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Archdiocesan Center for Chinese Apostolate

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February 25, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



I Surrender

Loving Father,
I come before you,
asking for your mercy.
May my faith be as strong
as that of Abraham.
Grant me steadfastness this Lent,
in my pursuit of a deeper prayer life.
Free me from obstacles
that keep me from you.
May I find peace in your presence
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Sunday, February 25, 2024

Continued Change



Today's readings: Genesis 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18; Psalm 116:10, 15, 16–17, 18–19; Romans 8:31b–34; Mark 9:2–10. In today's Gospel, Peter, James, and John glimpse Jesus' glory as he is transfigured before them on the mountaintop. Peter, intent on staying at the site of their beatific vision of Jesus, Moses, and Elijah, suggests that three tents be made. "Rabbi, it is good that we are here," he tells Jesus.

Each week we participate in a mystery as we take part in Sunday Mass. There, as the Eucharistic Prayer is prayed, the bread and the wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. But the elements of bread and wine are not all that are transformed during the liturgy. In the Eucharistic Prayer, it is also prayed that we "may become one body, one spirit in Christ." When we are especially attentive to the prayers,

songs, and gestures of the liturgy, we may say to ourselves and one another, "It is good that we are here." Transformed by the liturgy, we leave the church to bring the presence of Christ and the Word of God into the world.

Just as the apostles could not stay with Jesus on the mountaintop, the faithful cannot remain in the church. As the Second Vatican Council's *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* states, "The renewal in the eucharist of the covenant between the Lord and his people draws the faithful into the compelling love of Christ and sets them on fire." Our mission, as we leave the liturgy, is to testify to God's love, bringing hope to those facing difficult times. We make Christ known as we accompany others.

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Barbara Chapel

Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday: 8 a.m.

St. Barbara Church

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 6 a.m./9:30 a.m.

Indonesian: 2nd Sunday: 11:30 a.m.

DEVOTIONS

First Saturday Healing Mass

St. Barbara Chapel: 8 a.m.

The Rosary

Sunday 5:30 a.m. Before 6 a.m. Mass

St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church

Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 8 a.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m./10:30 a.m.

Cantonese: 1st Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Mandarin: 2nd Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (TBA)

4th Sunday: 12:30 p.m.

DEVOTIONS

Mondays with Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity:

4-5 p.m. Rosary and 5-6 p.m. Holy Hour

First Friday Holy Hour: After the 8 a.m. Mass



Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Barbara Worship Site

Saturday, Feb. 24th | Vigil | Second Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. God's will be done on earth as it is in Heaven
by Kisielente Family
+ Cita Orendain by Lily & Richard May
+ Rocco Roti, Anniversary Remembrance by
Marion Roti

Sunday, Feb. 25th | Second Sunday of Lent

6:00 a.m. + Theresa Ryndak by Pulaski Savings Bank
+ Ted Graser by Jim & Christina Bertucci
+ Edward Walz by Jim & Christina Bertucci
+ Ronald Kopke, Jr., Bernadette Noonan,
"James Boodie" Bertucci, Louis Phillips, Sam
Scalise, Deceased Members of the Ropke/
Bertucci, Noonan/Sinople, Bertucci/ Versetto,
Phillips/ Pacente, Scalise/ Frierie Families,
Frances Sabbia & all Deceased Members of
the Sabbia & Tadin Families by Janet Ropke
9:30 a.m. + Teresita Holcomb by King Family
+ Eugenia "Jean" Becatti by Dolores
+ Carolyn Dwyer by Elli Pollock
+ Therese Ryndak by Kisielente Family

Tuesday, Feb. 27th | Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Blessings for Benefactors & Parishioners

Thursday, Feb. 29th | Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. + 4th Heavenly Anniversary for Dominic
Barbaro by Barbaro Family

Saturday, March 2nd | Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. All Souls Day Remembrance

Saturday, March 2nd | Vigil | Third Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. God's will be done on earth as it is in Heaven
by Kisielente Family
+ Catherine Spina by Joe & Rena
+ Mitchell Pienta by Dolores Becatti
+ Cita Ordendian by Roberta Cheong
+ In Remembrance of Catherine Spina by
Joe & Rena

