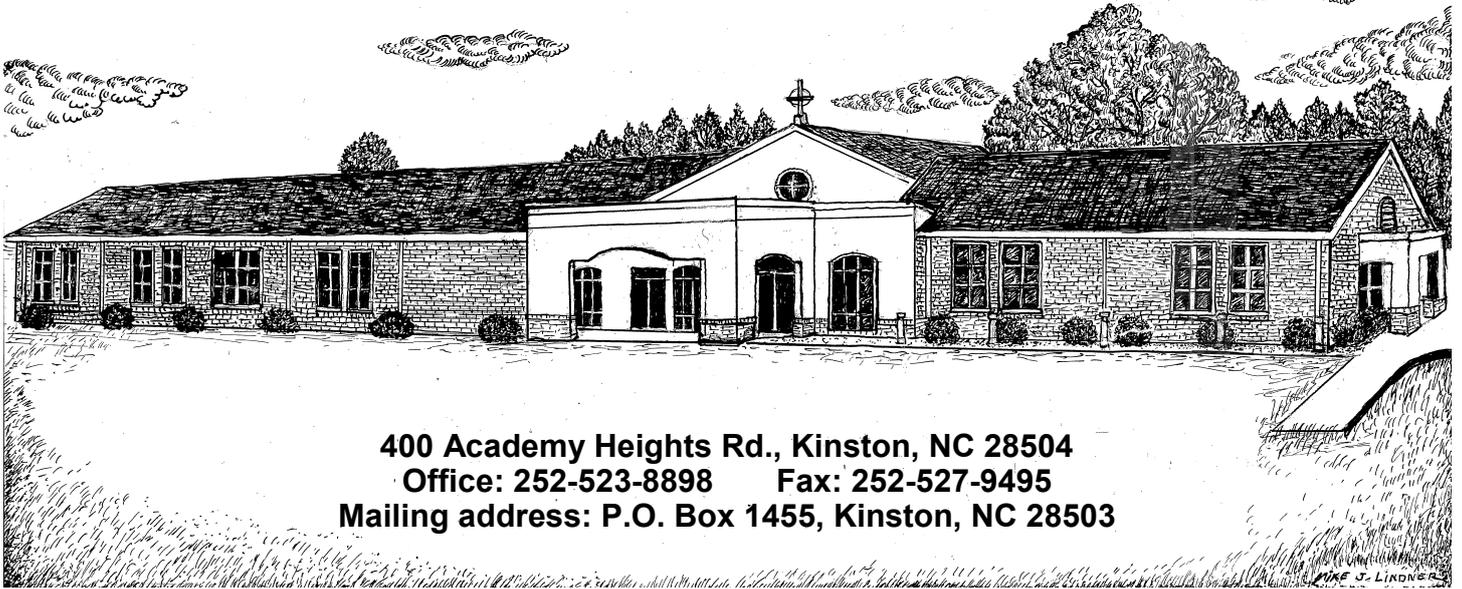


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Mass Schedule

Weekdays:

Tuesday	9:00 AM	English
Thursday	9:00 AM	English

Weekend:

Saturday	4:00 PM	English
Sunday	9:00 AM	English
Sunday	11:30 AM	Español

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday/Sábado: 3:00-3:30 Confession
Any time by appointment with Fr. Yaeger.
Please call the office to schedule appt.

Church Facebook Page

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 22, 2026
PRIMER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA
22 DE FEBRERO DE 2026



February 22, 2026 First Sunday of Lent

Monthly Intention

February 2026: For children with incurable diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

Christmas was God *with us*.

Easter was God *for us*.

Pentecost is God *in us*.

Helpful tips:

1. Always carry identification if you are stopped by the police.
2. If you receive a traffic ticket, be sure to pay it before the day of court or pay an attorney to pay on your behalf on the day of court.
3. Make sure everything in your car is in working order, especially the license plate lights, brake lights and turn signals.
4. Do not open the door for strangers, even if they are from ICE, or if they say they have a piece of paper for you. Tell them to put it under the door or leave it outside.
5. Please never drive drunk, if you do and you are stopped you are certain to be deported.

Febrero 22, 2026 Primer Domingo de Cuaresma

Intención Mensual

Febrero 2026: Por los niños con enfermedades incurables

Oremos para que los niños que padecen enfermedades incurables y sus familias reciban la atención médica y el apoyo necesario, sin perder nunca la fuerza ni la esperanza.

La Navidad era Dios *con nosotros*.

La Pascua fue Dios *para nosotros*.

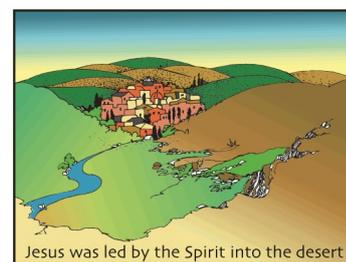
La Pentecostés es Dios *en nosotros*.

