



SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# ALION'S SHARE

FEBRUARY 24, 2024



*Getting ready to “Bury the Alleluia” on the last Sunday of Epiphany. The alleluia disappears from our liturgy for the 40 days of Lent and will reappear on Easter Sunday.*





# Way of the Cross

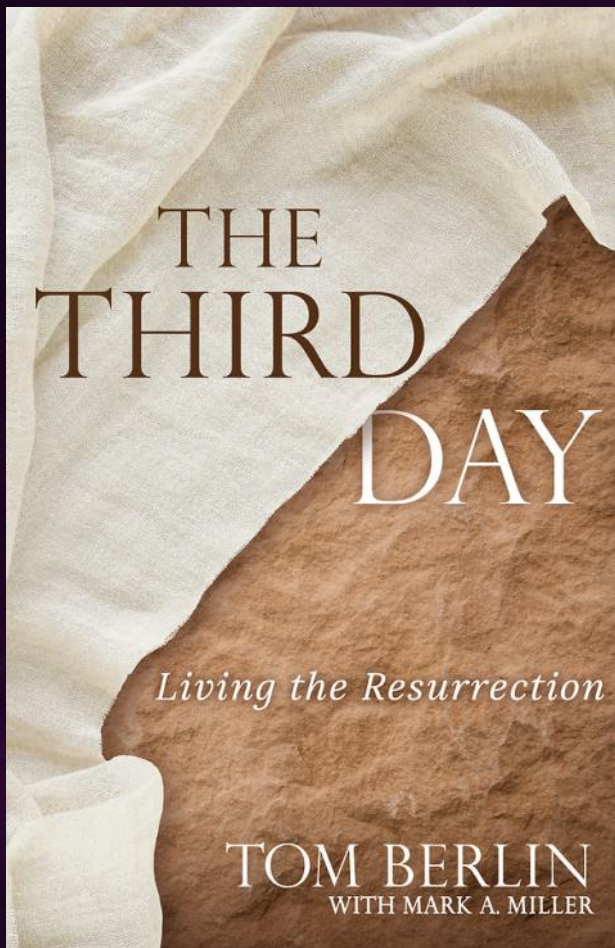
## **Fridays in Lent**

(February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22)

**6:40 p.m. — Meditative Music**

**7:00 p.m.—Service**

*A service of prayer which reflects the final hours of Jesus' life.*



# Lenten Book Study

Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

February 15, 22, 29

March 7, 14, 21

In-person and via zoom

On the third day, he rose again.

In *The Third Day: Living the Resurrection*, Tom Berlin uses his gifts of storytelling and understanding the Scriptures to connect the reader to the experiences of several individuals around Jesus in his final days, focusing on new life and redemption rather than loss.

Join Peter, Mary Magdalene, and Thomas as they feel the despair of losing Jesus and the surprise and joy that awaits them in the resurrection. This study traces events around these characters, along with Paul and the disciples at Emmaus, and how the resurrection transforms their lives.

This book can be purchased online at Amazon or the religious goods store Cokesbury. Scholarships are available for this book.

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# Pipe Organ Update-2/25/2024

