

This Week at St. John's

March 11, 2007

About the Readings

Exodus 3:1-15

This passage records Moses' life-changing encounter with God. God sums up the mysterious, divine character in a personal name, YHWH.

As a form of "to be," it can be understood as present ("I AM"), future ("I WILL BE"), or the causative ("I CAUSE TO BE"). When speaking, God says simply "I AM."

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

By reviewing the exodus and interpreting it as an example of God's ways, Paul warns the Corinthians against idolatry and overconfidence in their own strength. The exodus is a foretaste of the salvation completed in Christ—baptism in the sea and Eucharist in the manna and water.

Luke 13:1-9

This passage addresses inclusion in or exclusion from the kingdom. Jesus rejects the then common idea that accidental death indicates the sinfulness of the victim. He turns the attention of his hearers from the moral state of others to their own.

(Commentary from *Living the Good News: Leader's Guide for Adults*)

Announcements

Visitors: We are glad you have chosen to worship with us at St. John's this morning, and invite you to enjoy coffee and fellowship in the parish hall after the service.

Child care is provided from 9:15 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. An usher will assist you.

Outreach: The Outreach Ministry Group will continue its "Ton of Food in 2007" program toward the goal of 2000 pounds. During the month of March, baby food and baby-related items are being collected. Items can be placed on the west pew in the parish hall or given to the ushers prior to the church service.

Easter Flowers: Easter memorial offering envelopes can be found on the shelf in the narthex, on the tract table, and in the hallway beside the Altar Flower Bulletin Board. This special offering is used to beautify St. John's at Easter and to remember those we hold dear in our hearts. Please submit the names of those you wish to be remembered, and your check, by **March 26th**. It is important to write "Easter Flowers" on the check memo line so that your offering gets credited properly to the flower fund. You may place the envelope in the offering plate, turn it into the office, or mail it to the church.

About the Episcopal Church

Catechism: Traditionally it is the term for prebaptismal instruction of children and adults. The word also refers to an outline for instruction often cast in a question-and-answer form. The 1979 *Book of Common Prayer* contains the official catechism of the Episcopal Church under the title "An Outline of the Faith." It is meant to provide a brief summary of the Church's teaching for an inquirer.

Intercessions This Week

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness in Scotland.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Church of the Good Shepherd, Kansas City; the Rev. Thomas E. Punzo, Rector; and for the Diocesan Treasurer, Mr. Robert Smart.

Birthdays

- Mar. 11 Gena Atkinson
Karen Shirley
Donna Simons
- Mar. 12 Philip Mothersead
- Mar. 13 Joan Ketchmark
Jeffrey White
- Mar. 14 Grant Davidson
Eddie Rugg
- Mar. 16 April Becker
Bruce Ratcliff
- Mar. 17 David N. Jones, Sr.

Faithful Departed

- Mar. 11 Patrick Eugene Brown
Virginia Weigel
- Mar. 12 Donald Jacobson
Sabine Williams
- Mar. 16 Ethel E. Jacobson
- Mar. 17 Joseph M. Patterson

Prayer Requests

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| Stacy | Larry |
| Janie | Trudy |
| Jean | Paul |
| Tom | Troy |
| Andrew | Karol |
| Jim | Marshall |
| Susan | Rona |
| Tanna | Nell |
| Maxine | Ruthie |
| Joe | Pat |
| Shirley | Josh |
| Becky | Chris |
| Dorothy | Ayden |
| Virginia | Kathy |
| Terri | |

Names submitted by parishioners will remain on the parish intercession list for 30 days. After 30 days, the names will be removed, unless they are re-submitted. There is no limit on how many times a prayer request can be renewed. This new policy will allow the clergy to better manage the official prayer list of the parish. If you have any questions, please contact Father Miller.

Calendar

Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Mass— Rite I
March 11 (3 Lent)	9:30 a.m.	Rector's Forum Outreach Ministry Group Church School
	10:15 a.m.	Mass— Rite I (sung)
	10:30 a.m.	Pot Luck Dinner
	5:30 p.m.	Lenten Class
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
March 12 (Gregory the Great)	5:30 p.m.	Evening Prayer
	6:00 p.m.	Mass
	6:30 p.m.	Evangelism Committee
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
March 13 (Lenten Feria)	5:30 p.m.	Evening Prayer
	6:00 p.m.	Mass
	6:30 p.m.	Interior Castle Study Group
	8:00 p.m.	AA (Women's Group) AA
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
March 14 (Lenten feria)	6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Dinner
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Adult Bible Study Inquirers' Class
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
March 15 (Lenten Feria)	10:00 a.m.	St. Clare's Crafters
	12:00 p.m.	Mass and Anointing
	5:30 p.m.	Evening Prayer
	8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday	12:00 p.m.	Station of the Cross
March 16 (Lenten Feria)		
Saturday		
March 17 (Patrick of Ireland)		
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Mass— Rite I
March 18 (4 Lent)	9:30 a.m.	<i>Outreach Reception</i>
	10:15 a.m.	Rector's Forum
	10:30 a.m.	Church School
	5:30 p.m.	Mass— Rite I (sung) <i>Outreach Reception</i> Pot Luck Dinner Lenten Class

**HAPPINESS IS BELONGING,
NOT BELONGINGS.**

"Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions"
(Luke 12:15).



What is your legacy to God's church?