Please keep our RCIA Candidate and Catechumen in your prayers during Lent as they begin their final preparation to be initiated into the Church and into the Paschal Mystery at the Easter Vigil.



Ernestine Porter (Candidate)

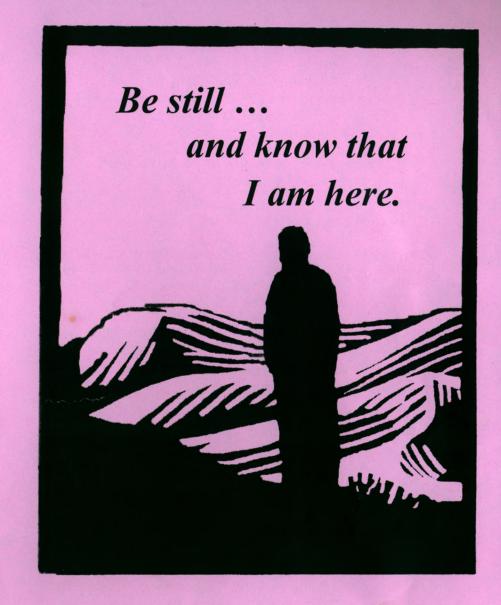


Timothy Brown (Catechumen)

Catechumens or Candidates?

Catechumens are adults or children of catechetical age seeking full initiation in the Roman Catholic Church, who have never been baptized in any tradition.

Candidates are adults or children of catechetical age seeking to complete their initiation in full communion with the Catholic Church, and who have already been baptized in another Christian tradition.



Roman Catholic Community
of the 19th Ward
2003 - Lent/Holy Week/Easter

Lenten Offerings

Ash Wednesday Services, March 5, 2003

8:30 a.m. St. Augustine 12:10 p.m. Our Lady of Good Counsel 7:00 p.m. St. Monica

Stations of the Cross & Benediction
7:00 p.m. at St. Monica, all Fridays during Lent
(except for Good Friday)

Anointing of the Sick & Blessing & Commissioning of Caregivers

March 9, Sunday - 2:00 p.m. Mass at St. Augustine

Soup Suppers and Reflection Evenings, March 26 & April 9 6:00 p.m. supper - Our Lady of Good Counsel (Scutari Hall) 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Reflection

Wednesday, March 26

6:00 p.m. Saint Joseph's Table & Soup Supper hosted by the Italian/American & the Cluster Liturgy Committee

Reflection – Loving-Kindness Towards Self and Others
Guest speaker will be Sister Mary Louise Mitchell, SSJ

Wednesday, April 9

6:00 p.m. Soup Supper hosted by the Cluster Liturgy Committee

Reflection – Be Still ...and Know That I am Here.

Guest speaker will be Deacon Brian McNulty

Penance Services, April 6, 7 & 12 Sunday, April 6

10:30 a.m. Emmanuel Church of the Deaf (during Sunday Mass)
2:00 p.m. at St. Augustine

Monday, April 7
7:00 p.m. at St. Monica
Saturday, April 12

11:00 a.m. at St. Peter and Paul

Lenten Fast and Abstinence Expectations

The following regulations for fast and abstinence during Lent are based on 1983 Code of Canon Law.

- Ash Wednesday (March 5) and all Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat for all Catholics 14 and older. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting. Fasting means only one full meal and two smaller meals that, taken together, to not equal one full meal. The laws of fasting bind all individuals between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive.
- Catholics are especially encouraged to perform acts of penance during Lent.

Holy Week/ Easter

Sunday, April 13 - Passion (Palm) Sunday

Masses follow the regular Sunday schedule at all four congregations. Please remember our Candidate Ernestine Porter and our Catechumen Timothy

Brown in your prayers this week.

Tuesday, April 15 - Chrism Mass 7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral

Thursday, April 17 - Holy Thursday Services

6:00 p.m. Emmanuel Church of the Deaf 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.- Soup Supper in St. Augustine Rectory 7:00 p.m. St. Augustine (Service following supper) 7:00 p.m. St. Monica

7:30 p.m. Our Lady of Good Counsel

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place until 11:00 p.m.

(Night Prayer begins at 10:30 p.m.)

Friday, April 18 - Good Friday Services

12:00 p.m. Our Lady of Good Counsel (Stations of the Cross)
3:00 p.m. St. Augustine (Afternoon Services)
6:00 p.m. Emmanuel Church of the Deaf
7:00 p.m. St. Augustine (Stations of the Cross/ Via Sacra - spoken in the Portuguese Language)
7:30 p.m. St. Monica (Tenebrae)

<u>Saturday, April 19 – Holy Saturday</u> 9:00 a.m. Our Lady of Good Counsel (Liturgy of the Hours)

Saturday, April 19- Easter Vigil

Welcome our RCIA Candidate and Catechumen as they are sacramentally received in the Church.

8:15 p.m. Our Lady of Good Counsel (gathering time) 8:30 p.m. Vigil Service will begin. A reception will follow.

> Sunday, April 20 - Easter Sunday Alleluia! Alleluia! He is Risen!

Masses follow the regular Sunday schedule at all four churches.

Sunday, April 20– Easter Sunday – 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Paschal Visits (These visits are the symbol of the Resurrected Jesus "stopping by".) Teams of priests/staff and parishioners will visit the families of the Cluster and bless their homes. These visits are open to anyone in the Cluster. To make your reservation, please call your Church Office.