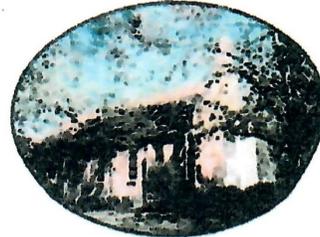




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***Phillip Parrish*** RCIA  
***Theresa Martin*** Music

***Mass Schedule***

***St. John***  
***Saturday*** 4:00p  
***Sunday*** 11:15a English  
1:00p en español  
***Wednesday*** 11:00a

***St. Stephen***  
***Sunday*** 9:00a  
***Communion Service***  
***Tuesday, 12:15p***  
***Holy Days*** 7:00p

***Sacrament of Reconciliation***

***Saturday*** 3:00 - 3:45p  
***By appointment***

***Welcome, New Parishioners!***

*We are a Stewardship community, who share our time, talent, and treasure in life-giving ways.  
We invite you to register with us by going to our website and completing the form on the Home page.*

***Sacrament Preparation***  
Call S. Janis, (336) 835-4542

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*A way of exploring and seeking Christ through the Catholic faith.*

***Sacrament of Anointing and Pastoral Care of the Sick***  
*If you, or someone you know is desirous of God's healing, contact S. Janis*

***March 1, 2026***

*Stations of the Cross*

**Fridays of Lent, 6:30p**

**Feb 20 & 27    Mar 6, 13, 20, 27**



**EMPTY BOWLS ~ YADKIN CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES**

Yadkinville Moose Lodge  
 1432 Country Club Road, Yadkinville  
 April 7, 2026

Lunch                    11:30a - 1:30p

Dinner                   4:30p - 6:30p

Tickets: \$25.00

**TAKE OUT ONLY ~ Drive Through Pickup**

*Women of Jerusalem*

**Good Friday**

**April 3**

*Opportunities for Adult Spiritual Formation*

<b>Tuesday, March 3</b>	<b>Tuesday, March 10</b>	<b>Tuesday, March 17</b>
<i>God of All Power, Fountain of Grace, O, Living Water, show us your face.</i>	<i>God of All Mercy, restore our sight, Lead us from darkness into light.</i>	<i>God of Living not of the dead, Raise us to life beyond our death.</i>
<b>During the Communion Service</b> <b>12:15p or 6:30p</b>	<b>During the Communion Service</b> <b>12:15p or 6:30p</b>	<b>During the Communion Service</b> <b>12:15p or 6:30p</b>

**Ministerial Association ~ Holy Week Services**

**12N ~ 1:00p**

**Host: Elkin Presbyterian Church 151 Hillcrest Drive, Elkin**

Date	Preaching	Ministry/Church	Church Hospitality
Mon., March 30	Rev. Hope Bryant	Rebuilding Lives Ministry	First Baptist Church Elkin
Tues., March 31	Pastor Alvin Hayes	St. Home Missionary Baptist Church	New Beginnings U.M. Ch St. Stephen Catholic Ch.
Wed., April 1	Ed Birt	New Beginnings United Methodist Church	First United Methodist Church
Thurs., April 2	Jane Motsinger	Meals to the Elderly	Pastor Alvin Hayes YVSA
Fri., April 3	Rev. Dr. Kaury Edwards	First United Methodist Church	NO MEAL

¡Buenos días, Iglesia!

los hilos conductores de la formación de OCIA es: Dios cumple sus promesas. Una de las promesas más reconfortantes y vivificantes que Dios ha hecho es ser fieles a la Sagrada Alianza que estableció inicialmente con Abraham y Sara. Dios los hizo a ellos y a sus descendientes "una bendición".

Al rezar nuestro Responsorial: "Que tu misericordia nos acompañe, Señor, al poner nuestra confianza en ti", oramos para que seamos una bendición vibrante y llena de gracia en la vida de todos aquellos con quienes nos encontramos. Como dice Pablo: "Dios nos llamó a una vida santa... por su designio y gracia..."

Al reflexionar sobre la Transfiguración, veo en nuestros Elegidos de OCIA un deseo de plenitud de vida. A lo largo del año, mostraron el deseo de una fe más profunda y de que sus vidas se asemejaran más a la de Cristo. Al continuar nuestro Camino de Fe de 90 Días, esa es mi oración para todos nosotros: que nuestras vidas sean transformadas de tal manera que veamos a Jesús en nuestras acciones amorosas y escuchemos la voz de Cristo en las nuestras.

