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**February 25, 2024**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**

**Masses**



- Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
- Sunday: 8am, 10:30am
- Weekday Mass: (Chapel)  
 (Monday, Thursday, Friday (8:00am Chapel)  
 Wednesday (5:30pm Chapel)
- First Friday :  
 (of the Month) Anointing of the Sick
- Fridays: Devotion To Sacred Heart  
 Adoration 8:30 - 6pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
 Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 pm  
 (Before Sunday Masses and by Appointment)

**Office Hours**  
 Mon-Friday: 8:30am - 12:30pm  
 Wednesday: 8:30am - 12:00pm

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**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.  
 - Mk 9:7-8

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**TODAY'S READING'S**

**Reading 1 Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18**

God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am!" he replied. Then God said: "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you." When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven, "Abraham, Abraham!" "Here I am!" he answered. "Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger. "Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. So he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son. Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and said: "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies, and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing—all this because you obeyed my command."

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19**

**R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.**

I believed, even when I said, "I am greatly afflicted." Precious in the eyes of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

**R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.**

O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your handmaid; you have loosed my bonds. To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving, and I will call upon the name of the LORD.

**R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.**

My vows to the LORD I will pay in the presence of all his people, In the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

**R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.**

**Reading 2 Rom 8:31b-34**

Brothers and sisters: If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us, who will condemn? Christ Jesus it is who died—or, rather, was raised—who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

**Gospel Mk 9:2-10**

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.

**Reflection:**

The Lenten season continues with another story of testing. Last Sunday, we heard the trial of Jesus in the desert. In this week's First Reading, we hear of how Abraham was put to the test. The Church has always read this story as a sign of God's love for the world in giving His only-begotten son. In today's Epistle, Paul uses exact words drawn from this story to describe how God, like Abraham, did not withhold His only Son, but handed Him over for us on the Cross (see Romans 8:32; Genesis 22:12,16). In the Gospel today, too, we hear another echo. Jesus is called God's "beloved Son"—as Isaac is described as Abraham's beloved son. These readings are given to us in Lent to reveal Christ's identity and to strengthen us in the face of our afflictions. Jesus is shown to be the true son that Abraham rejoiced to see (see Matthew 1:1; John 8:56). In His transfiguration, He is revealed to be the "prophet like Moses" foretold by God—raised from among their own kinsmen, speaking with God's own authority (see Deuteronomy 18:15, 19). Like Moses, He climbs the mountain with three named friends and beholds God's glory in a cloud (see Exodus 24:1, 9, 15). He is the one prophesied to come after Elijah's return (see Sirach 48:9–10; Malachi 3:1, 23–24). And, as He discloses to the Apostles, He is the Son of Man sent to suffer and die for our sins (see Isaiah 53:3). As we sing in today's Psalm, Jesus believed in the face of His afflictions, and God loosed Him from the bonds of death (see Psalm 116:3). His rising should give us the courage to face our trials, to offer ourselves totally to the Father—as He did, as Abraham and Isaac did. Freed from death by His death, we come to this Mass to offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and to renew our vows—as His servants and faithful ones.

**"Missionary Discipleship"**

*In today's Scripture, we hear of Abraham's unwavering commitment and devotion to the Lord. Today the Lord still calls us to witness to Him in the world. One way to witness to Christ is to offer a gift to the 2024 Catholic Sharing Appeal. Your gift can do so much to help in the lives of others and bring the Gospel of Christ to souls in our diocese.*

**2024 Catholic Sharing Appeal**

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*Knights of Columbus is having their Annual 'baby bottle' fund drive. Please pick up a bottle in the vestibule.*

**If you need to reach Fr. Mark or if you're hospitalized and from our parish and need spiritual assistance please feel free to call. To reach Fr. Mark please call 228-273-9565**

**Stations of the Cross Friday's 6:00pm (Church)**  
3rd week: Fr. Mark and the Knights of Columbus will be leading the 'Stations of the Cross'

**Adoration Friday's 8:30—5pm**  
(During Lent till 5pm)  
There is a **sign-up sheet** in the vestibule to sign up and spend an hour with Jesus.

**Please call the office with mass and special intentions for your loved ones. Dates are open.**

***MASS INTENTIONS***

Saturday	February 24
4pm-	Peggy Ladner+
Sunday	February 25
8:00am-	Lilly Pittman
10:30am-	Parishioners of Annunciation
Monday	February 26
8:00am-	Joseph Albert Shirer+
Tuesday	February 27
Wednesday	February 28
5:30pm-	Karen Koenenn +
Thursday	February 29
8:00am-	Bill Sherman +
Friday	March 1
8:00am-	Carmel Lambert

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After 8am Mass

**Financial News**

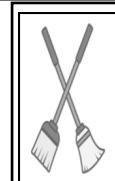
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Total Yearly Financial Obligations	t-b-d
Amount needed each Week	t-b-d
Last Sunday Collection	\$3,660.33
YTD Needed	t-b-d
YTD Collected	\$25,327.01
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**The Lady's club is selling beautiful Easter flags and decorations in the vestibule. Check them out!!**

**Lent Fish Fry Friday's**

Annunciation Lady's Club will be having their Fish Fry every Friday during lent. Starting February 16th - March 22nd 5 - 7 pm in the Parish Hall



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