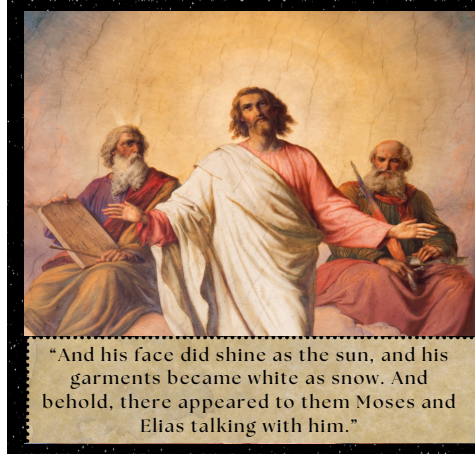




Sunday TLM Newsletter

II Sunday of Lent



EPISTLE (I Thess. IV. 1-7.) Brethren, we pray and beseech you in the Lord Jesus, that as you have received of us, how you ought to walk, and to please God, so also you would walk, that you may abound the more. For you know what precepts I have given to you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that you should abstain from fornication; that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honor; not in the passion of lust, like the Gentiles that know not God: and that no man over-reach nor circumvent his brother in business; because the Lord is the avenger of all these things, as we have told you before, and have testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto sanctification; in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL (Matt. XVII. 1-9.) At that time, Jesus took Peter, and James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart: and he was transfigured before them. And his face did shine as the sun, and his garments became white as snow. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elias talking with him. Then Peter answering, said to Jesus: Lord, it is good for us to be here; if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles, one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. And as he was yet speaking, behold a bright cloud overshadowed them, and lo, a voice out of the cloud, saying: This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him. And the disciples hearing, fell upon their face, and were very much afraid. And Jesus came and touched them, and said to them: Arise, and fear not. And they lifting up their eyes, saw no one, but only Jesus. And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying: Tell the vision to no man: till the Son of Man be risen from the dead.

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This upcoming week's TLM Mass Schedule & Parish Ordo

Date & Time	Day of Week	Mass	Color	Gloria/Credo	Preface	Commeration(s)/Notes
3/16/2025 at Noon	Sunday	2nd Sunday of Lent	Violet	Creed	Lent	
3/17/2025 at 8am	Monday	Monday after the Second Sunday of Lent	Violet		Lent	St. Patrick
3/18/2025 at 8am	Tuesday	Tuesday after the Second Sunday of Lent	Violet		Lent	St. Cyril of Jerusalem; Catafalque Prayers
3/19/2025 at 8am	Wednesday	St. Joseph, Spouse of BVM	White	Gloria, Creed	St. Joseph	Feria
3/20/2025 at 8am	Thursday	Thursday after the Second Sunday of Lent	Violet		Lent	
3/21/2025 at 8am	Friday	Friday after the Second Sunday of Lent	Violet		Lent	St. Benedict
3/22/2025 NO MASS	Saturday	Saturday after the Second Sunday of Lent	Violet		Lent	
3/23/2025 Noon	Sunday	3rd Sunday of Lent	Violet	Creed	Lent	

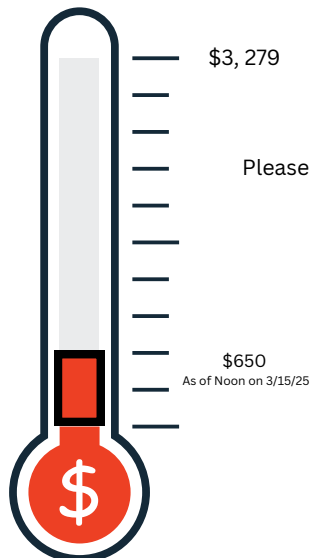


Weekly Announcements

REPARATION NEEDED FOR UPCOMING BLACK MASS IN KANSAS
See tfpstudentaction.org

WAY OF THE CROSS
5:30pm on Fridays of Lent

ALTAR SEVER WARRIOR MEET
The next Altar Sever Warrior Meet will be on Sunday, March 30, 2025 following the Noon Mass.
Current and prospective Altar Servers & their fathers are invited.



LOCAL SOUP KITCHEN FREEZER UPDATE
19% of funds raised! Be help the poor this lent.
The cost of this freezer is \$3,279.00.
Please visit saintmartindetours.org/freezer-for-cjc or QR code below to donate.



