



Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patrick's
1st March Of 2026, Second Sunday of Lent, Year A
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1 st Reading	Genesis 12:1-4A
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
2 nd Reading	2 Timothy 1:8B-10
Verse Before the Gospel	Matthew 17:5
Gospel	Matthew 17:1-9

1st Reading - Genesis 12:1-4A

- 1 The LORD said to Abram: "Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you.
- 2 "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.
- 3 I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you. All the communities of the earth shall find blessing in you."

4A Abram went as the LORD directed him.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalms 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

R. (22) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

- 4 Upright is the word of the LORD, and all his works are trustworthy.
- 5 He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

18 See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him, upon those who hope for his kindness,

19 To deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

20 Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield.

22 May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us who have put our hope in you.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

2nd Reading - 2 Timothy 1:8B-10

8B Beloved: Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.

9 He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to our works but according to his own design and the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus before time began,

10 but now made manifest through the appearance of our savior Christ Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Verse Before The Gospel - Matthew 17:5

17 From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him.

Gospel - Matthew 17:1-9

1 Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves.

2 And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light.

3 And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him.

4 Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

5 While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

6 When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid.

7 But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid."

8 And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone.

9 As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Saint(s) Of The Day

- Saint David of Wales
- Saint Albinus of Angers
- Saint Leolucas of Corleone
- Saint Rudesind
- Saint Swithbert
- Saint Agnes Cao Guiying
- Blessed Christopher of Milan
- Pope Saint Felix III
- Jared the Patriarch
- Blessed Giovanna Maria Bonomo
- Blessed Bertrand of Fontaniva
- Saint Leo of Rouen
- Saint Simplicius of Bourges
- Saint Albaut of Toul
- Seth the Patriarch
- Saint Eudocia of Heliopolis
- Saint Albinus of Vercelli
- Saint Amandus of Boixe

- Saint Ursus of Toul
- Blessed Roger Lefort
- Saints Constantius and Faustus of Cologne
- Blessed Pietro Hernandez
- Blessed Aurelia of Wirberg
- Blessed Gonzalo de Ubeda

Saint Lupercus

St Lupercus was also known as Loubert, Luperc, Lupercio, Lupercius, or Luperculus. He was a Spanish and the second bishop of Eauze, France, who evangelized and converted many. He was killed by Dacian the governor and died as a martyr during the persecutions of Decius. He was highly venerated in Tarbes, France such that the old cathedral in Eauze was dedicated to him.

Abbey of Fontenelle - Monks of Fontenelle

Abbey of Fontenelle was also known as Abbey of Saint Wandrille or Fontenelle Abbey. It was a Benedictine monastery in Normandy (Seine-Inférieure), near Caudebec-en-Caux, founded by Saint Wandrille in 657 AD. The basilica he erected was consecrated in 657 AD, and was subsequently destroyed and rebuilt several times. After its destruction by Danish pirates in 862 AD, the community moved to other centres. Fontenelle was restored in 966 AD. Fervor and learning characterized the monks, and many privileges were granted to them. The monastery was famed for its library and school, where calligraphy in particular, as well as letters, sciences, and the fine arts, were cultivated. The introduction of commendatory abbots in the 16th century AD lessened the prosperity of the abbey, but it enjoyed some of its earlier prestige when taken over by the Maurists in 1636. The abbey was suppressed in 1791, and then sold the following year. From 1893 to 1901 it was held by the French Benedictines. The chapel of Saint Saturnin, also erected by Saint Wandrille, overlooks the abbey. It is one of the oldest ecclesiastical buildings in existence. The commemoration on March 1 celebrates the founding and history of the abbey and all the holy monks who have lived there, especially those who have been canonized or beatified.

