

Daily Homily
1 Week of Lent, Monday
27 February 2023
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So, we are now in the mansion of Lent to explore its many rooms.

There are two parts to Lent, especially to those of us who come to daily Mass and reflect on the daily readings.

The first part is what we are in right now... the first several weeks of Lent are about the demands of discipleship. These first several weeks of Lent lay out what it takes to follow the Lord – not superficially – but with our whole heart, mind, and soul, not just part of our heart, mind, and soul.

So today, both readings act as an examination of conscience. Really before going to confession this Lent take both of these readings to prayer and then come to confession. These readings lay out the demands of discipleship where we can be faithful and where we can fail.

The second part of Lent happens in the last two weeks or so of the season... The second part involves, even more so, our reflection on Jesus as Savior. Wherever we fail in the demands of following Him, Jesus – still rescues, helps, inspires, encourages, and saves us.