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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

LENT

Second Sunday

And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus.

Mark 9:2-4



Transfiguration of Christ
Fresco by Fra Angelico
Dated 1440-1441
Located at Convento di San Marco, Florence, Italy



RCIA RITE OF SENDING

The Season of Lent is a time of penance, reflection and fasting which prepares us for Christ's resurrection. Lent also leads to the final stages of the RCIA class conversion. Both the catechumen (those who have not been baptized) and the candidates (those who have been baptized) are seeking to be received into the Catholic Church.

The Rite of Sending, Sunday, March 1, was another step toward this fulfillment. The Rite of Sending is considered to be our parish community's "sending off"



of the RCIA catechumen and candidates to the **Rite of Election** where Archbishop Rodi will "receive" them. **The Rite of Election is Tuesday, March 3 at St. Columba in Dothan.**

The Rite of Election is an important step that shows the catechumen's and candidate's intent to continue their conversion. Their Godparents and sponsors are stating that they believe the catechumen and candidates are ready to continue to the final stage of preparation which will lead to their final conversion at the Easter Vigil.

Let us all, as a parish community, pray for our RCIA catechumen and candidates and show them our support as they continue the last phase of their journey into the Catholic faith.

FISH FRY DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will be busy the next few months cooking for parishioners. February 27th was their 1st Lenten Fish Fry. Approximately 250 fish dinners were served. Although the event was new to parishioners and a growing experience for the Knight members, it was a huge success. If you missed out on the good food, fun and fellowship by dining at a fast food place for your Friday Fish meal, you will have a chance to

join your parish for another Fish Fry scheduled for **April 3rd from 5-7pm.** Cost is \$7 per plate.

The Knights will be also be on kitchen duty Tuesday **Mar 17th preparing a St. Patrick Day Dinner.** Everyone is Irish on St. Patty's Day so buy your tickets (\$7 per person), bring your bagpipes, don't forget to wear your green, bring your Irish humor and if you can catch a Leprechaun with his pot of gold, bring him in for a free dinner! (One Leprechaun per family).

MAY YOUR BLESSINGS
OUTNUMBER THE SHAMROCKS
THAT GROW AND MAY TROUBLE
AVOID YOU WHEREVER YOU GO!



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Mon / Tue/ Wed 8am - 4pm
Thursday & Friday 8am-noon
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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass 5pm
Sunday Mass 9am and 1pm Español
St. Mary in Geneva, Saturday Mass 7pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Mass at 9am
Wed 5:30pm Benediction Service with
Mass to follow
Friday 9am Para Liturgical Service

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 pm or by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

In the Day Chapel:
Wednesday 9:00 am– 5:30 pm
Benediction at 5:30 pm with Mass to follow
Rosary in Spanish 7pm on 3rd Fri of Month

GIFT SHOP

Open after Saturday 5pm Mass and
Sunday 9am Mass or by appointment

BECOMING CATHOLIC Contact the church office for information on the RCIA program.

BAPTISM CLASS is held the last Tuesday of each month at 6pm in the church. Call the office to register.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION Please consult with the priest at least 6 months before the planned wedding date.

HOMEBOUND & ILLNESSES If you, or someone you know, would like to be visited at home or in the hospital/nursing home, please contact the office.

NEW PARISHIONERS Welcome! Please fill out a Parishioner Registration Card (in the church foyer) and place in the collection basket or return to the church office.

OFFERING ENVELOPES If you would like offering envelopes, please contact the office or fill out a Parishioner Registration Card (in the church foyer) and check the appropriate box on the back.

WELCOME

ST. JOHN PARISH IS A COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT PROCLAIMS THE GOOD NEWS AND SERVES OTHERS IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST. MAY YOUR TIME AT ST. JOHN BE A BLESSED ONE.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEN SERVICES: Please join for STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY during Lent at 6 pm. A PENANCE SERVICE has been scheduled for March 25th. Time is to be determined and announced next week.

