



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A, 5 MARCH 2023

MASS SCHEDULES

Monday - Thursday

No public Mass

Friday – Saturday

9am (Adoration)

9.30am

Sunday

6pm (Saturday Vigil)

10.30am (English)

12noon (Polish)

Confessions

Saturday

10.00am (After Mass)

or call to make an appointment.

The reading of the Transfiguration on the 2nd Sunday is of great antiquity; it is found in the missal of 1570 and so in our lifetimes has always been heard today. The readings for Lent should always be seen in the context of preparation for baptism. Since the Rite of Election last Sunday there will be catechumens in many parishes and what they hear is for their instruction as well as ours. Details may be significant: Moses and Elijah both fasted for forty days and afterwards ascended the mountain of the Lord, as we are doing. The privileged vision which Jesus granted the apostles is a foretaste of what we can ourselves expect, but only if we are prepared to travel with him to his death. 2 Timothy, written in the light of Jesus's resurrection, explains the significance of his sacrifice, and anticipates this Gospel in the first words 'bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News.' The words 'revealed' and 'Appearing' are other connections with what Peter, James and John saw. In all three years the first reading concerns Abraham in different aspects. Today's passage is the first where God speaks directly to him (still called Abram) and makes the promise which marks the beginning of our salvation history, the moment from which Judaism, Islam and Christianity take their origin. This is another moment we have to take seriously, even though this is a short reading. The whole set of readings is about love and hope, as the psalm response says.

Liturgy Planner

For Today Mass

Responsorial psalm

May your love be upon us,
O Lord, as we place all our
hope in you.

Gospel acclamation

From the bright cloud the
Father's voice was heard:
"This is my Son, the
Beloved. Listen to him."

Cała perykopa składa się z trzech etapów: wejścia na górę, wydarzenia na szczycie i zejścia. Jakże często i nasze życie jest podobne do nich. Najpierw stawiamy sobie jakiś cel i trudzimy się, żeby go osiągnąć, a gdy już go zdobędziemy, przepelnia nas radość rozświetlająca nasze wnętrza. Mówimy sobie – podobnie jak Piotr – dobrze, że tu jesteśmy. Chcemy wtedy rozbić symboliczny namiot, aby w nim się schronić i niejako zabezpieczyć swoje przeżycie przemienienia po osiągnięciu celu. Jednak wtedy następuje moment zejścia i powrotu do rzeczywistości u podnóża góry, czyli do codzienności. Schodząc myślimy o tym, jak będziemy się dzielić naszą radością z bliskimi, a z drugiej strony czujemy żal, że to już było i się skończyło. Z pewnością podobne ambiwalentne uczucia towarzyszyły apostołom, którzy może wtedy pomyśleli: „Ależ mamy historię do opowiedzenia pozostałym uczniom! Ach, i to właśnie przed nami Mistrz się przemienił! Niech pozostali uczniowie nam zazdroszczą”. Panie, uwolnij nas od pychy!

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**SAINTS DAYS
and SPECIAL
OBSERVANCES THIS
WEEK**

Monday 6th March
2nd Week of Lent

Tuesday 7th March
2nd Week of Lent

Wednesday 8th March
2nd Week of Lent

Thursday 9th March
2nd Week of Lent

Friday 10th March
St John Ogilvie

Saturday 11th March
2nd Week of Lent

PRAYERS

Please pray for the
repose of the soul of
those whose
anniversaries occur
about this time

**Eternal rest grant
unto their souls,
O Lord. May they
rest in peace. Amen.**

**FABRIC MEETING
Thursday 9 March 2023
7.00 p.m.**

**Parish finances and
projects for 2023/2024**

CHRZEST

Zamiar ochrzczenia
dziecka zgłaszamy do
biura parafialnego na
**miesiąc przed datą
chrztu**

MAŁŻEŃSTWO

Zamiar zawarcia
sakramentu
małżeństwa zgłaszamy
do biura parafialnego
na **6 m-cy przed
datą ślubu**

JANUARY FINANCES

Income: £7199.73
Expenses: £3087.33
Balance: £4112.40

Bank account: £7391.158

LENT

WAY OF THE CROSS
Wednesday 7.00 pm (eng.)

DROGA KRZYŻOWA
Piątek g. 19.00

**LENTEN RETREATS
(REKOLEKCJE)**
17 – 19 March 2023
Fr Krzysztof Tomczak MS

CONFESSION
Tuesday 4 April
6.00 pm – 8.00pm

SCIAF
Wee box can be collected
from the back of the
church

GIFT AID

If you are a UK taxpayer,
ensure all your contributions
to the OLMC Banff are Gift-
Aided by registering for the
OLMC Banff Gift Aid
scheme. This means we can
claim an additional 25% on
top of all contributions you
make in whatever form,
without it costing you a
penny more!!
To complete GIFT AID
DECLARATION FORM
please contact Parish Office

STATION MASSES:

Thu 2 March – Forres 11.00 am

Wed 8 March – Huntly 11.00 am

Thu 16 March – Banff 11.00 am

Wed 22 March – Elgin 7.00pm

*Thu 30 March – Buckie Chrism
Mass*

COLLECTIONS

Sunday's Collection
26 February 2023
Cash – £298.50
Gift Aid – £40.00

SCHOOL OF FAITH

Our Sunday Teaching
form Catechism of the
Catholic Church will
resume from
First Sunday of Lent