

Christian Family Living Center North Topsail, North Carolina

Lenten Retreat Schedule

Ash Wednesday - February 6: A Day To Remember

"Remember you are dust and unto dust you shall return" Gn3:19

This passage is not the same as saying "We all got to go someday". The "You" who dies is always one single solitary individual. Not hiding from ourselves and our unique irreplaceable history and our inevitable death, ought to be reflected on and prayed about at the start of Lent. Fr. John Gillespie will begin this program at 10:00 am and conclude with distribution of ashes at 3:00pm. \$25 (includes lunch). Christian Family Living Center, Topsail Island, NC (910) 328-1584

Wednesday, Feb 13: Early Christianity. (video lecture series with facilitated round-table discussion) 9 am–1pm includes lunch \$25.00. Christian Family Living Center, Topsail Island, NC (910) 328-1584.

Tuesday, Feb 19: More Early Christianity. (video lecture series with facilitated round-table discussion) 9 am–1pm includes lunch \$25.00. Christian Family Living Center, Topsail Island, NC (910) 328-1584.

February 29 - March 3: Art as a Lenten Journey

This retreat experience will open many to the boundless love Jesus has for us, and how we can share that love and healing with each other in true joy of Easter. This weekend integrates creativity and spirituality as a path to a deeper appreciation of God's love for each of us. Arts and crafts expression, community building and times for silence and relaxation all blend to engage in prayerful reflection within the context of the Lenten journey. Come alone, bring a friend or the entire family for this imaginative experience No artistic skill required – just a desire to connect with a loving God. Fr. Rich Kuhn, SM will be available for spiritual direction and Reconciliation. Fee: \$70 ages 2-7; \$100 ages 8+.Family max is \$490. Christian Family Living Center, Topsail Island, NC (910) 328-1584.

Thursday, March 6: Stations of the Cross for Women

Learn more about the women who played an important role in Christ's passion, death and resurrection. 9 am–1pm includes lunch \$25.00. Christian Family Living Center, Topsail Island, NC (910) 328-1584.

Thursday, March 13: Thomas More, St. Francis of Assisi and Catherine of Siena (video lecture series with facilitated round-table discussion) 9 am–1pm includes lunch \$25.00. Christian Family Living Center, Topsail Island, NC (910) 328-1584.

Thursday, March 20: Jesus and the Gospels. (video lecture series with facilitated round-table discussion) 9 am–1pm includes lunch \$25.00. Christian Family Living Center, Topsail Island, NC (910) 328-1584.

Wednesday, March 19: The Seven Last Words - Preparing For The Passion "Into your hands I commend my spirit" Lk 23:46

When do we give up on God? Isn't it almost always in the face of pain and suffering...when we are being crucified by others? The crucified Jesus did not give up on God, and his last words on the cross show us how to be like him. Come prepare for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion and Holy Week by reflecting on Jesus seven words from the cross. Fr. John Gillespie will begin this presentation at 9:00am and conclude at 2:00pm. \$25 includes lunch.