Journey to the Cross

40 Days of Prayer

Join us this Lent in praying for our parish for 5 minutes each day. In this guide, you will find the appointed collect for each Sunday, along with a suggested topic for each day. Traditionally, we pray the collect from Sunday on each day of the week as well as on Sunday. Also, feel free to repeat topics and to pray freely as you feel led by the Holy Spirit.

Ash Wednesday and Following

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

This week, pray for the maintenance of our buildings and for our maintenance staff. Our buildings are old and need a lot of care, which can be time consuming and expensive. Pray for safety for our sextons, for wisdom in managing big projects, and for speed in dealing with NYC's regulations and red tape.

Ash Wednesday	Thurs. Feb. 23	Fri. Feb. 24	Sat. Feb. 25
In thanksgiving for our property	The renovations of the third and fourth floors of Tracy House (next to Calvary)	Quick removal of the sidewalk shed obstructing the St. George's play yard	Maintenance Staff and Sextons

February 26: First Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

This week, pray for our lay leadership and our Sunday Morning volunteers. Give thanks to God for raising people up to serve our parish. Pray that he would continue to call lay leaders to give of their time and talents to spread his gospel to NYC.

Mon. Feb. 27	Tues. Feb. 28	Wed. Mar. 1	Thurs. Mar. 2	Fri. Mar. 3	Sat. Mar. 4
Vestry and Finance Committee	Properties and Stewardship Committees	Acolytes Readers	Ushers Prayer Ministers	Chancel Guild Hospitality Team	Sunday School and Youth Corps teachers

March 5: Second Sunday of Lent

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

This week, pray for the growth of our small group ministries. Pray for wisdom for both clergy and lay leaders as they lead conversations about Scripture and theology. Pray for participants to meet Jesus and know his grace and love.

Mon. Mar. 6	Tues. Mar. 7	Wed. Mar. 8	Thurs. Mar. 9	Fri. Mar. 10	Sat. Mar. 11
Rector's Bible Study	Women's Bible Study	Devotion Groups	Young Adult Group	Book Club	Movie Club

March 12: Third Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

This week, pray for our Sunday morning worship services. Pray for clergy's sermon preparation and for Kamel's music selection and rehearsals. Pray for our Christian education classes, that participants would hear the gospel clearly proclaimed.

Mon. Mar. 13	Tues. Mar. 14	Wed. Mar. 15	Thurs. Mar. 16	Fri. Mar. 17	Sat. Mar. 18
Clergy's sermon prep	Kamel's music rehearsals	Musicians and tech crew	The Forum	Youth Corps	Sunday School

March 19: Fourth Sunday of Lent

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

This week, pray for the ministries which operate on our campus which serve the wider NYC community. Some of these are CalStG ministries and others are our partners. All are important to our city!

Mon. Mar. 20	Tues. Mar. 21	Wed. Mar. 22	Thurs. Mar. 23	Fri. Mar. 24	Sat. Mar. 25
The Jack and Jill School	Creative Arts Camp	St. Ann's for the Deaf	St. George's Common Table	StoryMakers	Sea Dog Theater and AA Groups



March 26: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

This week, pray for our mission. Pray that we would spread the gospel effectively to New York City. Pray that God would supply the financial support necessary to sustain our ministry. Pray for wisdom as we consider starting a capital campaign to renovate our buildings.

Mon. Mar. 27	Tues. Mar. 28	Wed. Mar. 29	Thurs. Mar. 30	Fri. Mar. 31	Sat. Apr. 1
Effective communication of the gospel	Evangelism to all of NYC	Growth of the CalStG community	Generous giving, especially for our Easter appeal	Pledge fulfillment	Possible Capital Campaign

April 2: Palm Sunday

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

This week, pray for spiritual, physical, and emotional health for our clergy and staff and for God's blessings on their families.

Mon. Apr. 3	Tues. Apr. 4	Wed. Apr. 5	Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	Holy Saturday
Rev. Jacob Smith	Rev. MJ Layton Rev. Janet Broderick	Rev. Nancy Hanna Steve Schimmele Kamel Boutros	Chris and Janelle Domig Matt Veligdan	Scott Pavao Mari Sparacino	Kate Dell'Aiera Wesley Kuklo