

March 1, 2015



2nd Sunday of Lent

TEST: The Lord tries us out, even tantalizes us, before choosing to work with us. God did this with Abraham, with Peter, James, and John, even with Jesus! But Jesus, God's own Son, stands and pleads for us now that we not be led into temptation or put to the test beyond our means. God is on our side and who now can be against us? With the Trinity's prompting and our willing obedience during this Lent, we can come closer to salvation.

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Pastor's Note(s):

On the second Sunday of Lent in each Lectionary cycle, the Gospel reading proclaims the story of Jesus' Transfiguration. On seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses and having witnessed his Transfiguration, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Mark reports that the disciples are terrified by what they have witnessed and that Peter's offer is made out of confusion. We also notice that Peter has reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus rabbi instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding the disciples to obey him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructs the disciples to keep secret what they have seen until after the Son of Man has risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continues as they wonder what Jesus means by rising from the dead. The disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration until they also witness his passion and death. We hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection, even as we prepare to remember Jesus' passion and death.

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Easter Flowers: So that we can choose the appropriate flowers and colors for the Easter Liturgies, we ask that you make an offering to the project. Donors will be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin. Thank you in advance for your gift!

Lenten Events in our Parish:

March 6 - Soup Supper 5.30 pm Parish Hall, with Stations of the Cross 6.30 pm

March 13 - Fish Fry Dinner 5.00 pm Parish Hall, with Stations of the Cross 6.30 pm

March 20 - Fish Fry Dinner 5.00 pm in the Parish Hall, with Stations of the Cross 6.30 pm

March 27 - Soup Supper 5.30 pm in the Parish Hall, with Stations of the Cross 6.30 pm.

Lenten Scripture Series: Deacon Tim Egan will be providing a 5-part presentation on the Sunday Scripture selections for Lent. Presentations will be made on Thursday evenings at 7 PM and last one hour each. All parishioners are welcome as are any guests or friends they might like to bring. There is no charge.

Opportunities for your Lenten Journey: Come join us on Friday mornings after Mass during Lent. We will be viewing the 30 minute DVD "Catching Fire Becoming Flame": by Fr. Albert Haase, OFM. All are Welcome. **Little Black Books for Lent** will be available the weekend of February 14-15. Take one for your Lenten enrichment.

March Food Shelf Drive: This lent our parish will have a special opportunity to donate to our local food shelf. During the month of March we will have a basket in the vestibule at all Masses with slips of paper printed with the items needed at our local food shelf. Please take one and bring the items to church the following week. Thank you!



Friday March 13th, 5:00 p.m.

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Saturday	WEEKDAY DURING LENT	02/28/15
3:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
4:30 p.m.	Mass—Intention † William & Helen Burke Reader: Confirmation Student Plate: Deacon Tim Egan Chalice: Beth Egan & to be assigned Servers: Kate & Miles Thomasen	
Sunday	2ND SUNDAY OF LENT	03/01/15
9:45 a.m.	Religious Education—Grades Pre,K-4	
11:00 a.m.	Mass —Intention for All Parishioners Reader: Sydney Ross Plate: Laura Lien Chalice: Judy Fleischer & Jeannie Shaw Servers: Luke Johnson & Jasmyn Uremovich	
Monday	WEEKDAY DURING LENT	03/02/15
Tuesday	SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL	03/03/15
10:00 a.m.	Mass at Ecumen Scenic Shores —Intention † Burt Magnusen	
5:45 P.M.	Choir Practice	
Wednesday	SAINT CASIMIR	03/04/15
8:15 a.m.	Mass —Intention † Delores Burger	
8:45 a.m.	Holy Hour with Exposition	
6:45 p.m.	Religious Education—Grades 5-11	
Thursday	WEEKDAY DURING LENT	03/05/15
8:15 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's, Silver Bay	
7:00 p.m.	Lenten Scripture Series	
Friday	FIRST FRIDAY	03/06/15
8:15 a.m.	Mass—Ilene Hasty	
5:30 p.m.	Fish Fry	
6:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	
Saturday	ST. PERPETUA AND ST. FELICITY	03/07/15
3:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
4:30 p.m.	Mass—Intention † James Buske Reader: Paulette Moreland Plate: Laura Lien Chalice: Carol Anderson & to be assigned Servers: Duke Gilbert	
Sunday	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT	03/08/15
9:45 a.m.	Religious Education—Grades Pre,K-4	
11:00 a.m.	Mass —Intention for All Parishioners Reader: Mike Hoffman Plate: Joanne Button Chalice: Linda Hoffman & Gina Lemke Servers: Nathan Campbell & Paiten Koss	



† **PARISHIONERS:** Please pray for Arthur Barthman, Patty Broadbent, Toni Johnson, Ron Kor, Joann Ostendorf, Ron Ostendorf, and Mary Simonsen.



† **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Please pray for Britt Bredow, Craig Fallgren, Jane Griesy, Vince Ojard, Bill Carlson, Patty Harrison-Isakson, and Ray Weeks.

† **MILITARY PERSONNEL:** Please pray for Garrett Aho, Nate Berger, Keith Dahl, James Mickle, Craig Moe, Ryan Ray and Christopher Uremovich.

Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed by calling the church office 834-4659.

Youth Happenings

Check out our Youth Bulletin Board
"Like" us on Facebook: Holy Spirit Youth Group

Mark your Calendars!!!

Rice Bowls: There are Rice Bowls in the back of the Church. If you would like, take one, fill it and return by March 27. Thank you for your help.

Cinnamon Roll Sale: We will be selling cinnamon rolls again on April 4th & 5th. Only \$5.00! The proceeds will be going toward the purchase of new Bibles for Church School.

We have some great opportunities coming soon for our youth!

April—Jr. High Retreat

June—Vacation Bible School

July—D-Week

Steubenville Mission

August—Camp Survive

Watch for further details.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS FOR OUR YOUTH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

Last Week's Contributions

Weekend Collection.....	\$1,843.00
Bldg. Fund.....	\$72.00
UCA.....	\$30.00
Black/Indian Missions.....	\$370.00