

Second Sunday of Lent

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The Story and You™



Sacred Conversation

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Ah, Lent. The blessed season of do-overs. We need it so badly, and yet we dread its disciplines until it's upon us. Then we sigh in relief that we have still another go at second chances. Sacraments are like that too. Each of them is God's way of jump-starting us out of the wounds and missed marks that are making us miserable. That's what's going on in today's Genesis reading, when God calls Abram out of the blue and promises blessing upon blessing. Huh? Abram (whose name change to Abraham is a big clue that he gets a do-over) has never even heard of this God, and now is being called out of his homeland and told to take his wife Sarai (who also gets a do-over) into a land they didn't even know existed. This aging couple needed a second chance at life. They were childless, which meant that their name could not go forward into the future. But, miracle of miracles, this God was promising not only descendants, but a "great nation" that would not only be blessed but, even better, would BE a blessing for all ages. Which would you rather know about your life, that you were blessed, or that you WERE a blessing? Think of the people—your children, your parents, your friends—who have brought blessing into your life. This would be the perfect week to tell them so. Even more perfect would be to tell your Jewish friends the ways in which they bless you. All these thousands of years later, observant Jews still pray every day that their name should be a blessing. They'll be so happy to know that God's promise continues.

In what ways are you a blessing to the world?

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Segundo Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario

Ah, la Cuaresma. Esa bendita temporada de comienzos de nuevo. La necesitamos tanto, pero al mismo tiempo le tememos a sus disciplinas hasta que llega. Y entonces suspiramos de alivio al darnos cuenta de que se nos abre la puerta a otras segundas oportunidades. Los sacramentos también son así. Cada uno de ellos es una manera en que Dios nos arranca de las heridas y las fallas que nos están haciendo miserables. Es eso lo que sucede en la lectura de hoy del libro de Génesis, cuando Dios, de la nada, llama a Abram y le promete bendición sobre bendición. ¿Qué? Abram (ya

con el cambio de nombre a Abraham caemos en cuenta de que necesitaba una segunda oportunidad) nunca había oído de este Dios, y ahora Él lo está sacando de su tierra y diciéndole que se lleve a su esposa Sara (quien también obtiene una segunda oportunidad) a una tierra que ellos ni siquiera sabían que existía. Esta pareja de ancianos necesitaba una segunda oportunidad en su vida. Ellos no tenían hijos, lo cual significaba que su nombre no iba a trascender al futuro. Pero, milagro de milagros, este Dios les estaba prometiendo no solamente descendientes, sino una "gran nación" que no solo sería bendecida, sino que, aun mejor, SERÍA una bendición por todos los siglos. ¿Cuál de las dos te gustaría saber acerca de tu vida, que eres bendecido, o que tú ERES una bendición? Piensa en la gente- tus hijos, tus padres, tus amigos- quienes han traído bendiciones a tu vida. Esta es una excelente semana para dejárselos saber. Y aún más fantástico sería decirle a tus amigos judíos las maneras en las que ellos te han bendecido. Después de todos estos miles de años, los judíos observantes todavía oran todos los días para que su nombre siga siendo una bendición. Se sentirán muy felices de saber que la promesa de Dios continua.

¿En que maneras eres tú una bendición para el mundo?

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Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish—

Barbara Deaguero, Jana Purdy, Annie Martinez, Alicia Aguilar, Sarah Salazar, Phillip Gallegos, Angela Gallegos, Ron Peterson, Tate Hallahan, Roger & Dolores Esquibel, Jenny Martinez, Deacon Jerry Kotas, Clarita Rubio

Community Ministry needs—**Canned and Dry Beans** for the month of March. You can place your donation in the basket in the entrance of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

BOTTOM LINE DIAPER BANK—Looking for a Lenten Project? During Lent we are collecting DIAPERS for Catholic Charities. So buy 'em and drop 'em at the back of the church. You can't go wrong with diapers any size!

