

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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TUESDAY, MARCH 18
NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
12:05 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

THURSDAY, March 20
12:05 p.m. +Maria and Juan Reyneros

FRIDAY, March 21
12:05 +Sue and Bob Wells

SATURDAY, MARCH 22
4:00 pm. Intentions of the Claycomb Family
5:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

SUNDAY, MARCH 23
9:30 a.m. St. Anthony Parish Family
11:00 a.m. Vietnamese Mass

**Liturgical Roles for Saturday, March 22,
at 4:00 p.m.:**
Lector: C. Claycomb
E. Minister: K. Hunter
Ushers: J. & K. Cordell, B. Buhrman

**Liturgical Roles for Sunday, March 23,
at 9:30 a.m.:**
Lector: M. Gittrich
E. Minister: D. Walterscheid

PARISH PRAYER LINE

Jerry Warrell Kathy Hunter Johnny
Ukraine and its Citizens Julie Munoz
Lori Born Grace Dana Nancy Parish
Del & JD +Derek Parish Wayne Gottshine
Karla Bennett Sarah Orr Jason Delude
Danny, Beki & James Dee Francis Mary Staab

Good News!

March 16, 2025
Second Sunday of Lent (C)
Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 / Philippians 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1
Luke 9:28b-36

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The darkness can be unsettling. As a child, my nightly bedtime ritual included checking beneath my bed as well as in the dark hall closet. One could never know what denizens of harm might be lurking there, hidden in the shadows. As adults, the darkness we fear is no longer what lies hidden about our home. Rather, the darkness we attempt to escape is the unknown forces that have the power to overturn our lives. It is the death of someone we love that plunges us into fear and loss, forcing us to somehow make our way, alone and unsure. It is the frightening medical diagnosis that has the ability to dismantle our planned future. It is the financial security that dissolves before our very eyes. In such darkness, we grope blindly to find our way.

The Book of Genesis notes that a trance came upon Abram, a terrifying darkness that enveloped him. The gospel relays how Peter, James, and John became frightened atop Mt. Tabor when they found themselves in a cloud that obscured their sight. Yet, the darkness became for each of them a place in which they came to know their God in a totally new way; it set them on a new path of faith. It is then that we, too, are forced to surrender trust in our own wisdom. Unable to see clearly what is in store for us, we can only rely on a new path, trusting that we will be accompanied by our God. ●

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OFFERING

March 9, 2025
English: \$ 1,816.25
Vietnamese \$ 6,844.00
Total: \$ 8,660.25

MARCH 16, 2025



Please welcome Rev. Anthony Nguyen who will be with us to celebrate Masses this weekend (March 15 and 16). He will also tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 17 developing countries.

You are most welcome to historic St. Anthony Parish, Fr. Nguyen. (And you have the perfect name as well.)

An Irish Blessing

May love and laughter light your days,
and warm your heart and home.
May good and faithful friends be yours,
wherever you may roam.
May peace and plenty bless your world
with joy that long endures.
May all life's passing seasons
bring the best to you and yours!

An early Happy St. Patrick's Day to everyone!

Just a reminder of the changed schedule this week since pastor Fr. Ben is now in Rome on pilgrimage:

- **No** 12:05 p.m. Mass this Tuesday, March 18
- There **will be** weekday 12:05 p.m. Masses this Wednesday, March 19, Thursday, March 20, and Friday, March 21. Our former Pastor, Fr. Hung Pham, will offer those Masses.
- There are **No** Stations of the Cross this Friday evening, March 21, at 6:30 p.m.

We are again asking for anyone interested in joining the historic St. Anthony choir to contact Kathleen Carl at 737-9368. Leave a message if she is not available, and she will call you back. There are no tryouts. In addition to your stewardship in joining the choir, you are also offering your service to the Lord and continuing a choir tradition that goes back to 1888.

On Wednesday evening, March 12, the Holy See Press Office provided the following medical update on Pope Francis who has been receiving care at Rome's Gemelli Hospital since Feb. 14.

"The clinical condition of the Holy Father has remained stable, in the context of a complex overall medical picture.

"The chest X-ray performed yesterday has radiologically confirmed the improvements observed in the previous days.

"The Holy Father continues to undergo high-flow oxygen therapy during the day and non-invasive mechanical ventilation during nighttime rest.

"This morning, after following the spiritual exercises in a link-up with the Paul VI Hall in the Vatican, he received the Eucharist, dedicated time to prayer, and then continued with physical therapy.

"In the afternoon, after joining the spiritual exercises of the Curia, he continued with prayer, rest, and respiratory physiotherapy."

Please remember to keep Fr. Ben in your prayers for his safety and that of the other 55 parishioners accompanying him to Rome.
