

FOR THE WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 24-25th, 2024

Second Sunday of Lent

Gospel reading

Mk 9:2-10

After six days 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; then 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.

Intercession

That, lifted up by a successful Annual Appeal, our parish may shine as bright as Jesus wishes for our neighbors.

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As the second week of Lent begins, the Church invites us to contemplate the transfigured Jesus with Peter, James, and John: *"His clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them"* (Mark 9:3).

Before he suffered his Passion, Jesus gave his three closest friends a glimpse into his glorified nature—a glimpse of where he could take them. God loves us where we are and loves us too much to leave us where we are.

We can radiate divine light like Jesus. When we receive Jesus into our hearts, he transfigures us. We can shine with his joy, love, and serenity. He wants to transfigure our whole parish! Please support our Catholic Ministry Appeal so we can have all the resources we need to shine the way He wishes us to, so we can reach all those He longs for in our community. *"I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth"* (Isaiah 49:6).

Copy for pulpit announcement

God can transfigure each of us, and he cannot not do it *without* us. Help us make His light shine in our community with a gift to our Catholic Ministry Appeal!

Social media post/content

Photo: Painting of Jesus transfigured, dazzling white.

Text: *"This is my beloved son."* - Mark 9:7

Copy: The hope available to those who believe in Him changes everything. Our local community needs to know that God's son lives here, in our tabernacle. You can help us light the way through your support of our Catholic Ministry Appeal!