

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**MARCH 5, 2023**

8:00 A.M. Rite 1 (see reading below)

Penitential Order	319 (red book)
Kyrie Eleison	324 (red book)
Collect of the Day	166 (red book)
Psalms 121	779 (red book)
Nicene Creed	326 (red book)
Prayers of the People	328 (red book)
The Great Thanksgiving—Form II	340 (red book)
The Lord's Prayer	336 (red book)
Post-Communion Prayer	339 (red book)
Dismissal	340 (red book)

11:00 A.M. Rite 2

This service is livestreamed to the parish Facebook page

Opening Hymn	<i>The God of Abraham praise</i>	401 (blue book)
Penitential Order		351 (red book)
Kyrie Eleison		S91 (blue book)
Collect of the Day		218 (red book)
I reading— Genesis 12:1-4		
Psalms 121		779 (red book)
II reading— Romans 4:1-5,13-17		
Gradual Hymn	<i>My faith looks up to thee</i>	691 (blue book)
Gospel— John 3:1-17		
Homily	The Rev. Catherine Carpenter	
Nicene Creed		358 (red book)
Prayers of the People		
The Peace		
Preparation of the Table	<i>And now O Father mindful of the love</i>	337 (blue book)

The Great Thanksgiving—Prayer A	361 (red book)
Sanctus	S114 (blue book)
At the Breaking of the Bread	S158 (blue book)

Communion

All baptized persons, regardless of denomination, and including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you wish a blessing instead, please cross your arms across your chest.

Post Communion Prayer	365 (red book)
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Prayer over the People

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn <i>Lord who throughout these forty days</i>	142 (blue book)
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Dismissal	366 (red book)
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GENESIS 12:1-4

Now the Lord said to Abram, ‘Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.’

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

PSALM 121	779 (blue book)
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ROMANS 4:1-5,13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but

not before God. For what does the scripture say? ‘Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.’ Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, ‘I have made you the father of many nations’)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

JOHN 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, ‘Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.’ Jesus answered him, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.’ Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?’ Jesus answered, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, “You must be born from above.” The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.’ Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can these things be?’ Jesus answered him, ‘Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

‘Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you

do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.



WELCOME TO GRACE

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