

**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT LITURGY
INTRODUCTORY RITE**

Celebrant: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Response: Amen.

Celebrant: Lord, bless us with the wisdom to praise You in spirit and in truth, so that by following Your holy we will gain eternal salvation.

Response: Amen.

THE PENITENTIAL RITE

C: My dear brothers and sisters let us confess our sins to God and prepare ourselves that we may worthily participate in this Holy Sacrifice. Please now make an examination of your conscience.

Confiteor

Almighty Father, You know my deepest secrets. I confess that I have, through my own fault, sinned against Your holy laws,

(striking the breast three times) in my thoughts, in my words and in what I have done or failed to do. I sincerely regret my sins and I am truly sorry for offending You. I ask, Father, that in Your mercy You pardon my sins. I promise to change my way of living so that through a deeper holiness I may better serve You throughout the rest of my life. I ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God.

C: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

R: Amen.

C: May our Lord Jesus Christ absolve you and, with His authority vested in me, I absolve you from all your sins: in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

R: Amen.

ENTRANCE RITE Deuteronomy 5: 24; Psalm 104: 1b-2a

C: The Lord, our God, has indeed let us see His glory and His majesty! We have heard His voice from the midst of the fire and have found out today that a man can still live after God has spoken with him.

R: Lord, my God, You are great indeed! You are clothed with majesty and glory robed in light as with a cloak.

C: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

C: Lord, have mercy. **R:** Lord, have mercy.

C: Christ, have mercy. **R:** Christ, have mercy.

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OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray. [pause briefly] Almighty God, You glory in Your Son, Jesus, Who was wondrously transfigured before His chosen disciples. Change us into His image that as we willingly bear our cross, we may be strengthened by His saving words. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Genesis 22: 1-2,9, 10-13, 15: 18

God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am!" he replied. Then God said: "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you." When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven, "Abraham, Abraham!" "Here I am!" he answered. "Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger. "Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. So, he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son. Again, the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and said: "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies, and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing— all this because you obeyed my command." This is the Word of the Lord

Responsorial

Psalm 116

R: I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

I believed, even when I said, "I am greatly afflicted." Precious in the eyes of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones. R:

O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your handmaid; you have loosed my bonds. To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving and I will call upon the name of the LORD. R:

My vows to the LORD I will pay in the presence of all his people, In the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. R:

Second Reading

Romans 8: 31-34

Brothers and sisters: If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us, who will condemn? Christ Jesus it is who died—or, rather, was raised—who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. This is the Word of the Lord.

Lenten Acclamation 2

Matthew 17: 5

C: Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

R: Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

C: From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son listen to him.

R: Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel

Mark 9: 2-10

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, “Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So, they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

SACRAMENT OF THE WORD OF GOD

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Like Peter, we believe that “it is wonderful for us to be here” In the divine presence, we confidently bring our prayers to our God and Father.

L: Our response is “Lord hear our prayers”

L: For our Prime Bishop Anthony, our Diocesan Bishop John, and our Pastor Fr. Bruce, that they may always lead us to the glory of heaven, let us pray to the Lord.

L: For the world, that the Transfiguration of Jesus may make us aware of His presence and glory, let us pray to the Lord.

L: For the poor, lonely, persecuted and oppressed, that through our practical care they may see the favored Son of God, let us pray to the Lord.

L: For our parish community, that we may find it wonderful to worship in the company of the saints of God, let us pray to the Lord.

L: For the increase of Sacred Vocations in the Church, let us pray to the Lord.

L: For our dead, that they may enjoy the blessed vision of divine glory forever, especially N. let us pray to the Lord.

Celebrant: Almighty Father, with grace and glory you transform our lives; by these prayers, strengthen us to come through the trials of this earthly life, we ask this, through Christ our Lord.

OFFERTORY VERSE

C: “Come,” says my heart, “seek God’s face;” Your face, Lord,

do I seek! Do not hide Your face from me; do not repel Your
servant in anger.

Psalm 27: 8-9a

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Heavenly Father, through this holy oblation may we, who in faith perceive the mystery of the Transfiguration, enter into the fellowship of His sufferings. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

PREFACE-THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed +□ is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

CANON 2

We give thanks to You, God our Father, through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, Whom in these last days You have sent us as Savior, Redeemer and Messenger of Your will. He is Your Word, inseparable from You. Through Him You have made all things and in Him You were well pleased. You sent Him from heaven to a virgin's womb. There He dwelt and was made flesh. He was revealed as Your Son, born through the Holy Spirit and of the Virgin. When He suffered, He fulfilled Your will and gained for You a holy people. He stretched out His hands to free from suffering those who believed in You. When He was betrayed to His freely chosen suffering, thereby to destroy death, to break the chains of darkness, to crush hell beneath His feet, to give light to the just, to make a covenant and to manifest His resurrection. He took bread; He gave You thanks and said: **TAKE AND EAT: THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS BROKEN FOR YOU.** In like manner He took the cup and said: **THIS IS MY BLOOD WHICH IS POURED OUT FOR YOU.** Whenever you do this, do it in memory of Me. Calling then His death and resurrection to mind, we offer You the Bread and the Cup. We thank You for allowing us to come before You and to serve You. We ask You to send Your Holy Spirit upon the offering of Your holy Church to gather all in unity. Grant to all who partake of these Holy Mysteries the fullness of the Holy Spirit for the strengthening of their faith in the truth. So, may we praise and glorify You through Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Holding the Sacred Host above the Chalice, he elevates them and says or sings:

Through Him may glory and honor be Yours, with the Holy Spirit, in Your holy Church, now and for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

C: *Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

C: Deliver us Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In Your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

R: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours,
now and forever.

Breaking of the Bread

C: The Cup of Blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ?

C: The Bread which we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ?

R: Because there is one Bread, we who are many, are one body,
for we all partake of the one Bread.

C: May the union of divinity and humanity in Jesus Christ
bring us sanctification and eternal life.

R: Amen.

C: Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles: I leave you peace, My peace I give you. Do not look at our sins, but on the faith of Your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom where You live for ever and ever. Amen.

C: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R: And also, with you.

C: Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

Give a nod or a wave of hand as a sign of peace

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

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have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, Your death brought life to the world. By Your holy Body and Blood free me from all my sins and from every evil. Keep me faithful to Your teaching and never let me be parted from You.

C: I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the name of the Lord.

The celebrant and congregation together say only once:

Lord, I am not worthy to receive You,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.

May the Body of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

May the Blood of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

THE COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

This is the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are those who are called to the table of the Lord.

C: Lord, may I possess with a pure heart that which I have taken as food, and may the Gift I have received bring me healing and strength now and forever.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION TO BE PRAYED AT HOME IF NOT ATTENDING HOLY MASS OR AT MASS AND NOT RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST.

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

COMMUNION VERSE

For God formed man to be imperishable; the image of His own nature He made him.

Wisdom 2: 23

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. [pause briefly] Lord our God, in the glorious Transfiguration of Your Son, You confirmed the witness of the prophets, and foreshadowed our adoption as Your children. Grant that we, who have shared at Your Altar, may become co-heirs with Christ and partakers in His glory. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

CONCLUDING RITE

C: The Lord be with you.

R: And also, with you.

C: May the blessing of almighty God: the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit come upon you and remain with you forever.

C: Let us bless the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.