



Lent

Second Sunday of Lent + February 21, 2016

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 + Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1 + Lk 9:28b-36

Monday

FEBRUARY 22

Chair of St. Peter
the Apostle
1 Pt 5:1-4
Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday

FEBRUARY 23

Lenten Weekday
Is 1:10, 16-20
Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday

FEBRUARY 24

Lenten Weekday
Jer 18:18-20
Mt 20:17-28

Thursday

FEBRUARY 25

Lenten Weekday
Jer 17:5-10
Lk 16:19-31

Friday

FEBRUARY 26

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

Saturday

FEBRUARY 27

Lenten Weekday
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday

FEBRUARY 28

Third Sunday
of Lent
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12
Lk 13:1-9

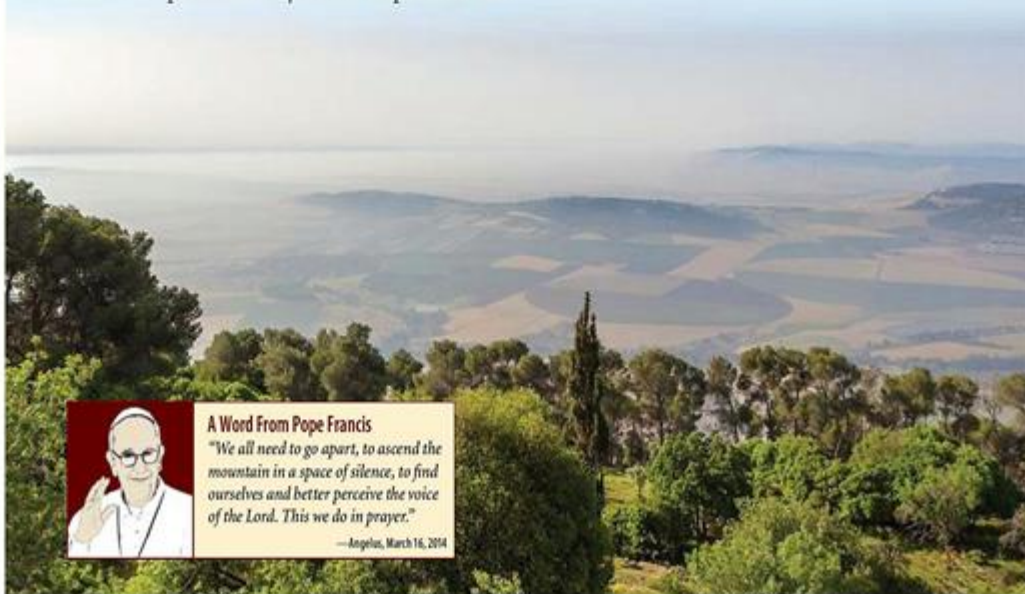
From the top of Mount Tabor in Israel, the supposed site of Jesus' transfiguration, visitors can see clearly across the valley to the distant Golan Heights some forty-five miles away. The view takes your breath away. When I was in the valley, I could only see the immediate area, but at the top I was mesmerized by both the distance and the beauty of the land.

Maybe that's why mountains have always been places of prayer, of divine unveiling, and why Jesus took Peter, James, and John up to the top of a mountain to experience this vision of his glory. He wanted them to see more than their daily life and work. He wanted them to see further than they ever thought they could. He wanted them to see the depths of who he was in a new and profound way. It was important that

they do this. The transfiguration happens in the midst of Jesus' predictions of his passion and death, before he begins his deliberate journey to Jerusalem. Without an image of the glorified Christ, the apostles might not have had the courage to continue following him.

Like the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert, we hear this transfiguration account every Lent. Jesus takes the Church, and each one of us, up the mountain and dares us to see further, better, more deeply than ever before. Through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, he dares us to leave what we know, listen to him, and follow in his footsteps. May we have the courage to accept the challenge.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"We all need to go apart, to ascend the mountain in a space of silence, to find ourselves and better perceive the voice of the Lord. This we do in prayer."

—Angelus, March 16, 2014

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2nd Sunday Of Lent



February 21, 2016

St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**

Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week

Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule

Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family

St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sat 4:00 pm Myrta (May) Ladner

Sun 9:00am +Ronald Nicosia

Mon 8:00am spec int

Tues 8:00 am +Dorothy Moran

Wed 6:00 pm +Ronald Nicosia

Thu 8:00am +Scott Moran

Fri 8:00 am spec int

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

"Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory." Today's Gospel records the event we call the Transfiguration. In this miraculous moment, Jesus' divine nature was revealed clearly to Peter, James and John. Often, we think only in terms of what happened to Jesus: "his face changed" and "his clothing became dazzling white" and he began a supernatural conversation with two ancient prophets. But that was only half of the story. The other part is what happened to the men.

