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Mass Intentions This Week:



The Parishioners of St. Richard

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please give Mass intentions to Father.

Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Exodus 20:1-17
 Responsorial Psalm: 19:8, 9, 10, 11
 Reading II: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25
 Gospel: John 2:13-25

LECTOR SCHEDULE

03-07 Elsie Moleno
 03-14 Ann Thomas
 03-21 George Seif
 03-28 John Holtkamp

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In Our Thoughts and Prayers

People will stay on the prayer list for the sick for 1 month. If you would like your loved one to go back on the list for the following month please call the office and let Elizabeth know. We encourage parishioners to use this list during their daily prayer time to pray for those who are sick. May we all lift one another up in prayer during times of need: Steven Goellner; Earnest Thomas; Franklin Epps; Rosemary Buskirk; Robert Taylor

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If you are a Catholic man 18 years or older and wish to join our Council please contact: Jerry Beil (252-586-0635) ncjib2@gmail.com or Thomas O'Neill (252-308-0493) oneilltomandanne@gmail.com

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

SUNDAY: 10:30AM

SPANISH MASS:

Wednesday: 6:00PM

ROSARY: 10am Sunday

CONFESSIONS: 10am Sunday

Holy Days - As Announced.

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Second Sunday of Lent February 28, 2021

Focusing the Gospel

Key words and phrases:

took Peter, James, and John; transfigured; my beloved Son; listen to him

To the point: Peter, James, and John witness Jesus' transfiguration. But they themselves also undergo a transfiguration. Some change occurs within them so they are able to hear God's voice announcing Jesus' identity ("beloved Son") and the clear terms of their own discipleship ("listen to him"). Lent is meant to be our time of transfiguration.

What change needs to occur in us so that we grasp the clear terms of our own discipleship? What change

needs to occur in us so that we truly listen?

Connecting the Gospel ...

... to the First Reading:

Abraham obeyed God's command to sacrifice even his only son Isaac, and for that obedience God promised Abraham abundant blessings and countless descendants (which is to say, continued life through his offspring). Our own obedience to God ("listen to him") brings us the blessing of life in Christ (see Second Reading), which is to say, eternal life.

... to experience: The pressures of life often keep us from taking the time to stop and listen—to each other, to ourselves, and to God. But only by taking the time to listen can we grow in our relationships, in our quality of life, in self-understanding, and in discipleship.

Centrar el Evangelio

Palabras y frases clave:

tomó Pedro, Santiago y Juan; transfigurado; mi amado Hijo; escucharlo

Hasta el punto: Pedro, Santiago y Juan son testigos de la transfiguración de Jesús. Pero ellos mismos también se someten a una transfiguración. Algunos cambios ocurren dentro de ellos para que puedan escuchar la voz de Dios anunciando la identidad de Jesús ("Hijo amado") y los términos claros de su propio discipulado ("escúchalo"). La Cuaresma está destinada a ser nuestro tiempo de transfiguración. ¿Qué cambio debe ocurrir en nosotros para que comprendamos los términos claros de nuestro propio discipulado? ¿Qué cambio tiene que ocurrir en nosotros para que realmente escuchemos?

Conectando el Evangelio...

... a la primera lectura: Abraham obedeció la orden de Dios de sacrificar incluso a su único hijo Isaac, y por esa obediencia Dios le prometió a Abraham abundantes bendiciones e innumerables descendientes (es decir, vida continua a través de su descendencia).

Nuestra propia obediencia a Dios ("escúchalo") nos trae la bendición de la vida en Cristo (véase Segunda Lectura), es decir, la vida eterna.

... para experimentar: Las presiones de la vida a menudo nos impiden tomarnos el tiempo para detenernos y escucharnos, el uno al otro, a nosotros mismos y a Dios. Pero sólo tomando el tiempo para escuchar podemos crecer en nuestras relaciones, en nuestra calidad de vida, en la comprensión propia y en el discipulado.

Calendar of Events & Special Announcements



STATIONS of the CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 5:30 PM beginning February 19th.

Las Estaciones de la Cruz se llevarán a cabo todos los viernes durante la Cuaresma a las 5:30 PM a partir del 19 de febrero.

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| Mass Attendance for 02/21: | |
| Adults | 21 |
| Children | 6 |

Weekly Offerings:

February 21st

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Today's readings are ALL about sacrifice and love. Love and sacrifice. In the first reading, Abraham wanted a son so badly and God gave him one through a wife that was supposed to be unable to get pregnant. God tested Abraham's love for him. Did he love his new son more or did he love God more? Abraham loved God and trusted in him, and Isaac was saved. Abraham sacrifices a ram in thanksgiving to God. In the Gospel, God transfigures Jesus into dazzling white and says to all, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." God loves US so much he

sacrifices his own son (the Lamb) for our sins.

How much do we listen to Jesus, as God asked us to? What sacrifices do we make, especially during Lent, in thanksgiving to God for all He gives to us? How much do we trust in God? Enough to give him control of our finances? Make the Annual Diocesan Appeal part of your Lenten almsgiving.

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Las lecturas de hoy tienen que ver con el sacrificio y el amor. Amor y sacrificio. En la primera lectura, Abraham quería un hijo tan mal y Dios le dio uno a través de una esposa que se suponía que no podía quedar embarazada. Dios puso a prueba el amor de Abraham por él. ¿Amaba más a su nuevo hijo o amaba más a Dios? Abraham amaba a Dios y confiaba en él, e Isaac fue salvo. Abraham sacrifica a un carnero en acción de gracias a Dios. En el Evangelio, Dios transfigura a Jesús en blanco deslumbrante y dice a todos: "Este es mi Amado Hijo. Escúchalo."

Dios nos ama tanto que sacrifica a su propio hijo (el Cordero) por nuestros pecados.

¿Cuánto escuchamos a Jesús, como Dios nos pidió? ¿Qué sacrificios hacemos, especialmente durante la Cuaresma, en acción de gracias a Dios por todo lo que Él nos da? ¿En cuánto confiamos en Dios? ¿Suficiente para darle el control de nuestras finanzas? Haz que el Llamamiento Diocesano Anual forme parte de tu limosna cuaresmal.



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A Prayer for the Second Week of Lent

Loving God, as we journey through Lent in preparation for the celebration of Easter, help us pray so that we may keep our faith strong and grow in closeness to you. And help us to remember to heed your words: "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." (Mark 9:2-10).

Amar a Dios, a medida que viajamos a través de la Cuaresma en preparación para la celebración de la Pascua, ayúdanos a orar para que podamos mantener nuestra fe fuerte y crecer en cercanía hacia vosotros. Y ayúdanos a recordar tus palabras: "Este es mi Amado Hijo. Escúchalo." (Marcos 9:2-10).

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