

Welcome

To our communities of faith

Our Divine Saviour Catholic Church

12th Street and Love Avenue
Tifton, GA

and

St. Ann Catholic Church

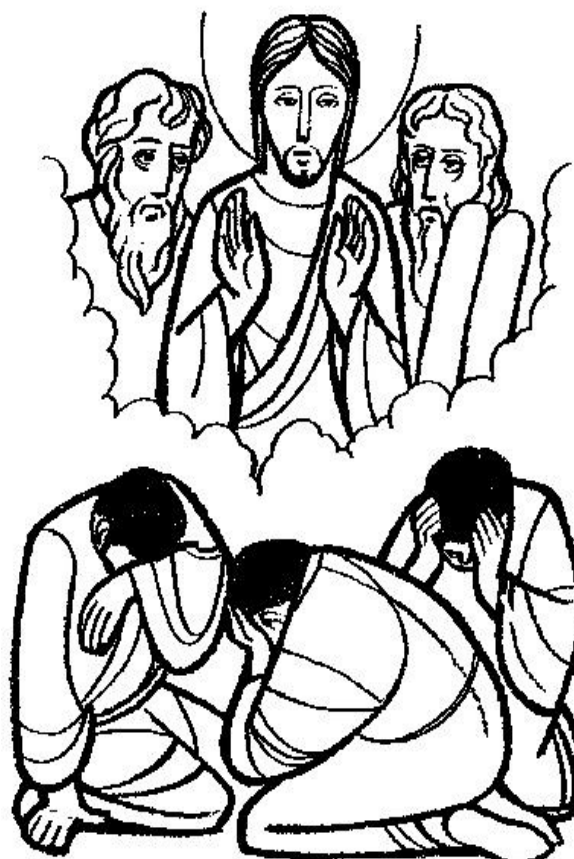
U.S. Highway 82 East
Alapaha, GA

Second Sunday of Lent
February 28, 2021

Pastor
Rev. Peter Oyenugba, MSP

Deacon
J. Brian Bergeron
Deacon
Eric Windmoller

**I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the
living.
Psalm 116**



*The story of Jesus' transfiguration
is full of symbolism.*

*The images of cloud and mountain
suggest God's appearance at the
covenant-making on Mount Sinai.*

*Moses, the major figure in Exodus
and Sinai covenant, represents the
law, and Elijah, great ninth-century
prophet of Israel, represents the
prophets.*

*Jesus is the fulfillment of the law
and the prophets.*

Our Divine Savior

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Monday – Thursday.....10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday.....Closed**

**Any new parishioners who would like to register,
Please call the parish office**

Please see back of bulletin for Mass Times

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Requests for Prayers

**Please pray for the sick
and those who have
requested our prayers:**

Russ Aschoff, Allison
Brannan, Rachel Brantley,
Larissa Barosso, James
Brown, Brady, Carol
Budnick, Erica Carroll, Mary
Carroll, Tommy Carroll,
Sean Winn Carampatan,
Margarie D’Souva, Tina
DeWees, Anne Marie
Emanueli, Carlos & Carrie
Fletcher, Lauren Marie
Fletcher, Judy Fraelich, Mary
Ann Gregoire, Rodolfo
Herandez-Labastida, Wayne
Harrell, Chloe Kendrick,
David LaForest, Isaac
Lindsey, Randy Long,
Shirley Martin, Raeleigh
Jane McCartha, Andrew
Meredith, Susana Melgar,
Pantea Pahlavan, Butch
Parker, Charles Phenicie,
Miller Blake Prostko, Nancy
Quynn, Marian Robinson,
Arlene Ruse, Josephine
Sehramski, Marlena Smith,
Sterling Saunders, Robbi
Scarbrough, Wayne
Scarbrough, John B.
Sherlock, Kaylon Spurlock,
Jennifer Unis , Dowson
Bedore , Debra Vazquez,
Rena Ward, Sonia Webb

**Please Pray for our
Military:**

Anthony Caucci, Jonathan
Elder, Clayton F. Gibbs,
Terry Jones, James Olands,
Angel Olivos, Bong Tanesco,
Aurelio Tovar, Gregory
Camargo, Michael Gibbons,
Jackson Bergeron, Marquis
Smith

February 28, 2021

**Second Sunday of
LENT**

Readings:
Genesis 22:1-2
Romans 8:31-34
Mark 9:2-10

Theme:
Seeing Jesus.

Question of the week:
In what ways does Jesus
speak today, ways in
which you can truly
“Listen to Him?”

March 7, 2021

**Third Sunday of
LENT**

Readings:
Exodus 20:1-17
1 Corinth 1:22-25
John 2:13-25

Theme:
We must do what God
wants.

Question of the Week:
As you hear the
Commandments
proclaimed today, which
one of them really
strikes you?

Announcements February 27 & 28, 2021

Calendars for 2021:

Calendars for 2021 are at the entrance of the church. Please take one per family.

Volunteers Needed:

Volunteers needed to help keep everyone safe. A few volunteers are needed after each mass to help with the wiping of the pews. The more hands we have, the quicker we will finish. Thank you for helping.

