



Third Sunday of Lent
March 3, 2024

TOTAL ALLEGIANCE

In previous weeks we have seen how the theme of covenant—as a preparation for the baptismal covenant celebrated at Easter—occupies an important place in our cycle of Lenten readings. The notion of covenant as a relationship between two parties carries with it an expectation of mutual accountability and fidelity to the terms of the covenant. When God forged the covenant with the Jewish people on Mt. Sinai, it was a pledge of God’s protection, and it would forever permit them familiar access as the Chosen People. For their part, the Jewish people were to observe the dictates of the law, summarized most succinctly here in the form of the Ten Commandments. To be in a covenantal relationship with the Lord God requires an exclusive relationship, just as discipleship with Jesus—ritualized in baptism—demands a total allegiance to him and none other.

FEAST OF FAITH

Postures of the Mass

In the Mass, we pray not only with our lips, but with our bodies as well. We stand when the ministers enter. In Western culture, standing is a sign of attention, a mark of respect: all stand when the judge enters the courtroom, for example. Standing is also an ancient posture of prayer, mentioned frequently in the Old Testament. When the readings begin, we sit down: a listening posture. Mary sat at Jesus’ feet to listen to his teaching; the crowds sat on the hillside or the seashore to hear his words. Kneeling is another posture that is full of meaning. It expresses adoration and worship, but it can also express humility and contrition. We bow: a sign of honor and reverence, acknowledging the presence of God, especially when we receive the Eucharist. And there are other ritual gestures as well—striking the breast, genuflecting, and of course making the sign of the cross. The liturgy invites us to pray with our whole person—with heart and mind, voice and body.

St. Andrew’s St Pat’s
Fund Raiser will be
Thursday, March 14th.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The law was given through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) *or Exodus 17:3-7.*

Psalm — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) *or Psalm 95.*

Second Reading — We proclaim Christ crucified; the foolishness of God is greater than human wisdom (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) *or Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.*

Gospel — Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up (John 2:13-25) *or John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42].*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Reading 1:2 Kings 5:1-15b; Gospel: Luke 4:224-30

Tuesday: Reading 1: Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Gospel: Matthew 18:2-35

Wednesday: Reading 1:Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Gospel: Matthew 5:17-9

Thursday: Reading 1: Jeremiah 7:2-28; Gospel: Luke 11:14-23 Friday: Reading 1: Hosea 14:2-10;

Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

Saturday: Reading 1: Hosea 6:1-6; Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

Time to change next week move
clocks ahead one hour



Time to
Spring Ahead

MARCH 3RD

LECTOR MARK
SERVERS Johthan & Marina
COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

MARCH 10 TH

LECTOR PEGGY
SERVER CARLOS & MAX
COUNTER MARY & ANN F

MARCH 17 TH

LECTOR BEVERLY
SERVERS JESUS
COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

MARCH 24 PALM SUNDAY

LECTOR PEGGY
SERVER CARLOS & MAX
COUNTER MARY & ANN

MARCH 29TH GOOD FRIDAY

LECTOR MARK
SERVER JESUS
COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

MARCH 31ST EASTER SUNDAY

LECTOR JANET & MARINA
SERVER CARLOS & MAX
COUNTER MARY & ANN F

Easter schedule is at the front
of the church next to the
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\$672.00

Stations of the Cross will
be on Friday during lent at
4:30 pm

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