



2nd Sunday of Lent / 2º Domingo de la Cuaresma
March 5, 2023 / 5 de Marzo del 2023

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him..” - Mt 17:5b

“Este es me Hijo muy amado, en quien tengo puestas mis complacencias; escúchenlo.” - Mt 17,5

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 pm (English)

Sunday: 8:00 am (Spanish) & 10:00 am (English)

Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 4:45 pm–5:15 pm & Wednesday after 8 am Mass

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 6:30 pm

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 am

Thursday Adoration: begins with 8:00 am Daily Mass - concludes at 11:00 pm

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Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments**The Long Walk**

The walk down from Mount Tabor after the Transfiguration must have been a long one for Peter, James, and John. How differently they must have viewed the world with the eyes that had seen what they had just seen. How uncertain they must have been.

I think it's important to remember that, on the mountain, they were amazed, yes — but first, they were afraid. We are given the image of these three grown men — these saints, these giants of salvation history — cowering in fear at the voice of God. It was not until Jesus touched them that they could even bear to look up.

Christ was transfigured on Tabor, but in a way, the disciples were transfigured as well. We are all changed by what we see and what we hear. That change can be hard because knowledge is hard. Truth is hard. Sometimes cowering is easier.

Go forth, God told Abram. I will make of you a great nation.

Rise, Christ told his disciples. And do not be afraid.

I spend too much time cowering in fear at the voice of God. I cower even when the voice whispers into my heart instead of booming from the clouds. When it's the start of a hard day or a tough conversation. When it's the middle of a half-finished battle, big or small. When I know where Christ is and what he is asking, but I'm afraid because the walk down the mountain is so long, and the world that awaits me is so uncertain.

"Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you." — Psalm 33

Reconoce a Dios en tus Momentos Ordinarios**La larga caminata**

La bajada del Monte Tabor después de la Transfiguración debe haber sido larga para Pedro, Santiago y Juan. Cuán diferente deben haber visto el mundo con los ojos que habían visto lo que acababan de ver. Qué inciertos deben haber estado.

Creo que es importante recordar que, en la montaña, estaban asombrados, sí, pero primero tuvieron miedo. Se nos da la imagen de estos tres hombres adultos, estos santos, estos gigantes de la historia de la salvación, encogiéndose de miedo ante la voz de Dios. No fue hasta que Jesús los tocó que siquiera pudieron soportar mirar hacia arriba.

Cristo se transfiguró en el Tabor, pero en cierto modo, los discípulos también se transfiguraron. Todos somos cambiados por lo que vemos y lo que oímos. Ese cambio puede ser difícil porque el conocimiento es difícil. La verdad es dura. A veces, encogerse es más fácil.

Deja tu país, le dijo Dios a Abram. Haré nacer de ti un gran pueblo.

Levántense dijo Cristo a sus discípulos. Y no teman.

Paso demasiado tiempo encogiéndome de miedo ante la voz de Dios. Me encojo incluso cuando la voz susurra en mi corazón en lugar de retumbar desde las nubes. Cuando es el comienzo de un día difícil o una dura conversación. Cuando es el centro de una batalla a medio terminar, grande o pequeña. Cuando sé dónde está Cristo y lo que pide, pero tengo miedo porque la bajada del monte es tan larga y el mundo que me espera es tan incierto.

"Señor, ten misericordia de nosotros". — Salmo 33

**** LENTEN SEASON ******Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday of Lent
@ 12 noon

**Knights of Columbus Fish Fry**

Fridays of Lent
March 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
11 am - 2 pm
St. John's Parish Hall

Fish, Fries, Hushpuppies, Coleslaw, Beans & Drink - \$12

From Ashes to Easter, Lenten Boxes

Each family is invited to pick up a special Lenten container on Ash Wednesday. These boxes are to be placed on or near the dining table. Families are encouraged to put in money each day during Lent and to return them to the Parish during the Easter weekend. The money will be distributed to six missionary efforts.

Abstinence

ALL Catholics (14 yrs of age and older) must observe Abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting

ALL Catholics who are 18 yrs of age but not yet 59 must observe Fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food in between meals is not permitted.

SUNDAY BREAKFAST FEBRUARY/MARCH SCHEDULE

1st Sunday, 3/5 - Catechists

2nd Sunday, 3/12 - Guadalupana Society

3rd Sunday, 3/19 - Knights of Columbus

4th Sunday, 3/26 - St. Vincent de Paul Society

ST. JOHN CRE NEWS & UPDATE**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Every Wednesday of Lent
Wednesday, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
6:30 pm

Luling ISD Spring Break

March 13 - 17, 2023

NO CRE Classes will be held March 14 & 15

Classes will Resume March 21 & 22

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**JANUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 20, 2023 REPORT**

26 Calls for Assistance with Utility payments

**BURNING OF SANCTUARY LIGHT
MARCH 2023****For Family**

Offered By: Hortencia Cardenas

**Daylight Saving Time
begins Sunday, March 12, 2023**

Don't forget to move your Clocks forward
One hour at bedtime Saturday night, March 11

**First Saturday, March 4 "Vigil of 2nd Sunday of Lent"**

Rdgs: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Mass: 5:30 pm For the Parish**Sunday, March 5 "2nd Sunday of Lent"**