Parish Council Meeting:

The Parish Council will meet Wednesday, February 24th at 7:00 pm in the Activity Center. Council members, please make plans to attend. Social distancing and masks are required. Contact Paola Woodford or Laura Frizzell with questions.

Thank you:

Thank you to all who have pledged and/or contributed to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. If you haven't yet made your pledge, it is not too late. If you need a pledge envelope you can get one from the office. You can then return it to the office or put it in an offertory collection or mail it directly to Savannah. If you do the latter, please remember to put our parish name on the envelope. A special thanks is in order also for those who gave a witness talk in support of the ACA at the Masses this past weekend. We are only sorry that circumstances like Covid and the incessant rain determined that few of our parishioners were present to hear the excellent personal testimony of Corine Alt, Juan Carlos Diaz and Bob Kemerait. Thank you so much. Our parish and our diocese are fortunate to have such committed and articulate members.

CCW fundraiser:

The CCW is having a fundraiser instead of the annual garage sale this year. They will be selling RADA CUTLERY through the month of March. Please enter the code below and peruse the RADA catalog and order their wonderful cutlery for yourself, your family or friends. Their products make wonderful gifts, too! Thank you in advance from all the ladies in the CCW. This will benefit their projects for the church and the scholarship fund.
<https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=5276229.0684f0>

Dear Padre

February 28, 2021

Was Lent always associated with sacrifice, sin, and penance? Did Lent have some other purpose in Church history?

A set period of Lent was not observed during the first centuries of Christianity. Rather, Christians prepared for the Easter celebration with an all-night vigil and a fast. This vigil concluded with a morning Eucharist. Gradually, Christians extended this celebration to include Jesus' own Passover (the supper on Holy Thursday and the death of Jesus on Friday). By the end of the second century, baptism became linked to the Easter Vigil, and the time leading to Easter became a period of intense preparation for baptism. At first, this preparation period lasted only three weeks. This baptismal preparation program eventually extended to forty days. The idea of forty days came out of Mark's Gospel (1:13), where we read about Jesus going into the desert for forty days to prepare for his ministry.

Today the Lenten period serves a double purpose. It is still a time of intense preparation for the catechumens, as they anticipate celebrating the sacrament of baptism at the Easter Vigil. But Lent also has become a time for baptized Christians to reflect on their own baptism. During Lent, the baptized are challenged to turn away from sin and choose again the deepest meaning of their baptism: the fact that they have died and risen with Christ and are now alive anew in Jesus. This renewal is done through the traditional penitential practices of fasting, prayer, and works of charity.

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EVENTS of the WEEK:

Saturday, February 27

Mass at ODS [+Dudley Babcock: 5:00 pm
(Katy Podagrosi)
Spanish Mass at ODS (ODS Parishioners): 7:00 pm

Sunday, February 28

Mass at ODS [+George Allard: 9:00 am
(Ken & Margo Martin)]
Mass at St. Ann (For St. Ann Parishioners): 11:15 am
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 1:30
pm

Monday, March 1

NO Mass at ODS

Tuesday, March 2

Mass at ODS: 5:30 pm

Wednesday, March 3

Mass at ODS: 8:00 am

Thursday, March 4

Mass at ODS : 8:00 am

Friday, March 5

Stations of the Cross (English): 5:00 pm
Mass at ODS: 5:30 pm
Via Crucis (Spanish): 6:00 pm

Saturday, March 6

2nd Collection: ODS Building Fund
Mass at ODS [+Loreto Abantao: 5:00 pm
(Abantao Family)]
Spanish Mass at ODS (ODS
Parishioners): 7:00 pm

Sunday, March 7

2nd Collection: ODS Building Fund
Mass at ODS [+Eduardo & Norma Gegante: 9:00 am
(Bob Kemerait)]
Mass at St. Ann (For St. Ann Parishioners): 11:15 am
Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 1:30
pm

Good News!

February 28, 2021

Second Sunday of Lent (B)

Gn 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18; Rom 8:31b–34; Mk 9:2–10

Future Gazing

Some spiritual writers and psychologists tell us how important it is to live in the present. Still, many of our decisions are made with an eye toward the future. Life commitments are always future oriented. Each newborn child carries promises for the future. Because we are part of the emerging universe, we are always called into the future. Today's readings also carry implications for the future.

Isaac was not only Abraham's beloved son; he was Abraham's legacy and future dynasty. Isaac's death would have put an end to Abraham's memory in the future. Consequently, this was more than a test of obedience. Abraham was presented with a choice: Choose Isaac and all that the future might bring to your family and memory through him. Or, trust that the promise God made—that your descendants would be as numerous as the stars in the sky—would be fulfilled even if Isaac dies. God asked Abraham to place his future in God's hands.

Some scholars believe that the real meaning of Jesus' transfiguration lies in its effects on the disciples who witnessed it. In this experience they came to see Jesus in a significantly new way. They saw that he has somehow associated with Moses, an agent of the law, and Elijah, a great prophet. In other words, Jesus was somehow associated with the very core of Jewish religion. The disciples did not understand how, nor did they grasp what "rising from the dead meant." Still they placed their future in his hands.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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