Second Sunday of Lent

28th February 2021



OPENING HYMN

'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Your glory fills the night; Your face and garments, like the sun, shine with unborrowed light.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Your beauty to behold, Where Moses and Elijah stand, Your messengers of old.

Fulfiller of the past! Promise of things to be! We hail Your Body glorified, and our redemption see.

Before we taste of death, we see Your kingdom come; Before us keep Your vision bright, and make this place our home.

FIRST READING: Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18 *The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.*

PSALM RESPONSE:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:31-34 *God did not spare His own Son.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to You, O Christ, king of eternal glory! From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to Him.' Praise to You, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-10

This is my Son, the Beloved.

NICENE CREED

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, (as we say the words in italics, we bow) 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.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

For those who are unable to attend Mass, and for those physically present who are not receiving Holy Communion, we pray a prayer of spiritual communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy 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. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might; Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight; All laud we would render; O help us to see 'Tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee.