

Parish Intentions for February 2019

During this month of February . . . on behalf of Fr. Gordon, our pastor, and our parish leadership team, we ask that you include these intercessions as part of your personal prayer throughout the month:

February Intentions . . .

--For all those leading and participating in faith-sharing groups beginning this month and continuing through Lent, that they might encounter Jesus in ever new ways and grow deeper in their relationship with him through prayer, scripture, and the sharing faith with others.

--For all those participating in our Alpha Program as it begins, that it might be an opportunity to encounter Christ in a new or deeper way through the friendship, community, and sharing with faith-filled hosts & helpers.

--As we celebrate Valentine's Day this month, let us pray for all those who have chosen the vocation of marriage, that they may grow in their love for God and others, through their love of one another; and that many of our married couples might choose to strengthen their marriage by participating in the Couple Prayer Series this Lent.

--For all of our college students taking part in "Enkindle," our spring undergraduate retreat this month, that they may grow in their relationship with Jesus through prayer as they explore the work of the Holy Spirit in their lives, and for the MSU student retreat team as they prepare for this spring retreat.

-- For the children and teens in our parish family who are preparing to celebrate the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation . . . may they grow in wisdom, age and grace as members of the Body of Christ, and learn to follow Jesus example of love and service in their lives.

--That we may always, as disciples of Christ, be mindful of, support and pray for the least of our brothers and sisters, and especially refugees and our immigrant brothers and sisters.

The Holy Father's universal prayer intention for February: Victims

-- For a generous welcome to the victims of human trafficking, enforced prostitution, and violence.

Bishop Boyea has called for a Year of Prayer, so that the Diocese of Lansing and each of us can discern the particular ways in which God is calling us to form missionary disciples. In addition to the prayer below, Bishop Boyea asks each family or household to pray a Marian devotion once a week, asking for the intercession of Mary, our patron and the first disciple.

Year of Prayer Forming Missionary Disciples

Father,

You invite each of us to share in the life and ministry of your Son, Jesus.

Send your Holy Spirit to form our parish as a community of missionary disciples.

Teach us how to hear Jesus, to love Jesus, and to share your gift of salvation with everyone we meet.

Through the witness and intercession of Mary,

guide me to deepen my commitment as a disciple of Jesus.
Lead our parish to grow as an intentional community,
committed to go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.
We ask these blessings in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION TIMES

Mondays, 4:00-5:00 pm at SJSC

Tuesdays, 7:39-8:30 pm at SJSC

Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00 pm at SJSC

Fridays, 9:00 am-3:30 pm at STA

Come for 10 minutes or for an hour to sit with Jesus and know His presence and peace!

Thank you for your commitment to our parish intercessory prayer ministry!