The platform is taking shape that will eventually hold the pipes.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 4 Epiphany 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Choir Practice 10:00am Holy Eucharist 11:00am Coffee Hour	29 Parish Office Closed	30	31 [Marcella of Rome, Monastic and Scholar, 410]	1 Brigid of Kildare Monastic, c.523 10:00am Bible Study 11:00am Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing	2 The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Candlemas)	3 Cornelius the Centurion, or [Manche Masemola, Martyr, 1928] 9:00am Winter Farmers Market
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11 <i>Alleluia!</i> Last Sunday after the Epiphany 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Choir Practice 10:00am Holy Eucharist 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Coffee Hour 6:00pm Superbowl Party and Chili Cookoff	12 Parish Office Closed	13 Absalom Jones, Priest, 1818 Shrove Tuesday 5:30pm Pancake Supper	14  Ash Wednesday Cyril and Methodius, Missionaries, 869 and 885 12:00pm Ashes to Go 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Liturgy	15 Thomas Bray, Priest and Missionary, 1730 10:00am Bible Study 11:00am Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing 7:00pm Way of the Cross	16	17 Janani Luwum, Archbishop and Martyr, 1977 9:00am Winter Farmers Market
18 First Sunday in Lent 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Choir Practice 10:00am Holy Eucharist 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Coffee Hour	19 [Agnes Tsao Kou Ying, Agatha Lin Zhao, and Lucy Yi Zhenmei, Catechists and Martyrs, 1856, 1858, and 1862] BB Closed Parish Office Closed	20 [Frederick Douglass, Social Reformer, 1895] BB Closed 12:30pm Staff Meeting	21 BB Closed	22 [Margaret of Cortona, Monastic, 1297] BB Closed 10:00am Bible Study 11:00am Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing 7:00pm Way of the Cross	23 BB Closed Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr of Smyrna, 156	24 Saint Matthias, Apostle 9:00am Winter Farmers Market
25 Holy Land Presentation after both services Second Sunday in Lent 8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am Choir Practice 10:00am Holy Eucharist 11:00am Coffee Hour	26 [Photini, The Samaritan Woman, c.67] Parish Office Closed	27 George Herbert, Priest and Poet, 1633	28 Anna Julia Haywood Cooper, Educator, 1964	29 10:00am Bible Study 11:00am Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing 7:00pm Way of the Cross	1 David of Wales, Bishop, c. 544	2 Chad of Lichfield, 9:00am Winter Farmers Market

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**OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday to Friday  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**WEEKEND SERVICES**

10:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist  
10:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist  
(Livestreamed)

**THURSDAY SERVICES**

11:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist with  
Prayers for Healing



The Rt. Rev. Lawrence Provenzano  
Bishop of Long Island

The Rt. Rev. GERALYN WOLF  
Assisting Bishop of Long Island

The Rt. Rev. Daniel Allotey  
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<b>Monday, 02/26</b>	<b>Church Office Closed</b>
<b>Tuesday, 02/27</b>	12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
<b>Wednesday, 02/28</b>	7:30 p.m. Alanon Meeting (Atwater Room)
<b>Thursday, 02/29</b>	10:00 a.m. Lenten Book Study - The Third Day 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing (Fr. Chris' Office) 12:30 p.m. Threshold Singers (Atwater Room) 6:00 p.m. Cinema & Soup – The Chosen (Season 1, Episodes 5&6)
<b>Friday, 03/01</b>	7:00 p.m. The Way of the Cross
<b>Saturday, 03/02</b>	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Winter Farmer's Market (Parish Hall) 9:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast Meeting
<b>Sunday, - 03/03</b>	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church 9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

<b>8:00 a.m. Participants</b>		<b>Services</b>		<b>In Person</b>	<b>Online</b>
<b>LEM</b>	Sundy Schermeyer				
<b>Lector</b>	Dick Gardner				
<b>Usher</b>	Pete Williams				
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Diane Stewart, Virginia Gilmore				
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Diane Stewart				
<b>10:00 a.m. Participants</b>		02/18 First Sunday in Lent	8 am	<b>23</b>	
<b>LEM</b>	Madeline Glover	02/18 First Sunday in Lent	10 am	<b>34</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>Lector</b>	William Glover				
<b>Ushers</b>	Steve DeCaro, Sandy Wyman				
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Victoria Garcia, Ashley McLean				
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Diane Stewart				
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>57</b>	
		02/16 Way of the Cross			<b>52</b>
		02/22 Bible Study	10 am	<b>7</b>	
		02/22 Healing Service	11 am	<b>6</b>	
		02/22 Soup & Movie "The Chosen"	6 pm	<b>7</b>	
<b>February Birthdays</b>		<p><b>Please Pray for Your Parish Every Day at 12:00 Noon. And remember the People of Israel, Palestine, Sudan, Armenia, Ukraine and the United States of America too!</b></p>			
Lori Jean Williams	02/04				
Penelope Tunney	02/06				
Rob Moyle	02/11				
Stephen Hunt	02/13				
Hudson Andria	02/16				
Sandy Wyman	02/18				
Kevin Tunney	02/21				
Morgan Laube	02/23				
Connor Canty	02/23				
Pamela Sheiffer	02/24				
Louise Reeves	02/28				
<b>February Anniversaries</b>					
Paul & Norma-Jeanne Okula	02/02				
Francis & Nicole Gordon	02/22				
Paul & Lisa Canty	02/24				
Kent and Elizabeth Wolgemuth	02/29				