They were able to witness this revelation of Jesus only because they were "fully awake." Had they stayed sleeping, they'd have missed out. They would not have had this astonishing insight into the glory of their friend and Master. It's an obvious point but one that may need more attention than we'd care to admit. Of course we have to be "awake" in order to absorb the fullness of our faith. If we are not tuned in, not attentive, not exerting any effort, then we are certainly going to miss out. The fact is that we don't always realize we're falling asleep.

Just as Peter, James, and John were "overcome" with sleep, we too can slip into this state without necessarily realizing it is happening. Spiritually speaking, we can become numb or lazy and slowly fade away from the fervor of authentic faith. This is why the church, in her wisdom, gives us the season of Lent. During these weeks, we strive to purify ourselves by attacking the sins and selfishness that make us spiritual sleepwalkers. This is the time to refocus, to clear away the cobwebs and to become "fully awake." Ultimately, we pray that these efforts will allow us to truly see "his glory" come Eastertide.

Have a great week! May God bless all of us!

...Fr. Khoa

Catholic Sharing Appeal 2016

If you have not already offered your pledge in this year's CSA, please do so today. Your contribution will show that **You Will Be Enriched In Every Way For Great Generosity** as it benefits the Diocesan ministries that serve thousands and thousands of our brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Biloxi. Through your generous support of CSA, we bring Christ's comfort and care to the many pressing needs that cannot be addressed individually or by one parish alone. Our parish goal for 2016 is \$17,350 for St. Ann and \$1,374 for Our Lady of Chartres. Please make all checks payable to **Catholic Sharing Appeal** and **mail** contributions directly to the Diocese in the envelope provided or if you prefer, you may follow the instructions in the brochure and donate online. With every parish family's full participation, we will surely exceed this amount and do our share to help so many in need, advancing the work of the church in our community. For those of you who have already responded with a gift, please accept our sincere gratitude.

Lenten Fish Fry: Every Friday during Lent, from 4 to 7 p.m. we serve Buffet for only \$13 for adults and \$7 for children. Please come, support us, and share the foods and fellowship with us.

Friday Stations of the Cross Please join us each Friday evening during Lent for the Stations of the Cross. The Stations begin at 6:00p.m.

Parish Council: Meet **this Saturday Feb 20.**

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: 86** Identifiable: **\$1,812.00**; Loose: **\$1,302.00**; Total: **\$3,114.00**; Children: **\$36.00**. Black + Indian Mission: **\$214.96**
OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP: Identifiable: **\$180.00**; Loose: **\$265.00**; Total: **\$445.00.**

****Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.**

Thank you for your generosity.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Feb 20 5pm	Judith Martiez	W C King , Lenell King , Doris Snowden	Austin Scarengoas	Doug Ira Necaize	Patricia Lizana
Feb 21 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Teny Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Feb 21 9am	Kim Wood	Marlow Ladner , Sharon Leimer , Derek Trosclair	Will Nick	Robert Jimmy	Marie Nance
Sat Feb 27 5pm	Kathleen Cuevas	Mike Mays, Diane Mays, Doris Snowden	Austin Scarengoas	Doug Kermit	Mary Ladner
Feb 28 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Teny Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Feb 28 9am	Beverly Saucier	Marlow Ladner , Robin Peterson , Valeria Ladner	Carson Karter	Robert Pat	Pat & Robin Peterson Family

Lenten Fridays Abstinence from Meat

Abstinence from meat on Fridays is obligatory in the United States as elsewhere, and it is sinful for Catholics who have reached their 14th year not to observe this discipline without a serious reason (physical labor, pregnancy, nursing mothers, sickness, age related infirmities etc.).

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

Altar Society: meet second Sundays.

CYO: meet every other week on Sunday 6:00pm. You can visit St Ann CYO contact **Katelyn Moran** and **Danielle Ladner** or on the website **www.facebook.com/stannslizanacyo.**

Bereavement Committee: Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS: You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

Church Cleaning: Thank you Knights of Columbus who cleaned the church on Feb 14 and 21. David Bass will clean the church on Feb 28 and Mar 6. Thank you.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

Lizana Light: Doris Snowden and Dianne Northrop serve the Lizana Light. For more info, please contact Doris or Diane. Thank you.

Bible Study: We study begin to study **the Encounter**. Please join us. Classes are on **Tues at 9am and Wed at 6:30pm**. For more information, please contact **Ruth and Henrietta**.

Knights of Columbus: Meet first Sundays. If you have any question, please contact Thomas Moran.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Michael Gilbert, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, Julia Perronne, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Elizabeth Necaize, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Larry Shruff, Andrew Fillengame, and Melissa Peterson.