

Ash Wednesday Bulletin February 18, 2026

Invitation to the Observance of Lent

Time of Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, and The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 58:1-14

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Homily: What is Fasting All About?

Pastor Brett

Confession: Psalm 51

Pastor: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving kindness; in your great compassion, blot out our offenses.

People: Wash us from our wickedness and cleanse us from our sin.

Pastor: Lord, we know our transgressions, and our sin is before us.

People: Against you only we have sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

Pastor: You are justified when you speak and upright in your judgment.

People: Indeed, we have been wicked from birth, a sinner from our mother's womb.

Pastor: Behold, you look for truth deep within us and will make us understand wisdom secretly.

People: Make us hear of joy and gladness that the body you have broken may rejoice.

Pastor: Hide your face from our sins and blot out all our iniquities.

People: Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

Pastor: Cast us not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from us.

People: Give us the joy of your saving help again and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Pastor: We will teach your ways to the wicked and sinners will return to you.

People: Deliver us from death, O God, and our tongues shall sing of your righteousness, O God of my salvation.

Pastor: Open our lips, O Lord, and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

Communion Meditation

After we celebrate The Lord's Supper, please come forward to receive the imposition of ashes.

Please leave the sanctuary in silence.