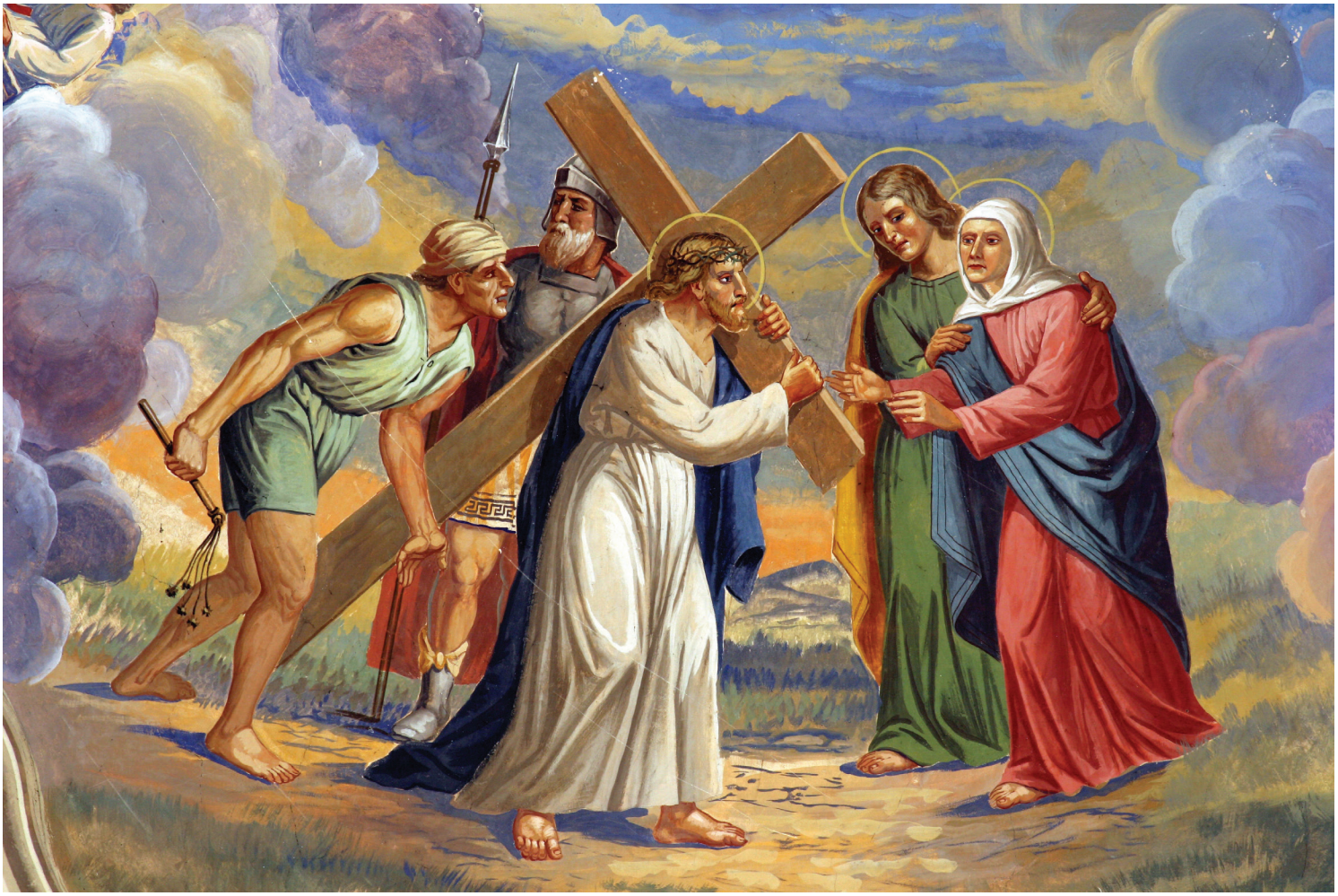
**OUR LADY** OF THE
**BLESSED SACRAMENT**
PARISH

# **STATIONS**
# AND SUPPER



Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament invites ministry to host a Friday evening of Stations & Supper during Lent. Lent is a season of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving and gathering to pray the Stations of the Cross not only unites us as a community, but reminds us that when life is difficult, Jesus is with us. We believe that ministry participation and leadership will contribute significantly to the spiritual enrichment of our community during this transformative season of Lent.

*Important information on reverse side to help your ministry prepare to lead Stations & Supper.*

## Setup & Preparation

The parish will make worship aids to lead the Stations of the Cross available and provide the setup of tables and chairs, along with paper goods, utensils and bottled water. At Queen of the Rosary Church, serving tables and highboys will be set up in the main vestibule. At St. Julian Eymard Church, serving tables and round tables will be set up in Shea Hall. Ministry is asked to open the church, turn lights on (make sure heat is on at Queen of the Rosary Church) and light altar candles as needed.

## Logistics

**Dates and Locations:** February 20, February 27 and March 6, Stations of the Cross will be prayed at Queen of the Rosary Church. March 13, March 20 and March 26 will be prayed at St. Julian Eymard Church. February 20 Stations & Supper is being hosted by our Queen of the Rosary School Parents Club. On February 20, Stations will be prayed in Queen of the Rosary Church, and there will be two seatings for Supper in the Queen of the Rosary School gym at 5:00pm and 6:30pm. (*See separate flyer and information in bulletin and eNews to purchase tickets for the Parents Club Supper*.)

**Time:** Stations begin in the respective church at 6pm and Supper immediately follows (in Shea Hall at St. Julian Eymard Church and in the main vestibule at Queen of the Rosary Church.)

## Way of the Cross Worship Aids

Various worship aids are available for use in leading the Stations of the Cross. In addition to the Way of the Cross booklets at each worship site, we have copies of a Marian Stations of the Cross (written from the perspective of His mother), scriptural Stations of the Cross from the USCCB and Stations of the Cross by St. Faustina and St. Alphonsus Liguori that can be printed and distributed.

*If you would like to use one of the alternate texts, please request a copy at least one week in advance of your scheduled host Friday. If you would like to supply your own text for the Stations of the Cross, a copy must be provided to the office for Fr. Arthur's approval before copies are printed or distributed.*

## Ministry Responsibilities

**Greeters and Ushers:** Your ministry will play a crucial role in welcoming and guiding attendees throughout the evening.

*If you do not have a key for the worship site where your ministry will be hosting, please make sure to pick up a loaner key in advance (**Note: the parish office closes at Noon on Fridays**.)*

**Leaders for Stations of the Cross:** Your ministry will guide our community through the Stations of the Cross, providing at minimum someone to walk the Stations and read the reflection for each Station. You may also ask members of your ministry, though not required, to fill other roles such as helping the assembly to sing the Stabat Mater between Stations, carrying the Cross or the candle, etc.

*Please let those in attendance know that they may join in walking the Stations or remain in the pews, whichever they prefer.*

**Meal and Volunteers for Serving:** Ministry volunteers will provide and serve a **light Lenten supper** for attendees. Please plan to accommodate between 30 and 50 participants. Ideas for meals could include meatless soup or chili and bread, veggie pizza, cheese quesadillas or fish tacos. It is important to remember that the meal must contain **NO meat**, and this is a **light Lenten supper**.

## Questions?

To confirm your ministry's participation or to discover more about hosting a Friday evening Stations & Supper, please contact Mary Ellen in the parish office at (847) 979-0901 x1007, or by e-mail at mottenstein@archchicago.org. We look forward to journeying through this Lenten season together.