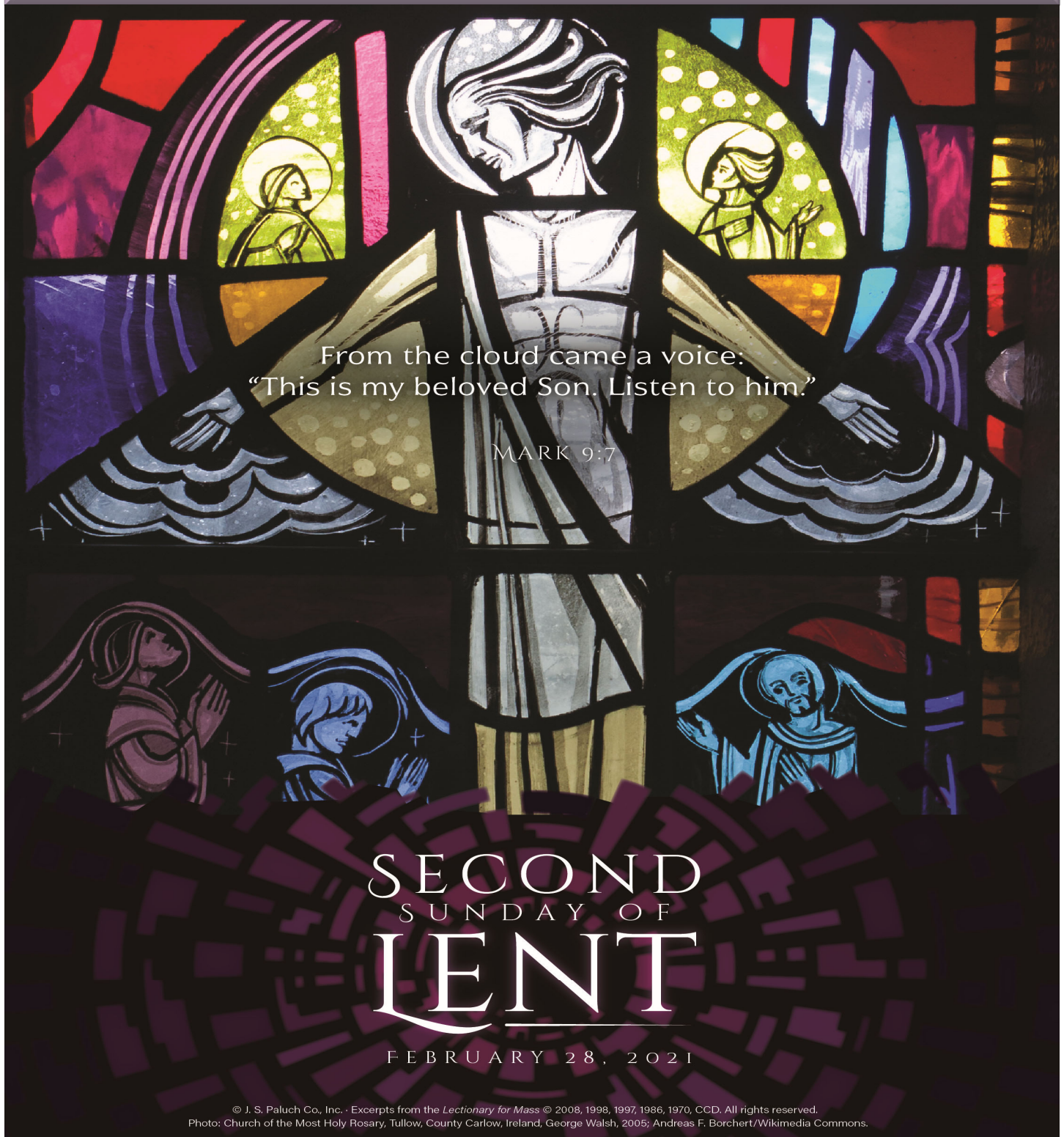


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Make known to me your ways. Lord; teach me your paths.
Psalm 25:4

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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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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, 16bc-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

FEB 28

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6

Fr. Anthony Arguellas

3

Pope Francis

4

Fr. Satish Adhav

5

Fr. Godfrey Andoh

Almighty and eternal God, in your unfailing love you provide ministers for your Church. We pray for those whom you call to serve the Church as Priests, Brothers, Sisters, Deacons, and all who serve without title. Inspire in them a generous response. Grant them courage and vision to serve your people. May their lives and service call your people to respond to the presence of your Spirit among us, that, faithful to the Gospel and hope of Jesus the Christ, we may announce glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, set prisoners free and renew the face of the earth.
Amen.

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Knights of Columbus
Fish Fry (pg. 3)



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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For Your Information !!!

Feasts & Solemnities

March 17 St. Patrick's Day
 March 19 St. Joseph
 March 20 St. Cuthbert
 March 25 The Annunciation

Of Special Note

March 28 Palm Sunday
 March 30 Chrism Mass
 March 31 Anointing Mass at 11am
 March 31 Penance Service at 7pm

April 1 Holy Thursday Mass of the Lords Supper 7pm
 April 2 Good Friday -No Daily Mass or Adoration
 April 3 Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass 7pm
 April 4 Easter Sunday (Mass times on page 2)

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday
 During Lent at 7pm

The Gloria is not said or sung.

The Apostles Creed will be used during Lent and the
 Easter Season.

Lenten Action !!!

Do not use harmful words in talking. Use only helpful words, the kind that will build up and provide what is needed, so that what you say will do good to those who hear you. And do not make God's Holy Spirit sad; for the Spirit is God's mark of ownership on you, a guarantee that the day will come when God will set you free. Get rid of all bitterness, passion, and anger. No more shouting or insults. No more hateful feelings of any sort. Instead, be kind and tender-hearted to one another, and forgive one another, as God has forgiven you in Christ.



Ephesians 4:29-32

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

Lay Minister Schedule Mar 6 & 7

<u>4:00 PM Mass</u>	<u>7:30 AM Mass</u>	<u>9:00 AM Mass</u>	<u>11:30 AM Mass</u>	<u>5:30 PM Mass</u>
L/C Donna Brown	Robert Bass	Gina Hicks	Sue Hoffman	Kyle Huey
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4 Lisa Starita	<u>Mary Levens</u>	<u>Candi Mauffray</u>		<u>Jerry Dubuissou</u>
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Mon, Mar 1, 8:30am



Mon, Mar 1, 12:00pm



Tues, Mar 2, 8:30am



Tues, Mar 2, 12:00pm



Wed, Mar 3, 8:30am

John Bull (healing)

Wed, Mar 3, 12:00pm



Thurs, Mar 4, 8:30pm

+Bill Seal

Thurs, Mar 4, 12:00pm



Fri, Mar 5, 6:30am

+Cathy McIntyre

Fri, Mar 5, 12:00pm



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Sat, Mar 6, 4pm

+Travis Andrews
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 +Ron Cole
 +Melvin Dubuissou
 +Al Warburton

Sun, Mar 7, 7:30am



Sun, Mar 7, 9am

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Sun, Mar 7, 11:30am



Sun, Mar 7, 5:30pm



IN REPOSE

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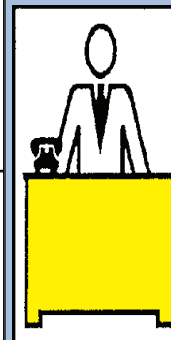
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