

GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First reading Deuteronomy 26:4-10

The creed of the Chosen People

Moses said to the people: "The priest shall take the pannier from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, the Lord, have given me."

You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.

Responsorial Psalm. Psalm 90(91):1-2,10-15

Second reading Romans 10:8-13

The creed of the Christian

Scripture says: The word (that is the faith we proclaim) is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Gospel Acclamation Mt4:4

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

The temptation in the wilderness

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

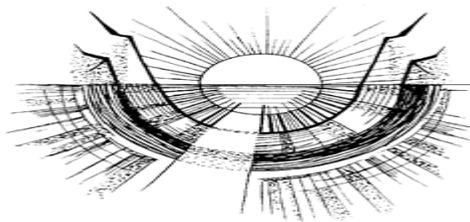
Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve

him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

The Creed: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate in the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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As Season of Lent Begins, Liturgical Spirituality of Lent in Brief...

Lent prepares for Easter, for the Lenten liturgy disposes both the faithful and the catechumens to celebrate the paschal mystery as the centre of the liturgical year and of the Christian life. Violet is the colour of the season. Flowers are not used and musical instruments are only used to support singing. The Te Deum and the Gloria are omitted except on solemnities and Gloria is sung or said on Feasts.

Two overriding themes must be borne in mind:

- Lent was originally devised as a period of Catechesis for those becoming members of the Church at Easter. The Sunday readings are dominated by truths of Faith (Sundays 1 and 2) and Baptismal Themes (3,4 and 5). This thematic is selected slightly differently in Cycles B and C (Sundays 1 and 2), always fundamental truths of incarnation, and in Cycle C (Luke) the theme of repentance and forgiveness.

2. Weekdays have golden thread also: encounter inviting change.

Wishing you and your loved ones a lovely Sunday—

Fr. Gregory



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10th March 2019. 1st Sunday of Lent. Time of the Year
Year, C. 2019.

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*Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals: Please arrange preparation and date by appointment.

Warm Welcome to all our visitors. Whether you are visiting our parish or just moved into the area, please feel very welcome ...

thanks.

Divine Mercy Devotion. Every Tuesday after morning mass. Please join us.

Sac of Reconciliation: 6.00pm every Sat & 9am on Sundays.

First Saturday of the Month: Mass of Our Lady the BVM and Rosary every first Saturday of the month.

Family Rosary, adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sac every Wednesday 6pm, and mass for the sick last Wednesday of every month.

Parish diary for the week

Vigil Mass: 6.30pm Mass: St. Stephen's.

Sunday: 9.30am Mass: St Luan's; 11.00am: St. Step.

Mon:

Tue: 10.00am: Mass at St. Stephen's.

Wed: 6.00pm: The Jesus Club.

Wed: 6.00pm. Exposition of the Bl. Sacrament.

Wed: 7.00pm Mass at St. Stephen's.

Thursday: 10.00am Mass at St. Stephen's.

Friday: 10.00am. Mass at St. Stephen's.

Friday: 3.00pm. Stations of the Cross at St. Stephen's.

Saturday: 6.30pm Mass: Vigil Mass: St. Stephen's.

Sunday: 9.30 am Mass: St. Luan's; 11.00am Mass: St. Stephen's.



Mass Intentions for the week

- Nathaniel Ihiegbulam Mary Kate O'Brien (Anniv)

-Patrick O'Brien

MASS READINGS OF THIS SUNDAY & POSSIBLE POINTS TO REFLECT ON.

First: Deuteronomy 26:4-10 - Moses tells the people to announced how the Lord brought them out of Egypt, and to bow down in the sight of God. **Psalm:** Psalm 90 - Be with me Lord in my distress / He who dwells in the shelter of the most high / Upon you no evil shall fall. **Second:** Romans 10:8-13 - Confess from your lips and believe from your heart - scripture makes no distinction between Jew and Greek. **Gospel:** Luke 4:1-13 - Jesus is tempted by the devil in the wilderness - do not put the Lord to the test. **THEMES** Trust in the Lord, refuge in God, repentance

You are never alone! For a shared a prayer, or just have someone listen to you, a candle lit for you or yours, have a mass offered for your intention or that of a loved one living or dead, please speak to the priest. Thanks.



The Temptation of Christ