Sunday, March 3rd | Third Sunday of Lent

6:00 a.m. + Theresa Ryndak by Ted Kochowicz & Family
+ Eugene (Gino) Barajas, Sr.
+ Ronald Kopke, Jr., Bernadette Noonan,
"James Boodie" Bertucci, Louis Phillips, Sam
Scalise, Deceased Members of the Ropke/
Bertucci, Noonan/Sinople, Bertucci/ Versetto,
Phillips/ Pacente, Scalise/ Frierie Families,
Frances Sabbia & all Deceased Members of
the Sabbia & Tadin Families by Janet Ropke
9:30 a.m. + Teresita Holcomb by King Family
+ Eugenia "Jean" Becatti by Dolores Becatti
+ Carolyn Dwyer by Elli Pollock

St. Therese Worship Site

Sunday, Feb. 25th | Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. + Birthday Remembrance, Bernadette Zito by Joe
& Rena
10:30 a.m. Thanksgiving to the Lord for Prayer Granted
by Jade
Health Blessings for Jian GuoXin by Jean Wu
+ Ho Kwan Yuen by the Sin Family
+ Cita Orendain by Roberta Cheong
+ Leticia Garcia Martin by Patti Lee

12:30 Mandarin Mass

+ Theresa Zhou 周淑贞 by Joyce 安菲

Monday, Feb. 26th | Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Bernadette Zito by A. Briglio & Family
+ Cita Orendain by Lily & Richard May

Wednesday, Feb. 28th | Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Dominic Barbaro by Barbaro Family
+ Catherine Spina by A. Briglio & Family

Friday, March 1st | Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Blessings for Benefactors & Parishioners
+ Albina Adomaitis by John & Sue Adomaitis
+ WuShen Po by Bijiang Lin

***"Be faithful in small things
because it is in them that your
strength lies."* ~ St. Mother Teresa**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

St. Barbara—Saturday, March 2nd

5p.m. Lectors: L. Saletta, E. Kroner
Eucharistic Minister: A. Skokal

Sunday, March 3rd:

6a.m. Lector: J. Bertucci
Eucharistic Minister: J. Balasa
9:30 a.m. Lectors: B. Pienta, A. Alonzo, III
Eucharistic Minister: A. Alonzo

St. Therese - Sunday, March 3rd:

8:00a.m Greeters: N. Lowe, J. Lowe
Lectors: Rose Marie & Nora
St. Michael Ministry:
10:30a.m Greeters: C. Lee, J. Yee, D. Lowe
Lectors: **CANTONESE MASS**
Eucharistic Ministers: Jean (Altar) (Choir)
St. Michael Ministry: Edy

THANKS

Thanks to all who helped with the Family Mass and reception last weekend. Special thanks to **Elaine Sin** for her leadership and creativity with the “Prayer Tree” ritual and “Tong Yuan” reception.



NASA'S ENLIGHTENING DISCOVERY

By Fr. John Cuff

A true story may help to better understand the Transfiguration: A few years ago, NASA was experimenting with a special type of camera that could detect the energy levels in the human body. This energy shows up as an aura around the body. It seems everyone has such an aura, which can be seen on a monitor. NASA's interest in the experiment was to investigate the effects of space travel on astronauts in orbit. Experimenting in a hospital, they discovered that when a person is dying, the aura around the body becomes thin and gets thinner and thinner until the person dies.

As the story goes, the scientist carrying out this investigation in the hospital and his associate were behind a two-way mirror opening on the room of a sick man. One day their camera detected the form of another man coming into the room with light coming from his pocket. The man took the object from his pocket and did something so that in the camera the whole room was filled with light, so much so that with their camera the scientists could no longer see what was happening. They ran to the room to see what was causing so much light to appear in the camera. They discovered that the dying man was being given Holy Communion. Returning to their room, they could see that the aura around the sick man was much brighter. Although in his fifties, the lead scientist later became a priest after witnessing that strange phenomenon.

Undoubtedly, the dying man's spirits were greatly lifted by receiving Jesus in Holy Communion, since the aura around him was much brighter. Up to that point he was lying sick in his hospital bed morosely facing death. Applying the story to today's Gospel of the Transfiguration, the Apostles may also have felt a similar depression on hearing Jesus' prediction of the passion, and the bleak future that awaited them. When they began to feel that way, Christ knew that they needed strengthening. So he took them up the mountain and provided them with the brilliant light of the Transfiguration.

