

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

The gospel of the Second Sunday of Lent brings us to one of the important events in the life of Jesus. That is, his transfiguration on a mountain during which his face was transfigured and shone like the sun, while his clothes became white as light. Let us try to go over the important moments in this gospel passage.

First, the gospel passage says that Jesus invited three of his friends, Peter, James, and John, to go to a mountain and pray. The season of Lent is a call to prayer. Therefore, if opportunity permits, we should spend time in prayer so that we can enter into the paschal mystery of Jesus. Moreover, this makes our celebration of Easter more meaningful.

Second, Jesus transfigured. The transfiguration previews the glory and splendor of Jesus at Easter and beyond. It is a foretaste of what is to come. On the part of the disciples, the transfiguration gives them a preview of the glorious figure of Jesus.

Third, Peter cries out to Jesus, “*Lord, it is good that we are here.*” This statement of Peter is something upon which we should reflect. Peter speaks of something “good” which may be translated into joy. Each time we celebrate the holy Eucharist, we should also exclaim like Peter, “*Lord, it is good that we are here!*”

Fourth, it is significant that the transfiguration takes place on the road to the crucifixion. The disciples have some sense that Jesus is on the road to suffering and death. However, Peter’s proposal to Jesus, “*If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah,*” was a way of evading the pains on the cross. The transfiguration gives them strength and confidence that God is at work in the life of Jesus. It also gives them the courage to continue with their work because of the assurance that God is and would be with them. After the transfiguration event, the disciples became committed to face the future struggles.

The Transfiguration is a story of determination and hope. Our tendency is to build comfort zones in our life. Our tendency is to evade the pains and struggles that are there. What God wants is for us to have the capacity to face all these. We need a determination to face life’s difficulties and at the same time, cling to the hope and promise of glory. Let us remember the often used adage, “*No pain, no gain.*”

(Fr. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.)

**Mass  for the Intentions  Week**

**Monday, March 2 9:00 a.m.**  
 Helen Osmena req Leilani  
 Zenaida Ramirez req Myrna Dizon  
 Safe travel and blessings for Jason and family req Lorenzo and Tessie Abugan  
 All souls in purgatory req Benilda Fajardo  
 Eufemia Bermundo, Pancho Belga req Purita Belga  
 Intentions of Mauricio req Anne McInnis

**Tuesday, March 3 9:00 a.m.**  
 Intentions of Leilani Yotingco req Rod Yotingco  
 Special intentions for Central Health Institute req Lorenzo and Tessie Abugan  
 Safe travel and blessings for Jason and family req Loy and Tessie Abugan  
 Rogelio and Estrella Belga req Purita Belga

**Wednesday, March 4 9:00 a.m.**  
 Safe travel and blessings req Loy and Tessie Abugan  
 Birthday blessings for Eliana Cruz req Purita Belga

**Thursday, March 5 9:00 a.m.**  
 Maria and Jun Bakowski req Krystyna Zeglinska  
 Safe travel and blessings req Loy and Tessie Abugan  
 Thanksgiving req Purita Belga

**Friday, March 6 9:00 a.m and 7:00 p.m.**

**DAY OF PRAYER AND ADORATION**

Safe travel and blessings req Loy and Tessie Abugan  
 All souls in purgatory req Pauline Nguyen  
 Birthday blessings for Madelaine Abugan req Tess and Loy  
 Herminia Dela Cruz req Angelita Agbing  
 Souls of Susie Saliut and Mamerto Bumatay req Macrina Fabro  
 Rodolfo Tan req Teresa Tan  
 Intentions of Lisa req Anne McInnis

**Saturday, March 7 5:00 p.m.**  
 Samson and Virgilio Gabate req Gemma  
 William, Tuyen, Thomp req Pauline Nguyen  
 Birthday blessings for Emily Evangelista req Emily  
 Safe travel and blessings req Loy and Tessie Abugan  
 Andrzej, Eugenia and Eugeniusz Brycht req Krystyna Zeglinska  
 Rosana Campos req Fernanda  
 Healing of family tree req Antu

**Sunday, March 8 10:00 a.m.**  
**For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community**



Feb 21/22, 2026

Sunday Offering	\$	1,975.00
Loose Offering		417.00

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to St. Charles Garnier Parish.



Through prayer, fasting and almsgiving during Lent, we express our desire to turn toward God and all his children in preparation for Easter.

***"Be reconciled to God for now is the acceptable time."***

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
AFTER EVERY MASS DURING LENT**



**"WE ADORE YOU O CHRIST  
AND WE BLESS YOU,  
BECAUSE BY THE HOLY  
CROSS YOU HAVE  
REDEEMED THE WORLD."**

**JUBILEE YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

From Jan. 10, 2026 to Jan. 10, 2027, the Church marks a special Jubilee Year of Saint Francis of Assisi on the 800th anniversary of his death. During this year, the faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence by fulfilling the usual conditions (confession, Communion, prayer for the Holy Father, detachment from sin) and engaging in acts inspired by the Franciscan spirit, such as pilgrimage, prayer, works of charity, and humble service.

**SOUPFEST**



Sunday, March 1, 2026 after the 10:00 Holy Mass

Tickets: \$5.00 per person

Bowl of soup, crackers, tea or coffee, biscuit

Tickets are available after each Holy Mass. Please invite your families and friends.

**Parish Movie and Dinner Night**

**"Ben-Hur (2016 remake)"**

**Saturday March 14, 2026**

following the 5:00 Holy Mass

Lasagna dinner and movie

**Cost: \$15.00 per person**

Parish Meeting Room

**Tickets available after all the Masses**

**SAINT LUKE: THE STORY OF SALVATION  
FULFILLED**

We are now on the fifth week on our study on the Gospel of Luke. Participants continue to enjoy a great spirit of peace and joy. If any of you are interested, just come for morning or evening. You are welcome to hear the word of God and be nourished by grace and blessings.

**SCHEDULE**

**Tuesdays | February 3 – March 24, 2026**

**Morning Session: 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon**

*(after the 9:00 AM Holy Mass)*

**Evening Session: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**Weekly Dates**

February 3, 10, 17, 24

March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

**DAY OF PRAYER AND ADORATION**

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION**

**Prayer Intention: For disarmament and peace**

**Friday, March 6, 2026**



**9:00 a.m. Holy Mass**

**9:30 a.m. Adoration Begins**

**4:00 p.m. Benediction**

**6:00 p.m. Confession**

**7:00 p.m. Holy Mass**

***"How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!  
My soul yearns for the courts of the Lord." (Ps. 84: 1-2)***



**FEAST OF SAINT**

**JOSEPH**

**HEALING MASS**

**THURSDAY, 19TH OF MARCH, 2026**

**6:00 pm: ADORATION**

**7:00 pm: HEALING MASS AND**

**ANOINTING WITH HOLY OIL**

*Remembrance of the Just will last forever.... Prov. 10:7*

**PLEASE JOIN US WITH YOUR FAMILY  
AND FRIENDS**