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# Holy Cross at Home

## A Daily Prayer and Meditation Guide

For the Week of the Second Sunday in Lent  
February 28, 2021 through March 7, 2021

Lent is a forty-day period of introspection, confession of sin, and of increased prayer and worship of our Lord. Whether we fast or “give up” something or not, our reflection on God’s Word during this season is the key. It helps ready our hearts to celebrate with true Christian joy at the Easter festival. There is a reason why our Lord Jesus Christ came to this earth, and it was to do battle with Satan for our sake, to be counted as the sinner in the eyes of God, instead of us, and to suffer and die so that we might live. Because of Lent, Easter is so much more meaningful and celebratory.

### Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ✠

Apostles’ Creed (see *LSB* p. 286)

Memory verse for the week: Jeremiah 31:34

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 121

*Psalm Prayer:* O Lord God, keeper of Israel, who neither slumbers nor sleeps, keep Your people, and that we be not burned by day, defend us from the scandals of this world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
February 28	Genesis 16 & 17	Mark 6:1-13
March 1	Genesis 18	Mark 6:14-34
March 2	Genesis 21	Mark 6:35-56
March 3	Genesis 22	Mark 7:1-23
March 4	Genesis 24:1-31	Mark 7:24-37
March 5	Genesis 24:32-67	Mark 8:1-21
March 6	Genesis 27	Mark 8:22-38
March 7	Genesis 28	Mark 9:1-13

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 708 “Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”

Catechism for the Week: Table of Duties (see *LSB* p. 328)

*To Widows*

*Collect for the Second Sunday in Lent:*

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Collect for increase of the holy ministry:*

Almighty and gracious God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, You have commanded us to pray that You would send forth laborers into Your harvest. Of Your infinite mercy give us true teachers and ministers of Your Word who truly fulfill Your command and preach nothing contrary to Your holy Word. Grant that we, being warned, instructed, nurtured, comforted, and strengthened by Your Word, may do those things which are well pleasing to You and profitable for our salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

For our local and national lawmakers and leaders  
For a penitent heart and prayerful devotion throughout the season of Lent  
For Missouri Synod districts that are meeting in convention  
For those who hunger and are in need of help and warmth  
For the Church's mission work in: Kenya, Togo, and Siberia

For Irene Anderson, Jeanne Beck, Tim & Alarice Carrao, Rev. Perry Copus, Phyllis Henry, Garney & Linda Hill, Tripp Hughes, Jean Kraft, Shirley Laber, Eileen Losey, Kay Medick, Diane Pirtle, Nat & Joyce Serfass, and Beverly Welty.

Lord's Prayer ☩

Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer or Prayers at the Family Table

V: Let us bless the Lord!

R: Thanks be to God!

Blessing: The Lord Almighty bless us and direct our days and our deeds in ☩ His peace. Amen.

Looking Forward to Next Week:

Third Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2021

Hymns: 707; 579; 580; 624; 761; 923

Readings: Psalm 69; Exodus 20:1-17; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; John 2:13-25

“Destroy this temple” sounded impossible to the religious leaders listening to Jesus in Jerusalem. That, at least, as they could see for themselves, is impossible. What they refused to acknowledge (but what Jesus clearly was preaching) was that salvation by the Law was truly impossible. Only by faith in Christ is a person saved. Our Lord accomplished BOTH impossibilities!