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### Remember In Prayer

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## Second Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2020

Christ Jesus ... destroyed death and brought life and  
immortality to light through the gospel.

— 2 Timothy 1:10b

### CHANGE

Lent is all about change and change is usually not easy. In order to change we have to leave something behind. Today we hear about a very old man who decides to answer God's call. Abram experiences a tremendous amount of change when he leaves everything behind, risking it all for God's promise. Jesus changes, is transfigured, right before the eyes of his disciples. The Lenten scriptures issue the call for us to change, to be transfigured, so that we, too, will soon share in the glory of God. What is it that the Lord is asking us to leave behind? Are we willing to take the risk for the promise made by God? These questions are at the heart of the Lenten journey of conversion.

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Olive oil looms large in the vocabulary of baptism. There are other oils in the pantry closet, from grapeseed to safflower to canola, but only olives yield the proper meanings. Olives don't just happen; they are cultivated, nurtured, pruned, and fussed over; they are a sign of human and divine cooperation. Olives can thrive in poor soil, but they cannot survive without human ingenuity, planting shoots and pruning branches. They can't be popped from a tree and munched like apples: they are inedible without long curing; neither do they yield their oil to hand pressure alone, but only to huge stone mills. Abundant patience is needed as sediment sinks to the bottom of storage barrels and pure oil rises to the surface.

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessing in you (Genesis 12:1-4a)

**Psalms** — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** — God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (2 Timothy 1:8b-10).

**Gospel** — Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Matthew 17:1-9).

**Stations of the cross will be  
here every Friday at 4:30 during  
Lent**

### THE HEAVIEST LOAD

A chip on the shoulder  
is the heaviest load anyone  
can carry.

### Fish Fry March 13th and 27th

**Plates are \$8.00. Take- out will be  
available .**

**Everyone is asked to help with this  
annual fund raiser . Help with the  
prep ,serving, and clean-up.**

**Please bring your favorite cakes and  
desserts .**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

**Tuesday, March 10th:** Deacon Moss will start his new classes on *The God Who Won't Let Go*, by Peter Van Breemen, S.J. Classes are from 10:00 to 11:30 and the cost of the book is \$10.

### MARCH 15th

LECTOR	Peggy
E/M	Jim/Tom
USHERS	Peach/Marina
SERVER	Jesus

Offertory 3/1/2020  
BUDGET \$1351.00  
ACTUAL \$ 780.00

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\$470.00