

READINGS

February 21, 2016

Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18

Second Reading: Philippians 3: 17-4: 1

Gospel: Luke 9: 28b- 36

STEWARDSHIP

February 14th\$2,029
Campus Ministries Collection.....\$323
Our Lady of Wisdom relies on Bobcat Catholics like you for more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to the their Catholic faith. Contact our Development Director, Zane Stehling, to join this mission at 512-392-5925.

Do you attempt to contain God in the confines of a spiritual tent, letting ideas flow in and out through a narrow door, instead of envisioning God permeating the diverse fabric of our lives? Are we afraid, lack courage to envision God actively creating a kingdom enthroned in peace and justice? Do we allow our ears to hear the prophets of antiquity and contemporary voices challenging us to dismiss collaboration with discrimination, respect God's gifts of creation and have eyes to see all as brothers and sisters? To do so we must not confine God and the prophets in dwellings crafted from our limited horizons, fractured spirituality, but only envision the compassionate mercy of God as boundless. The applicability of words of the prophets as relevant not just when convenient or personally beneficial, but challenging us every day, in every situation to craft a world molded with humanity's hands for the com-

mon good. On our journey to God, we climb the mountain of faith, trails with curves, steep inclines and wandering meadows and can reach the comfort zone of the mountaintop to engulf ourselves in the cloud of religiosity. Holiness, in a false sense, that isolates our faith from relevance in the world. Only when journeying down the mountain, knowing the chosen Son journeys with us in the challenging, hostile Jerusalems of our lives, our world will we experience the meaning of the Transfiguration to be fully awake to the dynamics of our faith. When the initiative to build limiting structures institutionally and with mental parameters become replaced by faithful courage, for we see the light, bounty and limitless salvation of our God.

*Adapted from:
Peaceonjustice.wordpress.com*

PLEASE CONSIDER BISHOP VÁSQUEZ' PRAYER INTENTION FOR TODAY:

For all the faithful, that we will follow where the Lord leads, allowing all people to experience the Lord's presence and mercy, we pray...

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's Gospel account of the Transfiguration occurs eight days after Jesus' first prediction of his Passion. Moses and Elijah speak to Jesus about his coming exodus. Like the apostles, we at times may want to linger in places that are pleasant and avoid challenging or painful situations. Today's Gospel gives us encouragement in our Lenten journey. The voice from heaven encourages us to listen attentively to Jesus. Are we willing to act when Jesus invites us to confront challenges and situations?

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

ROSARY every Sunday 9:30am in the Lounge

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays 5:45-9pm and Mornings Mon-Fri 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel

NIGHT PRAYER hosted by the men of Lambda Omega Alpha, 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings after Adoration.

FREE LUNCH every Tuesday 11am-1pm in the Lobby

BOBCATS FOR LIFE Thursdays 6:30pm in the Library

BIBLE STUDIES every day!
www.txstatecatholic.org

PLEASE CONSIDER POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY:

That we may take good care of creation – a gift freely given – cultivating and protecting it for future generations ...

AND

That opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia ...

LENTE PENANCE SERVICES



Be spiritually prepared for Easter!

Penance Service here at Our Lady of Wisdom is

Tuesday, March 1st.

In addition, there are services at St. Anthony's in Kyle on Fri. March 11th & at St. John's in San Marcos on Fri., March 18th. All Penance Services begin at 7pm.

ASHES TO EASTER

Ashes to Easter annual Lenten Mission project has begun. Each family is invited to pick up a box in the Lobby. Put in some coins each day during Lent and pray for missions worldwide. Return your box on Easter.

A SIGN-UP SHEET FOR COFFEE & DONUTS

after the 10 a.m. Mass is located in our lobby. Please choose a date that is convenient for you and help with this important ministry!

FR. CHARLIE BANKS for Spiritual Direction this Tues., Feb. 23rd. Sign up in the Lobby for 30 min. appts.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY – FREEDOM TO LOVE

St. John the Evangelist on Sat., Feb. 27th 8am-4:30pm This class is free and lunch is provided Please RSVP to stjohnslife@gmail.com Call Brian McAuliffe at 830-837-3964 for more information



ANNUAL LENTEN MISSION

Sunday March 6th

A visitor will present a focus for our continuing conversion during the season of Lent. This year Our Lady of Wisdom welcomes Christopher Sperling, an experienced speaker with the Intuitus Group, a Catholic counseling service in Austin. Every year we would like our entire community to participate. This year the topic of the 11:30am presentation will be for families, and at 6:15pm will be for students. Our morning session will have lunch and childcare provided. Both sessions will be in the chapel.

BOBCAT

AWAKENING Feb. 26th-28th. Open to college students at Texas State. Apps online & our website search, "Bobcat Awakening", paper copies in the lobby. Cost is \$35.