

SAINT AUGUSTINE CHAPEL

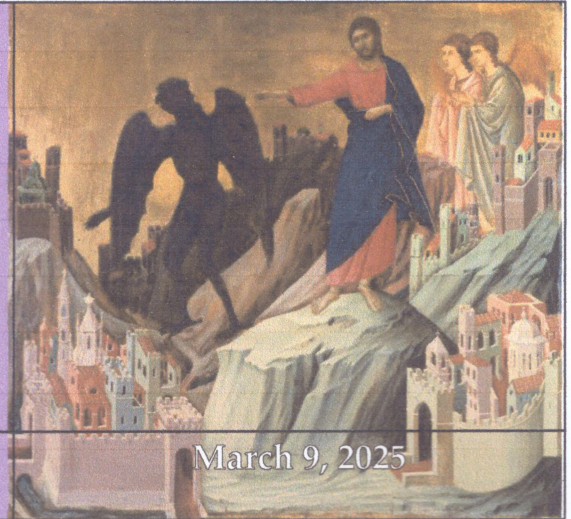
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Roman Catholic ✕ Traditional Latin Mass

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**First Sunday of Lent; St. Frances of Rome W;
(Death of St. Dominic Savio)**



Schedule for Mar – Apr 2025

Sun Mar 16	Holy Hour 9:30 am
Sun Mar 23	Mass 10:00 am (Conf 9:00 - 9:45; visiting priest)
Sun Mar 30	Holy Hour 9:30 am
Fri Apr 4	Mass 5:00PM; Stations 7:00 PM
Sat Apr 5	Mass 8:00 am (Day of Devotion & Projects)
Sun Apr 6	Mass 10:00 am (Conf 9:00 am)
Mon Apr 7	Morning Mass
Sun Apr 13	Holy Hour 9:30 am
Holy Thurs	Adoration 6:00 PM - Midnight
Good Fri	Passion devotions Noon - 3:00 PM
Holy Sat	Preparation of chapel for Easter
Sun Apr 20	Easter Mass 9:30 am (Conf 8:30)
Sun Apr 27	Holy Hour 9:30 am

First Sunday of Lent

The Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians, vi. 1-10.
Brethren: We do exhort you, that you receive not the grace of God in vain: for he saith: In an accepted time have I heard thee: and in the day of salvation have I helped thee. Behold, now is the acceptable time: behold, now is the day of salvation;...

The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ, According to St. Matthew, iv. 1-11.
At that time: Jesus was led by the spirit into the desert, to be tempted by the devil. And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterwards He was hungry..

Our Saviour was led by the Holy Ghost into the desert there to prepare by fasting forty days and nights for His holy ministry. Here the tempter approaches and seeks to betray Him. After He had overcome the Evil One, angels came and ministered to Him: by which we learn that they who overcome temptations enjoy the consolation and assistance of the angels. This should encourage us to combat joyfully to the end.

What is temptation?

Temptation is an **inducement** to transgress the commandments of God. Temptation comes from our own concupiscence (James i. 14); "for the flesh lusteth against the spirit" (Gal. v. 17.)

How does the devil tempt us?

He **moves** the natural concupiscence to such sins as he sees men particularly inclined to, and then **deceives** and confuses the man's mind, that he may not see clearly either the temporal loss, or the dishonor and danger of sin. He can, however, do nothing but what God permits. St. Augustine therefore compares him to a **chained dog** that can hurt only those who put themselves within his reach.

Does God also tempt us?

St. James says (i. 13), "Let no man, when he is tempted, say that he is tempted by God; for God is not a tempter of evils, and He tempteth no man." But He **allows** us to be tempted, sending us manifold trials.

Does God permit us to be tempted beyond our strength?

No; for He combats with us, and gives us always as much strength as is required to conquer temptations, and even to gain advantage from them (I. Cor. x. 13).

When do we consent to temptation?

When we decide of our own free **will** to do the evil proposed; as long as we resist, however little, we do not consent.

What are the best means to overcome temptation?

Humility and **prayer**. 2. The consideration of the **suffering** which follows sin, and of the happiness which awaits those who resist temptation. 3. Invoking the aid of the **Blessed Virgin**, our guardian angel, and all the saints. 4. Praying devoutly, "Lead us not into temptation," and calling on the holy name of **Jesus**

Days of Recollection at St. Athanasius, Vienna VA

Gentlemen: Sat Mar 22 – 7:30 am – 3:30 PM

Ladies: Sat Mar 29 – 7:30 am – 3:30 PM

Please inquire for details.

Lenten Fast Rules - These apply to those between 21 and 59 years of age. One ordinary sized main meal is permitted each day. There may be two lesser meatless meals which do not add up to a main meal. Meat may be eaten at the main meal except on days of abstinence. There may be no snacking between meals, but beverages may be taken at any time.