Rdgs: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Mass: 8:00 am Sergio Leyva† (Ana Leyva)**10:00 am** All Souls In Purgatory (Lupe Smith)

A. Gibson† (Family)

Monday, March 6

Rdgs: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

No Mass**Tuesday, March 7 "Ss. Perpetua and Felicity"**

Rdgs: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Mass: 6:30 pm All Souls in Purgatory (Rose Deleon)**Wednesday, March 8 "St. John of God"**

Rdgs: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Mass: 8:00 am Joseph & Monica Deleon & Family (SI) (Rose Deleon)**CRE Stations of the Cross @ 6:30 pm****Thursday, March 9 "St. Frances of Rome" (Thursday Adoration)**

Rdgs: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Mass: 8:00 am Janna & RJ Perez Cantu & Family (SI) (Rose Deleon)

Isabella Perez (SI) (Rose Deleon)

(Thursday Adoration begins with daily Mass until 11 pm)

Friday, March 10 (Abstinence)

Rdgs: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Mass: 8:00 am Jonathon & Joanne Deleon & Family (SI) (Rose Deleon)**Stations of the Cross @ 12 noon****Saturday, March 11 "Vigil of 3rd Sunday of Lent"**

Rdgs: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Mass: 5:30 pm Eluterio "Ted" Estrada† (Family)**Sunday, March 12 "3rd Sunday of Lent" (Daylight Saving Time begins)**

Rdgs: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Mass: 8:00 am Truett Nicholes (SI-Health) (Family)**10:00 am** For the Parish

(Masses are subject to change to a later date)

WEEKLY OFFERINGS REPORT**February 22 - 28, 2023****Collections**

1st Collection..... \$3,586.00

Diocesan Collection (World/Home Mission) \$610.75

Other Income

Candles \$188.00

Hall Rental..... \$150.00

Church Donation (Funeral)..... \$100.00

With God All Things are Possible!**March 11 & 12**

Sat. 5:30 pm	<u>Lectors</u> Richard Anderson	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u> DJ Frausto
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Sun. 8:00 am	Armando Perales	Willie Lopez
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Sun. 10:00 am	Sam Chapa	Jessica Tucker
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Sat. 5:30 pm	<u>Acolytes</u> DJ Frausto
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Sun. 8:00 am	Willie Lopez
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Sun. 10:00 am	Juan Rios
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Sat. 5:30 pm	<u>Hospitality Ministers</u> Bobby Rollert Amanda Rollert
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Sun. 8:00 am	Manuel Tello Maria Tello
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Sun. 10:00 am	Evelyn Hernandez Eric Lugo
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****FOR YOUR INFORMATION******Baptisms / Bautizos:**

One class is required for parents and sponsors! The next English Baptismal Class is Sunday, March 5 at 11:30 am in CRE Classroom 3. Limited seating, no children.

¡Se requiere una clase para los padres y patrocinadores! La próxima Clase de Bautismo es domingo 12 de marzo, a 11:30 am en el Salón. Asientos limitados, sin niños.

Marriage/Bodas

A six-months to one-year notice is required, please call the Church office to meet with the Pastor.

De 6-meses a un año de antemano. Llama ai la Oficina.

Quinceañera Celebration / Celebrando Tus XV Años

A six months to one-year notice is required, for a Quinceañera the family must be registered in the parish and the 14 year old must be already enrolled and attending CRE Classes the year before and the year of, to be eligible to celebrate in the church. Please call the Church Office to meet with the Pastor.

Se requiere un aviso de seis meses a un año, para una quinceañera la familia debe registrarse en la parroquia y los 14 años de edad deben estar ya inscritos y asistir a las clases de CRE el año anterior y el año de, para ser elegibles para celebrar en la iglesia. Por favor llame a la oficina de la iglesia para reunirse con el pastor.

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Kirby Adams & Family, Johnny Alvarez, Connie Avant, Luke Branyon, Nicole Bujnoch, Hortencia Cardenas, Belinda Castilleja, Robert Cavanagh, Keith Conley, Lincoln Contreras, Donna Culton, Richard Dittrich, Dario & Reina Flores, Gilbert "Beto" Garcia, Johnny Gonzales, John Gonzales, Juanita Gonzales, Patrick Hebert, Don, John Houeye, Alex Lopez, Mario Lopez, III, Paul Lopez, Mary Helen Magallanez, Fr. Adan Martinez, Daniel Medina, Janie Meraz, Valerie Moore, Daniel Morales, Gabriel Mujica, Cris & Lucy Oliva, Janice Page, Irma Rios, Lucy Rios, Cassandra Rios, Alex Rodriguez, Antonia Rodriguez, Elijah Rodriguez, Della Salazar, Otilia Santos, Mary Schuh, Virginia Suarez, BriAnne VanBalén Helen Vara and Margaret Yarrowborough.



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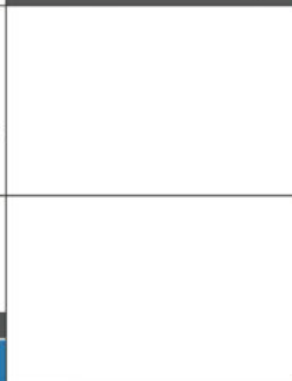


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