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3 Sunday of Lent

FAITH SHARING

All three of today's readings speak of God's mercy and compassion in disciplining His children by occasional punishment while giving them another chance despite their repeated sins.

The first reading tells us how God shows His mercy to His chosen people by giving them Moses as their leader and liberator. The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob reveals Himself to Moses from the burning bush and assures Moses of His Divine presence with His people and of His awareness of their sufferings in Egypt.

The second reading warns us that our merciful God is also a disciplining God. Paul reminds the Christians of Corinth that they must learn from the sad experience of the Israelites who were punished for their sins by a merciful but just God. The merciful and gracious God is also just and demanding; hence, they must be free from sexual sins and idolatry.

Today's Gospel explains how God disciplines His people and invites them to repent of their sins, to renew their lives, and to produce the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Citing two tragic events, Jesus exhorts the Jews to repent and reform their lives. With the parable of the barren fig tree, Jesus also warns them that the merciful God will not put up with them indefinitely. Although God patiently waits for sinners to repent, giving them grace to do so, He will not wait forever. Time may run out; therefore, timely repentance is necessary.

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Habakkuk 3:17a,18; Isaiah 3:10)

V. For though the fig tree blossom not, nor fruit be on the vines, yet will I rejoice in the Lord and exult in my saving God.

R. Happy the just, for it will be well with them, the fruit of their works they will eat.

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.

Gospel

LK 13:1-9

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices. Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! Or those eighteen people who were killed when the tower at Siloam fell on them — do you think they were more guilty than everyone else who lived in Jerusalem? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" And he told them this parable: "There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?' He said to him in reply, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.



**Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them
and protect them.**

**We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength, and wisdom
to guide their choices.**

**We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.**

**May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality
for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.
Amen.**

Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn

001 Hymn of Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

144 Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn

13 When I Survey the Wond'rous
Cross

Communion Hymn

224 Amazing Grace

Recessional Hymn

114 Forty Days and Forty Nights

SECOND COLLECTION:

- 4/3 – For the Mission Fund
5/1 – For the Mission Fund
6/5 – For the Mission Fund
6/19 – Father's Day – For the Clergy
Pension Fund
7/3 – For the Mission Fund
8/7 – For the Mission Fund

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, March 20

3 Sunday of Lent

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

Sunday, March 27

4 Sunday of Lent

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

Sunday, April 3

Passion Sunday

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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BULLETIN INFORMATION

If you have any information which
supposed to be in our parish bulletin,
please call or email Fr. Mariusz.
Due date for each bulletin is always
Friday, 4:00 p.m.

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the Mass online



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Let us pray for all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, especially: Howard Friedman, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Tom Goff, Donald Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, Jan Cherneski, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko, Richard Golazewski, Michal Mularczyk, Jane Aldorshoff, John Greer, Elizabeth McAlanis

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

ALMSGIVING – OUR LENTEN OBLIGATION

We used to gather food and clothing as our Lenten Alms for the poor. It's time already to return to this beautiful parish tradition. As Christians we are obliged to help. Therefore, let us start collecting nonperishable food to support those who find themselves less blessed than ourselves. Remember that Christ said, "Whatever you do for the least one of my brothers, you do it for Me."

FLOWER DONATIONS

If you would like to make a donation of flowers to adorn the Altars during Easter season. This is a beautiful way to remember a departed loved one or to honor a living loved one. Please contact Peggy for details.

STATIONS

Please remember about Stations of the Cross on each Friday during Lent. You can find many of them online: text or video. Stations are very helpful to understand God's plan of salvation.



MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

Mass for _____

Date requested _____

Requested by _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Mass stipend \$ _____

Please mail this form and the Mass stipend to Rev. Mariusz Mularczyk, 2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA 19137