Así te dice nuestro amoroso Dios, el Cumplidor de Promesas: «Tú eres mi amado, ahora y para siempre. ¿Estás dispuesto a acompañar a Abraham y Sara al lugar de tu santidad? ¿Estás dispuesto a proclamar que eres mi amado?»

En el Uno, somos uno, en ComUNIDAD,

### AYUNO Y ABSTENCIÓN DE CUARESMA

**Ayuno:** no comer entre comidas. **Abstinencia:** no comer carne. El Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo son días obligatorios de ayuno y abstinencia para los católicos.

Todos los viernes de Cuaresma son días obligatorios de abstinencia.

Este ayuno y abstinencia de carne se aplica a las personas de 18 a 59 años.

Ayuno: se permite una comida completa, así como dos comidas

más pequeñas que juntas no equivalgan a una comida completa.

Las normas sobre la abstinencia de carne son vinculantes para los miembros mayores de 14 años.

## Deslumbrante

Una bendición para el Domingo  
de la Transfiguración

Créame, sé lo tentador que es permanecer dentro de esta bendición, permanecer donde todo es deslumbrante y claro.

Podríamos construir muros  
alrededor de esta bendición,  
ponerle un techo.  
Podríamos traer  
una mesa, sillas,  
disfrutar de las comidas más deliciosas.  
Podríamos formar un hogar.  
Podríamos quedarnos.

Pero esta bendición  
está hecha para partir.  
Esta bendición  
está hecha para bajar  
de la montaña.  
Esta bendición  
quiere estar en movimiento,  
viajar contigo  
en tu regreso  
a tierra firme.

Parecerá extraño lo silenciosa  
que se vuelve esta bendición  
cuando regresa a la tierra.  
No es tímida.  
No tiene miedo.

Simplemente sabe esperar,  
observar y esperar,  
discernir y orar

hasta que llegue el momento  
en que revele todo  
lo que sabe,  
en que brille con todo  
lo que ha visto,  
en que deslumbre con la luz  
inolvidable que  
has traído hasta aquí.

*Morning, Church!*

One of the threads woven into the OCIA formation is: God keeps promises. One of the most comforting and life-giving promises God has made is to be faithful to keeping the sacred Covenant first made with Abraham and Sarah. God made them and their descendants “a blessing.”

As we pray our Responsorial, “*Let your mercy be on us, O Lord, as we place our trust in you*”, we pray that we be a vibrant, graceful blessing in the lives of all those we encounter. As Paul says,

*“God called us to a holy life...  
by God’s design and grace...”*

We see Transfiguration in our OCIA Elect, in their desire for fullness of life and transformation. They show a desire for a deeper faith and have their lives more fully resemble Christ’s.

As we continue our 90 Day Faithjourney, that is my prayer for all of us: may our lives be so transformed that others see Jesus in our loving actions and hear Christ’s voice in ours.

Today our loving God, the Promise Keeper, says to you:

*“You are my beloved, now and forever.*

*In the One, we are one...in COMMUNITY,*

## LENTEN FAST & ABSTAINENCE

***Fasting:*** no eating between meals

***Abstinence:*** no eating meat.

**Ash Wednesday & Good Friday**  
are obligatory days  
of fasting and abstinence for Catholics.

**All Fridays** during Lent  
are obligatory days of abstinence.

This obligatory fasting and abstinence from meat  
applies to those from age 18 - 59.

### ***Fasting:***

a person is permitted to eat one full meal,  
as well as two smaller meals that together  
are not equal to a full meal.

The norms concerning abstinence from meat  
are binding upon members from age 14 and older.

## Dazzling

*A Blessing for Transfiguration Sunday*

Jan Richardson

Believe me, I know  
how tempting it is  
to remain inside  
this blessing,  
to linger  
where everything  
is dazzling  
and clear.

We could build walls  
around this blessing,  
put a roof over it.

We could bring in  
a table, chairs,  
have  
the most amazing meals.  
We could make a home.  
We could stay.

But this blessing  
is built for leaving.  
This blessing  
is made  
for coming down  
the mountain.

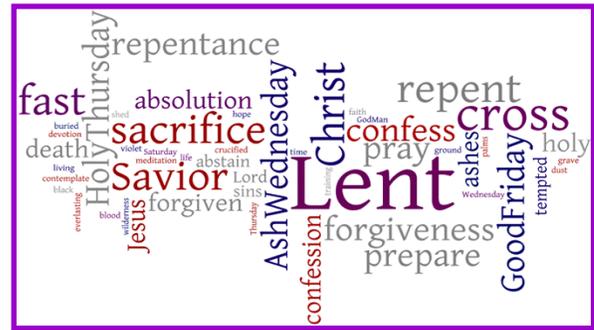
This blessing  
wants to be in motion,  
to travel with you  
as you return  
to level ground.