Mental Prayer: PART FOUR

Excerpt from "The Catechism of Mental Prayer"

28. How is mental prayer divided?

Mental prayer is divided into three parts:

1. The preparation.
2. The body of mental prayer.
3. The conclusion.

29. How can you justify this division?

Mental prayer is rightly compared to a divine audience; there are certain things to be done and observed in every audience. It is necessary:

1. Before the audience, to prepare for it.
2. During the audience, to employ the time thereof in a proper manner.
3. To bring it to a suitable conclusion.

30. How many kinds of preparation are there?

There are three kinds of preparation: the remote or habitual, the proximate, and the immediate.

31. In what does the habitual preparation for mental prayer consist?

The habitual preparation consists in removing the obstacles in our daily life that prevent us from meditating well, thus disposing ourselves favorably for this holy exercise.

32. What are the chief obstacles that prevent us from performing mental prayer well.

Dissipation and faults against silence, attachment to sin, and slavery to the senses and passions.

33. What means should be taken to remove these obstacles?

The following:

1. Recollection and silence.
2. Purity of heart, which consists in abstaining from all sin committed with full deliberation.
3. Exterior and interior mortification.

34. What are the principal acts of the remote preparation that favor mental prayer?

The habitual remembrance of the presence of God, purity of intention, and frequent recourse to exclamatory prayers.

TLM SERMON

II Sunday of Lent

3-16-25

1. Introduction

- a. “At that time, Jesus took Peter, and James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart: and he was transfigured before them. And his face did shine as the sun.” Words take from today’s Gospel +
 - i. Ave Maria.

2. Transfiguration

- a. For centuries, the Church has meditated on the Transfiguration during the second Sunday of Lent.
 - i. As a reminder of the perseverance of penance
 - ii. As a reminder of the importance of prayer

3. Today’s Gospel is a reminder to persevere in penance.

- a. The time of the Transfiguration is important
 - i. It happens right after the first time, Christ tells his disciples about his suffering, death, and resurrection
 - 1. The New Exodus (see Luke 9:31)
 - 2. The Old Exodus was freedom through the slaughter of an innocent lamb
 - 3. The New Exodus will be freedom through the suffering & death of Jesus
 - ii. There is a direct connection between the Transfiguration of Our Lord & Death of Our Lord
 - iii. There is a direct connection between glory and suffering
 - iv. Reminder for Lent: Don’t give up penance

b. The Three: St. Peter, St. James, & St. John

- i. Moses, who led the 1st Exodus, brought up three key people up a mountain
 - 1. Aaron, Nadab, Abihu
 - 2. Saw God on Mt Sinai
- ii. Christ, who leads the New Exodus brings us three key people up a mountain
 - 1. Peter, James, & John
 - 2. Same Three Brought into Garden
 - 3. Same three who witnessed the healing of Jairus' Daughter
- iii. Three see Face of God
 - 1. Glory of Mt Tabor
 - 2. Suffering of Mt of Olives
- c. See our lenten penance through the eyes of Mt Tabor
 - i. Flesh only wants to see what is visible
 - ii. As a reminder to see our penances with eyes of faith

4. Today's Gospel is a reminder for mental prayer

- a. Prayer involves faith
 - i. "This is my Beloved Son."
 - ii. "And his face did shine as the sun, and his garments became white as snow."
- b. Prayer involves humility
 - 1. "And the disciples hearing, fell upon their face, and were very much afraid"
- c. Prayer involves see Jesus as the center of everything
 - i. "And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elias talking with him."
- d. Prayer involves hard work
 - i. "At that time, Jesus took Peter, and James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart"
- e. Prayer involves resolutions

- i. “Arise, and fear not.”
 - ii. “they came down from the mountain”
 - iii. “ Tell the vision to no man: till the Son of Man be risen from the dead.”
- f. The three didn’t learn the lesson and failed the test
 - i. Fell asleep rather than prayed in the garden
 - ii. Adam & Eve failed to pray¹
- g. Our souls are hungry for God

5. Conclusion

- a. As Lent continues, let us beg the grace of the Holy Trinity to persevere in penance and mental prayer
- b. “For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto sanctification; in Christ Jesus our Lord.”- Words take from today’s Epistle +

¹ [Spirago, page 159](#) St. Augustine tells us that Adam and Eve had already admitted the beginnings of evil by thinking little of God and allowing them selves to be distracted by visible and palpable things. This was the occasion of the temptation. Their great happiness had made them unwary, and Eve foolishly lingered near the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and listened to the serpent, instead of turning away at once.