

Liturgy News for the Week of

February 12 - 18, 2024

February 18th is the First Sunday of Lent

Masses and Services at St. Alphonsus Church for this next week:

Daily Mass: Mon.-Fr. Steve, Tues.-Fr. Slawomir; **Ash Wed.**-8:15am Fr. Steve, 7pm Fr. Slawomir; Thurs. – Fr. Greg; Fri. – Fr. Steve; Sat. – Fr. Greg

Monday – Thursday Masses begin at 8:15am; Friday & Saturday am Masses begin at 8:30am

Saturday, February 17th, 5:00pm; presider is Fr. Greg

Sunday, February 18th, 8:30am; presider is Fr. Slawomir

Sunday, February 18th, 11:00am; presider is Fr. Slawomir; with Live Stream

Masses and Services at St. Thomas Becket Church for this next week:

Daily Mass, 9am: Mon.-Fr. Slawomir; Tues.-Fr. Steve; Ash Wed. – 9am Fr. Greg; 5pm in Polish Fr. Slawomir, 7pm in Polish Fr. Greg; Thurs. – Fr. Greg; Fri.-Fr. Greg; Fri., 7pm in Polish – Fr. Slawomir

Saturday, February 17th, 4:00pm – Fr. Steve assisted by Dcn. Dan; with Live Stream

Sunday, February 18th, 7:30am in Polish; presider is Fr. Greg

Sunday, February 18th, 9:00am; presider is Fr. Steve

Sunday, February 18th, 10:45am in Polish; presider is Fr. Greg assisted by Dcn. Jacek; with Live Stream

Sunday, February 18th, 12:30pm; presider is Fr. Steve

Please keep in your prayers:

- Holy God, move us to break down the barriers that cause Catholics to feel like outsiders in their own Church; help us to see the opportunities to connect with others of all faiths: We pray... Lord, hear our prayer.
- Generous God, gather us together at the table and prompt within us a generous spirit to help our brothers and sisters in need as we support this year's Annual Catholic Appeal: We pray...Lord, hear our prayer.

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Alphonsus - every Tuesday, 6:00-7:00pm. Adoration is in person.

St. Thomas Becket – every Friday, 5:30 – 7:00pm

Reconciliation

St. Alphonsus: Saturdays, 4 – 4:45pm in the Reconciliation Room in church.

During the Healing Mass on the First Saturday of every month at 8:30am at St. Al's.

St. Thomas Becket: Fridays from 5:30 – 7pm.

Announcements:

-Masses for Ash Wednesday at St. Alphonsus are at 8:15am and 7pm. There will be Ash Distribution Services at noon and 4pm. Masses at St. Thomas Becket at are 9am in English and 5pm and 7pm in Polish. Ash Distribution Services are at 6:30am and noon in English.

Thank you for your financial support and have a healthy and blessed week.

Ways to Grow your Faith this week:

Lent begins on February 14th with Ash Wednesday

- What is Lent all about? Do you have to give up everything good and/or fun? Why do Catholics do Lent? Kai and Libby take you through the history of Lent and how to get the most out of it this year. Click [here](#) for a great explanation of Lent from Catholic Central.
- For another great explanation of Lent from Fr. Mike Schmitz at Ascension Presents, click [here](#).

A Prayer for Lent: Invite Us Deeper

Almighty and ever living God,
you invite us deeper into your world, your people, your Lent.
May this time be one of outward focus;
seeking you in those we often ignore.
Help us live a Lent focused on freedom, generosity, and encounter.
Give us hearts hungry to serve you
and those who need what we have to give.

- *Author Unknown*

<https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/prayer-index/lent-prayers>