It will seem strange  
how quiet  
this blessing becomes  
when it returns to earth.  
It is not shy.  
It is not afraid.

It simply knows  
how to bide its time,  
to watch and wait,  
to discern and pray  
until the moment comes  
when it will reveal  
everything it knows,  
when it will shine forth  
with all that it has seen,  
when it will dazzle  
with the unforgettable light  
you have carried  
all this way.

m a r c h	
01 	<b>2nd Sun Lent</b> Faith Formation ALL parents & children, after Mass SSJ Zoom, 6:30-8:30
03 	Chosen, 10a; Communion Service Lenten Reflection, 12:15p & 6:30p
04 	OCIA 6:30p; Choir, 7p 
05	SJU Students/APEX Dinner, 5p
06	Stations of the Cross, 6:30p
08 	<b>3rd Sun Lent</b> Faith Formation ALL parents & children, after Mass
09 	Ladies Guild, 5p
10 	Communion Service, 12:15p Lenten Reflection, 12:15p & 6:30p
11 	OCIA 6:30p; Choir, 7p 
13	Stations of the Cross, 6:30p
15 	<b>4th Sun Lent</b> Faith Formation ALL parents & children, after Mass
16	Give Blood Elkin Rescue Squad, 1:30-6:00p 
17 	<b>Happy St. Patrick's Day!</b> Communion Service, 12:15p Lenten Reflection, 12:15p & 6:30p
18 	OCIA, 6:30p. Choir, 7p 
19	<b>Happy St. Joseph's Day!</b> Wise Ones, 1p 
20	Stations of the Cross, 6:30p Fish Fry Fundraiser, FLC ~ 7p
21	Men's Group @ Cracker Barrel, 8:30a 
22 	<b>5th Sun Lent</b> Faith Formation ALL parents & children, after Mass
24	<b>Feast: St. Oscar Romero</b> Communion Service, 12:15p; OCIA 2, 6:30p
25 	<b>Feast: Annunciation</b> OCIA, 6:30p. Choir, 7p 
27	Stations of the Cross, 6:30p
29	<b>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</b> No Family Faith Formation 
31	Communion Service, 12:15p

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🌱 Mass Intentions	
01	+Georgette & William Dyer r/b Seam Dyer
08	+Carol McQuade (20th A); +Dorothy Hanic(20th A) +Tim McCulloch
15	+Helen Purcell r/b Lana Katie Delanoy; Larry Liss (Birthdays)
22	+John Jennings; Reyna Jimenez; Vicky S. Pruitt
29	+Georgette & William Dyer r/b Sean Dyer



<b>+Sister Jane K Field, SSJ</b>	
<b>Born</b>	June 25, 1954
<b>Born to Eternal Life</b>	February 26, 2026
in the 53 <sup>rd</sup> year of religious life	

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

- |                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 01 Charlie Faw        | 07 Jerry Schaufenbuel |
| 02 Kathy Jenkins      | Ximena Solorzano      |
| Payton Wagoner        | 08 Jasiel Hernandez   |
| 05 Patrick Colglazier | Thi Tim Nugyen        |
| Jason Whitler         | 13 Lee Hadfield       |
| 06 Elia Martinez      | 23 Cindy Whitley      |
| 07 Jim Doyle          | 27 Delia Carmona      |

- 07 Beth & John Orta
- 19 Erika & Ruben Ramirez
- 22 Margarita & Memo Lara
- 24 Jane & Rob Worley



## JUBILARIANS 2026

### 80 Years

S. Saint Herman D'Uva  
S. Annemarie J. Feeley  
S. Maria Teresa Griffin

### 75 Years

S. Michael Eileen Kelly  
S. Elizabeth M. Lauginiger  
S. Antoinette Munafo

S. Rosemarie Elizabeth Puettnner  
S. Anna Louise Schuck  
S. Kathleen Bernard Winner

### 70 Years

S. Joan Marie Callahan  
S. Theresa Cargan  
S. Julia Dougherty  
S. Lillian I. Devlin  
S. Mary Elizabeth Farrell  
S. Judith Gallen  
S. Johanna Gedaka  
S. Sandra A. Kessler

S. Beatrice McElrone  
S. Margaret Ann McFadden  
S. Barbara Elizabeth Nolan  
S. Anna Mary O'Mara  
S. Catherine Pisarczyk  
S. Denise Regina Sharp  
S. Helen Gertrude Steinmetz

### 60 Years

S. Grace Christi Costello  
S. Patricia J Gannon  
S. Mary Joan Huggard  
S. Eileen M. Lynch

S. Kathleen McGonigle  
S. Sally Russell  
S. Merylyn Anne Ryan

### 50 Years

S. Mary Ann Pfund



**PRAY the ROSARY DAILY**

...for peace in U.S., in Ukraine & Russia;  
for Presidents Zelenskyy, Putin & Trump;  
for Abbas & Netanyahu for the end to all bombings in Iran & Gaza, a peaceful and just end to these wars, and all wars...