Consejos útiles:

1. Mantener siempre un documento de identificación si es parado por la policía.
2. Si recibe un ticket de tráfico, asegúrese de pagarlo antes del día de la corte, o pague a un abogado para que ellos lo paguen en su nombre el día de la corte.
3. Asegúrese que en su carro todo funcione bien especialmente las luces de la placa del carro, las del freno y las direccionales.
4. No abra la Puerta a desconocidos, aun si es de ICE, o si dicen que tienen un papel para Ud. Dígalos que lo pasen por debajo de la puerta o que lo dejen afuera.
5. Por favor NUNCA, maneje tomado, si lo hace y lo paran es deportación segura.

Parishioners Birthdays in February/Cumpleaños de los Feligreses en Febrero

Samuel Medina Arteaga	2/16	Cy Perkins	2/24
William Aguilar Rubio	2/17	Mary Facuitad	2/24
Saul Gonzalez	2/18	Francis Almonte Irineo	2/24
Mia Garcia Mendez	2/18	Ervin Martinez Jimenez	2/25
Axel Rico Acevedo	2/18	Valeria Ramos Gutierrez	2/25
Jose Gonzalez Acevedo	2/19	Denise Hinojosa Villa	2/25
Eleuterio Ascencio	2/20	Luis Garcia Cisneros	2/26
Francisco Gonzalez	2/20	Rufino Mata Bustos	2/28
Brian Gutierrez Gamez	2/20		
Carolyn Melton	2/21		
Celia Valle Baltazar	2/21		
Lisbeth Almonte Irineo	2/21		
Brianna Fuerte	2/21		
Paul McKinley	2/22		
Marisa Vasquez Rocha	2/22		
Melissa Boyster	2/23		
Elvia Romero	2/23		



Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert

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Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

For the Weekend of February 15th, 2026
(Fiscal Year starts July 1st)

1st collection February 16th, 2025:.....	\$2,079.00
1st collection February 15th, 2026:.....	\$2,069.00
Accum. 1st collection previous year.....	\$73,836.00
Accum. 1st collection current year.....	\$66,702.00
Maintenance Fund February 2025:.....	\$2,273.00
Maintenance Fund February 2026:.....	\$1,237.00

Next Weekend Second Collection

Name: Building Maintenance

Purpose: monthly effort to raise extra funds to cover the expenses of the parish buildings that the regular collection cannot cover.

Type: parish level (all funds remain in the parish for parish use only).

Second collections are optional. Parishioners are given this choice at the moment of passing the baskets.

Segunda Colecta del Siguiete Domingo

Nombre: Mantenimiento de los Edificios Parroquiales

Propósito: campaña mensual que recoge fondos extra para pagar los gastos de los edificios parroquiales que la colecta regular no puede cubrir.

Clase: Nivel parroquial (todos los fondos se quedan en la parroquia para uso exclusivo).

Las segundas colectas son opcionales. A los parroquianos se les da ésta opción al momento en que circula la canasta.

Norms for Fasting and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday, **February 18th**, and Good Friday, **April 3rd**, are days of fasting and abstinence. Fridays of Lent are also days of abstinence.

Fasting is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Abstinence is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, Church law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and

abstinence, the Parish Priest should be consulted.

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and Catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for Initiation into the Church or the renewal of Baptismal Promises at Easter.

Saints of the Week

Monday, Feb. 23rd: Saint Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr; died 155 at age 86; disciple of St. John and bishop of Smyrna; his Letter to the Philippians witnesses to various New Testament writings; the Martyrdom of Polycarp records his being burned at the stake; one of the first martyrs to be venerated.

Friday, Feb. 27th: St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot, Doctor of the Church; (c. 950-1003/1011) was an Armenian mystical and lyrical poet, abbot, and theologian. He is venerated as a saint in the Armenian Apostolic and Catholic Churches and was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Francis in 2015 and added to the General Roman Calendar in 2021 as an Optional Memorial. He is best known for his Book of Lamentations, a major work of mystical literature.



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African American History & Heritage

Feb. 24th: Rebecca Lee Crumpler becomes the first black woman to receive an M.D. degree. She graduated from the New England Female Medical College -1864

Feb. 25th: Hiram R. Revels, 1st African-American U.S. Senator - 1870



Rice Bowl Campaign

This Lenten tradition consists on placing donations in a bowl that reminds us of the many people in the world that do not have sufficient food. Parishioners have the 40 days of Lent to fill the bowls. Those using bowls should disregard the envelope for that collection. Bowls are available in the atrium.

Sacrament Announcements

First Communion Retreat/Parent Meeting: April 25th at 10:00 am. (We'll also be making Banners).

