



FEBRUARY 28, 2021

*Jesus was transfigured
before them, and his clothes
became dazzling white.*

Mark 9:2-3

LENT

SECOND
SUNDAY OF

2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL PRAYER

God, whose love is never-ending,
You care for us in all ways and at all times
by providing nourishment for our bodies, minds, and souls.
You call us each by name to share Your love with everyone
we meet.

Awaken in us the desire to build our faith family,
and give us generous hearts and minds,
so that we use our gifts to show the Father's love to each
other.

We ask this as through your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church

February 27 & 28, 2021

Second Sunday in Lent

Gathering "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near,
Daystar, in my heart appear.

Visit then this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, Radiance divine, scatter all my unbelief;
More and more Thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

Reading from Genesis 22: 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.”

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 116: 10, 15, 16-17, 18-19)

“I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.”

Reading from Romans 8: 31-34

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.

Gospel Acclamation (Mark 17: 5)

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

Gospel Reading from 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.

Homily

Presentation of Gifts "Take Up Your Cross"

Take up your cross, the Savior said, if you would my disciple be;
take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after me

Take up your cross; let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm;
My strength shall bear your spirit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.

Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your foolish heart be still;
The Lord for you accepted death, upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.

Take up your cross, then, in His strength, and calmly every danger brave;
It guides you to a better home, and leads to victory o'er the grave.

Take up your cross and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down,
For only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

Sanctus
"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Memorial Acclamation
"When we this bread and drink this cup..."

The Great Amen

Lamb of God

Communion "Soul of My Savior"

Soul of my Savior sanctify my breast,
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,
Blood of my Savior, bathe me in thy tide,
wash me with waters gushing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy passion be,
O Blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;
deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,
so shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign,
in death's dread moments make me only thine;
call me and bid me come to thee on high
where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay

Benediction and Sending Forth

Recessional Hymn "Abide With Me"

I need Thy presence every passing hour:
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless:
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness:
Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.