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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 5, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

Masses are currently being held
in the St. Dominic Savio Center
to the right of the school.

MASS TIMES

Saturday..... (Vigil) 4:00pm
Sunday..... 8:30am, 10:30am, 7:00pm
..... (Spanish) 3:00pm

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday..... 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily
and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

CHAPEL - Currently open every day
9:00am - 9:00pm.

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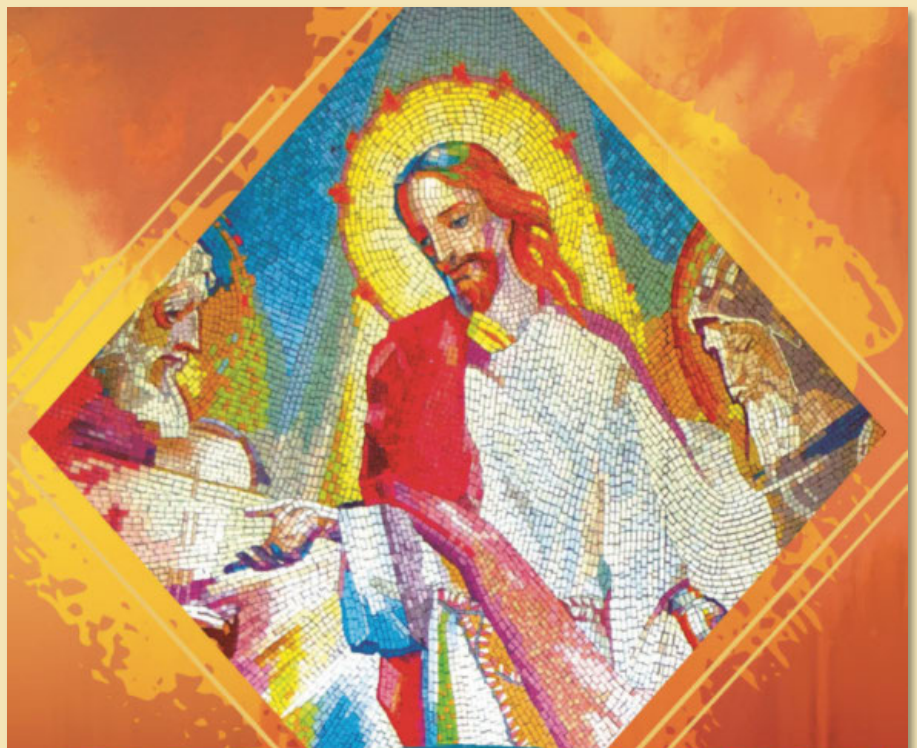
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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

His face shone like the sun and his clothes
became white as light. - Mt 17:2

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We have been tasked with the awesome responsibility of bearing witness to Jesus transfigured. We have seen what is real. We have heard what is true. Do we have the courage to rise, and not be afraid? ©LPi

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 6

8:30 am Zulma Williams

Tuesday, March 7 • Sts. Perpetua and Felicity

8:30 am Jimmy Daigre

Wednesday, March 8 • St. John of God

8:30 am Betty Madere

Thursday, March 9 • St. Frances of Rome

8:30 am Mark Chapman

Friday, March 10

8:30 am Norman & Verna Millet, Deborah Acosta, Rosalind M. Hutson, Jessica Fournet

Saturday, March 11

4:00 pm Melancon & Fisher Families, Grady Duff, Jr., Scott Duff, Melvin & Nellie Powell, Dan Guidry, Gregory Hymel, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Barbara Tucker, Deacon Paul & Philip Dupuy, Edith Layton, Special Intention, Marilyn Torres, Special Intentions for Addiction & Mental Health, Logan Robert Jacob, Gale Gordon Favorite, Joseph Favorite, Felicie & Vincent Favorite, Special Intention, Michael Remondet, Sr.

Sunday, March 12 • Third Sunday of Lent

8:30 am Karen Angelo, Jourdan Growl, Fernando Pineda, Clara Pineda, All Souls, Allison Rice, Billy Coile, Ellis & Lois Perilloux, Lester Savoie
10:30 am Elma Sicard, Angie McGovern, Audrey Arcement
3:00 pm (en espanol) Our Parishioners
7:00 pm Joseph Abbate



VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

In memory of Norman & Verna Millet, Rosalind M. Hutson, Deborah Acosta, Jessica Fournet

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR

In memory of Marilyn Torres

REFLECT - QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading

Abram left behind his land and home, trusting in the Lord's promise to make him a great nation with many blessings. In what ways have you needed to trust in the Lord during this season of Lent?

Second Reading

Paul tells Timothy to "bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God." When have you needed to draw upon God's strength in your life?

Gospel

In the transfiguration, Peter, James, and John witnessed the divinity of Jesus: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Why do you suppose Jesus instructed the disciples not to tell anyone until after his death and resurrection? ©LPI



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AROUND OUR CHURCH & OUR COMMUNITY

Stations of the Cross

Communion Service
Divine Mercy Chaplet
Fridays during Lent at 6:30pm
St. Dominic Savio Center



Visit www.aolparish.org for various
Lenten Resources including the
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Weekly Videos

Evenings of Confession



Wednesdays

March 15
March 22
March 29

5:00 - 6:30 pm

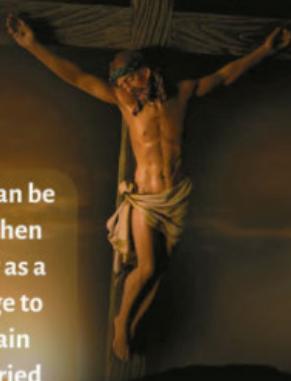
Confession will be
available in all
Archdiocesan
Churches from
5:00 - 6:30 pm
on these days.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Wednesday, March 8th
6:30 pm

St. Dominic Savio Center

The struggles faced in marriage can be
a very heavy cross to carry, but when
we journey with Jesus to Calvary as a
couple, we find hope and courage to
fight for our marriage and so gain
victory to rise with Him. All married
couples are invited to attend.