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Walking Group**—Lent is a good time to look at our overall health. With this I would like to form an informal walking group. We can walk daily or once a week. Please let me know if you are interested.—**Fr. Chris +**

**Bocce Ball on Monday evenings June through September.** For men and women, no experience necessary. You'll have lots of fun! Please contact Larry Andria at lawaterinc@yahoo.com

**Parish Survey** - If you are a new member of the church, please fill out the Church Parish Survey. They can be found at the back of the church and on the table outside of the church office.

**Our Lenten Study is called The Third Day**--TOM BERLIN USES HIS GIFTS OF STORYTELLING AND UNDERSTANDING THE SCRIPTURES TO CONNECT THE READER TO THE EXPERIENCES OF SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS AROUND JESUS IN HIS FINAL DAYS. Books can be purchased from Amazon or from Cokesbury. Our sessions are in person and via zoom

**Inclement Weather**—Please check our website at [www.stmarkswvb.org](http://www.stmarkswvb.org) for weather related cancellations. PLEASE DO NOT come to church if it is unsafe to do so.

**Covenant Class** for those who wish to be Confirmed, Received or to learn more about the Episcopal Church will start in the new year. Contact Fr. Chris if you are interested.

**Coffee Hour:** Host/hostesses are needed during the month of March. The signup sheet is on the table outside of the parish hall.

**Altar Flowers** - If you would like to dedicate plants for the Altar contact Laura Bott at 631-722-4749 or email her at [Laura.bott17@gmail.com](mailto:Laura.bott17@gmail.com). Two plants are available on March 17 and March 24. The plants are \$40.00 each. Please remember to contact Laura if you sign up in the book.

### **Mark Your Calendar:**

**February 29** - 6:00 p.m. Cinema and Soup – The Chosen

**March 1** - 7:00 p.m. The Way of the Cross (every Friday during Lent)

**March 2** - 9:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast Gathering

### **We ask that you remember those for whom prayers are requested:**

**John Andren** (Parishioner), **Noah Berger** (Req. by Jenn Kast), **Stan Billie** (Req. by Jenn Kast), **Deana Chiusano** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **Abby Connett** (Req. by Nancy Connett), **Marilyn Dorsa** (Req. by Drew Clark), **David Fridae**, **Owen Foster** (Diane & John Stewart's grandson), **Nancy Fraser** (Req. by Ki Nobiletti), **Fred Rees Garcia** (son of Victoria Garcia), **Roberta Good** (Diane Stewart's Sister), **Jason Gordon** (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), **Elaine Hanes** (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), **Barbara Ireton** (Req. by Carol Smith), **Gretchen & Jim Jubinski** (Fr. Chris' Parents), **Christina Kouris** (Req. by Sandy Wyman), **Cole LoRusso** (Marj Kulesa's Nephew), **John Martinelli** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **Fred Meyer** (Parishioner), **Jock McLean** (Parishioner), **Sean McLean** (Req. by Jock McLean), **Sudie Nostrand** (Carol John's Sister), **Paul Oele** (Parishioner), **Cassie Panzarino** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **Michele Parks** (Req. by Marjorie Kulesa), **Joan Petrella** (Parishioner), **John Saladino** (Req. by Victoria Garcia), **Jean Scopinich** (Parishioner), **John Stewart** (Parishioner), **Sarah Witters** (Req. by Victoria Garcia), **Stephen Wyman** (Req. by Sandy Wyman.), **The Most Reverend Michael Curry**, our Presiding Bishop

**If there are any names that can be removed, kindly contact Kate in the church office 631-288-2111.**

**We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:** Amanda E. Degener, Kyle M. Degener, George L. Degener, Jesse Fritz, Nicholas LoRusso, Joshua Rudd, Rob Scribner and James Mercready.

