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How do we resist? We remain alert and prepared to confront our temptations. We refuse to be separated from our good nature. We restore our relationship with ourselves, others and God. Jesus responded to each temptation by referring to God's Word that dwells in our hearts and minds. God's Word connects us to our Savior and to others.

We cannot allow the devil to silence us, make us fearful and successfully tempt us. When God's Word prevails, the devil becomes insignificant and powerless.

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First Sunday of Lent

It is very convenient to imagine "evil" as external to us. Evil exists in others, in our enemies and in wicked people. I am reminded of a child who runs too fast, bumps into a piece of furniture and hurts himself. He turns back, scowls and angrily kicks the furniture. What's the message? Instead of acknowledging that he bumped into it, the child blames the furniture for his pain. He gets his revenge by kicking it.

Christ faced many temptations during his time on earth. The Gospel today presents a dialogue between Christ and the devil. The devil not only destroys harmony and unity; he pits us against our better nature. He used three scenarios to tempt Christ: bread, power and magic. Each of us has a list of age-dependent temptations: at age 15, drugs; at age 20, success; at age 30, money; at age 40, power. We can also be tempted to act immorally and by a desire for vengeance. The devil is powerful and can destroy our inner selves, our relationships with others, with God and with the environment.

The Week at a Glance

Sat March 9 7:30 pm Mass in Arborfield **For Residents of Arborfield Care Home**

Sun March 10 9:00am Mass in Carrot River **For the people**
11:00am Mass in Zenon Park **For Calvin Basaraba**

Mon Mar 11 Fr Travis' day off

Tues Mar 12 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park **For †Alphonse Lacroix**

8:00pm K of C Mtg in Zenon Park

Wed Mar 13 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park **For †Pearl Chabot**

Thurs Mar 14 6:00pm Adoration in Carrot River
7:00pm Mass in Carrot River **For Marie Schmaltz**

Fri March 15 10:00am Mass in Arborfield Care Home
7:00pm Adoration in Zenon Park
8:00pm Mass in Zenon Park **For Vincent Marchildon**

Sat March 16 7:30 pm Mass in Arborfield **For Souls in Purgatory**

Sun March 17 9:00am Mass in Carrot River **For †Danny VanMeter**
11:00am Mass in Zenon Park **For the people**

Mass Times for Mar/Apr

Sat 7:30pm – Arborfield
Sun 9:00am – Carrot River
Sun 11:00am – Zenon Park

Announcements and Activities

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>Mar 9</u>	<u>Mar 16</u>
Commentator	Liz	Lisa
Reader	Mark	Pam
Cup	Guy, Sue	Beatrice, James
Hospitality	Bob, Lisa	Brian, Pam
Offerings	Gabe, Mary	Bob, Lisa
Sacristan	Mary	Pam

Cleaning Schedule

Mar 11 - Mar 17, 2019	Brian & Pam Wassill
Mar 18 - Mar 24, 2019	Guy & Liz Hudon

Last week's collection total: **\$ 560.00** **Thank You**

Lectio Divina will begin prior to Saturday night masses at 7 pm **March 9th.**

There will be a **Funeral Planning workshop** hosted by St. Lucy's parish on **March 26th 7:00 - 9:00 pm.** Learn how to plan ahead and make it a prayerful experience.

Vocation Corner ~First Sunday of Lent – C

A Vocation View: The world tempts us to grab all we can. Even food becomes more when it is given than when it is taken. Follow Jesus: be a giver.

Prayer: For all men and women being chosen by Christ to follow Him as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, that they will persevere in the face of temptations against faithfulness to their call, we pray to the Lord.

Action: We have to come alive ourselves and make current and vigorous in our lives today the heroic qualities we remember in long-dead saints.