**Daylight Saving Time
begins Sunday, March 12th.**

Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one
hour so that you are on time for Mass!



**St. Joseph Altar
March 18th & 19th
Piovan Parish Hall
See insert for details.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR SENIORS

**Tuesdays
March 14th
March 28th**

**12:00 noon
Savio Center**

Communion Service and Divine Mercy Chaplet following

LENTEN FISH FRY

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday, March 6

- 6:00pm Parish School of Religion - School building #2
- 6:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet - Adoration Chapel

Tuesday, March 7

- 5:30pm Altar Server Award Celebration - St. Rita (NOLA)
- 7:00pm Baptismal Seminar - Parish Office

Wednesday, March 8

- 2:20pm School Stations of the Cross - Savio Center
- 6:30pm Stations of the Cross for Married Couples - Savio Center

Thursday, March 9

- 7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting - Parish Office
- 7:00pm PTO Meeting - Don Bosco Hall

Friday, March 10

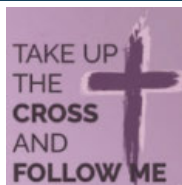
- 8:30am School Mass - Savio Center
- 10:30am-6:00pm KC Lenten Fish Fry - in front of school
- 6:30pm Stations of the Cross/Communion Service/Divine Mercy Chaplet - Savio Center
- 7:30pm Spanish Stations of the Cross - Savio Center

Saturday, March 11 • Team 2

- 1:00pm First Reconciliation Retreat - Savio Center

Sunday, March 12 • Team 2

- 7:00pm Youth Mass - Savio Center



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



ADORERS ARE NEEDED!!

Adoration has resumed in the Chapel every day from 9:00am to 9:00pm.

"So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?"



Kids Corner

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for showing Jesus' friends what heaven would be like.

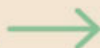
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If you could see Jesus in heaven today, what would you talk about? What would you ask him?

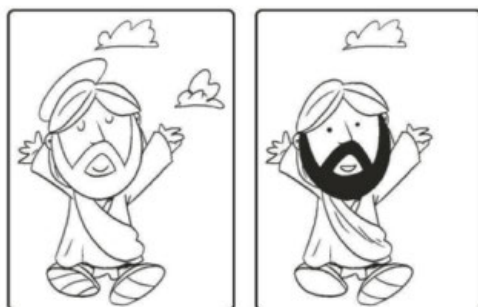
Sharing the Gospel

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus showed his closest friends - Peter, James, and John - what heaven would be like. Jesus' friends were amazed to see Moses and Elijah talking to Jesus. Moses and Elijah had gone to heaven hundreds of years before this day. Then Peter, James and John heard God's voice from the cloud. Jesus, their friend and teacher, was God's Son. They fell down in fear. You might, too, if you were there.

Now color the picture!



Find seven differences in this scene of Jesus in Heaven.



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANointing OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office at 985-652-2615.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.

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DEACON MEETS WORLD

EPISODE 5

By: Deacon Julius Laurent

40 DAYS, YEARS OR WEEKS

The number 40 appears throughout biblical history. The chosen people wandered in the desert for 40 years. It rained for 40 days and 40 nights for the flood. Jesus and Moses both fasted for 40 days. Human gestation even lasts for 40 weeks. At the end of these 40's something new comes about – Promised Land, New World, Laws of Moses, Jesus' Ministry and New Life.

Let's take the 40 days of Lent to bring forth our New Life in Christ. During these days remember to get a daily dose of the Word, rest in the Lord and allow the Spirit to inspire us to align our will with God's.

St. Joseph, zealous defender of Christ, pray for us.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: Lent always seems to help me renew my relationship with God and strengthen my religious practice. Do you have any suggestions as to what I could do to achieve that the rest of the year?

Answer: The obvious answer may seem to be to do whatever you do during Lent all year round. But part of the power of Lent is that we focus as a community on renewing our faith and preparing for Easter. Our Lenten practices have a purpose and a goal. Therein lies the secret. When we focus our efforts on one virtue, or try to change one bad habit, or seek to deepen our understanding of one aspect of faith, we focus our efforts and give our full attention to what we are trying to accomplish. We tend to be more successful achieving our goals. More importantly, it has a ripple effect in our lives: one thing changes or is added to the spiritual mix of our lives and many aspects are changed.

All too often we leave our spiritual growth to chance and the practice of faith to habit, and then wonder why we have no sense of growth or progress. Think of it in terms of exercise. We walk, lift weights, bend and stretch to attain the maximum benefit from what we do. In addition, to keep those benefits, we eat healthful food and get enough vitamins and rest. Spirituality requires the same kind of attention: we pray, fast, read the Bible, receive sacraments, and do charitable work to maximize the benefits of practicing faith. Keeping Lent year round keeps us in spiritual shape! ©LPi

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CATHOLIC

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By: Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

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

LIVING OUR FAITH

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
Monday:	Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday:	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

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