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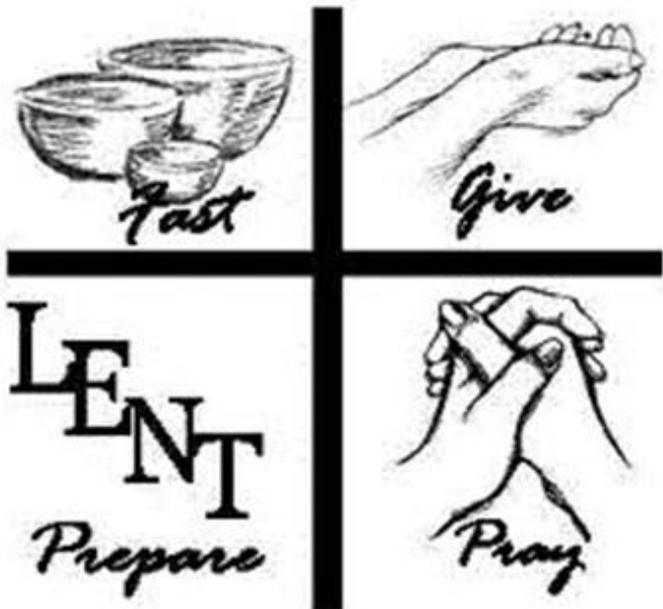
**February 21st - II Sunday of Lent**

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(Children and Scouts Mass)

“Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. “

**Luke 9:29-30**



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## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

The Lord God took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness. He then said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." "O Lord GOD," he asked, "how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He answered him, "Bring me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old she-goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." Abram brought him all these, split them in two, and placed each half opposite the other; but the birds he did not cut up. Birds of prey swooped down on the carcasses, but Abram stayed with them. As the sun was about to set, a trance fell upon Abram, and a deep, terrifying darkness enveloped him. When the sun had set and it was dark, there appeared a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch, which passed between those pieces. It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates."

### Responsorial Psalm: PS 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14

**R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.**

The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom should I fear?

The LORD is my life's refuge;  
of whom should I be afraid?

**R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.**

Hear, O LORD, the sound of my call;  
have pity on me, and answer me.

Of you my heart speaks; you my glance seeks.

**R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.**

Your presence, O LORD, I seek.

Hide not your face from me;

do not in anger repel your servant.

You are my helper: cast me not off.

**R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.**

I believe that I shall see the bounty of the LORD  
in the land of the living.

Wait for the LORD with courage;

be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD.

**R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.**



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 3:20-4:1

Brothers and sisters: Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord, beloved.

**Verse before the Gospel:**

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:  
This is my beloved Son, hear him.

**Gospel: Luke 9:28-36**

+ Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.



**FOR REFLECTION:** (HOMILY FOR CHILDREN)

Last night I was thinking about a song for today's Mass and I found a song I would like to share with you. Maybe you know it. It is called, "Good Morning to You" and it goes like this: Good morning to you, Good morning to you. We're all in our places with bright, shining faces. Good morning to you, Good morning to you.

Isn't that a happy song? I'm not sure that our faces were always bright and shining, but I hope they were!

That song serves as a good reminder of what happened in today's gospel. The Bible tells us that one day Jesus took three of his disciples, Peter, James, and John and went up on a mountain to pray. As Jesus was praying, his face was changed and his clothes became a dazzling white. Suddenly, two men appeared and began talking to him. Do you know who the two men were? It was Moses and Elijah.

Peter and the others had fallen asleep and when they woke up, they saw Jesus and the other two talking. They were amazed at that wonderful sight!

As Moses and Elijah were starting to leave, Peter said to Jesus. "Master, it is wonderful for us to be here! Let's build three shelters — one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

At the very moment Peter said that, a cloud appeared and cast a shadow over them and a voice came from the cloud saying, "This is my Son, listen to him." When the voice had spoken, Moses and Elijah were gone and the disciples were once again alone with Jesus on the mountain. What an experience! Do you know what caused the face of Jesus to be changed and his clothes to become dazzling white? It was because they were in the presence of God!

