"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."

# $G_{\text{ospel meditation}} - \text{encourage deeper understanding of scripture}$

## March 5, 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

As a kid I remember looking at my sister and thinking, "No man is ever going to marry her. She is way too…my *sister!*" I couldn't see her as anything except my goofy, emotional, cooties-laden sister. Years later, on her wedding day, I remember seeing how her husband looked at her, he was totally in love with her, his watery eyes full of overwhelmed joy, drinking in her beauty and grace. He was the one who actually saw her. Blinded by familiarity, I had not been able to see her until now. She was glorious. I finally saw how beautiful my sister really was.

Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James, and John. His face shone like the sun and his clothes dazzle with heavenly light. If it's a miracle, it is so related to the apostles' perception of the glory of Jesus. The physical spectacle reveals how the Father perceives the Son, so to speak: **"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to him."** The Son is *always* bathed in the Father's love. It's only just now that they finally perceive it.

Who could possibly give his or her heart totally to Jesus? If we perceive him to be just another teacher, symbol, or moral example, we can't. But if the Holy Spirit gives us eyes to see that he is the Beloved Son of God, who makes our humanity not just pleasing to God but filled with glory ... then who can resist him? Perhaps only the lovers are the ones who properly see.

— Father John Muir

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# LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We have been tasked with the awesome responsibility of bearing witness to Jesus transfigured. We have seen what is real. We have heard what is true. Do we have the courage to rise, and not be afraid?

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## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## The Long Walk

The walk down from Mount Tabor after the Transfiguration must have been a long one for Peter, James, and John. How differently they must have viewed the world with the eyes that had seen what they had just seen. How uncertain they must have been.

I think it's important to remember that, on the mountain, they were amazed, yes but first, they were afraid. We are given the image of these three grown men — these saints, these giants of salvation history — cowering in fear at the voice of God. It was not until Jesus touched them that they could even bear to look up.

Christ was transfigured on Tabor, but in a way, the disciples were transfigured as well. We are all changed by what we see and what we hear. That change can be hard because knowledge is hard. Truth is hard. Sometimes cowering is easier.

Go forth, God told Abram. I will make of you a great nation.

Rise, Christ told his disciples. And do not be afraid.

I spend too much time cowering in fear at the voice of God. I cower even when the voice whispers into my heart instead of booming from the clouds. When it's the start of a hard day or a tough conversation. When it's the middle of a half-finished battle, big or small. When I know where Christ is and what he is asking, but I'm afraid because the walk down the mountain is so long, and the world that awaits me is so uncertain.

"Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you." — Psalm 33

# W HY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

## Lent Question:

Lent always seems to help me renew my relationship with God and strengthen my religious practice. Do you have any suggestions as to what I could do to achieve that the rest of the year?

## Answer:

The obvious answer may seem to be to do whatever you do during Lent all year round. But part of the power of Lent is that we focus as a community on renewing our faith and preparing for Easter. Our Lenten practices have a purpose and a goal. Therein lies the secret. When we focus our efforts on one virtue, or try to change one bad habit, or seek to deepen our understanding of one aspect of faith, we focus our efforts and give our full attention to what we are trying to accomplish. We tend to be more successful achieving our goals. More importantly, it has a ripple effect in our lives: one thing changes or is added to the spiritual mix of our lives and many aspects are changed. All too often we leave our spiritual growth to chance and the practice of faith to habit, and then wonder why we have no sense of growth or progress. Think of it in terms of exercise. We walk, lift weights, bend and stretch to attain the maximum benefit from what we do. In addition, to keep those benefits, we eat healthful food and get enough vitamins and rest. Spirituality requires the same kind of attention: we pray, fast, read the Bible, receive sacraments, and do charitable work to maximize the benefits of practicing faith. Keeping Lent year round keeps us in spiritual shape! ©LPi

- Prayer honoring the Transfiguration
- Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ, whose compassion illumines the world.

Transform us into the likeness of the love of Christ, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who live and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

"Here is a short Byzantine hymn that is also a prayer, asking God to shed his divine light upon all of **us**.

You were transfigured on the Mountain, O Christ God, showing Your Disciples as much of Your glory as they could hold. Let Your eternal light shine also upon us sinners, through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Giver of Light, glory to You."

-aleteia



## Rite of Election—St. John's Cathedral

This past Sunday the Church celebrated the Rite of Election. This Rite is a welcoming for those seeking full communion with the Roman Catholic Church so as to live fully the sacramental life.