LENTEN MISSION: Informational and humorous sessions will be presented by Fr. Norbert Sharon, a Trinitarian Missionary Priest from Washington, DC. Tomorrow is the date, **March 9th, 10th & 11th at 7 pm** in the Church. No registration required and Everyone is welcome!

ST. PATRICK DINNER: Leprechaun stories, outrageous pub tales, fighting Irish gags, good luck stories, kissing the Blarney Stone- ok ok, maybe it's only the Irish food fare! **The Knights of Columbus** will be cooking up a **St. Patrick Day Dinner to be held in the Hall on March 17th from 5–7 pm.** Tickets will be sold before/after masses March 7, 8, 14 & 15th.



EASTER DEBUT: St. John has received a generous donation of a new chasuble (for the priest) & dalmatic (for the deacon). A separate donation of two wooden pedestals (for flowers/plants) have been received in memory of Angelo Fanucci. These items will “debut” on Easter. **Thank you both, for your generosity to St. John.**



ELIJAH CUP CHANGE IN FORMAT Due to the lack of participation of this program a new format will be implemented. A roster system will be utilized, similar to that of the altar servers, lectors, etc. A sign up sheet will be in the vestibule to register for this roster. You may also call or email Linda DeOrian at **393-6118 – lfd101@roadrunner.com** to join in this importation program of Prayers for the Priesthood.

BURSE CLUB The small dues amount of **only \$1 a month (or \$12 for a year)**, make this a great idea for a Lenten donation which you can participate with your children. The money is used to help educate men for the priesthood. In return you will be remembered in daily prayers and Masses of all who were educated with these dues. Memorial and All Occasion Cards are also available for (minimum) \$5. **Contact Pat Schrand at 347-7216 for more information.**



THANKS MOM... FOR LIFE! The Wiregrass Emergency Pregnancy Service (WEPS) will be taking names of mothers on the **weekends of March 21-22 and March 28-29** for the Mother's Day ad. The ad will appear in the Southeast Sun the Wednesday before Mother's Day, May 10th. A donation of \$3 per name is suggested. It is a time to pay tribute to mother, living or dead, and time to speak up for LIFE. The money from this ad will be used to continue the work that WEPS does in saving babies.



SPECIAL PERFORMANCE OF “A BAD YEAR FOR TOMATOES”

A benefit for Mary's Shelter Gulf Coast **Wednesday, March 11 at 6 p.m.** Drinks & hors d'Oeuvres compliments of The Original Oyster House at 7:30 p.m. Performance tickets \$20 per person. For tickets call (251) 986-6200 South Baldwin Community Theatre, 2022 W. 2nd Ave. Gulf Shores, AL.

RELAY FOR LIFE FLEA MARKET sponsored by the St. John Relay for Life Team will be in the parish hall **Saturday March 14th from 8 am til 2pm.** Luminaries are available for purchase for \$5 per luminary, honoring people in your life who have battled cancer. Please come out and support this worthy fundraiser. Contact **Mary Henson at 347-2111 or email hoca@roadrunner.com.**



FORECLOSURE? For legal advice due to foreclosure, regardless of income, call toll free 877-393-2333. Sponsored by the Alabama Bar Association.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Lois Applegate, Berry Beadles, Bob Bailey, Bob Brookshire, Mike Chase, Ida Dixon, Patrizia Frenda, Margaret Greenwood, Francis Guili, Fr. James Havens, Eldon Krantz, Ron Krantz, Sybil Lolley, Fr. Francis Messing, Paul Ridgway, Earl Robinson, Michelle Proctor, Helen Walters, and Judy Yanik

CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE TO REMOVE OR PLACE SOMEONE ON THE SICK LIST



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SPECIAL COLLECTIONS
BLDG FUND MAR 08



REGULAR \$6,493.06
BLDG FUND \$633.00

THE VOTES HAVE BEEN TALLIED AND THE WINNER IS: THE DAILY MASS SCHEDULE IS NOW PERMANENTLY SET
9 AM MON,TUES,THURS
Wed 5:30 pm Benediction Service with Mass to follow
Friday 9am Para Liturgical Service

COOKIES, CAKES, AND PIES NEEDED!



