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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021  
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

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Pastor**

**The Reverend Edwin Ezeokeke, Parochial Vicar  
The Reverend Lino Gonsalves, In Residence**

Patricia Molinari, Secretary/Receptionist  
Carlos Gomez, Director of Maintenance  
Don Barnum, Music Director, Canoni Chorale

**PARISH OFFICE**

**Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:30pm**

**The Catholic Faith Community  
of  
Our Lady of Victory  
and the  
Church of St. Andrew  
[www.olvsta.org](http://www.olvsta.org)**

**OUR LADY OF VICTORY**

**MASSES**

**Sunday:** 10:15, 12:15pm Choir. 5:15pm

**Mon. - Fri.:** 8:15am, 12:15pm\*

\*\*\* (All in Upper Church.)

\* Following the 12:15, the Novena of the day follows.

**Holidays:** 8:15am, 12:15

**Holy Day Vigil:** 5:15pm

**Holy Days:** 7:15, 8:15, 11:45am

12:15, 1:15, 4:45, & 5:15pm

**CONFESSIONS**

**Mon. - Fri.:** 12:45-1:15pm

**NOVENAS & DEVOTIONS**

**Mon.:** Miraculous Medal

**Sat.:** The Rosary

**Tues.:** St. Anthony

**1st Fri.:** Sacred Heart

**Wed.:** St. Jude

Novena

**Thurs.:** The Holy Spirit

**Fridays of Lent:**

**Fri.:** The Rosary

Stations of the Cross

**BAPTISMS:** Please call the rectory for information.

**ST. ANDREW'S**

**MASSES**

**No Mass at Saint Andrew Till Further Notice**

**PARISH ACTIVITIES**

**Monday:** 5:45pm – Legion of Mary (OLV)

**4th Friday:** 5:45pm – Patrician Catholic  
Discussion Group (OLV))

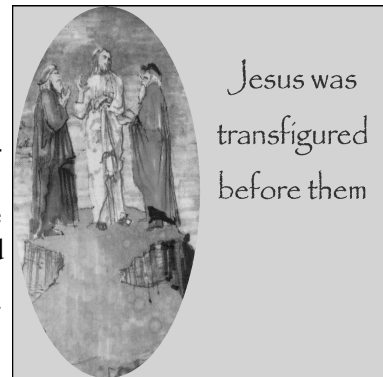
**As Announced:** FiDi Catholic Young Adults

## February 28, 2021 Second Sunday of Lent

### HISTORY OF SALVATION

The first reading today continues the “history of salvation” narrative that we hear throughout Lent this year. Today’s story was among the best-loved in the Jewish tradition (surely Joseph told the story to young Jesus as he formed him in the ways of their faith); the early fathers of the Church were very fond of it as a means of explaining the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. The overall tone of the first reading, psalm, and second reading seems a little incongruous with the dazzling Gospel, until we remember that the Transfiguration was placed as the Gospel for this Sunday precisely to remind us of the glory that awaits those who live faithfully and obediently to the will of God. In the life of Jesus, it is a preview of the glory of his resurrection; for us it is a glimpse of the destiny of those who continue, as we heard in last week’s Gospel, to repent and believe in the Good News.

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Jesus was  
transfigured  
before them

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### TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith (Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18).

Psalms — I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).

Second Reading — If God is for us, who can be against us? (Romans 8:31b-34).

Gospel — Jesus was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white (Mark 9:2-10).

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16b-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7;

Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;

Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The basis of Abraham’s test in the first reading is the fact that his neighbors followed a religious system that demanded human sacrifice. In offering Isaac’s life on an altar of sacrifice, he is following long-accustomed religious practice. Ancient people accepted this because they thought that life was an ever-renewing circle: what had been lost would be restored in time. But here, God springs this trap and gives Abraham, Isaac, and you and me, a future. From now on, God will provide the sacrifice. From this point on, our lives have a direction, a purpose, a goal.

The faithful following of Lent and its consoling, challenging scriptures strengthens and prepares us to remember the Lord’s passion and resurrection. Today, many parishes welcome home the elect, men and women chosen on the First Sunday of Lent for the Easter sacraments, from a celebration with the bishop. The scriptures today are chosen with them in mind, to steady their steps, to clear their vision, to strengthen their resolve: “If God is for us, who can be against us?” (Romans 8:31).

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### THE ART OF LISTENING

*If you want God to listen to you when you pray, shouldn't you listen to God when God speaks to you?*

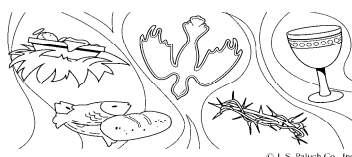
—Anonymous

### Second Sunday of Lent

February 28, 2021

*If God is for us,  
who can be against  
us?*

—Romans 8:31b



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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent; Penitential Rite for Candidates for Full Communion

Wednesday: St. Katharine Drexel

Thursday: St. Casimir

Friday: First Friday; World Day of Prayer; Abstinence

Saturday: First Saturday

## Lenten Morning of Prayer and Reflection for Liturgical Ministers

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers and Parish Musicians are invited to come together and reflect on the meaning of Lent for their lives today, their ministry and their parish communities.

