

## Lenten Longings

## Bulletin Announcements

Please feel free to write your own announcements. It is helpful to have a regular place in the bulletin so people know where to look. If you provide information about *Lenten Longings* two to four weeks ahead of time, people are ready for the invitation when it comes on Sign-up Sunday. The idea is to whet appetites and let them know something wonderful is coming and that they won't want to miss it. You can adapt these to your parish; put a contact name and number as well.

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### MAKE THIS LENT ABOUT WHAT YOU DO, NOT WHAT YOU DON'T DO!

Instead of giving up chocolate or cutting back on TV, join a small community for six weeks during Lent to participate in *Lenten Longings* to read Scripture and share your faith. Small groups will be meeting once a week for 90 minutes at someone's home. It's a great way to observe the Year of Faith this Lent.

Watch this bulletin for more information or call \_\_\_\_\_.

### WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO JOIN A SMALL COMMUNITY FOR LENT?

Maybe you'd like to meet new people. Maybe you'd like to spend more time learning about your faith from others. Maybe you'd like to grow spiritually. Maybe you'd like to improve your relationship with God. Whatever your reason – it's the right one.

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### TAKE A BREATHER

Lent is an invitation to put the brakes on our often hectic lives. A good way to build in some quiet and fruitful time is to join a small Christian community and experience *Lenten Longings*. You will meet other members of the parish once a week during Lent to reflect on Scripture and talk about how our faith applies to our everyday lives. It's a good way to prepare for our Easter celebration during this Year of Faith.

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## WHY NOT NOW?

How often have you wished you had more time to think about the more important things in life? Why not take that time during this Lent? In our parish, we will have the opportunity to gather in small groups of 8 to 10 people, once a week for six weeks starting the week of Ash Wednesday. When we gather, we will read Scripture, pray, and share our faith. This experience will provide more than you can imagine, and it will be a memorable part of your observance of the Year of Faith. Sign up for a day and time of the week that works for you.

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## A TIME FOR QUIET AND PRAYER

Lent is a time to renew our faith — something that requires prayer and reflection. In a small community we can see how Jesus himself, in the midst of activity, always took time for silence and prayer, and we realize how important it is for us to do the same. Why not add a special ingredient to your observance of the Year of Faith by taking time this Lent for quiet, prayer and sharing in a small community? Sign up for a day and time of the week that works for you. The change you experience will be well worth the time.

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## WHERE ARE YOU HEADED?

People's experiences in a small community shows that we all come from different places on the faith journey, but when we share we find we are all heading in the same direction. Why not join us this Lent and add something special and fruitful to your observance of the Year of Faith? Journey with us in a small community by praying and sharing Scripture. It's called *Lenten Longings*. We believe you will be richer for the experience.

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