



lenten devotional

INTRODUCTION, FEB 18, 2026

At the Diocesan Convention of 2025, our diocese passed a resolution titled “Sanctuary and Support for Immigrants and Refugees.” Because of my role as Director for Mission and Community Engagement, I was responsible to help bring this resolution to life. I did so by calling for a Task Force to step forward for implementation. Members of the Task Force then began work on resources for members of our diocese, from members of our diocese.

This devotional resource for Lent 2026 is created for you by members of this Task Force. The Scriptures were cited in the original diocesan resolution. The reflections, questions, and prayers are written by your siblings in faith in the Episcopal Diocese of the Great Lakes. Let us all give thanks to God for the heart and faith which these Task Force members brought to this work:

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Each week you will receive a reflection via email on Friday with a reflection for the following week for your Lenten journey. May these reflections help us grow closer to God and neighbor this Lent.

With every blessing,

The Rev. Canon Nurya Love Parish