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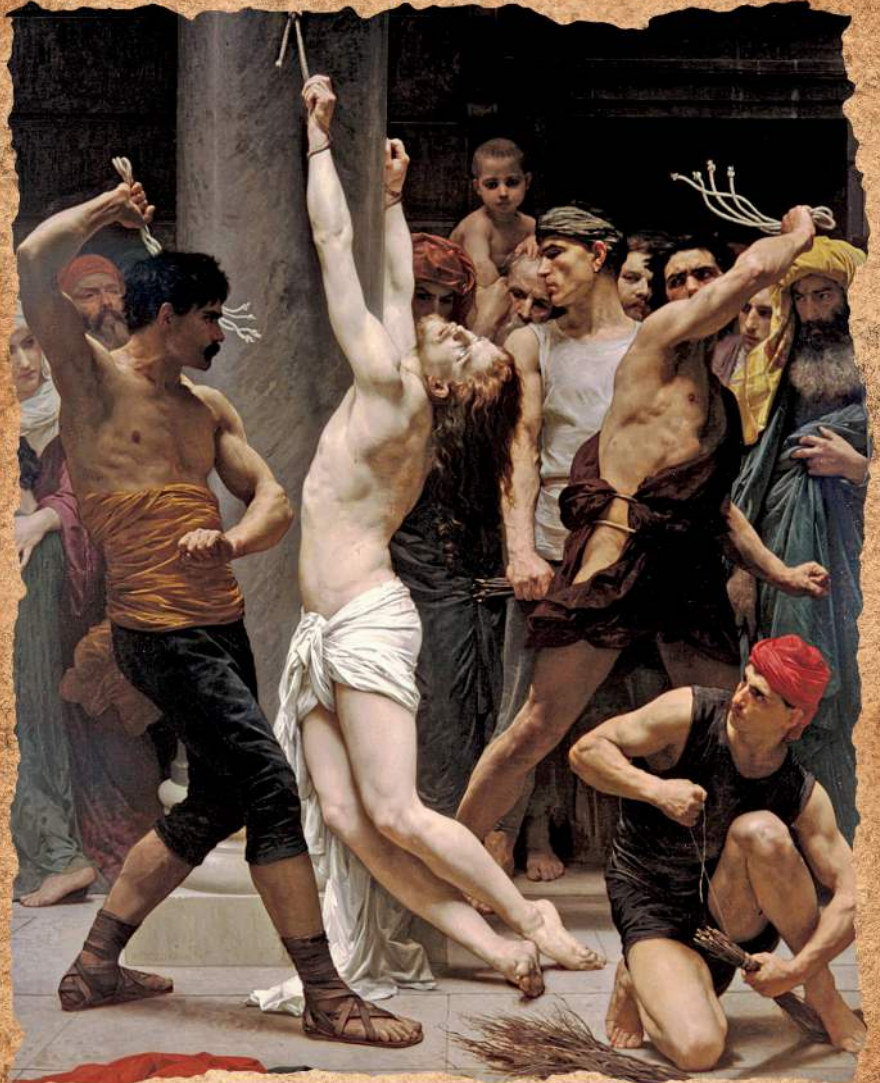
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WEEKEND MASSES:
Saturday: 6:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:15 AM
12:00 PM and 6:00 PM

Confessions are heard on
Saturday from 4:30 - 5:30 PM
and by appointment.

March 1, 2026

SECOND SORROWFUL MYSTERY



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

The Scourging at the Pillar

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Journey to Damascus (JTD) is a 3-day Christian weekend for those who want to deepen their relationship with God, strengthen their faith, and experience true Christian brother/sisterhood. It is open to all denominations and centers seeking a stronger foundation in Christ and deeper unity with other believers.

It is for those who:

- A. Want to grow spiritually
- B. Need time away from distractions to reconnect with God
- C. Value community, faith and encouragement.

The weekend is full physically, emotionally, and spiritually, so pilgrims should set aside outside responsibilities and come ready to be present.

The upcoming 2026 Weekend Schedule is :

Mens	Womens
March 19-22	April 23-26
June 18-21	July 30-August 2
September 17-20	October 15-18

Weekends are held at the OLCC Campus on Lantana and the Weekend Fees are \$225.00 (assistance is available for those with need). More information can be found at www.journeytodamascus.org or you may contact John Porche@ 361-533-0737 or Michelle Ochoa @ 361-400-5473.

Adult Religious Education

The lecture for this Thursday will be presented by Deacon Vincent Stark and his wife, Dr Julie. The title of their talk is "The Seven Sorrows of Our Lady." This is an excellent devotional for Lent and beyond. Engaging in this devotional will be deepen anyone's relationship with Jesus and Our Lady. Their lecture is sure to be very enlightening and heartwarming. It will take place at 7pm on Thursday, March 5, in St Williams Hall.

Everyone is welcome and strongly encouraged to attend.

Second Sunday of Lent
Transfiguration Manifestation

It may seem odd to hear the Gospel of the Transfiguration of Jesus during Lent. Wouldn't it fit better after Easter? After all, the disciples who witnessed it did not tell anyone else about it until after the Resurrection (Matthew 17:9). An answer is found a few verses after our Gospel selection. Jesus tells the disciples that he will suffer (Matthew 17:12). The vision of Jesus' glory shared by Peter, James, and John was meant to help them not to become discouraged by Jesus' death on the cross.

The story encourages us during the long season of Lent to be faithful to our prayers, our Lenten sacrifices, and our charity because we have seen a glimpse of the glory that is coming. Some of the details in the Gospel can help us understand.

First, we hear about Jesus' appearance, that "his face shone like the sun" (Matthew 17:2). Just as we can't look directly at the sun, so people thought that if they looked at the face of God they would die. If the disciples didn't believe that Jesus was the Son of God before, they surely did now. For us this can be a reminder that God is with us during this season of Lent, helping our faith to grow.

Next, the three disciples see Moses and Elijah, who were signs that Jesus fulfills the law and the prophets. But when Peter tries to keep them around by offering to set up tents for them, the voice of God interrupts. God tells them that now they should listen to Jesus. The Gospel tells us to keep our eyes on Jesus throughout Lent. Do I grumble about Lent, seeing it as another set of laws to be obeyed? Perhaps I'm forgetting that Lent is not about how much I do for God, but a time to reflect on what God has done for me.

The last line of the Gospel has Jesus admonishing the three not to tell anyone about their vision until after his resurrection. Maybe the disciples were tempted to brag that they were better than the other followers of Jesus. This reminds us that the sacrifices of Lent don't just make us look holy; they lead us to the new life of Easter.

Tom Schmidt



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