Around the Parish and the Community

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Mar 12 10:15 am

*Children's Faith Formation

*Secrets of Scripture

Mar 14 6:30 pm

*Confirmation Class

Mar 15 7:00 pm

* RCIA Adults

Mar 17 6:30 pm

*Fish Fry

7:30 pm

Prayer Meditation

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus

NOTE: No Adoration or Confessions!

Mar 19 10:15 am

*Children's Faith Formation

*Secrets of Scripture

SUNDAY AFTERNOON MINI LENTEN RETREAT

Kathy McGovern, author of our parish scripture column *The Story and You*, will lead us in three Sunday afternoons of reflections on our eyesight, past and present. What things do we see much more clearly now than we did in the past? What things are we just beginning to see? (What things do we refuse to see?) Join us on Sunday, March 12, 19 and 26 at 1:00 pm in the church for this relaxing and thought provoking workshop.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES – OPERATION RICE BOWL

This year, our Faith Formation families will be participating in Operation Rice Bowl, an annual global Lenten project offered by Catholic Relief Services. We still have a few Rice Bowls left, so if you would like to take one home and invite your family to participate, please take one of the bowls from the table in the vestibule. We are asking folks to send their donation directly to Catholic Relief Services directly in the form of a check or money order. The address is on the booklet contained in the kit, or you can go to www.crsricebowl.org for more information.

BUTTER BRAIDS ARE BACK!

It's that time of year again! We will be selling Butter Braid pastries, just in time for your Easter dinner! We will begin our fundraiser on the weekend of March 24/25, and continue through the weekend of April 1/2. These make wonderful treats for that special brunch or dinner. They also make great gifts! Stock up! Proceeds this year will go toward general maintenance needs for the church.

Readings for the week of March 12, 2017

Sunday Gn 12: 1-4a//2 Tm 1: 8b-10//Mt 17: 1-9

Monday Dn 9: 4b-10//Lk 6: 36-38

Tuesday Is 1:10, 16-20//Mt 23: 1-12

Wednesday Jer 18: 18-20//Mt 20: 17-28

Thursday Jer 17: 5-10//Lk 16: 19-31

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

Saturday Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20//Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32

2017 Lenten Schedule

March 12—1:00 pm Adult Workshop

-*OPEN OUR EYES, LORD, PART 1*

—Kathy McGovern

March 17—6:30 pm **FISH FRY**,

sponsored by KOC

7:30 pm Prayer Meditation

March 19—1:00 pm Adult Workshop

-*OPEN OUR EYES, LORD, PART 2*

—Kathy McGovern

March 24—6:30 pm Lenten Series-*HOLY THURSDAY*

7:30 pm Adoration/Confessions/Benediction

March 26—1:00 pm Adult Workshop

-*OPEN OUR EYES, LORD, PART 3*

—Kathy McGovern

March 31—6:30 pm Lenten Series-*GOOD FRIDAY*

7:30 pm Adoration/Confessions/Benediction

April 7—6:30 pm Lenten Series-*THE EASTER VIGIL*

7:30 pm Adoration/Confessions/Benediction

April 9—Palm Sunday—Holy Week begins

April 13—Holy Thursday (no morning Mass)

7:00 pm *MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*

April 14—Good Friday (no morning Mass)

Noon *SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST*

3:00 pm *TENEBRAE*

7:00 pm *PASSION OF THE LORD*

April 15—Holy Saturday—8:00 pm *EASTER VIGIL*

April 16—Easter Sunday—9:00 am & 11:30 am Masses

Mass Intentions

Saturday	March 11
4:00pm	+Francis & +Lula Bean by Bean family
Sunday	March 12
9:00am	+Toni Miller & +Rose Bauer by Marie Bauer
11:30am	People of the Parish
Monday	March 13
8:30am	Communion Service
Tuesday	March 14
8:15am	+Tony Valdez by Dale & Evelyn Hunzelman
Wednesday	March 15
8:30am	+Lillian Kress by Leroy Kress
Thursday	March 16
8:30am	+Tony Valdez by Donald Miller
Friday	March 17
8:30am	+Joan Miller by family
Saturday	March 18
4:00 pm	+Walter Kissell by Sharon & Mary Kissell
Sunday	March 19
9am	+Tony Valdez by Richard Davis
11:30am	People of the Parish

In Lent, each Friday is a day of abstinence. A day of abstinence means to refrain from eating meat.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence as well as days of fasting.