These are the profiled Monks of Fontenelle

- Saint Wandrille of Fontenelle
- Blessed Milo of Fontenelle
- Saint Lambert of Lyon

- Saint Hermenland
- Saint Ansbert of Rouen
- Saint Gerold of Evreux
- Saint Ansegisus
- Saint Genesius of Lyon
- Saint Bagne of Terouanne
- Saint Erembert of Toulouse
- Saint Benignus of Flay
- Saint Fulk of Fontenelle
- Saint Gennard
- Saint Godo of Oye
- Saint Hugh of Rouen
- Saint Walter of Fontenelle
- Saint Condedus
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Blessed Agapios of Vatopedi

Blessed Agapios of Vatopedi was a 16th-century monk at the Vatopedi monastery. He was a hermit on Mount Athos and was captured by Turkish pirates, and sold into slavery where he was chained, and put to hard labour. Upon his release, he resumed his religious life first at Vatopedi, and then as a hermit on Mount Athos.

Saints Constantius and Faustus of Cologne

St. Constantius and Faustus of Cologne were two martyrs who died in Rome, Italy, and whose relics were transferred to and enshrined in Cologne, Germany in 1645. Nothing else about them is known.

Blessed Pietro Hernandez

Blessed Pietro Hernandez was a Mercedarian. He had the gift of tongues, which he used to preach to Saracens and convert them to Christianity. He was tortured with hot tongs and martyred for his work. In Almeria, Spain, he died after being tied to a pole and shot with arrows on the road.

Blessed Aurelia of Wirberg

Blessed Aurelia of Wirberg was born to the nobility in the 12th century in Germany. After the death of her father and brothers, Aurelia inherited the family estates and was besieged by offers of marriage.

On the advice of her spiritual teacher, Blessed Otto of Cappenberg, she turned the family castle into a Premonstratensian convent from 1134 to 1148.

Blessed Gonzalo de Ubeda

Blessed Gonzalo de Ubeda was also known as Gonzalo of Granada. He was a priest and then the Auxiliary bishop of Granada, Spain. He was also a Mercedarian Commander and moved his house to Granada in 1500 AD and built a church and convent there. In Granada, Spain in 1538 he died of natural causes.

Saint Lupercus

St. Lupercus was suspected to have been born in Spain. He was also known as Loubert, Luperc, Lupercio, Lupercius or Luperculus. He was the evangelizing second bishop of Eauze, France, converting many. Dacian the governor martyred him during the persecutions of Decius. He was highly venerated in Tarbes, France, and the old cathedral in Eauze was dedicated to him. He died in the 3rd century AD.

Saint Monan

St. Monan was a monk at St. Andrew's abbey and a spiritual student of St. Adrian, bishop of St. Andrew's. He was a missionary to the Isle of May in the Firth of Forth area in Scotland and a missionary to Fife, Scotland. Danish raiders murdered him in 874 AD together with a group of Christians in the area of the Firth of Forth, Scotland.

Blessed George Biandrate

Blessed George Biandrate was born in Italy to the nobility, the family of the Counts of San Giorgio Canavese. He was noted for his devotion to the **Blessed Virgin Mary**. In 1483, he died of natural causes and was buried in the parish church of San Giorgio Canavese, Italy.

Saint Domnina of Syria

St. Domnina of Syria was a consecrated virgin who lived in a shed, leaving only to attend Mass. She devoted her life to prayer and caring for travellers. She was also

known for keeping her face covered at all times and refusing to look at the faces of others. In 460 AD, she died of natural causes.

Saint Antonina of Bithynia

St. Antonina of Bithynia was also known as Antonina of Nicomedia. She was tortured and martyred for refusing to sacrifice to pagan gods. Sewn up in a sack and thrown into a pond to drown, she died in 306 AD at Nicaea, Bithynia (modern Turkiye).

Saint Abdalong of Marseilles

St. Abdalong of Marseilles was a bishop of Marseilles, France in 716 AD. He and his flock suffered from attacks by Saracens who had been brought in by Duke Mauront to combat the forces of Charles Martel. He died in 738 AD.

Saint Siviard

St. Siviard was also known as Siviardus. He was a monk at Saint-Calais Abbey on the River Anisole in France where his father served as an abbot.

He also served as an abbot himself and wrote a biography of St. Calais, the founder of the monastery. He died in 729 AD.

