Subject: Re: Lent Posted by Herr Surth on Sat, 07 Mar 2009 19:00:17 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Karandras wrote on Sat, 07 March 2009 12:29I don't follow lent at all, it's just like "Oh, I'll give up something that's not really important to me." To be honest, I think that's rather pathetic, no offense to anyone.

My friend, Dima, is Russian Orthodox, and you know what he HAS to give up for Lent? He doesn't get to choose what he gives up at all.

He gives up:

TV (but for Documentaries)

Dairy and meat (essentially turns vegan)

Computer Games of all sorts

and finally, music (but for Russian Church Choir)

And he has to do this for periods of 3 weeks to sometimes 3 months, and he usually has to do it multiple times a year, which leaves it at 1/3 to half the year being on Lent.

Nowadays I don't even find the Lent that most people follow even remotely religious. So I don't do it at all.

He shuld stop being a russian orthodox then