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Worship Times

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p
Sunday Mass, 11:15a, En español, 1:30p
Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult Bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

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Sunday Mass, 9:00a

Holy Days 7:00p

Communion Service Consult bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation By appointment

Welcome, New Parishioners

We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.

Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony

For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.

Anointing of the Sick

For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis

2nd Sunday of Lent February 28, 2021



Morning, Church!

The Ashes that crossed your forehead and heart 12 days ago are a holy reminder of your mortality. Blessed ashes are your daily Lenten call to surrender (pray), sacrifice (fast), and serve (almsgiving).

God lead beloved Abraham to a murderous mountain where he would be asked to sacrifice *his* beloved son, Isaac. Abraham's courageous yes to God fortified his faith. God's responded with an extraordinary promise: Abraham and Sarah's descendants would outnumber the heavenly stars and the sand on the shore!

In your Baptismal Covenant, God promises you the *same extraordinary blessings* that Abraham and Sarah received, as you willingly sacrifice, surrender, and serve, as they did.

You are God's chosen one (Romans). God is with and for you as navigate your personal Lenten Desert of Transfiguration.

Commit to listening to Christ, The Beloved. Commit to saying yes when asked to sacrifice, to surrender your heart and to serving your dear Neighbor. This is the dazzling glory in holy your Cross of Ashes.

The glory of Christ's Transfiguration is not a place to rest or get comfortable. No, *This* Mountain *blesses and missions* you to your home, your Domestic Church, and into God's Neighborhood, to live your blessings, your faith, and to be strengthen with Christ's presence so you can bless and strengthen others in Jesus' Name.

KEEP YOUR WORD. KEEP THE WORD. God's blessings,

*S*anis

Dazzling

A Blessing for Transfiguration Sunday ~ Jan Richardson

Believe me, I know how tempting it is to remain inside this blessing, to linger where everything is dazzling and clear. We could build walls around this blessing, put a roof over it. We could bring in a table, chairs, have the most amazing meals. We could make a home. We could stay. But this blessing is built for leaving. This blessing is made for coming down the mountain. This blessing wants to be in motion, to travel with you as you return to level ground.

It will seem strange how quiet this blessing becomes when it returns to earth. It is not shy. It is not afraid. It simply knows how to bide its time, to watch and wait, to discern and pray until the moment comes when it will reveal everything it knows, when it will shine forth with all it has seen, when it will dazzle with the unforgettable light you have carried

Sunday Scriptures	
Genesis 22:1-1. 9a.10-18	Romans 8:31b-34
Psalm 116:10-15, 16-19	Mark 9:2-10

Reflecting on the Word ___

+ Recall a personal experience so wonder-filled that truly "transfigured" you?

What graces / help do you need to be faithful to living as God's chosen one each day? Name ways surrender, sacrifice and service will deepen your spiritual transfiguration.

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FEBRUARY	
28	2nd Sun Lent
02	Communion Service, 12:15p
MARCH	
03	PARISH ZOOM 11a & 7p Breaking open & sharing Sunday gospel
05	PARISH ZOOM 11a & 6:30p STATIONS of the CROSS MEDITATION
07	3rd Sun Lent
09	Communion Service, 12:15p Ministers' Gathering: RACISM, FLC, 3p



PARISH ZOOM

Wed., MAR 3 or Fri., MAR 5 11:00a or 7:00p ~ Details to be emailed

You have two opportunities to connect as a parish. A parishioner suggested we use Zoom gathering to reflect on the Word for the upcoming Sunday.

Wednesday, March 3 ~ 11a & 7p

If you plan on participating, Youth included, read the Scriptures for the 3rd Sunday of Lent. PLEASE email me if you'll participate by Tuesday. (336) 835-4542

It's a a way of "breaking open" God's Word And sharing how God's Word touches, challenges, or faiths you.

> Friday, March 5 ~ 11a & 7p a meditative Stations of the Cross.

Tri-C Christian Ministries

Any of the following items: Any kind of bean, dried or canned Pasta & sauce or sm. laundry detergent

	₩ FEBRUARY
28	+Adam Border r/b Judy & Frank Simon +Ray Morales r/b Julia Mantero
	₩ M A R C H
07	+Carol McQuade (15 th A) Marty Gentilini, SSJ (Birthday)
14	+Deceased members of Burke & Lux families r/b Tom Lux +Helen Purcell r/b Lana & Bob Horneck

Birthdais & Anniversaries

03 Kathy Jenkins 07 Jim Doyle Payton Wagoner Jerry Schaufenbuel 05 Patrick Colglazier 27 Ivan Rodriguez 06 Elia Martinez 29 Eva Rose Reikowsky

> 07 Beth & John Orta 19 Erika & Ruben Ramirez

THANK YOU...to our women who continue to clean our church and to Carmen Kitts who's doing Altar Linen Ministry...





Thank you for your ongoing support for St. S and Tri-C ministries...

Please consider beginning regular Donations to church, especially if your household hasn't contributed in the last 11 months.

Check payable to: St. Stephen Church Mailed to: Janis McQuade, S.S.J. 765 J Oakland Drive Elkin NC 28621-2955

Thank you so much!!



Grandparents Diane & Skip Whitman, welcomed two new grandsons, Asher Skip Whitman son of Kyle & Kassi Whitman; and Hudson Kai Whitman

> son of Clinton & Alisha Whitman.