



February 21, 2021 – First Sunday of Lent

Saturday Mass Intention:	5:00 pm	All Parishioners
Sunday Mass Intentions:	7:30 am	† Riley Gleason
	9:00 am	David and Ellie Berkemeier
	11:00 am	† Julie Wildey

Prelude – Lord Who Throughout These 40 Days

Text: Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838-1898, alt.

Gathering Hymn – Hosea

Come back to me with all your heart. Don't let fear keep us apart. Trees do bend, 'though straight and tall; so must we to others' call.

Refrain: Long have I waited for your coming home to me and living deeply our new life.

Text: Based on Hosea 6:1, 3:3, 2:16, 21; Joel 2:12; Gregory Norbet, b.1940, © 1972, 1980, The Benedictine Foundation of the State of Vermont, Inc.

Reading 1 – Genesis 9: 8 – 15

God said to Noah and to his sons with him: “See, I am now establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you: all the birds, and the various tame and wild animals that were with you and came out of the ark. I will establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all bodily creatures be destroyed by the waters of a flood; there shall not be another flood to devastate the earth.” God added: “This is the sign that I am giving for all ages to come, of the covenant between me and you and every living creature with you: I set my bow in the clouds

to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth, and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the covenant I have made between me and you and all living beings, so that the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all mortal beings.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25 – To You, O Lord.

Refrain: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul.

† Lord, make me know your ways, teach me your paths and keep me in the way of your truth, for you are God, my Savior.

† For the Lord is good and righteous, revealing the way to those who wander, gently leading the poor and the humble.

† To the ones who seek the Lord, who look to God's word, who live God's love, God will always be near, and will show them mercy.

Text: Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 12-14; Marty Haugen, © 1982, GIA Publications, Inc.; refrain trans. © 1969, ICEL

Reading 2 – 1 Peter 3:18 – 22

Beloved: Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison, who had once been disobedient while God patiently waited in the days of Noah during the building of the ark, in which a few persons, eight in all, were saved through water. This prefigured baptism, which saves you now. It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel – Mark 1:12 – 15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him. After John had been arrested,

Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: “This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

RCIA Rite of Sending

We, as a Parish Family, are celebrating our **Catechumen, Kevin Kinner** and our **Candidate, Kyprii Whitney**, who are beginning their final preparations leading to initiation and full communion in the Catholic Church this Easter.

These individuals have found strength in God’s grace and support in this community’s prayers and example and now they ask to be recognized for the progress they have made in their spiritual progress and that they receive the assurance of our care and support as they go forth for recognition by Bishop David Walkowiak this afternoon.

Preparation of the Gifts – I Have Loved You

Refrain: I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine; I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine.

† Seek the face of the Lord and long for him: He will bring you his care and his love.

Text: Jeremiah 31:3, Psalm 24:3; Michael Joncas, b. 1951 Tune: Michael Joncas, b. 1951 © 1979, OCP

Communion – Take and Eat

Refrain: Take and eat; take and eat: this is my body given up for you. Take and drink; take and drink: this is my blood given up for you.

† I am the Word that spoke and light was made; I am the seed that died to be reborn; I am the bread that comes from heav'n above; I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.

† I am the way that leads the exile home; I am the truth that sets the captive free; I am the life that raises up the dead; I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.

† I am the Lamb that takes away your sin; I am the gate that guards you night and day; You are my flock: you know the shepherd's voice; You are my own: your ransom is my blood.

† I am the cornerstone that God has laid; A chosen stone and precious in his eyes; You are God's dwelling place, on me you rest; Like living stones, a temple for God's praise.

† I am the light that came into the world; I am the light that darkness cannot hide; I am the morning star that never sets; Lift up your face, in you my light will shine.

† I am the first and last, the Living One; I am the Lord who died that you might live; I am the bridegroom, this my wedding song; You are my bride, come to the marriage feast.

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Communion – What Wondrous Love is This (Instrumental)

Text: Alexander Means, 1801-1853

Dismissal – There is a Wideness in God’s Mercy (Instrumental)

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, alt.

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RCIA Rite of Election & Call to Continuing Conversion

Thank you for praying for our Catechumen and our Candidate as they will be received by Bishop Walkowiak this afternoon at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew. It is appropriate for the Bishop to recognize them because he is the sign of unity of the particular Church, and it is this parish community’s responsibility to bring those in RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) into the fullness of the life of the Church.