God wants our faces to shine brightly just as the face of Jesus did on that very special day. What does that mean? What means that God wants our faces shining brightly? I think that means that we have to share the joy of knowing Jesus with others around us!

You and I have many wonderful experiences in our daily walk with Jesus. Others should see that we have the love of Jesus in our heart by seeing His reflection in our shining faces - in our words and actions! Jesus wants us to be His witnesses to other people.

Sometimes we tend to fear witnessing. Maybe we are afraid someone will make fun of us or reject us. Those things can happen, but I think about the verse in today's Psalm, "of you my heart speaks." Everyone's heart speaks of God because all of us have a sense of right and wrong - of a Lawgiver who will judge us.

We do not have to be afraid! When we witness to others, God is already at work in their hearts. If you pray daily, the Lord will open up the right moment to share your personal witness story.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the joy we experience in Jesus Christ. Help us reflect that joy in our lives and in our bright, shining faces, and help us to be your witnesses to others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**Every week of Lent we trace the Stations of the Cross. Every week the Stations will be on Friday at 6pm.** This is an excellent way to enter into a deeper understanding of the mystery of our salvation. It is also a wonderful possibility for children to better understand what Jesus did for all of us and to deepen their personal faith. Please try to attend weekly or at least make an effort to join us a few times during Lent.

*The joy of Easter celebration depends on the effort we place into preparing ourselves spiritually for it during Lenten season.*

## Parish News

- **Today's Mass Intention: For God's blessing for Watson Family.**
- **Coffee Hour : Hour:** Gonyea Family.
- **Next Sunday Mass intention:** For Camilla and Stanley Czupryna, and Antoni Malisz. Req. by Family.
- **Coffee Hour:** MacDonald Family.
- **Thank you to those who joined us past Saturday for our pierogi workshop:** Gerry and Nancy Ethier, Ed and Gail Surowiec, Chris Kozlik, Charlie and Kathy Caranci, Kathy Sherman, Joyce Kurek, Wanda Misiaszek, Irene Jones, Ed Labonte, Debbie Boucher, Lonnie and Sally Watson, Ezekiel Inman and d Father Henryk.
- **Ecumenical Lenten Services.** The Second Ecumenical prayer will be held on February 25<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) at St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church, 871 Harris Ave, Woonsocket, at 7:00 pm. Please join us! Ecumenical Lenten Service in our parish will be held on Thursday, March 10th. All parishioners are invited and asked to bake. It will be a good opportunity to all of us to talk about our faith and our parish to others. Please find time and join us for common prayer.
- **Join us in brainstorming for new table tags 'About Our Church' this Sunday after coffee hour!**
- **Easter Pierogi orders are now being taken.** There is a limited amount available, so please place your order with Sally asap. Thanks.
- **Ladies Sodality dues for 2016 is \$5. Please see Sally. Thank you.**
- **The Ladies are collecting items for an 'Easter Goodie Basket'** for the Providence Street Firemen. Please leave your donation in the basket in the vestibule. Thank you!
- **Music scholarship.** The information about music scholarship of our Church is posted in the vestibule.
- **Northeast Seniorate Lenten Retreat will be held** on Saturday-February 27, 2016 at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Manchester, NH. The retreat will begin at 10 am and end at 3 pm. The Retreat is for all of us a good opportunity to deepen personal faith as we prepare for Easter. For more info see the flyer in the vestibule or ask Fr. Henryk.
- **Meal in the Upper Room Service.** The Faithful of the Northeast Seniorate are invited to join the Blessed Trinity Parish in Fall River, MA, for a Meal in the Upper Room Service on Passion Sunday - March 17, 2013 beginning at 4:30 in the afternoon. This is a special meal during which we commemorate the Last Supper that our Lord shared with his apostles on the night before his crucifixion. Registration no later than Wednesday – March 9. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this Meal/Service please ask Fr. Henryk.
- **Pray for comfort, and healing for our sick Parishioners, Relatives and Friends:** Robert Jones, Barbara Rutka, Mitch Sherman, Mary Bibeault, Roy Watson, Fred Baker, Beatrice Bielat, Julia Hutnak, Phyllis Zielonka, Mary Stefanick, Evelyn Tenczar, Edna Nawrocki, Katherine Kirk, George Giguere, Fr. Jan Wilczek.