The Ladies Guild will have a Bake Sale after each Mass on Palm Sunday weekend, April 4th & 5th. The funds from the Bake Sale are used for the altar care here at St. John. Please contribute or purchase baked goods. Baked items can be brought to the Hall on Saturday, April 4 after 2:30 pm. **TWO EASTER BASKETS**, (one for a girl and one for a boy) will also be raffled. The Ladies Guild thanks you for your support!



Please come help clean the Church in preparation for Easter. Bring any cleaning supplies you have on hand on Thursday, April 2nd following the morning 9 am mass.



The Stations of the Cross on **March 20th** will be a **Childrens' Stations of the Cross** format. Please bring your children at **6pm** and encourage and teach them this beautiful devotion reflecting on our Lords journey to the cross. **You can download a free Stations of the Cross coloring book** to help them in learning this devotion. http://www.catholicmom.com/stations_booklet.pdf

A L M S G I V I N G

demonstrates to children the importance of contributing money to the poor. The whole family can enter into the spirit of saving for alms. Place the Rice Bowl on the table and add the money each family member saved as a result of self-denial such as smoking, eating candy, going to movies etc. Buy simpler and cheaper foods for Lenten meals and put the difference into the rice bowl at meal time — for all to see where the cost of that dessert went!

OPERATION RICE BOWL



Q. Can Catholics attend non-Catholic services?

A: You can attend a non-catholic worship service with your friends, **however it does not excuse nor substitute your obligation of going to Mass.** Catholics are obliged to attend Mass every Sunday and on holy days of obligation. Missing Mass, unless due to inclement weather or bad health, is a mortal sin.



<i>In Our Parish</i>	<p>SUN MAR 08 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT PENITENTIAL RITE FOR RCIA CANDIDATES 9 AM, MASS HS YOUTH GROUP 6PM, HALL GN 22:1-2, 9A, 10-13, 15-18; PS 116; ROM 8:31B-34; MK 9:2-10</p>	<p>MON MAR 09 ST FRANCES OF ROME K OF C MTG 7PM HALL LENT MISSION FR. SHARON IN CHURCH AT 7PM DN 9:4B-10; PS 79; LK 6:36-386</p>	<p>TUE MAR 10 LADIES GUILD CRAFTS HALL 10 AM-2PM RCIA 6PM HALL MOM'S MTG 6:30 RM 9 LENT MISSION FR. SHARON, CHURCH 7PM IS 1:10, 16-20; PS 50; MT 23:1-12</p>	<p>WED MAR 11 ADORATION IN CHAPEL LENT MISSION FR. SHARON IN CHURCH AT 7PM JER 18:18-20; PS 31; MT 20:17-28</p>
	<p>THU MAR 12 LITURGY MTG 6PM RM 9 JER 17:5-10; PS 1; LK 16:19-31</p>	<p>FRI MAR 13 DAY OF ABSTINENCE CANASTA, 1PM, RM 9 STATIONS OF THE CROSS 6PM CHURCH GN 37:3-4, 12-13A, 17B-28A; PS 105; MT 21:33-43, 45-46</p>	<p>SAT MAR 14 RELAY FOR LIFE FLEA MARKET 8 AM —2PM MICAH 7:14-15, 18-20; PS 103; LK 15:1-3, 11-32</p>	<p>SUN MAR 15 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT RCIA SCRUTINY 9 AM, MASS JR HIGH YOUTH, 6 PM, HALL ULTREYA 4-6 PM HALL Ex 20:1-17 OR 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; PS 19; 1 COR 1:22-25; JN 2:13-25</p>