Join us for this online webinar, which will include inspiring talks and an opportunity to unite together in prayer with other parish liturgical ministers.

Presenter: Fr. Paul Turner, S.T.D., Pastor, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Kansas City, MO, and author of numerous books with Liturgical Press, World Library Publications and Liturgy Training Publications

Date: Saturday, March 6, 10am-11:30am  
Registration fee: \$15  
Location: Online Webinar - Learn from the comfort of your own home!

More information and registration: [morningofprayer.eventbrite.com](http://morningofprayer.eventbrite.com)

Contact: [liturgy@archny.org](mailto:liturgy@archny.org) or 914.968.6200, x8177

### A NEW IDEA

*Everybody thinks of changing humanity; nobody thinks of changing themselves.*

—Leo Tolstoy



Here are the Church regulations for fasting and abstinence during Lent:

-Everyone 14 years of age or older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

-Everyone 18 or older, and under 59 years of age, is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

-On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

-Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On all Fridays during Lent, we will offer the Stations of the Cross immediately following the 12:15 Mass in the Upper Church.



All are welcome to attend.

### FEAST OF FAITH

#### The Opening Prayer

At the conclusion of the Introductory Rites of the Mass, the presider says or chants the words "Let us pray," followed by the Opening Prayer. This prayer is also called a "collect" because it gathers or "collects" the prayers of the entire assembly into one. The Roman collects that we pray in our liturgy—noted for the brevity, clarity, and conciseness of the Latin originals—date from a variety of periods. Some are quite new; others reach back more than a thousand years. They are truly treasures of our tradition.

The Opening Prayer can be divided into four main parts: 1) the invitation, or "Let us pray"; 2) the silence that follows, during which each member of the assembly lifts up before God his or her own prayers; 3) the collect itself, spoken or sung by the priest; 4) and finally the Amen, by which the assembly says, "yes," "may it be so," making the prayer their own.

The collect itself almost always follows the same pattern. It begins with an invocation to God. A petition follows, usually very general. We ask for health, strength, wisdom, grace, forgiveness, faith, awareness. Every collect concludes by offering the prayer to God through Jesus Christ. With the Amen of the assembly, the Introductory Rites of the Mass come to an end.

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## 6-DAY CANDLES AVAILABLE

You can now light a candle in the church and have it stay lit for almost a week for your prayer intentions, in thanksgiving to God or in memorial of a loved one!



These special votive candles have clear covers decorated with a cross design and can be placed inside one of the glass holders provided before the statues of Christ the King, Our Lady of Fatima, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Divine Mercy, Our Lady of Victory or Saint Anne, the Mother of Mary in the Upper Church only. Once lit, the candles will stay burning for your intention for about a week.

They are available for purchase from the parish office downstairs or from Carlos, our Sacristan, if you see him in the Upper Church.

If you wish, you can also purchase the candle and light for your home. The protective glass containers are also available for purchase.

The lighting of candles for your prayer intentions is a time-honored tradition in the Catholic Church that we are happy to provide at Our Lady of Victory and St. Andrew.

## THEY DIED IN THE SERVICE

One Sunday morning, the pastor noticed little Johnny was staring up at the large plaque that hung in the foyer of the church.

The seven-year-old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside the boy, and said quietly,

"Good morning son."

"Good morning pastor," replied the young man, focused on the plaque.

"Sir, what is this?" Johnny asked.

"Well son, these are all the people who have died in the service," replied the pastor.

Soberly, they stood together, staring at the large plaque.

Little Johnny's voice barely broke the silence when he asked quietly, "Which one sir, the 10:15 or the 12:15 service?"



— Author Unknown



**JOIN US IN PRAYING  
THE DIVINE MERCY  
CHAPLET  
MON-FRI  
at 3:00 PM  
in the Upper Church**

**For the sake of  
his Sorrowful Passion have  
mercy on us  
and the whole world!**

# MASS INTENTIONS

\*\*\* Indications "for the intentions of"

## OUR LADY OF VICTORY    ST. ANDREW CHURCH

### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

10:15am: Jin Zhu Zhang  
12:15 pm: Audrey Sickles  
5:15 pm: Kevin Freyne \*\*\*

*No Weekend Mass at  
St. Andrew's location*

### **MONDAY, MARCH 1**

8:15 am: Edgar Abood \*\*\*  
12:15 pm: William Hargrove

*No Weekday Masses at  
Saint Andrew Till Fur-  
ther Notice*

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 2**

8:15 am: In Thanksgiving  
12:15 pm: Aurelio Delgado

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3**

8:15 am: Anthony & Regina  
D'Alessandro \*\*\*  
12:15 pm: Jin Zhu Zhang

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 4**

8:15am: Vocations to the  
Priesthood  
12:15pm: Teresa Sorrento

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 5**

8:15 am: Marilyn Irene Ray  
12:15 pm: Gil Montanez &  
Sylvia Torres

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 7**

10:15am: Jin Zhu Zhang  
12:15 pm: In Thanksgiving  
5:15 pm: Helen & Jeffrey  
Hulings \*\*\*