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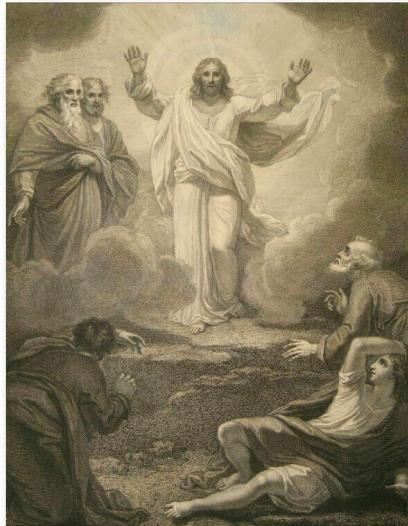
PRE-VATICAN II - TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

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Second Sunday of Lent

March 1st, 2026

Rev. Carlos A. Ercoli - Rev. Héctor L. Romero



The Transfiguration of Our Lord

“And he was transfigured before them. And his face did shine as the sun: and his garments became white as snow” (Mt. 17, 2)

* **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK** *

Sunday, March 1 st	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT ✠Justina Holtzworth (<i>Miss Diane Strutz</i>) ✠Deceased parishioners (<i>Purgatory League</i>)	8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.
Monday, March 2 nd	Ferial Day Albert & Mary Treder (<i>Mr. Michael Treder</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Tuesday, March 3 rd	Ferial Day Special Intention (<i>Mrs. Lan Hoang</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Wednesday, March 4 th	St. Casimir, C ✠Charlotte Caron (<i>Mr. Alan Caron</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Thursday, March 5 th	Ferial Day José Xaxalpa -birthday (<i>Mrs. Carmen Garita</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Friday, March 6 th * <i>First Friday Devotions</i>	Ss. Perpetua & Felicity, Mm Father Daniel Ahern -birthday (<i>Mrs. Joan Pang</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Saturday, March 7 th * <i>First Saturday</i>	St. Thomas Aquinas, CD ✠Thomas Garita (<i>Mrs. Carmen Garita</i>)	9:00 A.M.
Sunday, March 8 th	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Father Ercoli (<i>Mrs. Joan Pang</i>) ✠Holy Souls in Purgatory (<i>Miss Ivy Vu</i>)	8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.

* **ANNOUNCEMENTS** *

- **SEVEN SUNDAY OF ST. JOSEPH DEVOTION.** Today is the fifth Sunday.
- **FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS** is taking place this Friday, at 6:00 P.M. Holy Hour followed by Distribution of Holy Communion.
- **STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT:** every **Saturday after 9:00 A.M. Mass.**

How to Fast in the Heart

by the Priests of the Congregation of St. Paul, 1893

Sin must be repented of and abandoned, there must be sorrow of the soul, otherwise the mortification of the body will not profit us much. Do not, therefore, deceive yourselves! Let no man imagine for a moment that he can get any real good out of the Lenten season as long as he remains the willing slave of sin. It were little short of sacrilege for the wretched drunkard, the wanton blasphemer, the unjust hypocrite, the foul votary of lust, to pretend to live in the spirit of the Lenten time, if they do not at once call a halt and curb their base passions.

Let every Christian-soul recognize the solemn duty of the hour. This season of Lent demands some sacrifice from all. Something special must now be done for Christ's sake. If you cannot fast, give alms, hear Mass every morning, visit the church every evening, give up drink and other unnecessary indulgences of the appetite. The Cross has to be taken up in some shape or other if we mean to follow Christ. The heights of Calvary are before us, and to reach heaven climb them we must. Without a part in their gloom there can be no share in their glory.

✱ THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK ✱

“Lord, it is good for us to be here” by St. Alphonsus de Liguori

In this day's Gospel we read that, wishing to give His disciples a glimpse of the glory of Paradise, so as to animate them to labour for the Divine honour, the Redeemer was transfigured, and allowed them to behold the splendour of His countenance. Ravished with joy and delight, St. Peter exclaimed: *Lord, it is good for us to be here!* Lord, let us remain here; let us never more depart from this place; for the sight of Thy beauty consoles us more than all the delights of the earth.

Let us labour during the remainder of our lives to gain Heaven. Heaven is so great a good, that, to purchase it for us, Jesus Christ has sacrificed His life on the Cross. Be assured that the greatest of all the torments of the damned in hell arises from the thought of having lost Heaven through their own fault. The blessings, the delights, the joys, the sweetness of Paradise may be acquired; but they can be described and understood only by those blessed souls that enjoy them. According to the Apostle, no man on this earth can comprehend the infinite blessings which God has prepared for the souls that love Him. Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, what things God hath prepared for them that love him. (1 Cor. 2, 9). In this life we cannot have an idea of any other pleasures than those which we enjoy by means of the senses.

