



## Lent at Ascension 2019

### Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays at 6:30 p.m. March 8, 15, 22 and 29; April 5 and 12.  
Good Friday at Noon (no Benediction)

### Wednesday Evening Lenten Series

Evening Prayer at 6:10pm. Mass at 6:30 pm  
Simple meal and program after the evening mass.



**March 20—*Stations of the Cross: The Passion Isn't Over***, The Very Rev. Joy Rogers  
Mother Joy Rogers, retired Dean of St. James' Cathedral, Chicago, and assisting priest at Church of the Atonement, Chicago, will discuss how the traditional Stations of the Cross finds creative, meaningful expression in diverse contexts. Particular forms of the Stations often intend to better connect those who take part to contemporary local, cultural or global issues of justice.

**March 27—*Shame, Shame Shame***, with Brené Brown (and Mother Anna Broadbent+ & Father Raymond+)  
[Brené Brown's 2010 'TED Talk,' \*The power of vulnerability\*](#) has been viewed nearly 39,000,000 times. Sharing her research as a social psychologist, she walks in the back door with different lenses and perspectives to examine many of the fundamental human concerns that we endeavor to address by way of our 'self-examination' in Lent. We will view Brown's 20-minute talk and Mother Broadbent (who recently completed Brené Brown's 'Daring Way' training for helping professionals) and the Rector will facilitate our shared responses.

**April 3—*The Ministry of Ordained Women: Past, Present & Future***, The Rev. Eileen Shanley-Roberts  
Mother Shanley-Roberts, a Medievalist by training, served for eleven years as Rector of Christ Church, Waukegan, and presently serves as Assistant Director of Formation and Contextual Learning and Lecturer in Practical Theology at Bexley-Seabury (Episcopal) Seminary, Chicago. With this diversity of background, Mother Shanley-Roberts is well equipped to share her experiences, answer questions and facilitate conversation in the context of the Ascension Vestry's January 2019 encouraging the Rector "*to move ahead with integrating women priests and deacons into the sacramental life and ministry of the Church of the Ascension ...*"

**April 10—*Speaking Love's Name: Being Gay and the Anglo-Catholic Christian***. Fr. Robert Petite and parishioner (and Junior Warden) Gary Alexander hope to encourage safe and open conversation about related matters at Ascension over time. They will share some of their own experiences of faith and relationships in the church as gay men. Check the parish newsletter for more information as the date nears.

For more information on the Lenten Programs or Ascension, contact the Rector,  
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