In Loving Memory of Our Grandparents and Uncle  
**LAWRENCE&JOSIE KUREK & L. MICHAEL KUREK**  
Chris, Nicole, Jeff, Charlotte, Tom, Kerri,  
Elizabeth, Christopher, Matthew. Eric, Jacob & Michael- Great Grandchildren

In Loving Memory of  
**ODBERT & ROSE FOX**  
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In Loving Memory of  
**LOUIS, MARY & EDMUND OKONIEWSKI**  
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In Loving Memory of  
**RUDOLPH OKONIEWSKI JR.**  
**EDWARD, HELEN (LYNN) AND ERIC PHILLIPS**  
Phillips & Fox Families

In Loving Memory of  
**ROBERT STEFANICK**  
Czupryna, Prymak, Stefanick, Waitorwicz and Czyzewicz Families

In Loving Memory of  
**ROBERT JONES**  
Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great-Grandfather  
Irene, Allison & Bill, Rob & Gina, Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

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Phyllis Dalton & Dalton, Norton, & Gonyea Families

In Loving Memory of  
**MICHAEL AND ALYCE KUCHAR**  
Dearly Missed By Children,  
Ann Marie, Monica, Michael & Their Families

In Loving Memory of  
**ELIZABETH CARLSON**, Mother, **SCOTT CARLSON**, Brother  
and **CHRISSE PLANTE**, Sister  
Sally & Lonnie Watson

In Loving Memory of  
**MARY & FRANCIS RUTKA, PERCY & PAULINE GRAY**  
**FRAN RUTKA & CHRISSE PLANTE**  
by the Rutka Family

In Loving Memory Of  
**LEON and ANNA NAWROCKI**  
Past Dedicated Parishioners  
Son, Eddie

In Loving Memory Of  
**WALTER "EDDIE" BIELAT**  
Forever love, Wife, Beatrice Bielat  
Daughter & Son-In Law, Cindy & Michael Jezerski

In Loving Memory Of  
**MARY & FRANCIS RUTKA & JULIUS SHERMAN**  
**CHRISSE PLANTE, MARK CALO & FRAN RUTKA**  
by Kathleen and Mitchell Sherman

To Cherish The Memory Of  
**WALTER & VIRGINIA SUROWIEC**  
Love, Ed & Gail Surowiec

In Loving Memory Of  
**JOSEPH HUTNAK**  
Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather  
Julia, Joseph, Matthew, Jay, Jill, Kim, & Derek, Jenna, Jared & Olivia.

In Loving Memory Of  
**JOSEPH & MARY CZAJKOWSKI • LUCIEN & MURIEL BIBEALT**  
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Love, The Czajkowski, Murray & Bibeault Families

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**KATHERINE & JOHN SOJKA &**  
**EDWARD & OLGA ABRAMEK**  
William & Alison Abramek & Family

# Sunday Prayer

Lord Jesus,  
lead me to that mountain place  
of stronger light  
and surer sound  
where I may see your glory.



The lovely mountain  
where lowly sparrows feast,  
and one day outshines  
thousands elsewhere  
because you are there, my God.

Light and truth,  
bright as blinding snow,  
whom Peter, James and John saw,  
"Lead me on,  
and bring me to your holy mountain,  
to your dwelling place."

**Next Sunday Readings: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15, 1 Corinthians  
10:1-6, 10-12, Luke 13:1-9**

**Our Saviour's Parish Schedule:**  
**SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING - Sunday-9:00 AM**  
**HOLY MASS - Every Sunday-10:00 AM**  
**COFFEE HOUR – Sunday-11:00 AM**  
**SICK CALLS – Anytime-day or night**  
**BAPTISMS -By Appointment**  
**NEW PARISHIONERS- Call Rectory**