ashes on their foreheads, Catholics mourn Christ's suffering on the cross and their own sins, which made that suffering necessary.



Fill in the puzzle with the vocabulary words using the German and Hungarian translations as clues.

Across

- 2. Fasten|böjtölés
- 3. Tage|napok
- 6. Kreuz|kereszt
- 7. Freitag|péntek
- 8. Fastenzeit|nagyböjt
- 9. bereiten|készít

Down

- 1. Trauer|gyász
- 2. Vierzig|negyven
- 4. Abstinenz
önmege tartóztatás

- 5. Leiden|szenvedő