*The plants on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Diane & John Stewart in Celebration of God's Blessing over our grandchildren and by Kate Gabrielsen in loving memory of her father, Fred Gabrielsen.*



## Notes on this Sunday's Readings – February 4<sup>th</sup> (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany Year B)

*Isaiah 40:21-31*

*1 Corinthians 9:16-23*

*Mark 1:29-39*

*Psalms 147:1-12, 21c*

Today's Gospel continues Mark's account of the first events in Jesus' ministry. Once again, Jesus was faced with illness which he cured and evil spirits which he cast out. But rather than stay in that place as a healer, he moves on to announce the good news of God's Kingdom in other places as well.

The first reading proclaims God as ruler and creator of all things. God is incomparable and inexhaustible, and God's power is the source of our life and that power animates our lives and our ministry.

In the second reading, Paul is responding to another problem in the Corinthian church. Wandering preachers had come to them and, preaching for money, had proclaimed strange versions of the Gospel. Paul wants to make it clear that his is the Gospel of Christ and the proof that he is not altering it to be popular is that he does not ask for money. It is the proclamation of Christ that is central.

We are called and converted by that message and baptized into that faith. We gather at the Lord's Table in response, for empowerment, but we also gather in order to be sent forth in that power to proclaim the message to others.

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## Readings for Sunday, February 25, 2024—The Second Sunday in Lent, Year B

### The Collect

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Old Testament – Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

### Psalms 22:22-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

<sup>22</sup> Praise the Lord, you that fear him; \*

stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

<sup>23</sup> For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; \*

but when they cry to him he hears them.

<sup>24</sup> My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

<sup>25</sup> The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: \*

"May your heart live for ever!"

<sup>26</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, \*

and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

<sup>27</sup> For kingship belongs to the Lord; \*

he rules over the nations.

<sup>28</sup> To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \*

all who go down to the dust fall before him.

<sup>29</sup> My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; \*

they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.

<sup>30</sup> They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*

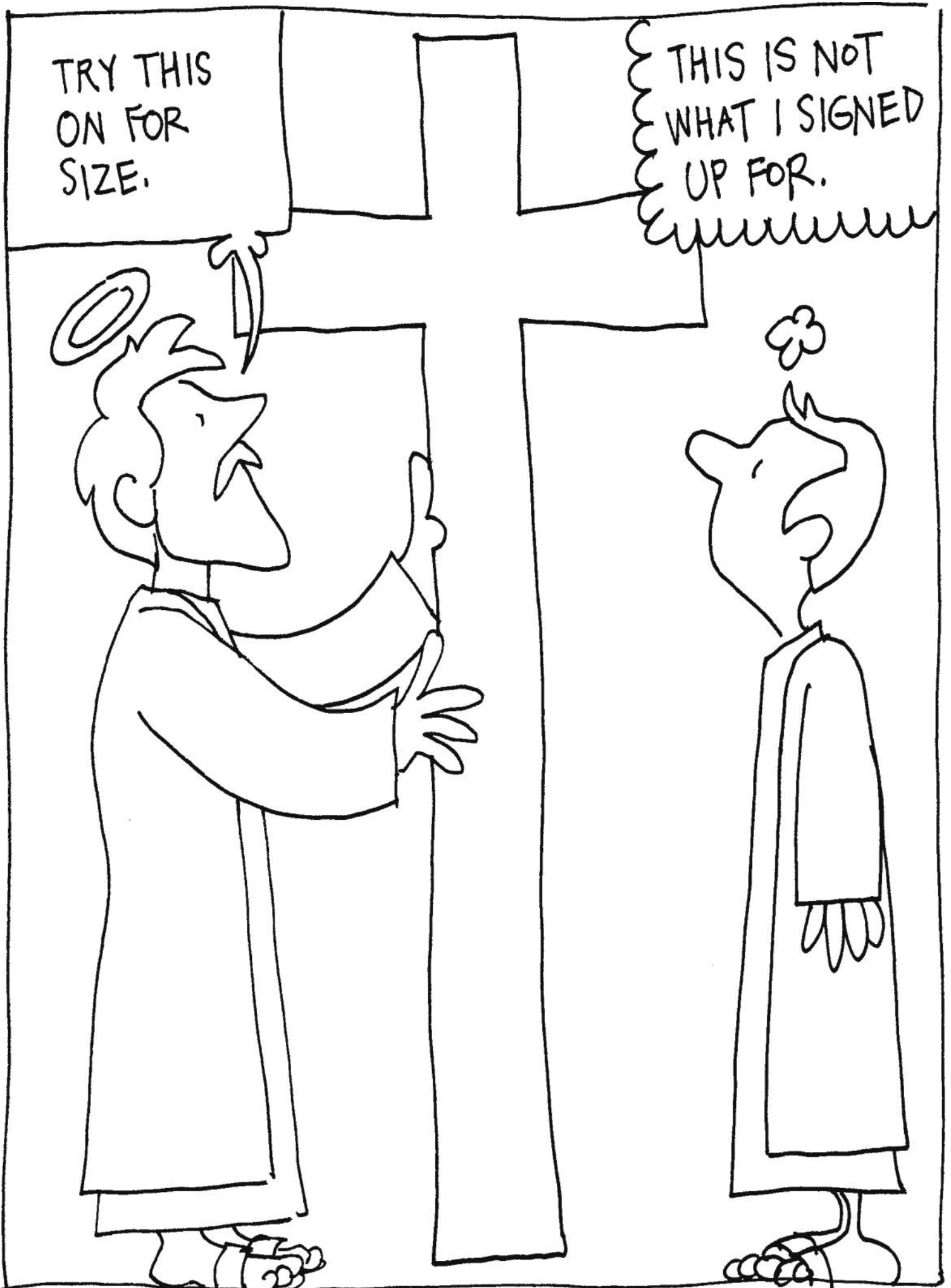
the saving deeds that he has done.