Our RCIA Catechumen Kelly Lukich and Candidates Ollie Scott, Amy Mack, Nancy Kilkenny and Dan Kilkenny, along with their sponsors, were welcomed by Bishop Michael Woost. Look at those happy faces!!

As a parish family let us join in prayer for them as they anticipate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and will join us at the table of the Lord for Eucharist at our Easter Vigil.

So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. 2 Corinthians 5:17



Can you be a Simon of Cyrene and help to carry the Cross of Jesus!

Join the men of the parish on March 24th & 25th. (See the insert in today's bulletin for more information)

## **Diocesan Evening of Confession**

Please join Fr. Krizner at St. Ambrose Parish on Wednesday, March 8th. Confessions will be from 5pm-8pm.



NOTE: There will be <u>no</u> confessions at St. Colette

#### Bishop Edward C. Malesic Statement -February 2023

*To follow Jesus, we must stand against the inhumane treatment of others – a special message from Bishop Malesic.* 

As Catholic Christians, we know that God created us in his image and likeness; each of us is a unique and beautiful reflection of our creator. We are all brothers and sisters in Christ, yet what we see in the news regularly is division – whether it's based on the color of our skin, our political affiliation, our religious beliefs or other differences that lead to the inhumane treatment of others. We must recall that Jesus prayed just before he died that we might all be one. We also know that united we stand, divided we fall. I'm inviting everyone to reflect on one particularly painful sin of division – racism – and ask that you consider ways to actively reject this insidious evil wherever it is found.

In 2018, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops issued a statement, "Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love – A Pastoral Letter Against Racism." In that document, the bishops stated: "Racism still profoundly affects our culture, and it has no place in the Christian heart. This evil causes great harm to its victims, and it corrupts the souls of those who harbor it."

The statement went on to say: "What is needed ... is a genuine conversion of heart, a conversion that will compel change, and the reform of our institutions and society. Moving our nation to a full realization of the promise of liberty, equality and justice for all is even more challenging. However, in Christ we can find the strength and the grace necessary to make that journey." As you reflect on this, I ask you to join me in prayer, using these beautiful words from St. John Paul II:

"Lord our God, you created the human being, man and woman, in your image and likeness, and you willed the diversity of peoples within the unity of the human family. At times, however, the equality of your sons and daughters has not been acknowledged, and Christians have been guilty of attitudes of rejection and exclusion, consenting to acts of discrimination on the basis of racial and ethnic difference. Forgive us and grant us the grace to heal the wounds still present in your community on account of sin, so that we will all feel ourselves to be your sons and daughters."

We should pray, too, for ourselves, that we will never fail to understand that our power as followers of Jesus comes in our loving one another. We not only pray for victims of the sin of racism, but for all victims of discrimination, violence and abuse, from conception to natural death.

An African American saint in the making is the Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman, who inspired people of all races to work together for the justice that leads to peace. Sister Thea, at a meeting of USCCB in 1989 said, "The Church is a family of families, and the family (has) got to stay together ... if we do stay together, if we walk and talk and work and play and stand together in Jesus' name – we'll be who we say we are – truly Catholic. And we shall overcome – overcome the poverty – overcome the loneliness – overcome the alienation and build together a holy city, a New Jerusalem, a city set apart where they'll know that we are here because we love one another."

May we, as faithful Catholics, lead the way to a vision that Jesus has for this world, where we are all sons and daughters of God, and all brothers and sisters to each other. May we ask the Lord to wash away the ashes of sin in our own hearts, and replace them with the waters of grace – so that we may worship in spirit and in truth, proclaim the Gospel in its beauty, and serve the Lord with gladness.



WEDNESDAY 11:00 AM	March 8 - <i>St. John of God, Religious</i> +Daniel Grimes
FRIDAY 11:00 AM	March 10 - Lent Weekday +Nick & Alice Oriti
SATURDAY 4:00 PM	March 11 - Lent Weekday Parish Community
	March 12 OND SUNDAY OF LENT
8:00 AM	Special Intention
10:00 AM	+Margaret Mester
11:45 AM	+Michelle A Bischof
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Our friends and relatives who are ill. May God grant them

