

### Calendar

#### Monday

February 27

#### Weekday

Sir 17:20–24

Mk 10:17–27

#### Tuesday

February 28

#### Weekday

Sir 35:1–12

Mk 10:28–31

#### Wednesday

March 1

#### Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12–18

2 Cor 5:20–6:2

Mt 6:1–6, 16–18

#### Thursday

March 2

#### Thursday after

#### Ash Wednesday

Dt 30:15–20

Lk 9:22–25

#### Friday

March 3

#### Friday after

#### Ash Wednesday

Is 58:1–9a

Mt 9:14–15

#### Saturday

March 4

#### Saturday after

#### Ash Wednesday

Is 58:9b–14

Lk 5:27–32

#### Sunday

March 5

#### First Sunday

#### of Lent

Gn 2:7–9; 3:1–7

Rom 5:12–19

Mt 4:1–11

# Dear Padre,

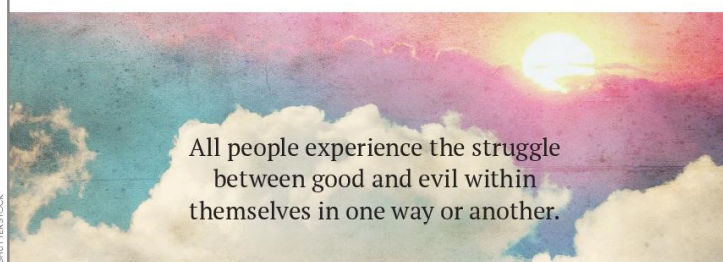
**I'm an active Catholic but feel torn between two sides of myself: one that is faithful in prayer and charitable to others, another that is poorly disciplined, selfish, and given to sensuality and pornography. It seems God is holding on to me, but I don't know why.**

I am reminded of Paul's personal struggle as expressed in Romans: "What I do, I do not understand. For I do not do what I want, but I do what I hate.... Now if [I] do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me.... Miserable one that I am! Who will deliver me...?" (7:15, 20, 24).

Remain faithful to your religious practices, and don't get down on yourself. Having immoral tendencies does not make you a hypocrite; it makes you human. All people experience the struggle between good and evil within themselves in one way or another. It may be helpful to find a spiritual director or counselor who can help you deal with your weaknesses. You could learn how to be more disciplined in prayer and how to overcome your preoccupation with pornography. Keep trying to accentuate the positive and deal with the negative.

You say God is holding on to you. Remember that Francis Thompson called God "the Hound of Heaven." God does not let go easily.

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### A Word From Pope Francis

*"If [your children] are crying with hunger, feed them, don't worry. Let us thank the Lord for the gift of milk...What milk does for the body, the Word of God does for the spirit."*

—Homily, Sistine Chapel, January 11, 2015



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# Assumption of Our Lady



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February 26, 2016

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Hay River, NT

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

### Weekday Masses

Mon.-Thurs. 5:30 pm

Friday 12:00 noon



Reconciliation is on Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45 or by appointment. Please contact Fr. Don for any other sacraments or funerals.

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Sunday Mass 1:30 PM

Date	Readers	Collection	Gift Bearers	Eucharistic Ministers	Coffee & Snacks
Feb 05	Julia Flumerfelt Sherry DaRosa	Emmanuel Da-Rosa Paul Delorey	Eva & Merv Templeton	David Delorey Tessie Gonzales Shirley Gutierrez	Marshi & Jaigene
Feb 12	Katherine Lenoir Sheila Ryan-Hachey	Andrew Cassidy Kyle Reid	Engen Family	Louisa Schrumm Doris Caudron Doug Swallow	Grace
Feb 19	Andrew Cassidy Sancie Gostick	Horst B. Doug Swallow	Whittle Family	Julia Flumerfelt Kyle Reid Theresa Swallow	Parish Pot Luck First Communion
Feb 26	Doris Caudron Ruth Boden	Darm Crook Paul Delorey	Jonathan Mac-kenzie Zoe	Tessie Gonzales Kyle Reid Theresa Swallow	No Snacks
Mar 05	Lisa Capulso Michaela Crook	Kyle Reid Doug Swallow	Steinwan Family	Sylvia Boyer Julia Flumerfelt David Delorey	Please sign-up See Grace

## CWL NEWS

### New National Theme: Inspired by the Spirit, Women Respond to God's Call

**Lap Quilt Challenge:** The members of the CWL nationwide are making lap quilts for residents in nursing homes and the patients in hospice. Whether you sew, knit, crochet, patch or quilt, your efforts and prayer-in-action will be most appreciated. Anyone interested in creating a lap quilt is invited to do so. We are hoping to have these quilts ready for our Diocesan Convention at the end of April

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY of the WORD

**This is the eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Many different things can make us feel afraid. In today's Gospel Jesus reminds us that we are God's most precious creation, and he will always take great care of us. He shares every trouble we have, and we need never feel alone; he is constantly watching over us.**

**Confirmation** classes continue. Please keep our youth in your prayers as they prepare for this sacrament. The celebration of Confirmation will take place **May 6, 2017 at St. Ann's** and **May 7, 2017 at Assumption Parish.**

**Let us keep in prayer both the participants and team members of the 12 Step Pilgrimage taking place this week-end.**

The liturgical season of **Lent** begins this Wednesday, March 1, with the celebration of **Ash Wednesday.** Mass will be celebrated at **7:30 pm on Wednesday** evening in the church.

**SNACKS** Please see Grace or call to (876-1063) to sign up.

: <b>Weekly Revenue</b>	
\$1,956.65	Collection
\$0.00	Hall Rental
<b>\$1,956.65</b>	Revenue Total
<b>\$1,764.00</b>	Expenses Total
<b>\$192.65</b>	
Expenses are based on the 2015 average	

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

February 26, 2017

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 49:14-15

1 Cor 4:1-5

Mt 6:24-34

## God Loves Us Like a Mother

There is no place children feel safer than in their mother's arms. Since she provides them with all they need, both physically and emotionally, their trust and confidence is total. God tells us not to worry and gives us the reason: *I will never ever forget you. I know your needs and I will take care of them. Do you think a mother can forget her child? Even if she were to forget, I won't!*

In the Gospel, Jesus doesn't just suggest not to worry, he commands it: "Do not worry," he says more than once. He knows what preoccupies us—food, clothing, work, and money. Why worry? What good will it do? Can you eat better, increase your wealth, or change your appearance by worrying? Can you add a day to your life fretting about your health?

Sure, we need to think about providing for our physical needs. We need to make good, informed, and healthy decisions. The key is to reflect and decide, not to worry and obsess. Keep it all in perspective. Life is much more than material goods and personal aspirations.

God loves us so much, like a mother loves her child. He provides for all his creatures, even for the lily that only blooms for a day. He knows everything



Piece: *The Rest on the Flight into Egypt*, circa 1510  
Artist: Gerard David  
Location: National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.

you need and, like a good parent, desperately wants to give it to you!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

### For Reflection

What worries me most right now? Make a list and entrust it all to Jesus.

*"Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself.  
Sufficient for a day is its own evil"  
(Matthew 6:34).*