First Communions: May 16th at 11:00 am.

Confirmation parent meeting: May 3rd during class.

Confirmations: May 23rd at 11:00 am.

Anuncios Sobre Sacramentos

Retiro de Primera Comuni3n y junta de padres: 25 de Abril a las 10:00 am. (Tambi3n estaremos asiendo unas pancartas).

Primeras Comuni3nes: 16 de Mayo a las 11:00 am.

Junta de padres de confirmaci3n: 3 de Mayo durante la clase.

Confirmaciones: 23 de Mayo a las 11:00 am.



Tue. Feb. 24 Pastor's Intention
 Thurs. Feb. 26 † Souls of Purgatory
 Req. by B. Hieb
 Parish
 Sat. Feb. 28 Pastor's Intention
 Sun. Mar. 1 @ 9:00 am Pastor's Intention
 @ 11:30 am

† Denotes an intention for the deceased

The Epic Center

Walk 4 Life & 5K
 Saturday, April 18
 Lenoir Community College
 Event starts at 8:00 am
 Rain or Shine



Stand for life, support mothers, and make a difference in our community! Gather a team or come solo, every step helps provide hope and resources to families facing unplanned pregnancies.

Normas para el Ayuno y la Abstinencia

El Miércoles de Ceniza, el **18 de febrero** y el Viernes Santo, el **3 de abril** son días de Ayuno y Abstinencia. Los viernes de Cuaresma también son días de abstinencia.
 El ayuno debe de ser observado por los que tienen 18 años en adelante, que no hayan cumplido su cumpleaños número 59. En el día de ayuno, una comida completa es permitida. Otras dos comidas, suficientes para mantener la fuerza pueden ser tomadas dependiendo a las necesidades de cada persona, pero juntas no deben igualar una comida completa. Comer entre comidas no es permitido, pero los líquidos incluyendo leche y jugos son permitidos. Todos los viernes de cuaresma son días de abstinencia. La abstinencia se debe cumplir desde los 14 años de edad en adelante. En los días de abstinencia, no se debe comer carne, aunque si la salud o la habilidad para cumplir su trabajo se ve seriamente afectada, la ley no lo obliga. Si tiene alguna duda sobre la práctica del ayuno o de la abstinencia, consulte al sacerdote de su parroquia. El ayuno, la limosna y la oración, son las tres disciplinas tradicionales durante la Cuaresma. Los feligreses y los catecúmenos deben realizar estas prácticas con seriedad en espíritu de penitencia y en preparación para la Iniciación a la Iglesia o para renovación de las promesas Bautismales durante la Semana Santa.



Baptism Preparation Class

We will have a baptism preparation class the second Sunday of each month after the Spanish Mass. If you would like to baptize your child please call or stop by the office to register before the date of the class. A copy of the birth certificate is needed!

Clase de Preparación para Bautizo

Tendremos una clase de preparación de bautismo el segundo domingo de cada mes después de la Misa de español. Si desea bautizar a su niño, por favor de llamar o ir a la oficina para registrarse antes del día de la clase. Se necesita una copia del certificado de nacimiento!

Mass Petitions

If you would like a Mass for a quinceañera or a wedding, please talk directly to Fr. Joe. There is a form that has to be fill out at the office.

Peticiones de Misas

Si desea una misa para quinceaños o una boda, por favor de hablar directamente con el padre Joe. Para pedir una misa para quinceaños o boda se necesita llenar una forma en la oficina.

Pastoral Council News

November 2025 Meeting Minutes transcripts are available for parishioners in the atrium.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday of Lent at 7:00 pm (bilingual service, one station in English followed by one station in Spanish).



We kindly ask that you pray for the following parishioners and loved ones: Fr. Bill John, Jean Barber, Laura Baugher, Aiden

Betts, Mike Bridwell, Jerome Brown, Sheryl Dipnarinesingh, Ana Fostanes, Dennis Goodson, Bryan Hanks, Christy Hardy, Mary Alice Hargitt, Fabian & Joyce Hayden, Maria Herrera, Beth Hill, Johnny Hinson, Bryan Hodge, Jamie Hoyt, Richard James, Andrew Kasper, Pat Kasprzyk, Shelly King, Sonia Koonce, Colleen Kosinski, Ray Manning, Susan McDonald, Ivory Meadows, Patricia Moots, Brandon Morales, Ervin Parker, Jack Purcell, Nelson Raynor, Rodolfo Rodriguez, Buddy Rogers, Christine Shannon, Jon Shackelford, Jean Stalnaker, Vincent & Edward Stone, John & Julie Stowawy, Karen Stubbs, Kathy Sower, Harvey Tyndall, Crystal Wackerson, Tim Warren, Dennis Willis, Beverly Wilson, Matthew Wilson, and Skyler Wood.