

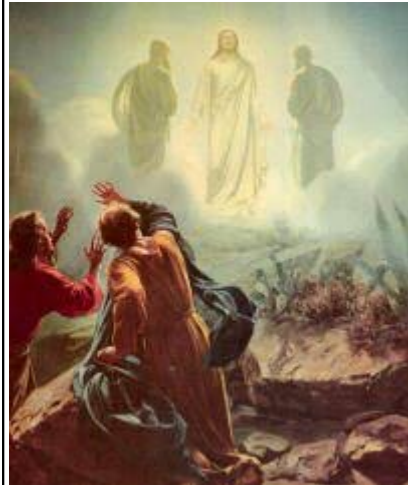


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### March 13 – Second Sunday of Lent (Year C)



One of the overriding themes of Luke's Gospel is Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. Just a few verses on from this text, Jesus 'resolutely took the road for Jerusalem,' and his resolve is foreshadowed here in the conversation he is having with Moses and Elijah as they speak of 'his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem.' Jesus is revealing not only his true identity to his chosen companions but also his destiny: the 'passing over' of his death and resurrection, by which his divinity will be definitively revealed to all. Through that event, all that the law (represented by Moses) and the prophets (represented by Elijah) stood for will be accomplished. Peter misunderstands and thinks that the event on the mountain is the end of the story—he wants to erect tents there. He has not yet grasped the need to continue with the journey to Jerusalem. As a Christian, one cannot simply remain on the mountain in contemplation of divinity; one must also come down from the mountain and take the earthly road of living the faith to its ultimate conclusion. *(the summit)*

### II Domenica di Quaresima (Anno C)

*Nella Trasfigurazione, Gesù è indicato come la vera speranza dell'uomo e come l'apogeo dell'Antico Testamento. Luca parla dell' "esodo" di Gesù, che contiene allo stesso tempo morte e risurrezione. I tre apostoli, vinti dal sonno, che rappresenta l'incapacità dell'uomo di penetrare nel Mistero, sono risvegliati da Gesù, cioè dalla grazia, e vedono la sua gloria. La nube, simbolo dell'immensità di Dio e della sua presenza, li copre tutti. I tre apostoli ascoltano le parole del Padre che definiscono il Figlio come l'eletto: "Questi è il Figlio mio, l'eletto, ascoltate". Non c'è altro commento. Essi reagiscono con timore e stupore. Vorrebbero attaccarsi a questo momento, evitare l'attimo seguente della discesa dalla montagna e il suo fardello di abitudine, di oscurità, di passione. La Gloria, Mosè ed Elia, scompaiono. Non rimane "che Gesù solo", sola verità, sola vita e sola via di salvezza nella trama quotidiana della storia umana. Questa visione non li solleva dal peso della vita di tutti i giorni, spesso spogliata dello splendore del Tabor, e neanche li dispenserà dall'atto di fede al momento della prova, quando i vestiti bianchi e il viso trasfigurato di Gesù saranno strappati e umiliati. Ma il ricordo di questa visione li aiuterà a capire, come spiega il Prefazio della Messa di oggi, "che attraverso la passione possiamo giungere al trionfo della risurrezione". (lachiesa.it)*

#### First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation

Sacramental preparation for state school students in Grade 3 or up. Please contact Anna Proud 0402741258.

#### Prima Comunione, Riconciliazione e Cresima

Preparazione sacramentale per gli studenti delle scuole statali di grado 3 o superiore. Si prega di contattare Anna Proud 0402741258.

#### Project Compassion

Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and For All Future Generations. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.

**The sick in our parish:** Teresa & Con Lamonaca, Nola, John Markis, Elda Taranto, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Lorraine, Patricia, David, Vanessa Borg, Peta Wright, Herrmann Family, Adam, Helen Rakuseck, Bob Brown, Rina Carfi, Angela Barto, Patrick Brennan, Maria Saracino, Rommel Montano, Leonora Aquino Morales, Sonia Taranto, Norm McDonough, Evelyn McDonough, Diana Nash, Lori, Domenic Cunsolo, Laurence

**Recently deceased:** Anne Salamito, Gino Provenzano, Vincenzina Milanese, Giuseppe Aurelio, Maria Catalano, Concetta La Terra, Rosa Ruiiu, Glen Wambeek, Peter Adolphus, Joan Leal, Yoconda Victoria, Sibil Correya, Giacinto Torcaso

**Anniversaries:** Vincenzo Brullo, Dante Antonio Truda, Margarita Tangcay, Marian Cunado, Horst Reinbold, Maria Conforto, Maria Camboni, Pavica Lucin, Herbert Eliyathamby, Myrtle Eliyathamby, Blossom Weerasinghe, Stanley Perera, Noelene De Zilva

*We especially pray for all the deceased St. Matthews parishioners, those whose names are on the Church pews & the Resurrection Chapel.*

O Lord, who art ever merciful and bounteous with Thy gifts, look down upon the suffering souls in purgatory. Remember not their offenses and negligences, but be mindful of Thy loving mercy, which is from all eternity. Cleanse them of their sins and fulfil their ardent desires that they may be made worthy to behold Thee face to face in Thy glory.

#### Rosters for weekend masses (Mar 19/20)

##### Lectors:

Saturday 5.30 pm: A. Proud

Sunday 9.00 am: M. Raymond

Sunday 10.30 am : G. Gamberale

**Bus driver:** P. Capasso

#### Mass times

##### Weekday:

Tuesday-Friday 9.30 am

Novena mass: Wednesday 7.00 pm

Stations of the Cross and mass: Friday 7.00 pm (during Lent)

##### Weekend:

Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm

Sunday 9.00 am ; Sunday 10.30 (Italian mass)

Confessions are available on Saturday 5.00 pm—bookings are essential. Contact the Parish Office.

#### CO.AS.IT volunteers required

CO.AS.IT is an organization funded by Department of Human Service & the Commonwealth Government. They are currently looking for Italian speaking people who are willing to volunteer one hour per week to visit elderly people of Italian origin, who are socially isolated or lonely and in need of company. If you are interested or require further information, please contact DAVIDE on 0481603704. Continuing support provided.

#### Cerchiamo volontari urgente

CO.AS.IT organizzazione al servizio della comunità Italiana d'Australia, cerca persone di lingua Italiana disposti a far compagnia un ora a settimana a persone anziane di origine Italiana, che sono socialmente isolate e hanno bisogno di amicizia. Se sei interessato e ne vuoi sapere di più chiama Davide al 0481 603 704. Un continuo supporto professionale sarà disponibile per il volontario.

**St. Matthew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.**

The electronic version of the Parish bulletin is available on the Parish website @ <http://stmatthewsparish.org.au/>