A day of fasting consists of one full meal and two smaller meals that together do not equal another full meal.

Each Catholic who has received their First Communion is expected to receive Communion at least once a year, but especially in the Easter season.

Consequently, this means that every Catholic who has received their First Communion should celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation before Pentecost Sunday.

Abstinence is a requirement of each Catholic from age 14 onward.

Fasting is a requirement of each Catholic from age 18 to 59.

To help everyone survive Lent—the Altar and Rosary Society is offering Punch & Cookies following the 4pm Saturday Mass and Coffee and Doughnuts following the 9am and 11:30am Masses. Join them and say hello and share some cheer.

Thank you to everyone who has decided to send a gift to the future of Saint Rose of Lima Academy through the Catholic Foundation. Here is what they have to say: *Consider a Sacrificial Gift This Lent*: Lent provides an opportunity to strengthen our devotion to God through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Please prayerfully consider this time to make a current or planned gift to the Saint Rose of Lima Parish and School Endowment Fund held at The Catholic Foundation, which will strengthen the ministry of our Catholic community and keep our faith alive for generations to come. Contact Jean Finegan at The Catholic Foundation 303.468.9885 to learn more.

JP II Outdoor Lab—Summer Program
Include programs for boys and girls to explore the Rocky Mountains and to grow physically and spiritually in God's splendor. Different experiences include ropes courses, rock climbing, backpacking, as well as friendship and adventure. For more info: JP2OUTDOORLAB.ORG Hurry because it all starts in mid-June and fills up fast!



School Days—Saint Rose of Lima is an amazing place to learn. We still have a few spots open for 2017-2018. Those places are for the incoming First, Second, Third, and Fifth grade classes. Give a call to the School Executive Assistant—Esther Gutierrez and schedule a tour. Don't let the school year set sail without your child on board!

OPEN HOUSE—for middle school—
Thursday-March 23-1:00pm to 2:30pm
AAANNND—Expeditionary Learning
Night Open House—April 27, 6:00pm

...And speaking of school...UES can assist to make Catholic Education affordable, regardless of financial situations. UES is having an informational meeting on Saturday, March 25, 9:00am at Bishop Machebuef High School, 458 Uinta Way, Denver, 80230. Spanish translation is available. For more info—303.573.7UES, for Spanish, 1.844.240.5559 (toll free).

Athmar Park Active Living Coalition meeting Tuesday, March 21, 5:30pm to 7:00pm, in the Rose Room. Discussion for everyone in Athmar Park neighborhood to improve livable, walkable, and bikeable community. Please RSVP to Meghan Boydston at apactivelivingcoalition@gmail.com

THIS SUNDAY AFTERNOON !!

Kathy McGovern begins her three-Sunday series of Lenten retreat talks—*OPEN MY EYES*. Be sure to join us. Kathy's accompanying booklet is included.

Worst Kept Secret Ever!—It is amazing to Father Jerry how many people already know where he is headed following his time here at Saint Rose of Lima. And just to keep all things square—Fr Jerry is off to Holyoke, Colorado for his next assignment. This assignment also includes the missions of Haxtun and Fleming, Christ the King and St Peter the Apostle, respectively.

Don't Forget to sign up for the 10th Annual Celebration of the Heart to help support our local Food Bank. It is Saturday, April 1, at Pinehurst Country Club. Tickets are only \$75 and include a Magic Show, Mask Competition, Dinner, Silent Auction and Games and lots of prizes. MC—Joel Hillian, CBS News 4 Traffic Specialist, Rod Wayne, your Illusionist extraordinaire!

