The Lenten Journey
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Our memories of Ash Wednesday 2020 may be fading as we journey through the Season of Lent but the concepts of prayer, fasting and almsgiving remain with us. Preparing for the Holy Season of Easter offers each of us the opportunity to do something meaningful and prayerfully uplifting.

Our Church provides us with this time for growing our faith and answering the call to, as we prepare ourselves for Easter, do for others. Almsgiving can certainly pertain to helping the poor and disenfranchised but it can also draw us into a spirit of giving for the advancement of our professional association.

One might say that giving to an association which will then give back to me may be self-serving but at the same time are we not all responsible for the health and welfare of the one association devoted to our profession of lay ministry. The benefits available through NALM have a multiplying effect, a snowball effect if you please. We give to NALM which gives back to us so we can give back to our places of ministry in way that grow the faith lives of others.

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