THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT • MARCH 5, 2023

MUSIC AT 10:00 AM

Voluntary	Jesus, all my gladness	J. S. Bach
Opening Hymn 401	"The God of Abraham praise"	Leoni
Gradual Hymn 691	"My faith looks up to thee"	Olivet
Offertory Hymn 313	"Let thy blood in mercy poured"	Jesus, meine Zuversicht
Motet at Communion	Richard de Castre's Prayer to Jesus	Sir R. R. Terry
Closing Hymn 636	"How firm a foundation"	Foundation
Voluntary	Chaconne	François Couperin

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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**.

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 12:1-4a

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

¹² Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

⁴So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Please read responsively by half verse

THE PSALM 121

- ¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills; * from where is my help to come?
- ² My help comes from the Lord, * the maker of heaven and earth.
- ³ He will not let your foot be moved * and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- ⁴ Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel * shall neither slumber nor sleep;

- ⁵The Lord himself watches over you; * the Lord is your shade at your right hand.
- ⁶So that the sun shall not strike you by day, * nor the moon by night.
- ⁷The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; * it is he who shall keep you safe.
- ⁸The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
 - from this time forth for evermore.

THE SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

¹ What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ⁴Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. 5But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. ¹³For 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. 14 If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For 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, ¹⁷as 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.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL John 3:1-17

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

ow there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews.²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom without being born above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' 8The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can

these things be?"10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 11"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 17"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON Father Joseph Krasinski

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Motet at Communion

Richard de Castre's Prayer to Jesus

Sir R. R. Terry

Jhesu, since Thou made and bought, Be Thou my love and all my thought, And help that I may to Thee be brought, Withouten Thee I may do nought. Jhesu, since Thou must do Thy will, And naething is that Thee may let [hinder], With Thy grace my heart fulfil, My love and my liking in Thee is set. Jhesu, at Thy will I pray that I might be, All my heart fulfil, with perfect love to Thee. That I have done ill, Jhesu, forgive Thou me, And suffer me never to spill [be lost]. Jhesu for pity Amen. – Richard Caistor

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CYCLE OF PRAYER: the Province of South East Asia

SAVE THE DATES

Upcoming Events

Sundays After 10 am	Bible/Book Study	Chapel	After 10 am
Sunday March 5	Annual Meeting	Cathedral	After 10 am
	Choral Evensong	Cathedral	5:30 pm
Sunday March 12	Daylight Savings begins		



