



Welcome to
Holy Martyrs Catholic Church
February 27-28, 2021 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

Today, God's word presents us with Abraham taking on the biggest of sacrifices: offering up his son Isaac. God considers the deep faith of the old man, however, and prevents the spilling of Isaac's blood. If we listen to God, who can keep us from him? For Saint Paul, it was impossible for anyone to interfere. In him we see a deep faith, a complete surrender. This week, we can ask ourselves: What separates us from God's love? What obstacles keep us from seeing, with eyes of faith, the glorified and transparent life we are called to?

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

ST. DENIO

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3. Life - giv - ing Cre - a - tor, of both great and small;
4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

1. In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
2. Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, you rule day and night;
3. Of all life the mak - er, the true life of all;
4. Your an - gels a - dor - ing, all veil - ing their sight;

1. Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
2. Your jus - tice like moun-tains high soar - ing a - bove
3. We blos - som, then with - er, as leaves on a tree,
4. We too, God in - vis - i - ble, of - fer our praise;

1. Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise.
2. Your clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
3. But you live for ev - er, who is and will be.
4. O light in - ac - ces - si - ble, An - cient of Days!

Text: 11 11 11 11; 1 Timothy 1:17; Walter C. Smith, 1824–1908, alt. Music: Robert's Canaidau y Cyssegr, 1839.

Greeting – (response) “And with your spirit.”

We begin by recognizing we have a powerful yet loving God.

We remember that we often choose sin, and we come before a merciful and forgiving God whom we love.

Penitential Act:

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.

Cantor: Lord have mercy.
Congregation: Lord have mercy.
Cantor: Christ - have mercy.
Congregation: Christ - have mercy.
Cantor: Lord have mercy.
Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Prayer – (Respond) “Amen”

Liturgy of the Word

The Liturgy of the Word is the word of God shared in a “**first reading**” (most often from the Old Testament); a **sung response** to the reading (usually from the book of Psalms); a “**second reading**” from one of the “epistles” (letters) or the book of Revelation; a reading from one of the **Gospels** (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John); a homily; the creed; and the Prayers of the Faithful.

GENESIS
Chapter
22
Verses
1-2, 9-13,
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.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

We respond
to the
message of
the First
Reading with
a Psalm.

PSALM
116

Verse 10, 15,
16-17, 18-19

Music CPILG

I will walk be - fore the Lord.
I will walk be-fore the Lord in the land of the
liv - ing. I will walk be-fore the Lord.

*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.*

ROMANS

Chapter 8

Verse 31b-34

Brothers and sisters:

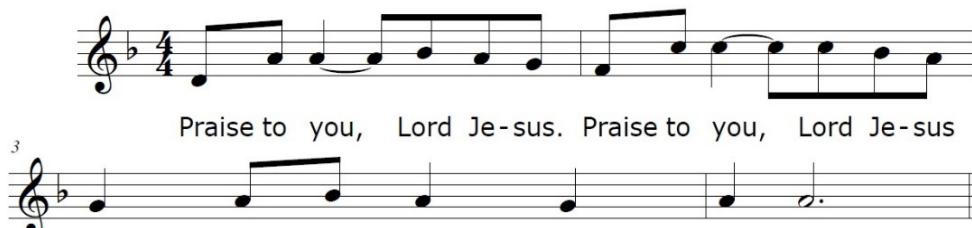
If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him?

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.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

We sing with excitement for the Gospel we are about to hear.

Music CPILG



3 Praise to you, Lord Je-sus. Praise to you, Lord Je-sus
Christ, King of end - less glo - ry.

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

MARK

Chapter 9

Verses 2-10

The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord**

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.

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

Homily

Universal Prayer - the prayers of those gathered for ourselves, this community, and the whole world. Our response is, **“Lord, remember your mercy.”**

TRANSFIGURE US, O LORD

Bob Hurd

Refrain



Trans - fig - ure us, O Lord, trans - fig - ure us, O Lord.



Break the chains that bind us; speak your heal - ing word, and



where you lead we'll fol - low. Trans - fig - ure us, O Lord.

Verbs



1. Down from heights of glo - ry in - to the depths be - low, the
2. Light for those in dark - ness, the hun - gry have their fill, glad
3. Par - don for the sin - ner, a shep - herd for the sheep, a
4. To the ho - ly cit - y, Je - ru - sa - lem, you go; your



1. love of God self - emp - tied, the love of God to show. You
2. tid - ings for the hum - ble, the heal - ing of all ills; in
3. drink of liv - ing wa - ter for all who thirst and seek, and
4. face set toward the end - ing, the cross to be your throne. '



1. light the path be - fore us, the way that we must go.
2. these we glimpse your glo - ry, God's prom - is - es ful - filled.
3. feast - ing at your ta - ble, the low - ly and the least.
4. Shall we jour - ney with you and share your pasch - al road?

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Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father

People: 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

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.**

Before we sing
the “Holy, Holy,”
the Priest, in the
name of the
whole of the holy
people, glorifies
God the Father
in a prayer and
gives thanks to
him for the whole
work of salvation

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the high - est.

As part of the
Eucharistic
prayer, we
acclaim our faith
together.

The mystery of faith

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we pro - claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

We respond to
the entire
Eucharistic prayer

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

A - men, a - - - - men.

The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei qui
tollis peccata
mundi

Miserere nobis

Dona Nobis
Pacem

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. It contains six measures of music with lyrics: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world," followed by a repeat sign and four more measures. The second staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. It contains four measures of music with lyrics: "have mer-cy on us. grant us peace, grant us peace."

Priest: 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.

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

A prayer for all
unable to
physically be
here today.

Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.

This music plays
in the
background as
Eucharistic
Ministers receive
communion

Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui:
Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui:
Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Humbly let us voice our homage for so great a sacrament.
Let all former rites surrender to the Lord's New Testament.
What our senses fail to fathom, let us grasp through faith's consent

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT/SÉ NUESTRA LUZ

Bernadette Farrell

Verbs

1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
4. Long-ing for shel - ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the

1. truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
2. hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
4. warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants

1. your ho - ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
4. shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
5. to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain/Estríbillo

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.
¡Sé nues - tra luz, Cris - to Se - ñor, en las ti - nie - blas!

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.
¡Sé nues - tra luz! Bri - lla en tu / - gle - sia reu - ni - da hoy.