

Kids Column

Mt.9:2-10

Jesus Shows His Glory



Jesus knew He was going to die, and He knew the apostles were going to be afraid. So He decided to show some of them something that they would not be able to forget. He took Peter, James and John up a mountain and suddenly He became dazzlingly bright, like the sun! The apostles were terrified. Then Jesus began to talk with Moses and Elijah, who stood beside Him.

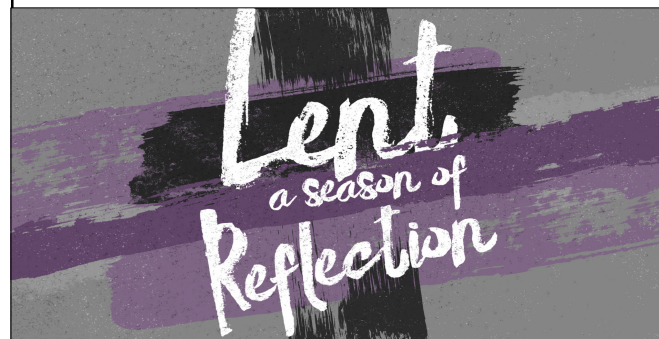
Afterwards, Jesus told Peter, James and John not to tell anyone what had happened until after He rose from the dead. They were confused because they didn't understand that Jesus had to die. But now they knew that Jesus was not just a normal man. They had seen some of the awesomeness of God.



Later on, when Jesus was taken away and killed, the apostles were very sad. But some of them knew something amazing about Jesus. Like those apostles, when we are having a hard time we just need to think about Jesus. He is awesome and amazing, and waiting for us to come to Him in Heaven. The bad times will come, but Jesus is always there- we just need to remember Him!



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Prayer to St. Joseph

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.*

41 Ways To Keep Lent

Right a wrong. Keep a promise. Count your blessings. Mend a quarrel. Spread joy. Pray for refugees. Be grateful for family. Attend Mass more frequently. Fast from gossip. Offer approval. See your problems as challenges, your challenges as blessings. Seek peace. Pray the Way of the Cross. Listen. Apologize if you are wrong. Be humble in success, patient in hardship, hopeful in disappointment, generous in prosperity. Think first of someone else. Stop in church for a moment. Give alms. Laugh a little. Laugh a little more. Say "thanks!" Read the Bible daily. Tender a compliment. Don't let the faucet running when you brush your teeth, shave, or do dishes. Rejoice in the beauty and wonder of earth. Inspire hope in another. Be hopeful yourself. Plant a flower. Sponsor a just cause. Gladden the heart of a child. Make a new friend. Renew an old friendship. Paint a fence, a room, a picture. Take time to imagine. Do a job for nothing. Plan as a family ways to minimize the electricity you use for a day. Eat by candlelight. Abstain from complaining. On Good Friday spend an hour in Church. Give Easter flowers to someone.

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St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
6.00 - 6.45 p.m.
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by appointment

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT - FEBRUARY 28TH 2021 - YEAR B

Loosed Bonds.

The Lenten season continues with another story of testing. Last Sunday, we heard of the trial of Jesus in the desert. In this week's First Reading, we hear 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. In the Gospel, too, we hear another echo. Jesus is called God's "beloved Son", just 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. 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. Like Moses, He climbs the mountain with three named friends and beholds God's glory in a cloud. He is the one prophesied to come after Elijah's return. And, as He discloses to the Apostles, He is the Son of Man sent to suffer and die for our sins. As we sing in the Psalm, Jesus believed in the face of His afflictions, and God loosed Him from the bonds of death. His rising should give us the courage to face our own 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.

(excerpt: stpaulcenter.com)

First Reading

Gen.22:1-2,
9-13,15-18

Second Reading

Rom.8:31-34

Gospel

Mk.9:2-10

✠ **MASS TIMES**

GROS ISLET

Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.

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MONDAY:
6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.

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TUESDAY:
6:00 a.m.

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WEDNESDAY
12:30 & 6:00 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.

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THURSDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
Monchy: 6:00 p.m.

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FRIDAY
6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.

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SATURDAY
6:30 a.m./5:00 p. m.

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SUNDAY
Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 A.M.