#### Healing and strength. These are remembered by Perpetual Help Prayer Team

Felicia Anderson, Mary Annibale, Larry Bender, Carol Biggs, Karen Biggs, Trevor Biggs, Pixie Blake, Carrie Jean Bonacci, Barbara Bonza, Marion Capra-Wesner, Rich C., Fr. Ralph Coletta, Elaine Coreno, Frank Cseh, Jenifer Darabant, Len & Gloria Demko, Stephanie Dolin-Atkinson, Ella Dumke, Robert Dumke, Sr., Mary Dumke, Gene Egnot, Dan Elber, Colleen Ferrell, Sharon Fisher, Amber Fitzgerald, Debbie Friedman, Lori G., Mary Lou Gamellia, Celia Giganti, James Gresko, Marlene & Flyod Geho, Jr., Nancy & Bob Grau, Elijah Grimes & family, Amy, Barb, Marilyn, Sandy, Bill, Tina Healy, Dan Healy, Kim Helle, Burgess M Holt, Shelly J., Rita Jamison, Dyan Kalal, Patricia Korbel, Steven Krizman, Tatum Krizman Mary McKeown, Tammy Monroe, David Murrin, Ruth Ann & Frannk Mucha, David Myers, Natalie P.Timothy Peterson, Donald & Beverly Phillippe, Phylis Piccolomini, Jesse Prybis, Ron & Pat Prybis, Elaine Rady, Tanya Ronsko-Kasparek, John Rossborough, Gus Santagata, Mary Lou Sarama, Ken Schroeder, Angela Schurger, Pat Schwark, Christoper Seman, Joe Seman, David Shepley, Marie Simpson, Dolores Stanchina, Lisa Szymanski, Bill Thompson, Joe Tonderski, Paula Ulas, Bill & Patty Varga, Becca Vickery, Carol Weiss, Anthony & Matthew Williams, Donna & James Woodyard, Peter Zaccari, Ruth Ziccardi.

## CLUB 52 RAFFLE Our winner drawn on February 26th: Congratulations to MARIA BARRETT

The next Sanctuary Candle will be lit in loving memory of



WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES -Readings for the week of March 5, 2023 Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/ Mt 17:1-9 Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38 Monday: Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/ Mt 23:1-12 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28 Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31 Thursday: Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46 Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-Saturday: 12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5 Next Sunday: -8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

#### Observances for the week of March 5, 2023

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of LentMonday:Tuesday:Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, MartyrsWednesday:St. John of God, ReligiousThursday:St. Frances of Rome, ReligiousFriday:Saturday:Next Sunday:3rd Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins ©LPi

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK

#### Servant of God Thea Bowman

Sister Thea Bowman tirelessly blazed a way for Black Catholics to fully live their faith out loud and with joy! You can listen to her music on all streaming services and experience her legacy though the many institutions that now boast her name.

#### Prayer

Prayer for Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman's intercession Ever loving God, who by your infinite goodness inflamed the heart of your servant and religious, Sister Thea Bowman with an ardent love for you and the People of God; a love expressed through her indomitable spirit, deep and abiding faith, dedicated teaching, exuberant singing, and unwavering witnessing of the joy of the Gospel.

Her prophetic witness continues to inspire us to share the Good News with those whom we encounter; most especially the poor, oppressed, and marginalized. May Sister Thea's life and legacy compel us to walk together, to pray together, and to remain together as missionary disciples ushering in the new evangelization for the Church we love.

Gracious God imbue us with the grace and perseverance that you gave your servant, Sister Thea. For in turbulent times of racial injustice, she sought equity, peace, and reconciliation. In times of intolerance and ignorance, she brought wisdom, awareness, unity, and charity. In times of pain, sickness, and suffering, she taught us how to live fully until called home to the land of promise. If it be your Will, O God, glorify our beloved Sister Thea, by granting the favor I now request through her intercession (mention your request), so that all may know of her goodness and holiness and may imitate her love for You and Your Church. We ask this through Your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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**Greg Shabbick** 

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

St. Colette's Holy Name Society and Our Lady of Perpetual is sponsoring 3 hours of Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday, March 9, from 4-7 pm. We welcome all members of the parish to come and spend an hour or more in the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

There will be light refreshments in the atrium upon conclusion.

"When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now".

- St Teresa of Calcutta

## Lampstand (formerly Daytime Believers)

Come join us in the daytime prayer group at



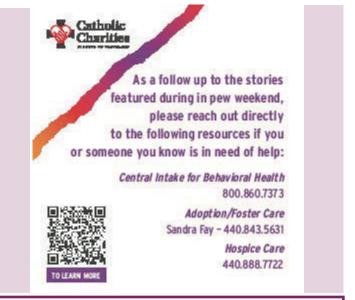
St. Colette. Wednesday mornings at 10am and ending with mass at 11am. Come, share scripture readings for Sunday, pray for the world especially our families. Let your light shine on the Lamp stand.

#### Baptism Class The next Baptism Class will be held Sunday, March 12th after the 11:45am mass at St. Colette. Diocesan policy requires attendance at a Baptism class for parents who are planning to present their first child for the Sacrament of Baptism. To register, call the Parish Office at (330) 273-5500.



