

First Reading Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.' When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood. Then he stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in the place of his son. The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self – it is the Lord who speaks – because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 115:10, 15-19

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living

I trusted, even when I said
 'I am sorely afflicted.'
 O precious in the eyes of the Lord
 is the death of his faithful.

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
 you have loosened my bonds.
 A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
 I will call on the Lords name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
 before all his people,
 in the courts of the house of the Lord,
 in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Second Reading Romans 8:31-34

A Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel Mark 9:2-10

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzling white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Rabbi', he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, The Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus. As they came down the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.

Glory to you O Lord

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

FRATELLI TUTTI**GLOBALIZATION AND PROGRESS WITHOUT A SHARED ROADMAP**

29. With the Grand Imam Ahmad Al-Tayyeb, we do not ignore the positive advances made in the areas of science, technology, medicine, industry and welfare, above all in developed countries. Nonetheless, "we wish to emphasize that, together with these historical advances, great and valued as they are, there exists a moral deterioration that influences international action and a weakening of spiritual values and responsibility. This contributes to a general feeling of frustration, isolation and desperation". We see "outbreaks of tension and a build-up of arms and ammunition in a global context dominated by uncertainty, disillusionment, fear of the future, and controlled by narrow economic interests". We can also point to "major political crisis, situations of injustice and the lack of an equitable distribution of natural resources... In the face of such crisis that results in the deaths of millions of children – emaciated from poverty and hunger – there is an unacceptable silence on the international level". This panorama, for all its undeniable advances, does not appear to lead to a more humane future.

30. In today's world, the sense of belonging to a single human family is fading, and the dream of working together for justice and peace seems an outdated utopia. What reigns instead is a cool, comfortable and globalized indifference, born of deep disillusionment concealed behind a deceptive illusion: thinking that we are all-powerful, while failing to realize that we are all in the same boat. This illusion, unmindful of the great fraternal values, leads to "a sort of cynicism. For that is the temptation we face if we go down the road of disenchantment and disappointment. Isolation and withdrawal into one's own interests are never the way to restore hope and bring renewal. Rather, it is closeness; it is the culture of encounter.

Isolation, no; closeness, yes. Culture clash, no; culture encounter, yes".

Pope Francis

Second Sunday of Lent

<u>Saturday</u>	6.00 pm	Michael Stacey Snr RIP	St. M M
<u>Sunday</u>	9.30 am	People of the Parish	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	11.30 am	Jean & Frank Brankovic	Bl Sac
<u>Tuesday</u>	10.00 am	Julie Cook (Intentions)	St Ter
<u>Wednesday</u>	10.00 am	Eileen McNicholas RIP	St M M
<u>Friday</u>	10.00 am	Nicholson & Hanrahan Families (Special Intentions)	Bl Sac

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

SATURDAY	6.00 PM	EMMANUEL COOPER
SUNDAY	9.30 AM	ERNEST & MARY HORBURY
SUNDAY	11.30 AM	NICHOLSON & HANRAHAN FAMILIES (SPECIAL INTENTIONS)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FACE MASKS - ALL THOSE WHO ARE ATTENDING CHURCHES MUST WEAR A FACE COVERING UNLESS THEY ARE EXEMPT FROM DOING SO. THIS IS FOR THE GOOD OF ALL WHO GATHER IN THE CHURCH FOR MASS AS IT IS AN ENCLOSED PUBLIC SPACE WHERE THERE ARE PEOPLE FROM DIFFERING HOUSEHOLDS WHO THEY DO NOT NORMALLY MEET.

HOSPITAL - In the meantime, Priests will only go into the hospital in response to a request from the hospital switchboard or ward staff. Anyone in the hospital that requires a visit from a Priest should please go through the nurse or switchboard. This will be in an emergency only. There will be no Holy Communion rounds until further notice.

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**PLEASE AFTER MASS
WE ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES TO MAINTAIN
SOCIAL DISTANCE – FROM COMING INTO
CHURCH TO LEAVING THE CHURCH**

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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them in a shadow; and there came a
voice from the cloud,
'This is my Son, The Beloved. Listen to
him.'**

**Then suddenly, when they
looked round, they saw no one with them
but only Jesus...**

