

**Confirmation Mass Assignment**

March 5, 2017  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

**Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11**

**Instructions:** While attending mass listen to the gospel and then read the gospel reflection. Answer the questions. Turn in with a bulletin from the mass.

**Gospel Reflection**

As Jesus prepares to begin his ministry, he enters a kind of spiritual "training camp." Alone in the desert, he fasts and prays for forty days. When the devil tries to ambush him with three temptations to disobey God's will, Jesus is well armed. He defends himself with the word of God by quoting from the Book of Deuteronomy. He refuses to be tricked by false promises of power and glory.

**Gospel Questions:**

1. Lent can be a spiritual training camp for us today. It is a time to practice using God's word as our defensive weapon against temptation. What spiritual training plans will you put into practice during Lent?
2. What helpful advice could you offer someone faced with a temptation?
3. What helps you do the right thing when you want to do something wrong?
4. How will you take some time away to be with God like Jesus did?

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**Confirmation Mass Assignment**

March 12, 2017

Second Sunday of Lent

**Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9**

**Instructions:** While attending mass listen to the gospel and then read the gospel reflection. Answer the questions. Turn in with a bulletin from the mass.

**Gospel Reflection:**

Three of Jesus' closest friends arrive at a new understanding of him in today's gospel. They are allowed to get a glimpse of him as he will be after his passion, death, and resurrection. Jesus is seen as the fulfillment of the Law (represented by Moses) and the Prophets (represented by Elijah) of the Old Testament. He is Son of God and Messiah, in whom we experience God's presence and in whose image we will be transfigured.

We read today's story of the transfiguration so that we, too, might be led to a new understanding of Jesus. He is greater than we could ever have thought, and tells us, "Do not be afraid. Keep your eyes on me."

**Gospel Questions:**

1. In the din of constant sounds, how do you listen to Jesus? What place(s) help you to listen? Explain.
2. What difference does your faith in Jesus Christ make in your life?
3. What does it mean to you to be a holy person?
4. What can help you understand Jesus?

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**Confirmation I Mass Assignment**

March 19, 2017

Third Sunday of Lent

**Gospel: John 4:5-52**

***Instructions:*** While attending mass listen to the gospel and then read the gospel reflection. Answer the following questions and turn in your answers with a bulletin from the mass.

***Gospel Reflection***

In this wonderful story from John's Gospel, Jesus gives the Samaritan woman at the well the "living water" of truth. A foreigner, she is hospitable to Jesus and honest with him. In return, he chooses to reveal to her the truth about his identity. The woman rushes off to tell everyone the good news that the Messiah has come. And she is so convincing that the Samaritans come to believe in Jesus on her word.

***Gospel Questions***

1. Where have you found a source of "living water" for your own journey of faith?
2. When has your belief in Jesus helped make you stronger?
3. For what do you need to ask Jesus?
4. This reading calls you to evangelization. How will you respond?

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### **Confirmation I Mass Assignment**

March 26, 2017  
Fourth Sunday of Lent

#### **Gospel: John 9:1-41**

**Instructions:** While attending mass listen to the gospel and then read the gospel reflection. Answer the following questions and turn in your answers with a bulletin from the mass.

#### ***Gospel Reflection***

John's story of the man born blind weaves together the themes of light, sight, and insight. Jesus heals the man so that he can see. However, the Pharisees remain blind because they refuse to see who Jesus really is. They are more concerned about the Sabbath laws than they are about a fellow human being in need.

The blind man gains not only his sight but also insight. When Jesus identifies himself as the Son of Man, a title for the Messiah, the man says, "I do believe, Lord." And he worships Jesus. As we worship Jesus in the Eucharist, our eyes are opened to see Christ in others.

#### ***Gospel Questions***

1. How can you keep from going through life "blind" to the reality of Jesus and his love in your life?
2. What are you doing in your life right now to move toward light rather than darkness?
3. How can you let the light of your faith in Jesus shine for others to see?
4. Who/what do you need to see more clearly? What/whom do you believe in?