



CHRIST

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# Second Sunday in Lent

## **[Stand]**

All: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

**Leader:** Let us call to mind our sins.

## **Penitential Act**

All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Leader:** Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

**Leader:** Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

**Leader:** Lord, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

## **Opening Prayer**

**Leader:** Let us pray

O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### *[Only Reader Stands]*

**Reader:** A reading from the Book of Genesis

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."

*[Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]*

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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

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

**Reader:** I believed, even when I said,

“I am greatly afflicted.”

Precious in the eyes of the LORD

is the death of his faithful ones. **Response**

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. **Response**

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. **Response**

*[Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19]*

**Reader:** A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans

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.

*[Rom 8:31b-34]*

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

***[All Stand for Gospel]***

**Leader:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

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.

*[Mk 9:2-10]*

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Reflection/Discussion**

## Creed

All: I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Universal Prayer

**Leader:** Secure in the love of our merciful Father, let us turn to him with our needs.

**Leader:** Let us pray.  
For all who preach the gospel, may they live their lives with ears open to the voice of Jesus... *[Pause for silent or spoken intentions.]*

We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

**Leader:** For the children throughout the world, may they dwell in safety and security, knowing the love and support of family, friends, and community... *[Pause for silent or spoken intentions.]*

We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

**Leader:** For those living in doubt and anxiety, may the love of Christ and mercy of God free them to live in joy and peace... *[Pause for silent or spoken intentions.]*

We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

**Leader:** For all gathered here, may we find and serve Christ in the poor and vulnerable among us... *[Pause for silent or spoken intentions.]*

We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

**Leader:** Faithful and compassionate God, hear our prayers that we might be an example of Christ through our words and actions. We ask this by the power of the Holy Spirit through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

**Leader:** Let us gather all of our intentions into the prayer that Jesus taught us.

All: Our Father, who art in heaven...

**Leader:** Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

**Leader:** May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.