Perhaps we may sometimes forget about God, forget about the Eucharist, forget about the Sacraments, forget to pray every day, forget to read the Bible. That would be sad, because then, even having everything would mean having nothing, since the only one to give meaning to our life is Jesus who enlightens our path. Only Jesus can brighten a NASA camera so much that the scientists cannot see what is happening in the room. When we live everyday with God as part of our lives, we may discover that there's so much divine energy present in our lives, as to blind a NASA camera and to change the life of a NASA scientist.



Congratulations

Congratulations to all of our OCIA catechumens who celebrated the Rite of Election last Sunday. They enrolled their names in the Book of Life at the 10:30am mass and celebrated Election with Cardinal Cupich at 2:30pm at Holy Name Cathedral. It was inspirational to be with all other catechumens and candidates from all over the Archdiocese. The ones from our parish are: **Brian Sutanto, Joseph Wang, WenBin He, Keyi Ji, Tong Huan, FengQian Sui, and Amy XiaoLing Li**. Three children will be baptized along with them at Easter Vigil and they are: **Johnson Ji, Anita Ji, and Evelyn Sui**. We also have two candidates, **QingQing and TianTian**, who are still discerning about their call to Baptism. With their catechists and sponsors, we continue to journey with them towards the Easter Vigil and we assure them of our prayers.



Peace ~Fr. Francis



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven... for the life of the world"(John 6: 51).

Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7pm

a. March 1 and 15 at St. Therese. **b.** March 8, 22 and 29 at St. Barbara.

CRS Rice Bowl—Distribution on Feb. 17-18 and Returning on March 16-17 and 23-24

OCIA *The Rite of Sending Catechumens for Election took place at the 10:30am mass on Sunday, Feb. 18th and the Rite of Election at 2:30pm at Holy Name Cathedral.

***Scrutiny Rites** will be celebrated on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent. 1st Scrutiny Rite will take place at the 9:30am mass on Sunday March 3rd at St. Barbara Church and the 2nd on Sunday March 10 at 10:30am mass and the 3rd on Sunday March 17th at 10:30am mass.

Mandarin Mass & Faith Sharing—12:30pm on Sunday Feb. 25th followed by Faith Sharing

First Friday Devotion—Friday March 1st at 8am mass with Divine Mercy Chaplets & Benediction at St. Therese

First Saturday Anointing of the Sick—Saturday, March 2nd at 8am mass at St. Barbara Chapel

Youth Ministry—6pm following the 5pm mass on March 2nd at St. Barbara

Cantonese Mass & Alpha—10:30am Sunday March 3rd followed by Alpha

Parish Mission—6:30pm---7:45pm on March 3rd, 4th and 5th at St. Barbara

Holy Name Gathering—March 8th at 7pm

Family Mass—9:30am on Sunday March 10th followed by Open Gym and Coffee and Donuts

Religious Education Students' Reconciliation—9am on Sunday March 10th

Indonesian Mass—11:30am on Sunday March 10th

Accompanies You in Prayer at SSB—3pm to 4pm Tuesday March 12th

Mandarin Lenten Retreat—Sat. March 16th from 10am ---5:00pm at St. Therese

English Alpha—Sat. March 16th 6pm after the 5pm mass at St. Barbara

Family Mass—10:30am on Sunday March 17th led by Religious Education Students

St. Barbara Campus Mass and Reconciliation—8am on Tuesday March 19th

St. Therese Campus Mass and Reconciliation—8am on Friday March 22nd

1st Reconciliation ---March 23rd at 10am at St. Therese

Living Well Speaker Series—6pm on Saturday March 23rd at St. Mother Teresa Hall

Mandarin Mass and Faith Sharing—12:30pm on Sunday March 24th

Living Stations of the Cross by St. Therese School Students: TBA

Lenten Regulations (from Feb. 14th, 2024, Ash Wednesday--- the Paschal Triduum)

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.

