

## The Glory in Sight: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn

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Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Psalm 27:1,7-9, 13-14; Philippians 3:17-4:1;  
Luke 9:28-36 (see also "A 'New' Exodus")



In today's Gospel, we go up to the mountain with Peter, John and James. There we see Jesus "transfigured," speaking with Moses and Elijah about His "exodus."

The Greek word "exodus" means "departure." But the word is chosen deliberately here to stir our remembrance of the Israelites' flight from Egypt.

By His death and resurrection, Jesus will lead a new Exodus - liberating not only Israel but every race and people; not from bondage to Pharaoh, but from slavery to sin and death. He will lead all mankind, not to the territory promised to Abraham in today's First Reading, but to the heavenly commonwealth that Paul describes in today's Epistle.

Moses, the giver of God's law, and the great prophet Elijah, were the only Old Testament figures to hear the voice and see the glory of God atop a mountain (see [Exodus 24:15-18](#); [1 Kings 19:8-18](#)).

Today's scene closely resembles God's revelation to Moses, who also brought along three companions and whose face also shone brilliantly (see [Exodus 24:1](#); [34:29](#)). But when the divine cloud departs in today's Gospel, Moses and Elijah are gone. Only Jesus remains. He has revealed the glory of the Trinity - the voice of the Father, the glorified Son, and the Spirit in the shining cloud.

Jesus fulfills all that Moses and the prophets had come to teach and show us about God (see [Luke 24:27](#)). He is the "chosen One" promised by Isaiah (see [Isaiah 42:1](#); [Luke 23:35](#)), the "prophet like me" that Moses had promised (see [Deuteronomy 18:15](#); [Acts 3:22-23](#); [7:37](#)). Far and above that, He is the Son of God (see [Psalm 2:7](#); [Luke 3:21-23](#)).

"Listen to Him," the Voice tells us from the cloud. If, like Abraham, we put our faith in His words, one day we too will be delivered into "the land of the living" that we sing of in today's Psalm. We will share in His resurrection, as Paul promises, our lowly bodies glorified like His.

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**  
**February 20<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

<b>Sat. Feb. 20<sup>th</sup></b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>Weekday</b> Birthday Thanksgiving by Ela Dimaya
<b>Sun. Feb. 21<sup>st</sup></b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Second Sunday of Lent</b> Bruna Alesi – RIP – by her parents
11:00 a.m.	Abilio and Gilbert – RIP – by Mercedes and family
<b>Mon. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tues. Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup></b> 7:00 p.m.	<b>Saint Polycarp</b> Saverimuttu Marypillai – RIP – by Julia and family
<b>Wed. Feb. 24<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Weekday</b> Jose Jacinto Ponte – RIP – by Maria
<b>Thurs. Feb. 25<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Weekday</b> Adrian de Souza – RIP – by the family
<b>Fri. Feb. 26<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Weekday</b> Stanley O'Donnell – RIP – by Joan
<b>Sat. Feb. 27<sup>th</sup></b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>Weekday</b> Elizabeth Hack – RIP – by Barbara
<b>Sun. Feb. 28<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Third Sunday of Lent</b> Safe flight and return – by Ofelia Roy
11:00 a.m.	Victor Kramer Sr. – RIP – by the Kramer family

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**CALLED HOME TO THE FATHER**

Tom Kennedy, husband of Eva Kennedy. Our deepest sympathies to the family. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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### *Lenten Activities*

**Way of the Cross** - Everyone is invited to the Way of the Cross every Friday at 7:00 P.M. during this Lenten season.

**Share Lent: A Climate of Change Pilgrimage Starts in Haiti** – This year for Share Lent, Development and Peace invites you to join a Climate of Change pilgrimage. Together we will journey through Lent with people whose lives are being changed with your support. Please take a copy of the Mini-magazine from the Church today. This is your pilgrimage guide. Anyone interested in assisting with this important project, please contact Betty Machny at [bmachny@bell.net](mailto:bmachny@bell.net) or at (514) 748-9294.

### *Diocesan-Wide Lenten Mission*

Our Lenten journey to Easter has begun! Why not plan to include the diocesan-wide Lenten Mission about **Mercy** led by Bishop Thomas Dowd? It takes place March 1, 2, and 3 at St. Edmund of Canterbury Parish (105 Beaconsfield Blvd., Beaconsfield). All evenings begin at 7pm. Come for one, two or, better yet, all three evenings and bring a friend. For more information: [www.lent2016.com](http://www.lent2016.com) or contact Fr. Gerry Martineau at [gerard.m@johnbrebeuf.ca](mailto:gerard.m@johnbrebeuf.ca) or at 514-366-0131 x 225.

### *Flowers for Easter*

If you would like to contribute to beautifying our Church with Easter flowers, please place an envelope in the collection basket and mark on it "Easter flowers". If you include your name or envelope number, you will receive an income tax receipt for it at year end.

### *Income Tax Receipts*

To our dear parishioners who used the envelope system for the weekly donation to the Parish in 2015, your income tax receipts are ready at the **Sacristy**. Please pick up your receipt either on the weekend after Mass or during the week, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon. Thank you.

### *The Food Bank "Oasis"*

Please remember to bring non-perishable food and leave them in the bins at the doors of the church...Thank you.

### *Sick and Shut-Ins*

If you know of someone who is housebound or has difficulty coming to Church and would like a visit to receive Holy Communion, please call the office. If you can offer a ride to someone who cannot get here otherwise, please let us know. Thank you.