



Our opportunities for confession during Lent:

1. Appointments should be made with Fr. Don for individual confessions
2. Please Note what Pope Francis recently said about confession
  - a. "Do what the Catechism of the Catholic Church says. It is very clear: If you cannot find a priest to confess to, speak directly with God, your Father, and tell Him the truth. Say, 'Lord, I did this, this, this. Forgive me,' and ask for pardon with all your heart."
  - b. Make an act of contrition, the Pope said, and promise God, "'I will go to confession afterward, but forgive me now.' And immediately you will return to a state of grace with God."
  - c. The Catechism of the Catholic Church, N. 1452, says: "When it arises from a love by which God is loved above all else, contrition is called 'perfect' – contrition of charity. Such contrition remits venial sins; it also obtains forgiveness of mortal sins if it includes the firm resolution to have recourse to sacramental confession as soon as possible."
  - d. "As the catechism teaches," Pope Francis said, "you can draw near to God's forgiveness without having a Priest at hand."