February

Upcoming Special Events & Schedule

Mondays with the Sisters of the Missionary of Charity: 4pm-5pm Street Rosary and 5pm-6pm Adoration at St. Therese Church. All are welcome.

Good Shepherd Catechism for Children ages 3 to 7 years on Sundays at 10:30am at St. Therese

Feb. 27---8am St. Barbara Campus Mass

Feb. 28---8am St. Therese Campus Mass

2024 St. Therese Offering Boxes are available to be picked up at the Church entrance table for registered parishioners.

Need A Tax Letter?

Tax letters can be obtained by contacting our parish offices at 312-842-7979 or 312-842-6777.

HOLY NAME NEWS



Holy Name wishes to invite all men 18 and older to our next meeting March 8th at 7pm in the mobile unit at St. Barbara's worship site north parking lot. Enjoy a delicious meal and company of all. Super Split the Pot has ended for this season and will pick back up in the fall. 100 Club

tickets are available all year in the back of church at St. Barbara or from any Holy Name member. 100 Club winners for February are: 1st Sinbad V, 2nd Diduvina Garibay, 3rd Amanda Valone, 4th Mr & Mrs Roberto Garibay, 5th Griffin Thomas. Queen of Hearts is nearing \$4000 with no winner yet! Purchase your tickets \$20 from Roberto Garibay 773-230-9285.

Elvis will be at St. Barbara June 14th - mark your calendars now! Details to follow shortly. It is flag day and Elvis will do a tribute to our country's symbol of peace and freedom!

The Holy Name wishes to thank everyone for the support of our organization as we have been rebuilding from scratch after the merger of the two worship sites and then the effects of Covid!

RETIREMENT-- former SBC Pastor Fr. Dennis Ziomek

Fr. Ziomek will be retiring on June 30, 2024 after 45 years of priesthood and serving in a variety of parishes including ministry at Quigley. Fr. is grateful to everyone for their support of his ministry. He will continue his involvement with the Archdiocese of Chicago as Dean of nine surrounding parishes. He asks for your prayers as he will keep you in his. We wish him well!



Prayer Intentions:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Judy L. Ragano** who was buried this past Tuesday through St. Therese. May she rest in peace.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Constantine Salinas** whose Funeral Mass of the Resurrection will be on Monday, Feb. 26th at St. Barbara Church. May he rest in peace.



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YOUTH MINISTRY

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." -1 Timothy 4:12

Join us for 5 pm mass followed by discussion, pizza, and open gym.

Why: Come together to build up friendship with one another and with Jesus.

Who: Youth in grades 6-12

When: Saturdays after the 5pm Vigil Mass until 7 pm

Saturday, March 2

Saturday, April 6

Saturday, May 4

Where: St. Barbara Worship Site

Contact Mr. Chariker with questions
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主題: 靜、敬、淨 — 純化皈依



主讲: 吳惠如修女

修女的牧靈和靈修輔導資力豐富, 她是印第安那州州立大學畢業的咨商心理博士, 曾任台灣靜宜大學社會工作學系助理教授與學務長, 現在在印地安那會院擔任初學導師。

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WEEKLY COLLECTION—FEBRUARY 18, 2024

St. Barbara

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 1,385.00
Sunday Loose	\$ 444.00
Give Central	\$ 409.00
Total Collection	\$ 2,238.00

YTD Weekly

Actual	\$ 68,577.00	\$ 2,238.00
Goal	\$ 91,800.00	\$ 2,700.00
% of Goal	75%	83%

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Central & Eastern Eu	\$ 662
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St. Therese

\$ 485.00
\$ 676.00
\$ 625.00
\$ 1,786.00

YTD Weekly

\$ 72,859.00	\$ 1,786.00
\$ 91,800.00	\$ 2,700.00
79%	66%

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Please pray for those who are ill, homebound, hospitalized and in need of continued prayers.

