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**13 MARCH 2022:**  
**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**(Year C (II); Psalter: Week 2)**

## Mass Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18  
 Resp. Psalm: 26 (27):1, 7-9, 13-14  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 3:17 – 4:1  
 Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

| Date                   | Details   | Liturgies   | Time                                 |
|------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday 13 March</b> | <b>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</b><br><b>* SPECIAL COLLECTION: SCIAF UKRAINE APPEAL *</b><br><b>(p. 211 – Year C)</b> | <b>Live-Streamed Holy Mass</b><br><b>Holy Mass</b>                      | <b>9.30 am</b><br><b>11.00 am</b>    |
| Monday 14 March        | Monday of Week 2 in Lent  | <b>NO LITURGIES</b>   | ---                                  |
| Tuesday 15 March       | Tuesday of Week 2 in Lent   | <b>NO LITURGIES</b>   | ---                                  |
| Wednesday 16 March     | Wednesday of Week 2 in Lent   | <b>NO LITURGIES</b>   | ---                                  |
| Thursday 17 March      | Feast of St. Patrick, Bishop, Missionary  | <b>NO LITURGIES</b>   | ---                                  |
| Friday 18 March        | Friday of Week 2 in Lent  | <b>NO LITURGIES</b>   | ---                                  |
| Saturday 19 March      | <b>Station Mass at St. Ninian's, Inverness</b><br><b>SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH</b>                                | <b>Station Mass</b><br>Eucharistic Adoration<br>Live-Streamed Holy Mass | <b>7.00 pm</b><br>8.45 am<br>9.30 am |
| <b>Sunday 20 March</b> | <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</b><br><b>(p. 216 – Year C)</b>   | <b>Live-Streamed Holy Mass</b><br><b>Holy Mass</b>                      | <b>9.30 am</b><br><b>11.00 am</b>    |

## Second Sunday of Lent: The Glory in Sight

In today's Gospel, we go up to the mountain with Peter, John, and James. There we see Jesus "transfigured," speaking with Moses and Elijah about His "exodus." The Greek word "exodus" means "departure." But the word is chosen deliberately here to stir our remembrance of the Israelites' flight from Egypt. By His death and resurrection, Jesus will lead a new Exodus—liberating not only Israel but every race and people; not from bondage to Pharaoh, but from slavery to sin and death. He will lead all mankind, not to the territory promised to Abraham in today's First Reading, but to the heavenly commonwealth that Paul describes in today's Second Reading. Moses, the giver of God's law, and the great prophet Elijah, were the only Old Testament figures to hear the voice and see the glory of God atop a mountain (see Exodus 24:15–18; 1 Kings 19:8–18).

Today's scene closely resembles God's revelation to Moses, who also brought along three companions and

whose face also shone brilliantly (see Exodus 24:1; 34:29). But when the divine cloud departs in today's Gospel, Moses and Elijah are gone. Only Jesus remains. He has revealed the glory of the Trinity—the voice of the Father, the glorified Son, and the Spirit in the shining cloud. Jesus fulfils all that Moses and the prophets had come to teach and show us about God (see Luke 24:27). He is the "chosen One" promised by Isaiah (see Isaiah 42:1; Luke 23:35), the "prophet like me" that Moses had promised (see Deuteronomy 18:15; Acts 3:22–23; 7:37). Far and above that, He is the Son of God (see Psalm 2:7; Luke 3:21–23). "Listen to Him," the Voice tells us from the cloud. If, like Abraham, we put our faith in His words, one day we too will be delivered into "the land of the living" that we sing of in today's Psalm. We will share in His resurrection, as Paul promises, our lowly bodies glorified like His. (Scott Hahn)

## NEWS

### **TODAY'S LITURGY (CTS New Sunday Missal): Second Sunday of Lent, Year C (p. 211)**

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p. 541: The Creed

p. 160: Preface: The Transfiguration of the Lord  
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**TODAY: SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR UKRAINE:** SCIAF has organised an emergency appeal for the people of Ukraine, and there will be a retiring collection. If you wish to donate, there will be a basket on the table in the entrance foyer.

**SATURDAY 26 MARCH: FUNDRAISER CEILIDH** – organised by, and on behalf of, 'Welcome In: A Local Response to the Refugee Crisis'. The Ceilidh will take place in St. Mary's Hall in Huntly Street. Doors open at 7.30pm. Tickets: £10 Adults; £2.50 Children. Bring your own drinks! Tickets available from the Sacristy after our Masses, or see Margaret MacLennan or Tricia Green.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):** available after every weekday Mass, and by appointment.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** each Thursday evening from 6.45pm during Lent.

**SCIAF WEE BOX APPEAL** – Every Lent, thousands of Catholics in Scotland save money in their SCIAF WEE BOX to help give a hand up to people living in poverty overseas. By collecting your loose change, you can make a lasting difference to families in some of the world's poorest countries. **WEE BOX PACKS are available in the entrance foyer – please take one home.**

**ST. JOSEPH ICON** – our popular replica icons have all been sold, and Fr. Domenico has had to order more! Watch this space!

**'LENT WITH LUKE' STUDY COURSE** – this is a Scripture-based course, delivered in St. Columba's, organised over four evenings during the Lenten season. We will then examine the Gospel readings from St. Luke that feature throughout Lent and into Holy Week. The talks will take place on the following Wednesdays at 7.00pm. For the Zoom link, contact Fr. Domenico

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| 16 March | 'Mountains and Fig Trees' (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays in Lent)      |
| 30 March | 'Profligates and Adulteresses' (4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Sundays in Lent) |
| 6 April  | 'Donkeys, Lambs, and Empty Tombs' (Holy Week)  |

**STATION MASSES:** the dates and locations of the remaining Station Masses are listed below. Masses are on **Fridays at 7.00pm:**

18 March – St. Ninian's, Inverness  
25 March – St. Mary's, Inverness;  
01 April – St. Vincent's, Tain;  
08 April – St. Lawrence's, Dingwall

**90 CLUB: Next draw on Sunday 27 March.** If you would like to take part in this parish fundraiser, please speak to Fr. Domenico. It only costs £2 a month. You too could be a winner!

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Laura Johnstone, Ian Macdonald, Kathleen Macpherson, Marian Ellis, Chris Hamilton, Rina Herbison, David Munro, Ellen Williams, Rose Corbett, Anne Hamill, Winnie Ferrari, Colin MacMillan, Angus Cumming

**Recently Departed:** Alex Mackintosh

**Anniversaries:** Maureen Harkins, Veronica Smith, Leslie Murray, Sheena Urquhart