Saint Marnock

St. Marnock was born in Ireland. He was also known as Marnan, Marnanus or Marnoc. St. Columba of Iona Abbey was his spiritual teacher. He was a bishop and Kilmarnock in Scotland is named after him. In 625 AD, he died at Annandale, Scotland.

Blessed Bonavita of Lugo

Blessed Bonavita of Lugo was a layman blacksmith, wheelwright, and locksmith. He was from the Franciscan tertiary and was known for his deep prayer life and charitable works. In 1375, he died of natural causes in Lugo, Italy.

Saint Albin of Embrun

St. Albin of Embrun was a bishop of Embrun, Gaul (modern France) during the 5th to 7th century AD (The records vary). Much of his time was spent fighting Arianism.

Blessed Claudius Gabriel Faber

Blessed Claudius Gabriel Faber was a minim monk and a prior of his house. He was martyred by heretics and died in 1575 in Lunel, France.

Saint Donatus of Carthage

St. Donatus of Carthage was a martyr who died in 430 AD in Carthage, North Africa (modern Tunis, Tunisia).

Saint Hermes of Numidia

St. Hermes of Numidia was martyred in the persecution of Maximian Hercules and died in 290 AD.

Saint Bono of Cagliari

St. Bono of Cagliari was also known as Bonus. He was a third-century bishop and a martyr.

Saint Adrian of Numidia

St. Adrian of Numidia was martyred in the persecution of Maximian Hercules and died in 290 AD.

Martyrs of Africa

The Martyrs of Africa were a group of 13 Christians executed together for their faith in Africa.

Their names are;

- Abundantius
- Adrastus
- Agapius
- Charisius
- Donatilla
- Donatus
- Fortunus
- Leo
- Nicephorus
- Polocronius

Martyrs of Antwerp

The Martyrs of Antwerp was a group of Christians who were martyred together. They died in the 2nd century AD in Rome, Italy, and were also buried together in the St. Callistus catacombs in Rome.

Their relics were transferred and enshrined together in the Jesuit church in Antwerp, Belgium on The 28th Of February 1600AD.

Their names are;

- Silvius
- Procopius
- Primus
- Pius
- Pelagius
- Maximus
- Justus
- Julius
- Herculanus
- Filemon
- Fidelis
- Felician
- Donatus
- Benignus

Martyrs of the Salarian Way

The Martyrs Under Alexander was a group of 260 Christians who, for their faith, were condemned to work on the road on the Salarian Way in Rome, Italy during the persecutions of Claudius II. When they were no longer needed for work, they were publicly murdered by being shot with arrows in 269 AD in Rome, Italy in the amphitheatre and died as martyrs.

Martyrs Under Alexander

The Martyrs Under Alexander were a large but unspecified number of Christians martyred in the persecutions of Emperor Alexander Severus and the prefect Ulpien who saw any non-state religion to be a dangerous treason. They died in 219 AD.

Martyrs of Eichstätt

The Martyrs of Eichstätt were four Christians martyred and buried together, whose

relics were rediscovered in 1618 and enshrined together in the Jesuit church in Eichstätt, Bavaria, Germany in 1622.

They died in Rome, Italy, and were buried in the Priscilla catacombs on the Via Salaria in Rome.

Their names are;

- Castus
- Leontia
- Livonius
- Venerius

Catholic Sunday Mass Readings Homily - 1st March Of 2026, Second Sunday of Lent, Year A

1st Of March 2026 Catholic Sunday Readings Homily Theme: The Transfiguration of Jesus on the Mountain - Mark 9:2-10 and Matthew 17:1-9

Sick Of the Parish:



Please pray for all the Sick in our three Parishes "My Payers and Good Wishes to All."

Mass Times For the weekend:

Saturday Night Mass Times	
Saint Josephs	5:30pm

Sunday Mass Times	
Saint Joseph's	9:30am
Saint Anne's & Holy Family	11:00 am
Saint Patrick's Ryhope	9:30 am

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