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My dear people,

The season of Lent is almost upon us, beginning this year on February 17th. It is a time in the life of the Church filled with reflection and self-examination. It is a time when we take stock of our habits and disciplines, our prayers and our devotional life, in order to recommit ourselves to a renewed faith and life lived out in our Lord Jesus Christ. During this time a Christian might give up certain foods or habits – like meat or sweets, or the consumption of alcohol. One might also take on new habits such as daily prayer or more frequent attendance at holy day services (as best as the Covid restrictions allow). All of these devotional practices are meant to help focus our attention more deliberately on God as our source of life.



One Lenten discipline I encourage is devotional reading. To help facilitate this practice each year I supply the parish with a daily devotional book specific for the season. This year that book is “The Saintly Scorecard.” This is also paired with an entire online resource and daily competition where Saints go head to head like the NCAA’s March Madness. All this can be found at www.lentmadness.org

I hope you will use this devotional material as a way to focus yourself on God our Creator, who is ever present, and always bringing light into the world even in its darkest corners.

Blessings to you this Lententide,

Fr. Jeff Queen