

PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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February 27th/28th 2021 – Second Sunday of Lent

❖ Mass for the coming week:

Monday to Friday at 10a.m.

All Masses streamed online through the Parish website

<https://www.laurelodgeparish.ie> or <https://www.churchservices.tv/>

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The transfiguration is an epiphany story. In this kind of story, the veil, which separates the invisible from the visible world, the future and the present, is removed for a moment, and the truth is revealed. In the transfigured Jesus the apostles got a glimpse of the glory of the risen Lord.

First Reading: (Gen. 22:1-2; 9-13; 15-18)

This reading shows how complete was Abraham's obedience to God.

Second Reading: (Rom. 8:31-34)

Since God is on our side, we can face anything.

Gospel: (Mark 9:2-10)

On Mount Tabor three apostles of Jesus got a glimpse of the glory that was his as the Son of God.

Reflection - Mountains

Jesus often went into the hills to pray.

He preached his famous sermon from a hilltop.

He was transfigured on Mount Tabor; died on Mount Calvary.

And ascended to heaven from Mount Olivet.

It seems that He loved hill and mountains.

Why was that?

Lift us up strong Song of God, that we may see further.

Strengthen our faith that we may see beyond the horizon.

And when the valley closes us in,

Help us to remember the view from the hilltop.

Trócaire envelopes and boxes are available from the tables at the back of the church. South Sudan, where the two families on the Lent Boxes this year are struggling to survive, is going through great pain. Please take either an envelope or box and support Trócaire in their work this Lent. Thank you.

Stations of the Cross will be live streamed from the church after the 10am Mass every Tuesday throughout Lent and can be followed by logging on to the parish website <https://www.laurelodgeparish.ie/webcam>



❖ MASS INTENTIONS:

Month's Mind:

Jim Annesley and Marie Annesley,

Joseph Quinlan

Noel Ward

❖ Remember Also:

Alison Casey, Joseph Kirwan, Christina McGrady and Pdraig O'Meara, *all recently deceased.*

Also, Margaret Ryan, John Ring, Peter Boyle, Stuart McLaughlin and Nora and Patsy Sheehan whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those on the Altar List of the Dead
May they Rest in Peace.