Join us for our next gathering on Wednesday, March 15th at 7pm in the church.

Our speaker will be **Ed Rossman.** He is a member of Mary Queen of the Apostles Parish, celebrating 5 years recovery from cancer this month! He used the CaringBridge.org platform to inform and uplift his friends, family and fellow library co-workers during the Lenten months of his treatments and merged them into a book, "A Guy's Guide to Cancer".



## **RCIA FOR CATHOLICS**

Whether you have been Catholic your whole life there is still plenty to learn!! Come join us this week Sacraments of Confirmation You can meet us in the church on Wednesday at 7pm. All invited!

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

In order to make it possible for the workers of the Fish Fry to attend Stations, we will be praying the Stations on Fridays at 7:30PM This week the Stations of the Cross will be lead by the Men's Retreat Team.



Mrs. Susan Pfleiderer & family

# Happy to have you with us

## Remembering with Love....

Our loving prayers and deepest sympathy are extended to the family of James Troyer (brother of Sandy) who was called to his Eternal reward. Please pray for him and all the faithful departed.



## PARISH ACTIVITIES

Monday Mornings with Mary - Monday, March 6th, 10am

Brothers - Saturday, March 11, 8am

**Thank you** to Father K and St Colette's parish for helping the Middendorf family host the inaugural blood drive in honor of Aiden Middendorf! 25 pints of blood were successfully obtained that will help cancer, trauma, burn patients, and so many more. One donation can save up to three lives - we all did some good to help others down the line! Keep an eye out for future blood drive information!

We have a **Lost and Found** in the Parish Office. Any unclaimed items will be donated. Stop in after mass if you need to claim an item. Items are donated on a monthly basis.

THANK YOU



Please pray for those serving in the Military



Joseph Adams MJR Sylvester Azap SrA Aimee R. Budzinski USAF GySgt. John Burrell 1st Class Petty Officer Jacob Camper USN S/A-Dept/State Bradley Carlson Foreign Service Officer Cynthia Carlson-Cook S/SGT Stephen Coughlan SPC Kristen Coughlan MJR Jason Cross CPL Michael C. Dadaian USMC Michael Forlini HA Margaret Gasbarri USN **CPL** Peter Grasso SPC David Greenfelder Jr. LCpl Michael Grzybowski USMC Major Rick Hanrahan USAF SGT Jeremy Hlavaty 1LT Zachary Hollister USMC M/SGT Melissa Hunt CPL Zack Hunter USMC AMN 1st Class Joe Isabella Capt. Julianne Jamison USAF AA Bridget Kerr USN PVT Nathan Kerr Army Lt. Kris Klaiber SGT Kevin Lessman S/SGT Sam Lupica Col. Andrew W. Mack

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Please email updates to kplumb@stcoletteparish.com

# Thank you for your Service

Col. Rick Pierce Enjoy Retirement



Come join us at the Fish Fry In the New Corbie Hall

Hours are: 4:30—7pm

Dine in and carry out available. The menu is online at *stcolettecatholicchurch.com* Cindy Lee will be serving cabbage and noodles along with the regular menu on Friday, March 17th in honor of **St. Patrick's Day** 

## St. Colette Parish Directory

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#### MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm Sunday: 8:00-10:00- and 11:45 Wednesday & Friday: 11:00am Holy Day Vigil: 7:00pm Holy Day: NOON and 7:00pm

#### SACRAMENTS

**Baptism** - following 11:45 Mass on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. Arrangements must be made in advance through the Parish Office. Baptism Class required for first child.

**Matrimony** –Congratulations! Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance with the priest.

**Sacrament of the Sick** - contact the Office for home visitations and Eucharist.

Reconciliation - Saturday 3:00-3:30pm

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT THANK YOU!!!

Sunday, February 19, 2023	\$11,043.74
Capital Improvement Fund	
Children's.	
Project Endeavor	\$758.56
We sincerely & always appreciate your kindness	

To help start and build an endowment fund, please remember St. Colette in your will. We also have a Memorial Scholarship /Education Fund.

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Shop Hours: Mon - Thurs 9am-5pm, Friday 9am-3pm, Saturday 12 - 5pm and Sunday 8:30am - 1pm Kathy Pellegrin-330-273-5500

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	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:45 AM
LECTORS	J Blasko	K Warren	J Jaskowiak	C Pandora
SERVERS	E Sanders / M Jancar C Frimel	V & H Armstrong	A Tymann / M Goloja E Dolan	L Milks / L Saunders E Romer
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