

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 26: 8-9

Of you my heart has spoken:
Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face from me.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Be thou my Vision, Lord of my heart,
Naught be all else, to me
save that thou art:
Thou my best thought in the
day and the night,
Waking or sleeping,
thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor man's
empty praise
Thou mine inheritance through
all my days;
Thou, and thou only,
the first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure
thou art!

High King of heaven,
when battle is done
grant heaven's joy to me O bright
heaven's sun;
Christ of my own heart, whatever
befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

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

People: **Amen.**

Grace to you and peace from God our
Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

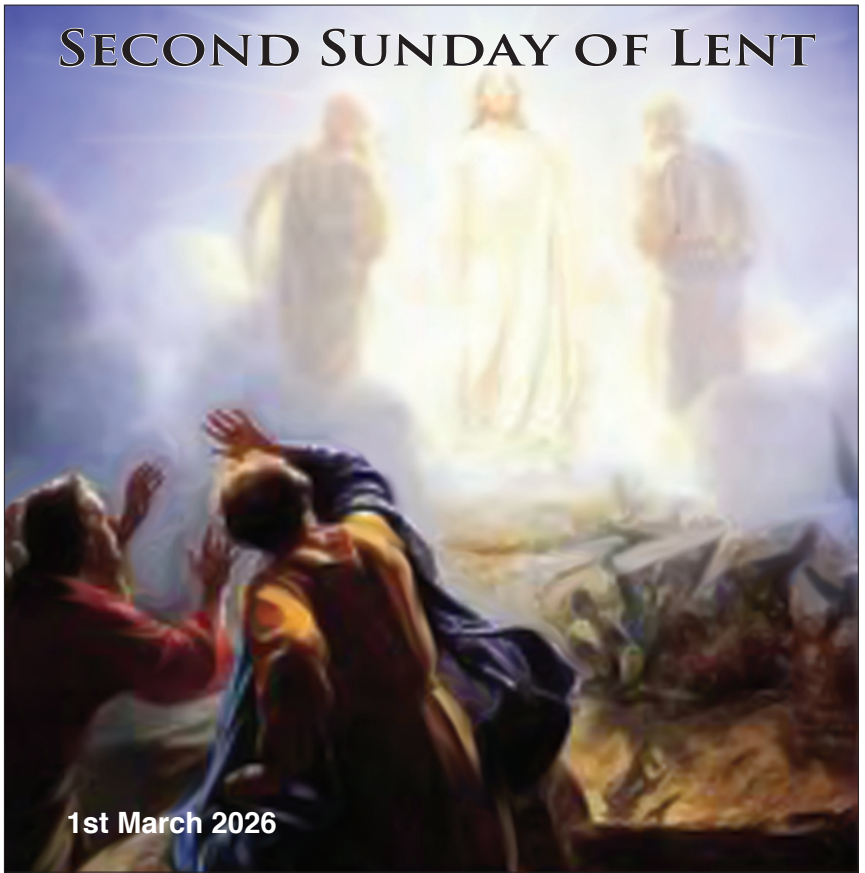
Brethren (Brothers and sisters),
let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves to
celebrate the sacred mysteries.

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,

Striking your breast as you say:
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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



1st March 2026

The absolution by the priest follows:

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

Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**
Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

COLLECT

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,
God, for ever and ever.
Amen.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

12:1-4

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord said to Abram, "Leave your
country, your family and your father's
house, for the land I will show you. I
will make you a great nation; I will
bless you and make your name so
famous that it will be used as a
blessing.

"I will bless those who bless you:
I will curse those who slight you.
All the tribes of the earth
shall bless themselves by you."
So Abram went as the Lord told him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R.v. 22

R. May your love be upon us, O
Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. **R.**



2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R.**
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **R.**

SECOND READING **1:8-10**
A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy — not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



ACCLAMATION **Mt17:5**
Glory and praise to you, O Christ;
From the bright cloud the
Father's voice was heard:
"This is my Son, the Beloved.
Listen to him."
Glory and praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL

17:1-9



The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. "Lord," he said, "it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him." When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. "Stand up," he said, "do not be afraid." And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. "Tell no one about this vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



PROFESSION OF FAITH

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,

(All bow during the next three lines)

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.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST



Raising the host, the priest says:
 Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.
Blessed be God for ever.