<b>Tri-C Almsgiving</b> <i>Thank you so much !!</i>		
<b>JAN</b> Canned tomatoes Spaghetti sauce	<b>MAR</b> Laundry detergent	<b>MAY</b> Toilet paper
<b>FEB</b> Corn meal	<b>APR</b> Canned fruit	<b>JUN</b> Tooth paste



PRAY FOR AN END  
TO VIOLENCE,  
ESPECIALLY GUN VIOLENCE



**THANK YOU FOR RECYCLING  
YOUR INK HERE.  
IT'S GOOD for the EARTH  
and IT'S HELPS THE CHURCH.**

Kindly complete this survey for Catholic Charities: All survey responses will remain confidential and will only be used in summary form to identify trends and key themes.

Thank you for helping ensure the voices of our Diocese are heard. Your partnership is essential as we work together to guide this important process and strengthen our shared ability to care for the most vulnerable in our communities.

→ Catholic Charities, under the direction of Bishop Michael Martin, is entering a time of visioning for the future. To guide this important work, Catholic Charities is inviting everyone in our parish—and throughout the diocese—to take part in a short survey.

The survey will help identify the most pressing human needs in our communities and shape how Catholic Charities serves people in the years ahead. Your input is vital to this process of listening and discernment.

Please take a few minutes today to complete the survey, there's a QR code in the parish bulletin and on our website. Thank you for sharing your voice and helping Catholic Charities continue to be a sign of God's love and mercy in our diocese

Complete the survey here:



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Por favor, complete esta encuesta para Caridades Católicas:  
**Todas las respuestas a la encuesta se mantendrán confidenciales y solo se utilizarán de forma resumida para identificar tendencias y temas clave.**

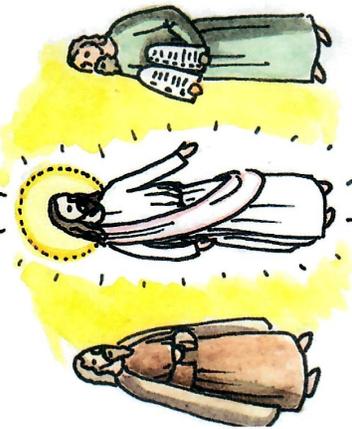
Gracias por ayudarnos a garantizar que se escuchen las voces de nuestra Diócesis. Su colaboración es esencial mientras trabajamos juntos para guiar este importante proceso y fortalecer nuestra capacidad conjunta para cuidar a los más vulnerables de nuestras comunidades.

Caridades Católicas, bajo la dirección del obispo, Monseñor Michael Martin, está entrando en un tiempo de proyección para el futuro. Para guiar este importante trabajo, Caridades Católicas invita a todos en nuestra parroquia —y en toda la diócesis— a participar en una breve encuesta.

La encuesta ayudará a identificar las necesidades humanas más urgentes en nuestras comunidades y a definir cómo Caridades Católicas brindará asistencia a las personas en los próximos años. Su aporte es fundamental para este proceso de escucha y discernimiento.

Por favor, tómese unos minutos hoy para completar la encuesta; hay un código QR en el boletín parroquial y en nuestro sitio web. Gracias por compartir su voz y ayudar a Caridades Católicas a seguir siendo un signo del amor y la misericordia de Dios en nuestra diócesis.

# Jesus Shows His Glory

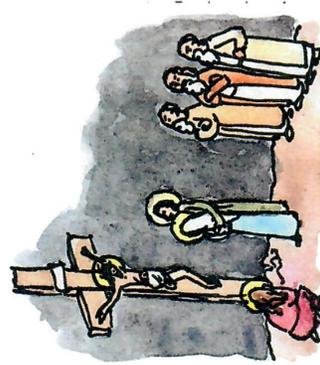


In today's Gospel reading Jesus took three of His apostles up a mountain and gave them a vision of His true glory. He shone as bright as the sun- so bright they could hardly look at Him. But did you know that what they saw was only a tiny bit of the true glory of God?

