

**2nd Sunday
of Lent
March 8th,
2020**



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The Transfiguration of a Dreamer

Elizabeth Sherill, a veteran writer who suffers from an arthritic neck, writes about an eventful meeting that she and her husband, John, had with Berendina Maazel, an 81-year old widow who needs a motorized wheelchair to get around.

At the age of 17, during the German occupation of Holland where she was born, Berendina became ill with a strange malady that left her in complete agony. Totally paralyzed for six months, she almost died in a ...ward where her father, a doctor, worked. Later diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis, the vicious illness will not allow her "one" single pain-free hour.

Observing Berendina, Elizabeth feels challenged defining the essence of the unique beauty orbiting about the gifted artist, who is a tiny, bone-thin woman with a crooked spine, terribly twisted hands and a ravaged face. And when asked her: "How do you ever keep going?" Berendina simply answers, "By hanging onto my dreams!" Her father told her that when God plants a dream, he also provides the strength to reach for it.

Indeed, Berendina did not allow her malady to stifle her dreams. She fulfilled them by going to art school, working in her chosen career field of stage design, travelling, and getting married. While recuperating in Los Angeles from yet another surgery, Berendina requested an aide to wheel her to meet the other patients. When she was brought to the children's wing and saw the youngsters in wheelchairs, God gave her the biggest dream of all – the dream to help provide the resources necessary to help children with disabilities that had not been available to her.

She fulfilled this dream by painting and donating 100 % of the proceeds from her paintings to benefit such children. Elizabeth's final narrative seems to be a modern-day Transfiguration account. Berendina's studio is at the rear of the house, about as far as she can walk. Night had fallen while we talked, but when we entered the studio it was like stepping into the sunlight. Radiant landscapes, vibrant flowers, soaring birds! What was the special feeling in that room? Joy, certainly. Beauty. Wellness – not a hint that the painter of these canvases had ever suffered a moment's ill health. Yes, the room was alive! Alive like the woman who for 64 years has looked through pain to her dreams!"

The Transfiguration account (Mt 17:1-9) proclaimed in the liturgical assembly the Second Sunday of Lent is meant to illumine the Lenten spiritual journey of the Church toward the Easter glory. Christ will indeed be glorified, but He will reach that state by passing through suffering and death. The Church thus presents a way of embracing the whole life of anyone who wants to enter the baptismal font and model their life upon that of Christ. Evidently, on the very first Sunday of Lent we find ourselves already at the heart of the paschal mystery, for this mystery can be summed up by saying that through "His Cross Christ entered into his glory."

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Fasting, Prayer, Alms Giving

Ivan Kramskoi
Christ in the Wilderness
1872

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La Transfiguración de un Soñador

Elizabeth Sherill, una veterana escritora que sufre de un cuello artrítico escribe sobre una reunión memorable que ella y su esposo, John, tuvieron con Berendina Maazel, una viuda de 81 años que necesita una silla de ruedas motorizada para desplazarse. A la edad de 17 años, durante la ocupación alemana de Holanda donde nació, Berendina se enfermó de una extraña enfermedad que la dejó en completa agonía. Totalmente paralizada durante seis meses, casi murió en un enfermería donde trabajaba su padre, un médico. Más tarde diagnosticada con artritis reumatoide, la enfermedad viciosa no le permitirá "una" hora sin dolor.

Al observar a Berendina, Elizabeth se siente desafiada al definir la esencia de la belleza única que orbita alrededor de la talentosa artista, que es una mujer pequeña y muy delgada con una columna torcida, manos terriblemente retorcidas y una cara devastada. Y cuando se le preguntó: "¿Cómo sigues yendo?" Berendina simplemente responde: "¡Aferrándome a mis sueños!" Su padre le dijo que cuando Dios planta un sueño, él también proporciona la fuerza para alcanzarlo.

De hecho, Berendina no permitió que su enfermedad sofocara sus sueños. Ella los cumplió yendo a la escuela de arte, trabajando en el campo de su carrera de diseño de escenarios, viajando y casándose. Mientras se recuperaba en Los Ángeles de otra cirugía más, Berendina solicitó a un asistente que la llevara a conocer a los otros pacientes.

Cuando la llevaron al ala de los niños y los vio en sillas de ruedas, Dios le dio el sueño más grande de todos: el sueño de ayudar a proporcionar los recursos necesarios para ayudar a los niños con discapacidades que no habían estado disponibles para ella. Ella cumplió este sueño pintando y donando el 100% de las ganancias de sus pinturas para beneficiar a esos niños. La narrativa final de Elizabeth parece ser una cuenta moderna de Transfiguración.