The priest pours wine and a little water into the chalice, saying quietly:
 By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Raising the chalice, the priest says:
 Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.
Blessed be God for ever.



Bowing the priest says quietly:

With humble spirit and contrite heart may we be accepted by you, O Lord, and may our sacrifice in your sight this day be pleasing to you, O Lord.

Then the priest washes his hands, saying quietly:

Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity; and cleanse me from my sin.

— **STAND** —

Facing the people the priest says:

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray, cleanse us of our faults and sanctify your faithful in body and mind for the celebration of the paschal festivities.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

PREFACE: The Transfiguration of the Lord.

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks,

Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord. For after he had told the disciples of his coming Death, on the holy mountain he manifested to them his glory, to show, even by the testimony of the law and the prophets, that the Passion leads to the glory of the Resurrection. And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship you constantly on earth, and before your majesty without end we acclaim:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.**

— **KNEEL** —

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness.

The Priest joins his hands and, holding them extended over the offerings, says:

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body ✠ and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice and, once more giving thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,
WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says:

Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you, Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world,

and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with Leo, our Pope, **N**. our Bishop, his assistant Bishop(s), and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

The Priest takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, elevating both, he says:

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

— **STAND** —

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

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 Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.
Amen.



The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your Spirit.

The priest may add these or similar words.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The priest places a small piece of the host in the chalice saying quietly:

May this mingling of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.

Meanwhile the people sing or say:

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

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

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

— KNEEL —

The priest says quietly:

May the receiving of your Body and Blood,

Lord Jesus Christ,

not bring me to judgement and condemnation,

but through your loving mercy be for me protection in mind and body, and a healing remedy.

Raising the host the priest says:

Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

And together with the people he says once:

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

May the Body of Christ keep me safe for eternal life.

The Priest reverently consumes the Body of Christ.

Then he takes the chalice and says quietly:

May the Blood of Christ keep me safe for eternal life.

The Priest raises a host slightly and shows it to each of the communicants, saying:

The Body of Christ.

Amen.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON Mt 17: 5
This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

COMMUNION HYMN

O bread of heaven, beneath this veil thou dost my very God conceal; my Jesus, dearest treasure, hail; I love thee and adoring kneel; each loving soul by thee is fed with thine own self in form of bread.

O food of life, thou who dost give the pledge of immortality; I love; no, 'tis not I that live; God gives me life, God lives in me: he feeds my soul, he guides my ways, and every grief with joy repays.

Beloved Lord in heaven above, there, Jesus, thou awaitest me; to gaze on thee with changeless love, yes, thus I hope, thus shall it be: for how can he deny me heaven who here on earth himself hath given.

PRIVATE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, my Lord and Master,
it is indeed wonderful for me to be here.
You are in my soul, true God and true Man, just as really present as you were on Tabor.

You are the fulfilment of all that was revealed in the Law and in the Prophets.

I believe in you with all the sincerity of Abraham's faith.

You are the Son of God, the chosen One, the one whose passing was a cruel death on a cross to save me from sin and open to me the homeland of heaven.

It is you who will transfigure this wretched body of mine and change it into a copy of your own glorious body.

My Jesus, I place all my trust in you, and it is in the hope generated by your coming to me in this Holy Communion, that I look forward to seeing you face to face in the glory of heaven.

— STAND —

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we receive these glorious mysteries, we make thanksgiving to you, O Lord, for allowing us while still on earth to be partakers even now of the things of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Bless your faithful, we pray, O Lord, with a blessing that endures for ever, and keep them faithful to the Gospel of your Only Begotten Son, so that they may always desire and at last attain that glory whose beauty he showed in his own Body, to the amazement of his Apostles. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

Bow head for the blessing – short silence

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

**Holy God we praise thy name,
Lord of all we bow before thee.
All on earth thy sceptre own.
All in heaven above adore thee.
Endless is thy vast domain.
Everlasting is thy reign.**

**Hark, with loud and pealing hymn,
Thee the angel choirs are praising;
Cherubim and seraphim,
One unceasing chorus raising,
Ever sing with sweet accord,
Holy, holy, holy Lord.**

**Spare thy people, Lord, we pray,
By a thousand snares surrounded:
Keep us free from sin today;
Never let us be confounded.
All my trust I place in thee,
Never, Lord, abandon me.**