### The Epistle – Romans 4:13-25

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. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

### The Gospel – Mark 8:31-38

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”





## BULLETIN INSERTS

February 25, 2024 – Lent 2 (B)

Week 2: Life Transformed – The Way of Love in Lent

The journey through Lent into Easter is a journey with Jesus. We are baptized into his life, self-giving, and death; then, we rise in hope to life transformed. This Lent, communities are invited to walk with Jesus in his Way of Love and into the experience of transformed life. Together, we will reflect anew on the loving actions of God as recounted in the Easter Vigil readings. Together, we will walk through the depths of salvation history into the fullness of redemption. Throughout Lent, come along with us as we explore Life Transformed: The Way of Love in Lent, produced by Hillary Raining and Jenifer Gamber. You can find resources mentioned below at [iam.ec/lifetransformed](http://iam.ec/lifetransformed) or by scanning the QR code to the right.



### Week 2

**Sunday, February 25**

*Today's Practice:* Watch the Rev. Dr. Hillary Raining's video at [iam.ec/lifetransformed](http://iam.ec/lifetransformed) for Week 2. The topic is based on the practice "Pray" and is titled, "Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea".

*Read:* Exodus 14:10-15:1

**Monday, February 26**

*Today's Prompt:* Notice the pattern of your breathing. Pray for awareness of blessings.

*Read:* "Then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being." – Genesis 2:7

**Tuesday, February 27**

*Today's Prompt:* What passage of scripture is important to you? Why?

*Read:* "The grass withers; the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever." – Isaiah 40:8

**Wednesday, February 28**

*Today's Prompt:* Listen to the Daily Office today at [missionstclare.com](http://missionstclare.com).

*Read:* "But I will call upon God, and the LORD will deliver me." – Psalm 55:17

**Thursday, February 29**

*Today's Prompt:* How did you turn back toward God's love when you made a big mistake?

*Read:* "I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.'" – Luke 15:18

**Friday, March 1**

*Today's Prompt:* Where can you seek and serve Christ in someone unlike you?