Gros Islet/Monchy
10:00 a.m.

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HOLIDAY
7:00 a.m.

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Lenten Reflection

Lent is a period of repentance. One of the most dramatic and powerful examples of repentance in the bible is given by the people of the city of Nineveh. They were Assyrians, the same Assyrians who had captured and exiled thousands of Israelites. They were sworn enemies of God’s people. Yet God desired to reach out to them and asked Jonah to be his messenger. Why would God want them to repent? Why would God want to build bridges with the enemies of his people? Why would he want to be in a relationship with them? Jonah must have asked himself the same questions. That’s probably why he tries to run away from God and later becomes angry when God shows mercy to the Ninevites.

Us versus them. It’s a constant theme running through human history. It’s the disposition of the many scribes and Pharisees and crowds Jesus encounters in his ministry. They often ask, “Why does he eat and drink and associate with sinners?” These are often dramatic moments of conflict. So much of Jesus’ preaching and ministry is about challenging people’s tribal dispositions. He is constantly pushing people to name their prejudices and expand their concept of neighbor.

Jesus says of the great king Solomon and the prophet Jonah, “something greater is here.” Something more expansive and inclusive. And those “foreigners” who show humility and openness to different people like the queen of the south and the people of Nineveh, will rise and condemn the people who belong to the “right” tribe or religion.

The witness of repentance of the people of Nineveh in the book of Jonah is not simply their turning away from sin, but their openness to the word of God delivered by someone from a different tribe, an enemy.

One way of repenting during Lent is to acknowledge our narrow attitudes about who is “in” and who is “out.” Jesus’ message is emphatically that everyone is in.

Sebastian Gomes
(excerpt: americamagazine.org)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK	
Iris Macauldy Martha Mason Mary Alexander Nellie Hall	
DECEASED	
Lon Duquesne Augustin Paul Marie Edward Narcissus Regis William Mathurin Randolph Mathurin Joseph St. Louis Joseph Reynold	
WEEKDAY READINGS	
✠ MONDAY Dan.9:4-10 Lk.6:36-38 ✠ TUESDAY Is.1:10,16-20 Mt.23:1-12 ✠ WEDNESDAY Jer.18:18-20 Mt.20:17-28 ✠ THURSDAY Jer.17:5-10 Lk.16:19-31 ✠ FRIDAY Gen.37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28 Mt.21:33-43,45-46 ✠ SATURDAY Mic.7:14-15,18-20 Lk.15:1-3,11-32	

MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY /RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
2ND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B		
Sat Feb 27- 5:00 p.m.		B'day: Mario & Jean Claude Severin Leandra Verneuil, Kevin Williams
Sun Feb 28 - 7:30 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
10:00 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Grande Riviere -7:30 a.m.		B'day: Elaine Raymond
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon Mar 1 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Joseph Akande Fr. Ignatius Cetoute Fr. Cleophus Joseph	B'day: Janetha Louis, Davilla Desir Thks: Gianna, Aria & Elaina Blanchard
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Josephine & Felix Remy Theonie Gaillard, Narcissus Regis
Tues Mar 2 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Athanase Joseph Fr. Celestine Nwakwuo Fr. Philomin Zacharias	Int: Bernadette Pamphile & family
Wed Mar 3 - 6:00 a.m.	Msgr. Michel Francis Fr. Stephen Quinlan Fr. Arthur Zalewski	Deliv, Healing & Protec: Jude Carasco & family
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Josephine & Epiphane Verdant Leila Fredericks, Pat Thornton
Thu Mar 4 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Vinoth Santhappan Fr. John Wilson Sr. Marie Therese Clement	Thks: Anthony Robinson & family
12:30 p.m.		B'day: Angela Alphonse Guid: Gianna Blanchard
Fri Mar 5 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Joseph Raj Sr. Mary Lee Cox Sr. Mary Mutwiwa	Thks: Shanta King & family Sp. Int: Severin family Deliv: LeShaun Minor
12:30 p.m.		Guid & Protec: Marva Wellington
Sat Mar 6 - 6:30 a.m.	Msgr. Patrick Anthony	Dc'd: Rochelle Leon Mr. & Mrs. Robinson Mr. & Mrs. Girard Hippolyte