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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT—B

February 28 , 2021

I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.



In Jesus Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructs the disciples to keep secret what they have seen until after the Son of Man has risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continues as they wonder what Jesus means by rising from the dead. The disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration until they also witness his passion and death. We hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection, even as we prepare to remember Jesus' passion and death.

II DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA

San Pietro vide Gesù trasfigurato sul monte. Ascoltò la voce del Padre che risuonava dal Cielo. Vide, ascoltò, comprese poco. Poi a poco a poco quella visione e quell'ascolto iniziarono a divenire il pilastro della sua fede. Quel giorno rimase indelebile nella sua mente e nel suo cuore. È a fondamento della sua fede in Cristo. La voce del Padre sul monte della trasfigurazione e' un invito per tutti noi: "Lui e' il mio figlio prediletto - ascoltatelo!" Se non ascoltiamo la voce di Gesù quali altre voci ascoltiamo? Sia questa Quaresima per tutti noi un tempo di ascolto e di conversione.



Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:00pm

For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English)

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) & 11:00 AM (English)

Registration:

Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.

Baptism:

Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.

Marriage:

Parish Membership & Preparation required. Call Office 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation - Confession:

Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each Mass or on request.

Anointing of the sick:

Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.

Church & Hall at one level:

Wheelchair & Washroom Facilities available. Hall: 768-9368





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The Lenten season continues with another story of testing. Last Sunday, we heard the trial of Jesus in the desert. In this week's First Reading, we hear

of 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 today, too, we hear another echo. Jesus is called God's "beloved Son"—as Isaac is described as Abraham's beloved son.

Jesus is shown to be the true son that Abraham rejoiced to see. 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.

His rising should give us the courage to face our 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 Mass to offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and to renew our vows—as His servants and faithful ones.

- Scott Hahn

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: During Lent, parishioners are invited to meditate on the Stations of the Cross every Friday following the 7:00pm Mass.

FIRST COMMUNION 2021: The dates for the 2021 First Communion have been set for June 5th & 6th, 2021. Parents who have registered their child to receive the Sacrament have received an email. If you did not receive an email, we have not received a registration form from you. If you wish to register your child to receive their First Communion, please contact the office in order to obtain a registration form. *Please remember to attend Mass every Sunday as the best preparation for First Communion.*

CONFIRMATION 2021: The dates for the 2021 Confirmation have been set for May 1st & May 2nd, 2021. Parents who have registered their child to receive the Sacrament have received an email. If you did not receive an email, we have not received a registration form from you. If you wish to register your child to receive their Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the office to obtain a registration form.

An information meeting for all candidates, sponsors and ONE parent has been scheduled for Monday, March 1st at 7:00pm. Please plan to arrive by 6:45 pm in order to clear the COVID protocols promptly so that the meeting can begin on time. A short Commitment Ceremony will be part of this meeting. The meeting will last less than an hour.

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: We are having a virtual meeting on Sunday, February 28 at 7:00pm. All youth are invited. Please watch for a Zoom invitation by email and on Facebook at Best Youth on Hills. Any new youth who wish to participate can email: cocci5@tbaytel.net to request the Zoom invitation.

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COMMUNITY MESSAGES:

SUNDAY MASS WITH BISHOP COLLI: Each week-end Bishop Colli celebrates Sunday Mass for shut-ins and those unable to attend Mass at this time. Please visit the Diocesan website at: www.dotb.ca

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OFFICE & 4 SEASON'S GIFT SHOP: are open- Monday—Friday, 8:30am—4:30pm and Saturday's 10am-2pm. Call 343-9313 for more info.



MASS INTENTIONS March 1—7, 2021

Monday, March 1 All Parishioners Ernesto Romito	9:00am English Pastor Late Esterina
Tuesday, March 2 Msgr. Tomaselli Esterina Romito	7:00pm Italian C.W.L. late Esterina
Wednesday, March 3 Giuseppe, Maria & Pasquale Arella Antonio & Florenza Clemenza David Filice	7:00pm English M. Arella Family Mom & Dad
Thursday, March 4 Domenico & Marcello Donato & Defunti Famiglia Lucia Bucciarelli	7:00pm Italian Family Carla & Loana & Families
Friday, March 5 Franca Costantino Chris Hacio Nazzareno Tassone	7:00pm English M. Larizza Family moglie e famiglia
Saturday, March 6 5:00pm Mike Ferrari Alessandro & Paolina Iacino Pasquale Mauro Nicola Squartecchia	Wife & Children Family Wife & Children Wife & Family
Sunday, March 7 Third Sunday of Lent 9:00am Costanza Sacchetti Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia Vincenzo Rosso Giuseppina Conforti Carmine DeVuono	E. Sacchetti & Fam. Family daughter late Esterina Wife & Children
11:00am Maria DiCasmirro	A. & D. Castellani

Please continue to pray for all affected by the coronavirus. Stay safe, we will get through this difficult time with the help of our Blessed Mother.



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