*Read:* "And you shall be my people, and I will be your God. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall adorn yourself with your tambourines and go forth in the dance of the merry-makers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit." – Jeremiah 30:22, 31:4-5

**Saturday, March 2**

*Today's Prompt:* In your prayers today, what new words or thoughts touch you?

*Read:* "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." – Philippians 4:6

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# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A large, textured footprint is shown in the sand. Inside the footprint, a cross is visible, symbolizing the Episcopal Church's presence in the world. The sand is dark and grainy, with some lighter patches and shadows.

WE MAY BE SMALL IN NUMBERS, BUT  
OUR WORK IN THE WORLD CAN STILL  
LEAVE A LARGE FOOTPRINT

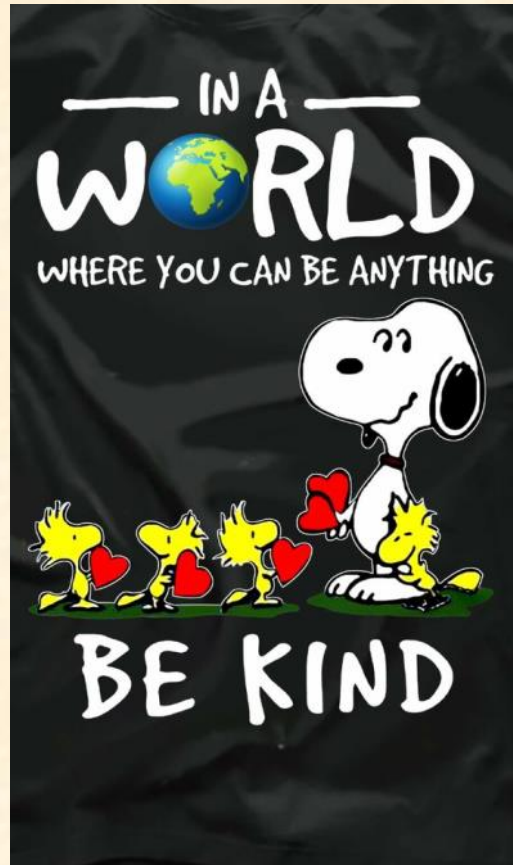
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### February Birthdays

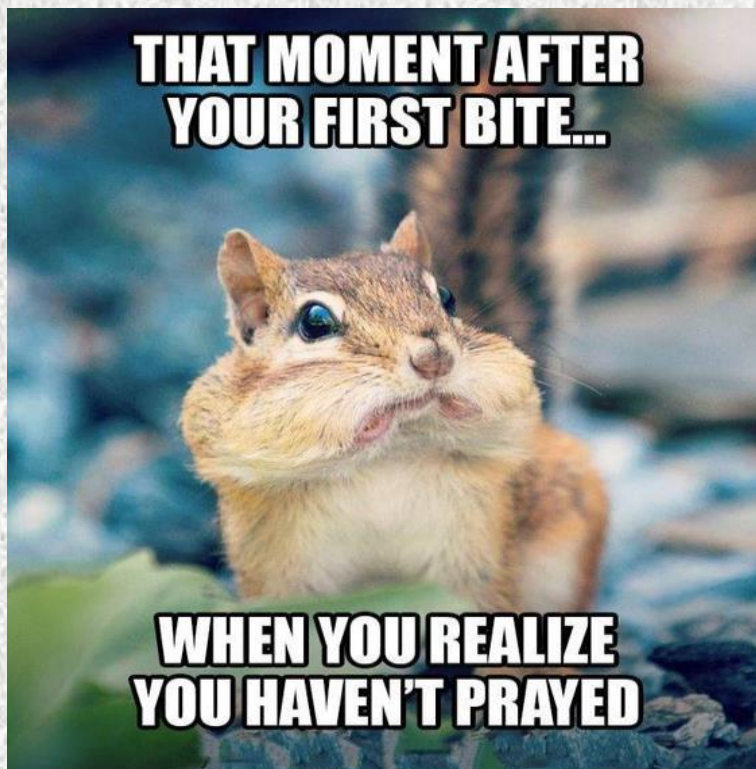
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### February Anniversaries

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## On the Lighter Side...



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