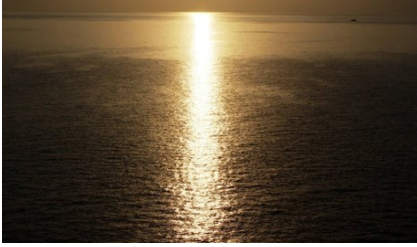


SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 8, 2020



RISE, AND DO NOT BE AFRAID

Today's gospel is one of great mystery: the transfiguration. Moses and Elijah appear next

to Jesus, who was completely transfigured, radiating pure light. Imagine yourself there.... The sight must have been out of this world! In the face of all this glory, Peter's first reaction is to set up three dwellings, offering them worldly comfort. How often is God right in front of us, showing us divinity and a plan for our life, and we focus on logistics and worldly preoccupations? As a matter of fact, today during Mass, we will witness one of the greatest miracles of all times: bread and wine becoming Jesus' body and blood. The Eucharist is the sacrament where we get a glimpse of God's glory and power. For a moment, heaven and earth meet. As we witness this miracle today, where will our heart and mind be? Will we be checking the time or reveling in God's glory? Will we be thinking about the things we need to do this week or listening to God speak to our hearts?

Jesus' words to the disciples are a wakeup call: "Rise, and do not be afraid." They prompt us to refocus on what's important: not worldly considerations but an attentive ear and an open heart to his ever-living word, calling us to be examples of heaven here on earth.

Myriam Dupuis
Living with Christ

Weekly Readings

- Mon:** DN 9:4b-10 * PS 79:8-13 * LK 6:36-38
- Te:** IS 1:10, 16-20 * PS 50:8-23 * MT 23:1-12
- Wed** JER 18:18-20 * PS 31:5-16 * MT 20:17-28
- Thu:** JER 17:5-10 * PS 1:1-6 * LK 16:19-31
- Fri:** GN 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a * PS 105 :16-21 * MT 21:33-43, 45-46
- Sat:** MT 7:14-15, 18-20 * PS 103:1-12 * LK 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sun:** EX 17:3-7 * PS 95:1-9 * ROM 5:1-8, 5-8 * JN 4:5-42

"There are many kinds of alms, the giving of which helps us to obtain pardon for our sins; but none is greater than that by which we forgive from our heart a sin that someone has committed against us."

St. Augustine of Hippo



Please pray for parishioners and friends who are sick, recovering or shut-in:

Emma Busse, Laurel Battles, Hoa Tran, Celeste Ward, Luz Avilles, Edwina Gonzales, Brian Quenton, Robert Wade, Julie McCuller, Pascaline Abibiloni, Margie Phillips, Dan & Michele Ticknor, Fr. Nicolaus Marandu, Dave, Rossetta Schuster, Moira Pope, Buing Ninh, Elizabeth, Mary Davis, Katherine Nathe, Brad, Cynthia Yarbrough, Ali Hardy, Cecilia Lebbi.

Offertory Collection"

February 23, 2020

Teach us to give and see there is no cost

Envelopes.....	\$	613.50
Loose.....	\$	774.00
Online Giving.....	\$	1,055.00
Total.....	\$	2,442.50
Amount needed from Sunday collection	\$.	1,769.00
Difference.....	\$	573.50

You can also put your offertory commitment on autopay.

Call the office for further information.



St. Vincent de Paul
Pantry Manager

Volunteer needed

If you can help, please call the
Parish Office @ 503-287-3724

Prayer, Fast, Penance, Alms giving

Lenten blessings

This Week at Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sunday, March 8, 2020

Legion of Mary	9AM	Parish Hall
Mass (English)	11 AM	Church
Vietnamese Youth	1 PM	Parish Hall
Vietnamese CCD	3 PM	Parish Hall
Mass (Vietnamese)	5 PM	Church

Tuesday, March 10th

Morning Mass	8 AM	Rectory
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Wednesday, March 11th

Morning Mass	8 AM	Rectory
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Thursday, March 12th

Morning Mass	8 AM	Rectory
NAA	8 PM	Parish Hall

Friday, March 13th

Morning Mass	8 AM	Rectory
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Saturday, March 14th

Vigil Mass	5 PM	Church
Hope Group NAA	8 PM	Church



“Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ’s victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God with all their hearts’ (Joel 2:12), to refuse to settle for mediocrity and grow in friendship with the Lord’.

Pope Francis

FASTING: Try to simplify your life. Renounce things that block your connection with God and others. What things or activities do you treat as a god but are not God? Some ideas:

- Social Media
- Limit the number of times you check your email in a day.
- Give up buying
- Give up Netflix
- Above all—Ask yourself, what is the main obstacle between me and God?



Archbishop’s Seminary Tea
Wednesday, April 29, 2020
Portland Golf Club
5900 SW Schools Ferry Road
General Admission \$35
Students \$10

Purchase now at www.seminarytea.org
Or at the door on Tea day

Spring Cleaning

Parish Office

Looking for Volunteers to help with Spring Cleaning of the Parish Hall
If you can give a few hours of time please give the parish office a call at 503-287-3724

REGISTRATION FORM

The following confidential information will be entered in our parish data system. It is only for the purpose of knowing and serving you better.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____