

**PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS  
February 28, 2021  
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Welcome to all who are here to worship with us.  
Today is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent.  
Whoever you may be, or wherever you find yourself on  
the journey, please know that here at St. Matthias,  
All Are Welcome.**

- **Good News! The 8:00 AM Mass will return on a trial basis for all Lenten Sundays in March, beginning next Sunday. We hope the restoration of the Mass will provide opportunities for more parishioners to worship in-person safely during Lent. The 8:00 AM Mass will also be live-streamed on our parish YouTube channel.**
- **The second collection this weekend is in support of snow and ice removal expenses this winter. The Diocese has authorized the collection for parishes already struggling from the effects of the pandemic, including our own parish, to defray these winter costs. Special collection buckets (special because they have pictures of snowmen with a shovel) are placed at all church door entrances and exits and in the cafeteria. If your contribution is in the form of a check next weekend, please write "Snow and Ice Removal" on the memo line. If you donate through Parish Giving, a special fund is set up at the Parrish Giving website for Snow and Cold. The fund number is set up as a one time collection for Restricted Gift-Church - Snow.**
- **Monday marks the beginning of Women's History Month. Let's all celebrate and honor the many contributions of women to American history, culture, society, and especially our Church.**
- **Finally, if you have items to contribute this weekend for S.M.Y.L.E., items are being collected from the church Cry Room in the back of the church.**

**Let us now take this time to quiet our hearts and  
minds as we prepare to celebrate this liturgy.**

## Music for Our Assembly February 28, 2021 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

*Of you my heart has spoken: Seek His face. It is your face, Oh Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me...Psalm 27*

### Gathering Hymn - Transfiguration

Jesus, on the mountain peak, stands alone in glory blazing.  
Let us, if we dare to speak, join the saints and angels praising.  
Praise and glory, praise and glory, praise and glory to our Lord!  
Let us, if we dare to speak, join the saints and angels praising.

Trembling at his feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking. All the prophets and the law shout through them their joyful greeting: Praise and glory, praise and glory, praise and glory to our Lord!  
All the prophets and the law shout through them their joyful greeting.

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### Responsorial Psalm- I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living. ....Psalm 116

### Communion Hymn

Lead us, Lord, into the desert; lead us through the wilderness.  
Through this journey we will follow, for we long to see your face.

In this time of sacred struggle, in this time of sacrifice,  
we rejoice, for we remember that you lead us into life.

### Refrain

**Gracious God, mercy is your name. Redeeming Love, you give your life away.  
Gracious God, we bless your holy name. Receiving love, we give our lives away.**

Lord, we hunger for your presence; Lord, we're thirsting for your grace.  
When consuming all but you, Lord, all we gain is emptiness. **Refrain**

Teach us, Lord: who is our neighbor? Is it friend, or enemy?  
When we welcome or condemn them, it is you, O let us see. **Refrain**

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## **PRAYERS FOR THE MASS**

### **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.**

### **KRYIE (Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy)**

**Cantor: Ký-ri-e, e-lé-i-son**

**All: Ký-ri-e, e-lé-i-son**

**Cantor: Chri-ste, e-lé-i-son**

**All: Chri-ste, e-lé-i-son**

**Cantor: Ký-ri-e, e-lé-i-son**

**All: Ký-ri-e e-lé-i-son**

### **CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

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

R. (116:9) 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.

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.

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

# Prayers of the Faithful

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

### February 28, 2021

**Our response will be:**

***Lord, in your compassion, hear our prayer***

1. For Pope Francis and all church leaders...Guide them to listen to the beloved son of God and preach His Good News to all, we pray...  
***Lord, in your compassion, hear our prayer***
2. For those in leadership positions throughout the world...Help them to work diligently to raise people up from oppression, indignity, and poverty, we pray...  
***Lord, in your compassion, hear our prayer***
3. For this faith community of St. Matthias...Transfigure us to be faithful disciples who follow the way that Jesus gave us...For our youth ministry group SMYLE...May their youth service project reach the needs of teen moms and the Pregnancy Aid Center...and for our elect, candidates, Confirmandees and children who continue on their journey to their sacraments at Easter...May their intense preparation and reflection bring them more deeply into an appreciation for our faith, we pray...  
***Lord, in your compassion, hear our prayer***
4. As we conclude Black History Month...May we never cease our support for the struggle to achieve racial justice in our church and beyond, we pray...  
***Lord, in your compassion, hear our prayer***
5. For all who are sick, who are broken hearted, or who have lost hope...Comfort and strengthen them by your Word, we pray...  
***Lord, in your compassion, hear our prayer***
6. For those who have died, especially Courtney Phillips and Frank Tumulty...May they be welcomed joyfully into your presence, we pray...  
***Lord, in your compassion, hear our prayer***
7. For the intentions we hold in the quiet of our hearts...With grateful hearts we present our deepest needs, we pray...  
***Lord, in your compassion, hear our prayer***

## Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart. I  
embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You,  
and I believe your words, "Come to me all  
you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will  
refresh you."  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

## **PRIEST ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1) SNOW REMOVAL COLLECTION**
- 2) SERVICE WORX???**
- 3) FIRST FRIDAY BENEDICTION THIS WEEK**
- 4) FIRST WEDNESDAY – INTERCESSION TO ST. JOSEPH**
- 5) ANYTHING ELSE**