BACKGROUND OF LENT

Lent is a forty day period of time during which Christians devote themselves to prayer, fasting, and works of mercy as a way of preparing themselves to celebrate Christ’s death and resurrection at Easter. Originally a time of preparation for those who would be baptized on Easter, Lent gradually became a time when those who had left the practice of their faith would return to Christ and the Church. Today, Lent offers Christians an opportunity to prepare themselves to recommit to their baptismal promises at Easter by returning to the basic practices of their faith.

HOLY WEEK AT MADONNA DELLA STRADA 2016

Palm Sunday—March 20
10:30AM, 5:00PM, and 9:00PM

Monday—March 21
Mass at 12:00PM and 5:15PM

Tuesday—March 22
Mass at 12:00PM and 5:15PM

Wednesday—March 23
Mass at 12:00PM and 5:15PM
Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession 7:00PM to 8:00PM
Evening Prayer in the style of Taizé at 9:30PM

Holy Thursday—March 24
Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 5:00PM
Chapel open for Eucharistic Adoration until midnight
No other Masses will be celebrated on this day.

Good Friday—March 25
Celebration of the Passion of the Lord at 3:00PM
No other liturgies will be celebrated on this day.

Easter Vigil—March 26
The Great Easter Vigil at 8:00PM

Easter Sunday—March 27
Mass at 10:30AM
No other Masses will be celebrated on this day.

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LENT AT LOYOLA 2016

“Now is the Time”
2 Corinthians 6:2
Lenten Programming 2016

FEBRUARY 14
Busy Students’ Retreat Opening Mass
5PM in Madonna della Strada
Attend the opening Mass for the retreat and then take time throughout Lent to pray and seek spiritual direction from trusted mentors. Contact Tina Cisarik, ccsarik@luc.edu.

FEBRUARY 16
Agapé Latté
7:30PM in Damen Den
Come for an inspirational message by Natasha and K.C. Mmeje, and enjoy coffee and dessert.

FEBRUARY 17
Taizé Prayer around the Cross
9:30PM in Madonna della Strada
Reflect on the meaning of the cross through word and song during this special ecumenical prayer service.

FEBRUARY 23
Candlelit Stations of the Cross
9PM in Madonna della Strada
Pray and sing by candlelight as you retrace Jesus’ journey to the Cross with traditional prayers and music.

FEBRUARY 27
On-Campus Retreat
10AM-2PM in Damen 217 and MDS
Prayer popular devotions like the Divine Office, Rosary, and Stations of the Cross during this one day retreat on campus. Free materials and lunch included. Contact Dr. Salay, jsalay@luc.edu.

MARCH 3
Fasting, Food, and Faith
12PM-1PM in Damen 217
Join Loyola’s Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, and Protestant students in a discussion about the role fasting and food plays in their faith lives.
Free vegan lunch.

MARCH 14
IGNITE Eucharistic Adoration
8PM in Madonna della Strada
Pray before Christ, present in the Eucharist and join others in Christian praise and worship music with the opportunity to go to confession.

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MARCH 21
“Via Crucis”
7PM Begins in Madonna della Strada
Join us for this annual bilingual Stations of the Cross Service with a special focus on praying for compassionate immigration reform.

MARCH 23
Holy Week Confessions
7PM-8PM in Madonna della Strada
Prepare for Easter by going to Confession during Holy Week. Multiple priests will be available.

REPEATING EVENTS
Tuesdays
Evening Mass at Water Tower Campus
9PM in All Saint’s Chapel
(No Mass March 8)

Tuesdays and Thursdays
St. Thomas of Canterbury Soup Kitchen
3:30PM-7PM Meet in Damen 232
Volunteer at St. Thomas of Canterbury Soup Kitchen to prepare, serve and share a meal. Meet in Damen 232 with your U-Pass, appropriate clothing, and closed-toe shoes. For more info, luc.edu/serve

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