It was so beautiful that Peter wanted Him to stay that way. He offered to build tents for Jesus and Moses and Elijah, who appeared with Him. But the joy of that moment wasn't meant to last forever. It was just a little taste of Heaven.

Jesus gave this experience to the three apostles just a little while before He went to Jerusalem to suffer and die on the cross. He knew that they would be terrified and very sad when He died so He gave them a preview of the glory He would go back to after He rose from the dead. That way they knew they had a reason to hope even when He was killed.

Sometimes we have awful things to suffer through too. Maybe a friend will move away or one of our grandparents will die. But we never have to give up hope because we know that eventually everyone who loves Jesus will live in total happiness in Heaven.



Answer to Word Find: until He had risen.

# The Kids' Bulletin

Second Sunday of Lent  
March 1st, 2026

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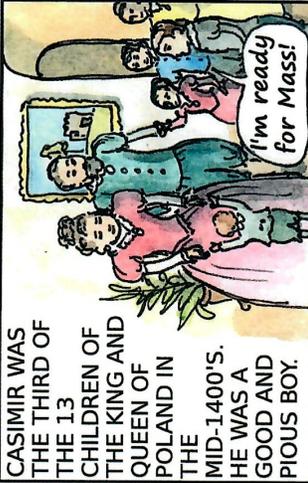
What did Peter, James and John hear from the bright cloud when Jesus was transfigured on the mountain?

Look in the mirror to find out!

# Saint Casimir

March 4

CASIMIR WAS THE THIRD OF THE 13 CHILDREN OF THE KING AND QUEEN OF POLAND IN THE MID-1400'S. HE WAS A GOOD AND PIOUS BOY.



I'm ready for Mass!

EVEN AT A YOUNG AGE HE WOULD STAY UP AT NIGHT TO PRAY, OR SLEEP ON THE FLOOR.



Why is the prince on the church steps at this hour?

WHEN HE WAS STILL A TEENAGER HIS FATHER SENT HIM TO RULE HUNGARY.



The people there are not happy with their king.

Really, sir, this isn't worth fighting!



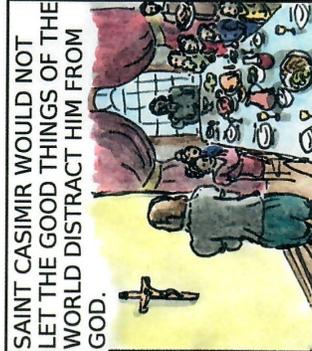
BUT HE LEFT AFTER HE WAS TOLD TO FIGHT A BATTLE THAT THEY COULDN'T WIN.

HE HAD DECIDED NOT TO MARRY SO THAT HE COULD DEDICATE HIS LIFE TO GOD.



But son, you could marry the emperor's daughter!

SAINT CASIMIR WOULD NOT LET THE GOOD THINGS OF THE WORLD DISTRACT HIM FROM GOD.



Daily, daily sing to Mary!



HE DIED OF LUNG TROUBLE AT THE AGE OF 23 IN LITHUANIA. HIS LAST WORDS WERE A HYMN TO OUR LADY.

SAINT CASIMIR WAS OBEDIENT TO HIS FATHER AS LONG AS HE WAS ALSO BEING OBEDIENT TO GOD. GOD IS PLEASED WHEN WE LISTEN TO OUR PARENTS, ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY TEACH US TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT. WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU CAN DO TODAY TO OBEY YOUR PARENTS AND PLEASE GOD?

# Word Find

JESUS took Peter, JAMES, and JOHN his brother, and led them up a high MOUNTAIN by THEMSELVES.

And he was TRANSFIGURED before them; his FACE SHONE like the SUN and his CLOTHES became

WHITE as LIGHT. And behold, Moses and ELIJAH appeared to them, conversing with him. Then PETER

said to Jesus in reply, "LORD, it is GOOD that we are here. If you wish, I will make THREE tents here, one for

you, one for MOSES and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright CLOUD cast a SHADOW

OVER them, then from the cloud came a VOICE that said, "This is my beloved SON, with whom I am well

PLEASED; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they FELL prostrate and were very much afraid. But

Jesus came and touched them, saying, "RISE, and do not be AFRAID." And when the disciples raised their eyes,

they saw no one else but Jesus ALONE.

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

Find all the words in CAPITALS above in the puzzle. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks below.

After all this happened, Jesus told the disciples not to tell anyone

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