

# **Pulpit Announcements**

Second Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2023

- Our charitable tithe this weekend will go to the [Saint Clare's Home](#), which is a maternity home for unwed mothers right here in our own diocese. We are very happy to support this important outreach!
- During Lent, please note that the Church takes on certain penitential practices: the color violet is used; the “Gloria” at the beginning of Mass is paused; the “Alleluia” is suspended throughout the Mass; flowers and festive music are halted; and, here at our parish, we reduce our altar candles from six to two. All of these are external reminders to us of the penitential nature of Lent.
- Please pray for the young people of the parish who are away for the Diocesan Youth Conference this weekend. May they go deeper in their relationship with the Lord Jesus.
- Our Stations of the Cross for Lent are prayed every Monday at 7:00 PM. All are welcome!
- On Saturday, March 11, from 9:00 AM – 12 Noon, we’ll have our next Formation Day. Our theme will be “Discipleship and the Sacraments of Healing.” All are welcome! No registration is needed.
- The Bishop will be here on Tuesday, May 2, for Confirmation. Any baptized person in seventh grade or above can petition to receive Confirmation. Please reach out to John Paul Rusciolelli for more information: [jrusciolelli@charlestandiocese.org](mailto:jrusciolelli@charlestandiocese.org).