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Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patrick's
Sunday Mass Readings Homily 25th February 2024, Second Sunday of Lent, Year B
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Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19
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Verse Before the Gospel	Matthew 17:5
Gospel	Mark 9:2-10

1st Reading – Genesis 22:1-2, 9A, 10-13, 15-18

1 God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am!" he replied.
 2 Then God said: "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you."
 9 A When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it.
 10 Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son.

11 But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven, "Abraham, Abraham!" "Here I am!" he answered.
 12 "Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger. "Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son."
 13 As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. So he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son.
 15 Again the Lord's messenger called to Abraham from heaven
 16 and said: "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son,
 17 I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies,
 18 and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing - all this because you obeyed my command."

Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19

R. (116:9) I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

10 I believed, even when I said,
 "I am greatly afflicted."
 15 Precious in the eyes of the LORD
 is the death of his faithful ones.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

16 O LORD, I am your servant;
 I am your servant, the son of your handmaid;
 you have loosed my bonds.
 17 To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving,
 and I will call upon the name of the LORD.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

18 My vows to the LORD I will pay
 in the presence of all his people,
 19 In the courts of the house of the LORD,
 in your midst, O Jerusalem.
 R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

2nd Reading – Romans 8:31B-34

Brothers and sisters:
 31B If God is for us, who can be against us?
 32 He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him?
 33 Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us,

34 who will condemn? Christ Jesus it is who died – or, rather, was raised – who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

Verse Before The Gospel – Matthew 17:5

5 From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

Gospel – Mark 9:2-10

2 Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them,
3 and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them.
4 Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus.
5 Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."
6 He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified.
7 Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."
8 Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.
9 As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.

Saint Of The Day

Saint Walburga
Blessed Maria Adeodata Pisani
Blessed Sebastian of Aparicio
Blessed Avertano of Lucca
Blessed Mariam Vattalil
Saint Laurentius Bai Xiaoman
Saint Toribio Romo Gonzalez
Blessed Robert of Arbrissel
Saint Domenico Lentini
Blessed Ciriaco María Sancha Hervás
Saint Louis Versiglia
Saint Callistus Caravario
Saint Gerland the Bishop
Saint Thrasius
Saint Nestor of Side

Blessed Adelelmo of Engelberg

Blessed Adelelmo of Engelberg was a benedictine monk at the Saint Blaise monastery in the Black Forest. He founded the abbey of Engelberg nell'Unterwalden in Switzerland, then served there as prior and abbot. He died on 25th February 1131 at the abbey of Engelberg nell'Unterwalden, Switzerland of natural causes. His relics were enshrined in 1611.

Blessed Didacus Yuki Ryosetsu

Blessed Didacus Yuki Ryosetsu was born in 1575 in Awa, Tokushima, Japan and was a Jesuit priest. He died as a martyr on 26th February 1636 in Osaka, Japan and was beatified on 24th November 2008 by Pope Benedict XVI.

Saint Aldetrudis

Saint Aldetrudis also known as Adeltrudis or Aldetrude born in France was the daughter of Saint Vincent Madelgarus and Saint Waldetrudis, sister of Saint Madalberta and niece of Saint Aldegund of Maubeuge. She became a nun and then abbess at the convent led by her aunt Aldegund. She died in 696 AD.

Saint Ananias of Phoenicia

Saint Ananias of Phoenicia also known as Ananias III was a third-century priest. He was martyred in the persecutions of Diocletian along with seven soldiers whose names have not come down to us in 298 AD at Phoenicia.

Saint Gothard the Hermit

Saint Gothard the Hermit also known as Gotthard was a hermit in a cell high in the Alps near a mountain range and pass now known as Saint Gothard in his honor.

Saint Victor of Saint Gall

Saint Victor of Saint Gall was a monk at Saint Gall in Switzerland. He became hermit in the Vosges, France and died in 995 AD in Vosges, France.

Saint Donatus the Martyr

Saint Donatus the Martyr was one of a group of 3rd-century Christians martyred in North Africa in the persecutions of Decius.

Saint Riginos

Saint Riginos was a bishop who was martyred after being tortured to death in 362 AD on the island of Skopelos, Greece. He was the patron of Skopelos Island, Greece.

Saint Concordius of Saintes

Saint Concordius of Saintes also known as Concordio or Concorde was a bishop of Saintes, France in 600 AD.

Saint Justus the Martyr

Saint Justus the Martyr was one of a group of 3rd-century AD Christians martyred in North Africa in the persecutions of Decius.

Saint Herena the Martyr

Saint Herena the Martyr was one of a group of 3rd-century Christians martyred in North Africa in the persecutions of Decius.

Martyrs of Egypt

Martyrs of Egypt was a group of Christian men who were exiled to Egypt for their faith and were eventually martyred for their faith in the persecutions of Numerian. Their names are Claudianus, Dioscurus, Nicephorus, Papias, Serapion, Victor and Victorinus. They died in 283 AD in Diospolis modern Hu, Egypt.

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25th February 2024 Catholic Sunday Readings Homily Theme: The Transfiguration of Jesus on the Mountain - Mark 9:2-10 and Matthew 17:1-9

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