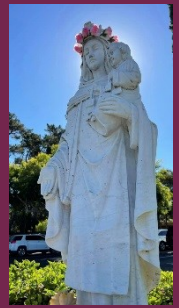




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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT "C" MARCH 16TH 2025
THIS IS MY CHOSEN SON; LISTEN TO HIM



On the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration.

The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his Passion. After the prediction there is a discussion of the cost of discipleship in each of these Gospels. The placement of the Transfiguration story close to Peter's confession and Jesus' prediction encourages us to examine the Transfiguration in the larger context of the Paschal Mystery.

The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed.

As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus. Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets. Only Luke's Gospel explains that this conversation is about Jesus' later accomplishments in Jerusalem. Luke describes this as his exodus, connecting Jesus' Passion, death, and Resurrection with the Israel's Exodus from Egypt.

On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Having just awoken, perhaps Peter's offer was made in confusion. We also notice that Peter reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus "master" instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son.

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LENTEN TALK: WHY DO WE MEDITATE ON THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS?

Father Jim Nisbet has been a priest in the Diocese of Monterey for over 50 years. He is a well-known speaker on the topic of the Sacred Scriptures. After more than forty trips to the Holy Land and having walked the Stations of the Cross in Jerusalem, he will offer a presentation that is both historically accurate and spiritually inspiring.

Teaching Scripture is Fr. Jim Nisbet's favorite ministry, both at home in California and abroad. Fr. Jim teaches parishioners, prisoners, seminarians, and university students. A much-requested speaker, he has brought his Scriptural insights, factual information, and humor to workshops and conferences on four continents.

Students credit his popularity to his ability to bring Bible texts to life, making places, customs, and historical events real and their significance modern. Sharing his faith life helps students grow on their own. He presents the Bible as a book of visions rather than a book of concepts, opening new understanding for all.

Besides his formal education at the Universities of San Diego, St. Paul in Ottawa, and the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, Fr. Jim draws on special resources:

- Years of immersion in the Bible, spending several hours each day in study
- Experience as a silkscreen artist

This is an opportunity to discover the sources of the Church's oldest devotion, one that many have prayed since grade school. Father Jim will preside at 4:30 PM Mass on Saturday, March 22. Lenten Talk right after Mass at 5:30 PM in the Church. All are welcome. Todos bienvenidos.

II DOMINGO DE CUAREMA *"ÉSTE ES MI HIJO, MI ESCOGIDO; ESCÚCHENLO"*

En el segundo domingo de Cuaresma, pasamos del retiro de Jesús al desierto y la tentación del diablo a la gloria manifestada en la Transfiguración de Jesús.

La Transfiguración ocurre tras la confesión de Pedro de que Jesús es el Mesías y la predicción de Jesús sobre su Pasión. Tras la predicción, se analiza el coste del discipulado en cada uno de estos Evangelios. La ubicación del relato de la Transfiguración cerca de la confesión de Pedro y la predicción de Jesús nos anima a examinarla en el contexto más amplio del Misterio Pascual.

La Transfiguración ocurre en un monte en presencia de tan solo tres discípulos de Jesús: Pedro, Santiago y Juan. Estos se encuentran entre los primeros discípulos a los que Jesús llamó en el Evangelio de Lucas. Solo el Evangelio de Lucas, que a menudo describe a Jesús orando, indica que Jesús está orando mientras su apariencia cambia a un blanco brillante. Lucas indica que los tres discípulos dormían mientras Jesús oraba.

Al despertar, Pedro y los discípulos ven a Jesús transfigurado y a Elías y Moisés presentes con él. Elías y Moisés, ambas figuras significativas en la historia de Israel, representan la continuidad de Jesús con la Ley y los Profetas. Solo el Evangelio de Lucas explica que esta conversación trata sobre los logros posteriores de Jesús en Jerusalén. Lucas lo describe como su éxodo, conectando la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de Jesús con el Éxodo de Israel de Egipto.



MASS INTENTIONS

March 8st — 16th 2025

Sat. Mar. 15th Vigil 4:30: - People of the Parish

Sun. Mar. 16th 9:00: + Maureen Dalton

11:00: + Christine Hallas

Wed. March 19th 12:00: + Pauline Noto

Thurs. Mar. 20th 12:00: + Joseph Noto

Fri. March 21st 12:00: + Bev Kordsmeir

Sat. Mar. 22nd 4:30: + James Joseph Stelzner

Misa en Cachagua: (Familia Martinez-Resendiz:

18880 Cachagua Rd # 14)

7:00: —Cumpleanos de Benjamin Martinez.

+ Artemio Martinez.

Sun. Mar. 23rd 9:00: - People of the Parish

11:00: + Edith Davis

WEEKLY COLLECTION

MARCH 8TH & 9TH \$3,854.21

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FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish,

On the journey of Lent that we have begun, not everything is about the desert. Jesus give us a glimpse of his Divinity at the Transfiguration, an opening eye to his Resurrection. I hope to see you at Mass so we can meditate on these mysteries.

Next Sat. March 22nd at 5:30pm we will have our *Lenten Talk*. I humbly invite you to read the article about our speaker for the talk, Fr. Jim Nesbit, and his experience teaching about Sacred Scriptures. Shalom! Fr. Jhonnatan.

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2025 AMA: 16 donors, totaling \$8,350.

LENTEN SEASON 2025

Stations of the Cross Fridays: 5:30pm.

Lenten Talk: Sat. March 22nd at 5:30pm in the Church. Fr. Jim Nesbit. Why do we meditate on the Stations of the Cross?.

Lenten Reconciliation Service. Wed. April 9th at 6:30pm.

Magnificat Lenten Companion Booklets: English/Espanol. \$ 5 offering.

2025 LENTEN DINNERS—Tickets for sell this weekend. \$ 35
Friday March 28th at 6:00 pm
Friday April 11th at 6:00 pm

HOLY WEEK, AND EASTER 2025

PALM SUNDAY

Sat. April 12th 4:30pm: Vigil Mass

Sun. April 13th: 9 & 11am Masses.

1pm Misa en Espanol.

Blessing of Palms (Covid Memorial Garden)

"Weather permitting"

CHRISM MASS

Tue. of Holy Week April 15th
11am At Madonna del Sasso in Salinas.

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

April 16th 12pm Betrayal Mass

HOLY THURSDAY

April 17th 6:30pm: Bilingual Mass of the Lord's Supper -Adoration Until 10pm
Parish Hall

GOOD FRIDAY

April 18th: 3:00 pm Stations of Cross
3:45 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
6:00 pm Santo Via Crucis & 7 Dolores de la Virgen (Cachagua Community Park)

HOLY SATURDAY

April 19th 8:00 pm: Bilingual Easter Vigil
Blessing of Fire (Covid Memorial Garden)

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EASTER SUNDAY

April 20th: 9 & 11am Easter English Masses.



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Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English,

Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month

1:00 pm in the Church.

4th Saturday of the month at 7:00pm in Cachagua.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:

1:00 pm—3:00 pm.

Sundays: 10:00 am—11:00 am.

“At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service.” St. Teresa of Avila

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