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Mass Intentions:

March 16th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina  
March 17th: Patty Krueger + by Mr & Mrs Chuck Amrhein  
March 23rd: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina  
March 24th: For the Intentions of Ron Szewczyk



March 24, 2019

**Lectors** — Eleanor Michie  
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**Ushers**—Men of the Parish

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT  
March 17, 2019

The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
Whom should I fear?  
— Psalm 27:1

STAND FIRM IN THE LORD

It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, “Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things” (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, “our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ” (3:20). He will “change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body” (3:21). Note that he says “body” rather than “bodies.” He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So “stand firm in the Lord” (4:1).

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

By now, many may have failed in Lenten discipline to some measure or another: the daily doughnut is simply too alluring, or a furtive puff on a cigarette irresistible. There is meaning even in the failure, though, a kind of reminder that we cannot save ourselves. Part of the power of Lent is that we do it together, and although individuals decide on different ways to keep it, it is fundamentally the same journey. We fall, we get up, we keep moving. The desire to “give something up” for Lent is an age-old impulse in the Christian heart. We get better at it over the years, and move more deeply into the meaning and message of acts of sacrifice; so there is no shame in stumbling, as long as we are not discouraged by the failure and give up. We are clearing space in our lives, after all, and some of the things we desire to give up are worth rooting out completely anyway.

What do we do with the space we have cleared out by our sacrifice? The Lenten question of giving up is balanced by the Easter question of our response to Christ’s embrace of us in love: “What are you taking on for Easter?”

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WEEKLY OFFERING

March 3rd  
Budget \$2300  
Actual \$1106  
Short \$1194

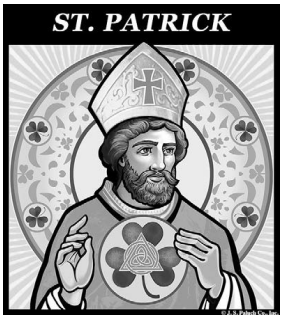
TODAY’S READINGS FOR YEAR C

**First Reading** — The LORD made a covenant with Abram (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18)  
**Psalm** — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).  
**Second Reading** — Our citizenship is in heaven (Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]).  
**Gospel** — Atop a mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Luke 9:28b-36).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Parishioners**  
Grant Adams,  
**Relatives**  
Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and Theodore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk  
**Friends**  
Emma Cupples, Fr Robert Ponticello



IRELAND

No reptiles are found there [in Ireland], and no snake can live there; for, though often carried thither out of Britain, as soon as the ship comes near the shore, and the scent of the air reaches them, they die.  
—Venerable Bede

AMBITIONS

Many ambitions are nipped in the budget.  
—Anonymous

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent;  
St. Patrick’s Day  
Monday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem  
Tuesday: St. Joseph  
Wednesday: Spring begins; Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sundown  
Friday: Abstinence  
Saturday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a  
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28  
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31  
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9  
Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

Mass Schedule

Monday: 11:30 am  
Wednesday: 11:30 am  
Thursday: 9:00 am  
Friday: 11:30 am  
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am



Stations of the Cross

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Stations of the Cross are each Friday during Lent at 5:00 pm

Special Collection

Catholic Relief Services  
March 31st

Annual Catholic Appeal

Our Goal is \$8,000 and 100% Participation of our 66 registered Families

25.75 % Participation  
\$2978 Pledged