

March 17, 2019

A Sabbath Thought

The lesson of Lent is that deliverance comes only through transformation. Untold blessings and bountiful peace shall follow today's trials for those reborn in God's image.

About Today's Bible Readings

GENESIS 15:5-12, 17-18

God is faithful. This God commands our homage and showers untold blessings on those who are faithful in turn.

Responsorial Psalm: 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

PHILIPPIANS 3:17-4:1

The cross of Christ should rule the lives of believers. In the end, glory awaits those who are imitators of Christ.

LUKE 9:28B-36

On the mountain, Jesus' appearance changes radically. But the disciples are changed too because they have seen the glory of the Lord.

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Second Sunday of Lent

ENTRANCE RITE (Psalms 91:1-2)

- V. You, who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty
- R. Say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in Whom I trust."
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Tract (Recited in place of the Alleluia during Lent)

- V. "Come," says my heart, "seek God's face;" Your face, Lord, do I seek!
- R. Do not hide Your face from me; do not repel Your servant in anger.

THE GOSPEL (LUKE 9:28B-36)

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what hey had seen.

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY March 17th Second Sunday of Lent 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS Stations of the Cross following Mass.

SUNDAY March 24th Third Sunday of Lent 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

Intentions for the repose of the soul of Debra Urbanowicz-Pandos offered by her family.

Stations of the Cross following Mass.

LENT

Today is the second Sunday of Lent. I hope that everyone is committed to our solemn Lenten journey as we follow our beloved Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ along the path of His Passion. Please be diligent in your daily prayers and meditations during this Lenten Season. Remember also to try to abstain from meat on Fridays as a form of penance in honor of our Lord's passion and sacrifice. A blessed and prayer Lent to all.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During the season of Lent we will be praying the Stations of the Cross after Mass each and every Sunday starting today and leading up to Holy Week. I hope that everyone will plan on staying after Mass to join together in prayer and reflection and that you urge your families, friends and neighbors to attend as well. This is a beautiful and moving form of worship and it helps to focus our thoughts and prayers on our Lord and Savior as we reflect on His Passion and Death.

FOOD DRIVE

Once again we will be gathering donations of non-perishable food items for distribution to those members of our community who find themselves less blessed than ourselves. This is an excellent way to fulfil our Lenten obligation of almsgiving. Please leave your items in the Narthex. Remember that Christ said, "Whatever you do for the least one of my brothers, you do it for Me."

PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE AND HAM RAFFLE

April 14th will be Palm Sunday this year and we will be holding our annual Bake Sale and Ham Raffle. Please plan to join us after attending Mass. Bake, buy or try your luck on the ham, it all goes to help our Parish fund its operation and various charities. Thank you in advance and God bless you for your generosity.

INTENTIONS:

My Brothers and Sisters: Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish; For the health of Howard Friedman, Michael and Bernice Muha, Stanley Sostak, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Ruth Pivovarnick, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Father Senior Gregory Mludzik, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Father Senior Ed and Ann Ratajack, Tom Goff, Roger Seliga, Milton Keiles, Claire Armstrong, David Gavenda, Dorothy Zytczak and Michelle Freer. For the repose of the soul of Leon Fornal. **Our Father...**

Today's Hymns

Please, join with the choir to make a beautiful noise unto the Lord!

Singing off key is better than silence!

The Hymns listed below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Book.

Opening Hymn #1 – Hymn Of Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

#144 - Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn

#263 – Mother Most Gracious

Communion Hymn SOLO – RUTH MECHOWSKI "He Looked Beyond My Faults"

Recessional Hymn

#26 – Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence