

Gospel Reflection

Mark 1:12-15

The apostles saw into the real Jesus - a few hours on the mountains which they would never forget. When later they would see the disfigured face and the dying body on the cross, Peter and James and John would remember this day, and would remember it for the rest of their lives. They saw Jesus as the Son of God, and saw a glimpse in him of our humanity at its best. The glory of Jesus is the glory of love - his love unto death, and the love in him of Father and Spirit.

Prayer moments may often be transfiguration moments when we glimpse the beauty of Jesus Christ and we commit ourselves to 'listen to him' as God invites.

Source: Irish Jesuits

ST MARY'S OFFERTORY (Sun 18 Feb.)

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ST JOSEPH'S HIGHLAND DEANERY STATION MASSES 2024

Each mass will take place on **Friday** evenings
at 7:0pm

1 March -- St Mary's, Nairn, with
Bishop Hugh

8 March -- St Aidan's, Aviemore

15 March -- St Joseph's, Invergordon, with
Bishop Hugh

22 March -- St Ninian's, Inverness

World Day of Prayer

"I Beg You ... Bear with One Another in Love"

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice.

This year's ecumenical service will take place in the **Church of Scotland, Croyard Road, Beauly** on **Friday 1st March at 2:00pm.**

The 2024 service has been written by the Christian women of Palestine who, despite all the suffering and injustice in the land of the Holy One, have maintained their *sumud* (steadfastness) through mostly non-violent resistance, and a genuine effort to advocate and work for justice together with Muslims and Jews who believe in equal rights.

They ask everyone to bear with them in love and to pray for an end to all human suffering; to stand with them to achieve security and peace for all people around the world.

The World Day of Prayer is for everyone – men, women, and young people.

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Sunday 25th February 2024

2nd Sunday of Lent – B

Sunday Mass Time

ST MARY'S BEAULY 11:00am

OUR LADY & ST BEAN, MARYDALE 9:00am
(Confessions, 1st Sun) no Mass 2nd Sunday

ST MARY'S ESKADALE

2nd Sunday in the month, 9:00am

ST MARTIN'S ULLAPOOL

1st 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month, 2:30pm

ST MAELRUBHA'S POOLEWE

2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 2:30pm

LOCHINVER : To be arranged

FORT AUGUSTUS Sun 11:00am, Fri 12:30pm

Weekday Mass Times & Devotions

Tues Mass 7:00pm (Beauly)

Wed Stations of the Cross/Mass
5:00pm/5:30pm (Marydale)
Stations of the Cross/Mass
7:00pm/7:30pm (Beauly)

Stations of the Cross 7:00pm (Fort Augustus)

~~Thurs Mass 10:00am (Beauly)~~

Friday Mass 10:00am (Beauly)
Mass 12:30pm (Fort Augustus)

Confession: call by the Parish House,
phone, or email to make an appointment.

Next Sunday 3rd March 2024

3rd Sunday of Lent – B

Marydale 9:00am, Beauly 11:00am,

Fort Augustus 11:00am

Ullapool 2:30pm

Mass Intentions

Sun: Donnie Fraser (RIP)

Fort Augustus: Mohun Family

Tues: Page Family

Wed: Emma Mason (RIP)

Thurs:

Fri: Jean Mason

Fort Augustus: Didi & Hugh Fraser

*Please pray for the sick of our parishes and all
who ask for our prayers.*

Liturgical Calendar

Tues 27 Feb: *Opt. Mem.* **Saint Gregory of Narek**, an Armenian monk, poet, mystical philosopher, theologian and saint of the Armenian Apostolic Church and Catholic Church. He was born into a family of writers. Based in the monastery of Narek, he authored a mystical interpretation on the Song of Songs and numerous poetic writings. His "Book of Prayers", also known as "Book of Lamentations", a long mystical poem in 95 sections, written around 977, has been translated into many languages and remains one of the definitive pieces of Armenian literature.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES (FEBRUARY)

Adrian Philip Hooper, Anne (Nancy) Macrae, Kathleen Nutkin, John Chisholm, John Stuart Shaw, Philippa Fraser, Boniface Nwosu, Hugh Matheson, Jessie West.

FIRST READING

Genesis 22:1-2,9-13,15-18

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.'

When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he bound his son Isaac and put him on the altar on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self – it is the Lord who speaks – because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your

descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

The Word of The Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 115(116):10,15-19

Response: *I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.*

I trusted, even when I said:
'I am sorely afflicted,'
O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful.

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Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make;
I will call on the Lord's name.

R/

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.

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SECOND READING

Romans 8:31-34

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at

God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

The Word of The Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt17:5

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:
'This is my Son, the Beloved.
Listen to him.'

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

GOSPEL

Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus: 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when

they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.

The Gospel of The Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYER BEFORE THE HOMILY

We will make our lives your dwelling place.
We will build your throne in our hearts.
Come Father,
Come Son,
Come Holy Spirit,
O come and take your place in our lives.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH NO. 2

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.