Amalia Agins, Austin Agins, Bernadette Agins, Joyce Agins, Stephen Agins, Mary Aguirre, Angeleo Alonzo, Debbie Annoreno, Amy Averet, Kimberly Babe, Geraldine Baldwin, Judith Beaudry, Christine Bertucci, Joseph 'Joey' Bertucci, Lonnie & Theresa Bertucci-Falls, Jennifer Bond, Jeff Bowman, Andrea Brongiel, Mary Camarda, Anthony Capone Sr., Laverne Connolly, Joe Cruz, Patti Cuchetto, Paul DeGrazia, Henry Diaz De Leon, Kathy Egle, Nenita Feliciano, Jerry Felske, Minnie Ford, Natalia Francone, Bill Frank, Darlene Frost, Harold Frost, Paul Gadomski, Ray Gadomski, Lily Ann Galloway, John Gasca, Bernadette Glabicki, Ed Glos, Pat Grieco, Koen Guest, Jose P. Gutierrez, Kellar Harris, Jasmine Henson, Barbara Herr, Denise Holland, Gwen Holub, Morris Humphrey, Michaeline Hunter, Ted Hunter, Suzanne Ivester, Jennifer Janson, Maryann Januszewski, Chester Jendryczka, Dr. Joe, John Kaput, Rose Kisielowski, Anna Kolendo, Christine Krupa, Craig Labudda, Sunny Labudda, Baby Kinsley Paige Leschinsky, Kiera Litwin, Barbara Lokey, Lenny Loretto, Richard Lyznicki, Nancy Malloory, John Mangan, Kayle Marth, Paul Martinez, Bill Marczuk, Zena Masi, Maria Mawgwi, Lil' Joe Michalak, Cindy Moore, Dr. Mike, Tony Mrgan, Cydney Muti, Stephanie Nicks, Deacon Jack O'Leary, Allison Pakula, Virginia Pakula, Eva Castillion Parcon, Josie Petkus, Michael Petruck, Theresa Pickens, Dolores Pienta, Ellen Pietrzak, Beverly Pirelli, Megan Pirelli, Barbara Rekar, Josephine Richardson, Sandra Rios, Joel Rivera, Jose Rodriguez, Jose C. Rodriguez, Mila Rolon, Dolly Roti, Ellen Ryan, Maria Saludo, Bernard Sandacz, Kennedy Shepski, Anthony Sinople, Adeline Skokal, Raymond Smolinski, Gary Solverson, Sharon Solverson, Diane Spata, Joanne Stewart, Lauren Stronczek, Rose Stronczek, Shirley Synal, Robert Synal, Baby Zachary Synal, Emily Rose Thomas, Norbert Trojanowski, Bill Ufferman, Dolores Ufferman, Dave Ulczycki, Christine Vanderford, George Vanderford Sr., George Vanderford Jr., Juan Vargas, Joyce Vogt, Ava Walczak, Sadie Walker, Barbara Webb, Bill Webb, Sylvia Wiertel, Madison Young, Eugene & John Zabek, Evelyn Zaleski, Virginia Zawacki, Al Zipf, *** Ken Barber, Hu Bin, Jose Cardinal, Joseph Caruso, Roberta Cheong, Kim Chiu, Brian Cook, Sister Noel Devine, Jimmy Distasio, MAD & Rose Marie Donato, Mark Donato, Mia Rose Faciana, Kerry Fluder Setter, Gyna Gazzi, James Gemkow, Roseann Gurgone, Michael Howley, Frank Karagianes, Levi Kirkland, Angela Lasillo, George Lee, David Leung, Shiu Wah Leung, Felina Li, James Longo, III, Matthew Mantia, Phil Maraldi, Jerry McCarthy, Barbara McElroy, Xue Ying Mou, Lucy Moy, Mina Preysler Munoz, Cita Orendain, John Paleoik, Anne Pataka, Rose Perez, Gerard Phillips, Ali Powers, James Rak, Victor Roa, Phyllis Robinson, Joseph Rubin, Amelia Lorraine Schroeder, Karl Schroeder, David Sero, Richard Shew, Kay Siani, Nicholas Tobar, Richard Tobar, Anthony Valentino, Luz Whitehead, Luke Williamson, Bai Xue, Ching Shiu Yau, Lan Ying Yee, Ramona Zavala, Susan Zibricky, Sonny Furmanek, Juliana, 蔡宏恩, Kate Lynch, Josephine Laco, Dolores Becatti, Michele Young, Charles Corbett, Rick Deleon, Shirley Mendoza, Gary Leverage, Diane Rzasa, MingYing Liu, FanYa Zhang, Diana Cardinal, Karen Zovko, Darlene Phillips Smith, Ella Dover, Jian GuoXin, Louis Phillips, Jeffrey Fockler, Frank Scuito, Anthony A. Briglio,

*****Please review the above Prayer List to identify if there is a name that should be removed OR inform us if there is someone that needs to be added. Please call the rectory to make changes. Thank YOU!**

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Sacramental

Please contact parish office for any of the following:

Baptisms: Parents must be registered practicing parishioner and attend a baptismal preparation session before a baptism will be scheduled.

