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Third Sunday in Lent -March 12, 2023 BAS (Green book)

Starts p. 216 with the Penitential Order in Lent All Hymns from the Blue book at the end of your pew

Prayers & Lesson today: Kristal McCance,

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Offertory—508, I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

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