Speaking of Paradise, St. Bernard says: O man, if you wish to understand the blessings of Heaven, know that in that happy country there is nothing which you would not desire and everything that you would desire. Although there are some things here below which are agreeable to the senses, how many more are there which only torment us? If the light of day is pleasant, the darkness of night is disagreeable: if the spring and the autumn cheer us, the cold of winter and the heat of summer are painful. In addition, we have to endure the pains of sickness, the persecution of men, and the inconveniences of poverty; we must submit to interior troubles, to fears, to temptations of the devil, doubts of conscience, and to the uncertainty of eternal salvation.

Justly, then, has St. Augustine said that to gain the eternal glory of Paradise, we should cheerfully embrace eternal labour. The Saints have done but little to acquire Heaven. So many kings who have abdicated their thrones and shut themselves up in cloisters; so many holy anchorets who have confined themselves in caves; so many Martyrs who have cheerfully submitted to torments—to the rack, and to red-hot plates—all these have done but little. *The sufferings of this time are not worthy to be compared to the glory to come.* (Rom. 8, 18). To gain Heaven, it would be but little to endure all the pains of this life.

Let us, then, courageously resolve to bear patiently all the sufferings which may come upon us during the remaining days of our lives: to secure Heaven they are all little or nothing. Rejoice, then, for all these pains, sorrows, and persecutions shall, if we are saved, be to us a source of never-ending joys and delights. *Your sorrow, shall be turned into joy.* (John 16, 20). When, therefore the crosses of this life afflict us, let us raise our eyes to Heaven, and console ourselves with the hope of Paradise. At the end of her life, St. Mary of Egypt was asked by the Abbot, St. Zozimus, how she had been able to live for forty-seven years in the desert where he found her dying. She answered: With the hope of Paradise. If we be animated with the same hope, we shall not feel the tribulations of this life. Courage! Let us love God and labour for Heaven. There the Saints expect us, Mary expects us, and Jesus Christ expects us. He holds in His hand a crown to make each of us a king in that eternal kingdom.

* A NOTE TO NEWCOMERS *



Welcome to the traditional Latin Mass, and to the unchanged Catholic Faith. The priests and parishioners of Holy Redeemer Chapel reject the changes of Vatican II. They want to preserve the Roman Catholic Faith by maintaining everything that was taught and done by the Church prior to Vatican II. In order to receive the sacraments here, it is therefore necessary that you attend exclusively the traditional Latin Mass, and avoid the new Mass and reformed sacraments. We also invite you to take our booklet entitled *The Traditional Latin Mass*, which is very informative. We encourage you to visit our bookstore for some additional reading & information about the present crisis in the Church.

* PLEASE, OBSERVE OUR DRESS CODE *

For Men: A shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes on Sundays and holy days of obligation. No earrings. **For Ladies:** A dress or skirt is required; no pants. The skirt must at least cover the knee, and should not be tight or otherwise revealing in any way. Immodest slits are forbidden. Clothing should be loose and not form-fitting. A head covering is also required. See-through blouses are forbidden, as well as clothing which is low-cut. **For Everyone:** No tennis shoes, sandals, denim, even on weekdays. The standards of Catholic modesty must be observed.

* APPOINTMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION *



If you wish to make an appointment with the priest, please call the rectory at (206) 299-1522. **Baptisms** are by appointment. At least one of the **Parents & Godparents** must be practicing Catholics in good standing who reject the changes of Vatican II. If you are contemplating **Matrimony**, catechism instructions may be needed; depending on the case, you may need to contact the priest as early as one year in advance of your wedding. When making arrangements for **Funerals**, please contact the priest before contacting the funeral director. **Extreme Unction & Sick Calls**, please do not put off making arrangements until the last moment. Let us know if a member of the Chapel is sick, hospitalized or in danger of death. For any emergency, please call **Fr. Ercoli** at (586) 215-3251.

INDULGENCES OF THE WAY OF THE CROSS



The faithful who with at least a contrite heart, whether singly or in company, perform the pious exercise of the **Way of the Cross**, when the latter has been legitimately erected according to the prescriptions of the Holy See, may gain:



- A **plenary indulgence** as often as they perform the same;
- Another **plenary indulgence** if they receive Holy Communion on the same day, or even within a month after having made the Stations ten times;
- An **indulgence of 10 years** for each station, if for some reasonable cause they are unable to complete the entire Way of the Cross. (*RACCOLTA 194*)