El estudio de Berendina está en la parte trasera de la casa, casi tan lejos como puede caminar. La noche había caído mientras hablábamos, pero cuando entramos al estudio fue como salir a la luz del sol. ¡Paisajes radiantes, flores vibrantes, pájaros altísimos! ¿Cuál fue el sentimiento especial en esa habitación? Alegría, ciertamente. Belleza y bienestar sin señal de que el pintor de estos lienzos haya sufrido un momento de mala salud. ¡Sí, la habitación estaba viva! ¡Viva como la mujer que durante 64 años ha visto el sueño de sus sueños!

El relato de la Transfiguración (Mt 17: 1-9) ha proclamado en la asamblea litúrgica el Segundo domingo de Cuaresma está destinado a iluminar el viaje espiritual cuaresmal de la Iglesia hacia la gloria de Pascua. Cristo ciertamente será glorificado, pero alcanzará ese estado pasando por el sufrimiento y la muerte. La Iglesia, por lo tanto, presenta una forma de abarcar toda la vida de cualquiera que quiera entrar en la pila bautismal y modelar su vida sobre la de Cristo. Evidentemente, el primer domingo de Cuaresma ya nos encontramos en el núcleo del misterio pascual, ya que este misterio se puede resumir diciendo que a través de "Su cruz, Cristo entró en su gloria".

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Ayuno, Oración y Conversión.

<p>Mass Intentions For Sunday March 8th, 2020. Blessings for: All Sacred Heart Parishioners</p>	<p>50/50 KATHRYN BRTKO THANKS FOR DONATING BACK TO THE CHURCH. BASKETS WINNERS: Boys Basket for: Anthony Basave. Girls Basket for: Abigail Hernandez. Wine Basket for: Robert & Sandy Clanin.</p>	<p>MARDI GRASS DOOR PRIZE WINNERS</p> <table> <tbody> <tr> <td>Judy Holicky</td> <td>Comfort Roast Coffe</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Walter Skiba and Jpnh Toleikis</td> <td>Comfort Roast Gift Certificate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Leticia Martinez & Tami Aldren</td> <td>Center Lounge Bottle</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mary Burke</td> <td>Lyneth's Pierogi</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nancy Stolman</td> <td>Grillers Gift Certificate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Leonel Nunez</td> <td>Mascot Hall of Fame tickets</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Julianna Dominguez</td> <td>Richway Gyros Gift Certificate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Abigail Hernandez</td> <td>Whiney Beach Café Gift Certificate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Paloma Navarro</td> <td>Dinos Pizza Gift Certificate</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Eros Corona</td> <td>Beggar's Pizza Gift Bag</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Judy Holicky	Comfort Roast Coffe	Walter Skiba and Jpnh Toleikis	Comfort Roast Gift Certificate	Leticia Martinez & Tami Aldren	Center Lounge Bottle	Mary Burke	Lyneth's Pierogi	Nancy Stolman	Grillers Gift Certificate	Leonel Nunez	Mascot Hall of Fame tickets	Julianna Dominguez	Richway Gyros Gift Certificate	Abigail Hernandez	Whiney Beach Café Gift Certificate	Paloma Navarro	Dinos Pizza Gift Certificate	Eros Corona	Beggar's Pizza Gift Bag
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<p>OFFERTORY FOR March 1st. 1ro. De Marzo, 2020 Regular Sunday Collection: \$ 1,487.00 Ash Wednesday Collection: \$ 378.00 Improvement Fund: \$ 719.00</p>	<p>Announcements March 8, 2020 Second Sunday of Lent Today's second collection is for Easter flowers. Thank you. August 5 and 6 we will have picture taking for our 2020 sacred heart- Pictorial Directory. No Cost to participate. Will give you more information. Healing mass is Saturday, April 4 at 10 am. Please bring the homebound and invite your friends. In this Lenten season; if anyone is sick at home. Please let me know if they need any confession or Communion. I will go to your home and give the sacraments.</p>	<p>Anuncios 8 de marzo de 2020 Segundo domingo de cuaresma La segunda colección de hoy es para las flores de Pascua. Gracias. El 5 y el 6 de agosto tendremos un fotógrafo dispuesto a tomar fotografías que formaran parte del directorio 2020 de la parroquia del sagrado corazón sin costo por participar; daré más información sobre ello. La misa curativa será el sábado 4 de abril a las 10 a.m. Por favor traigan a los inmovilizados en casa e invite a sus amigos. En esta temporada de cuaresma, si está enfermo en casa, avíseme si necesita experimentar el sacramento de confesión o comulgar. Estoy dispuesto a ir a su casa para dispensarle los sacramentos. El censo cuenta a todos los que viven en los Estados Unidos. Representantes de La ciudad de Whiting estarán en nuestro salón por dos días para que se registren. Por favor, participen seriamente. Cena - Baile: el sábado 18 de abril, a las 5:30 pm, en nuestro Salón Parroquial. Los boletos están disponibles a \$25.00. Todos son bienvenidos. La Estaciones de la Cruz, todos los viernes en inglés a las 9 am y en español a las 7 Pm.</p>																				
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