Communion Calls: Please contact the Rectory when someone who is homebound or in the hospital wishes a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone seriously sick and not only for those near death.

Confessions: Saturdays, 4:15-4:45 p.m. at St. Barbara Church or by appointment.

Ministry of Care: Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit, pray with, and bring Holy Communion to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a program for anyone inquiring and seeking information about entering the Catholic faith.

Weddings: Weddings need to be scheduled at least six months in advance. Couples are reminded to secure the Church date before the reception hall.

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MARCH 3 | SUNDAY

CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT TO DISCIPLESHIP THROUGH BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, AND EUCHARIST

Scripture: Mark 14: 22-26. Testimony by Kim Casey



MARCH 4 | MONDAY

WE ARE NEVER ALONE: THE EUCHARIST AS STRENGTH FOR DISCIPLESHIP.

Scripture: Isaiah 41:10. Testimony by Derrick Chariker



MARCH 5 | TUESDAY

THE GLORY OF GOD: THE EUCHARIST SENDS US FORTH

Scripture: John 15:8-10. Testimony by Roberta Cheong



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THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, February 26 Forgiven

"Forgive and you will be forgiven," Jesus tells his followers in today's Gospel. As Jesus preaches mercy, he explains that the actions of others will reflect our actions. Only if we are willing to forgive will we be forgiven. During this week, consider whom you need to forgive and from whom you need to request forgiveness. *Today's readings: Daniel 9:4b-10; Psalm 79:8-9, 11, 13; Luke 6:36-38.*

Tuesday, February 27 A Just, Humble Life

Both the first reading and the Gospel today give instructions on how to live. In the reading from Isaiah, the Lord instructs "to make justice your aim," aid the orphan and widow, and right wrongs. Jesus tells his followers to live with humility. "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." When we do good things, we should not seek recognition. Today, strive to forward the kindnesses you have received. That might be done by buying coffee for a coworker, assisting a friend, or doing another's chore. Such acts can be testimonies of God's love. *Today's readings: Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Matthew 23:1-12.*

Wednesday, February 28 Distractions

Today we are reminded of what we are preparing for: Jesus' passion, death, resurrection, and ascension. During this season we make promises of things we will sacrifice, yet sometimes we become distracted. We are being called to transform our hearts and our lives for the service of our Lord. Today sit with your family and discuss how all can remain attentive to the message of God. What are some of the distractions in your life? How can you overcome them? *Today's readings: Jeremiah 18:18-20; Psalm 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Matthew 20:17-28.*

Thursday, February 29 Making Good Choices

The Gospel from Luke today presents the story of the rich man who ignored the needs of the poor man lying at his door. After death, the poor Lazarus lived in comfort while the rich man was in torment. Our daily choices can lead us to God or away from God. Consider whose needs you ignore while allowing yourself to eat your fill. *Today's readings: Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Luke 16:19-31.*

Friday, March 1 Families

In today's account of Joseph, the youngest son of Jacob, we see an example of jealousy building among brothers until they sell Joseph to foreigners. The eleven brothers appreciated neither their father's preferential treatment of Joseph nor their brother's dreams and wanted to be rid of him. Are there unresolved tensions in your family that are eroding relationships? Examine whether you play a part in the harm or healing in this family dynamic. *Today's readings: Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46.*

Saturday, March 2 The Love of God

It is no secret the lengths to which God goes to show us his love. We know he wants to be in relationship with us, but sometimes we are reluctant. The moment we say yes to the relationship, God showers us with many blessings. The psalm tells us that God overlooks shortcomings and forgives sins. Today recite the psalm, and with each verse, pause to feel the love and presence of God. *Today's readings: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.*

