

**Sunday, March 16, 2025**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**

**Gathering: Our God Is Here (Muglia) ... BB301**

Here in this time, here in this place,  
Here we are standing face to face.  
Here in our hearts, here in our lives,  
Our God is here.  
Here for the broken, here for the strong,  
Here in this temple we belong.  
Here in our hearts, here in our lives,  
Our God is here.  
And we cry  
"Holy! Holy! Holy are you!"  
We cry: "Holy! Holy! Holy and true!"  
Amen, we do believe our God is here.  
Our God is here.

Here in the Word, God is revealed,  
Here where the wounded can be healed.  
Here in our hearts, here in our lives,  
Our God is here.  
Here we become what we receive,  
Here in this Eucharistic feast.  
We are his body, living as one;  
Our God is here.  
And we cry  
"Holy! Holy! Holy are you!"  
We cry: "Holy! Holy! Holy and true!"  
Amen, we do believe our God is here.  
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**Kyrie Eleison:** Mass of John Carroll (Joncas)

**First Reading**

**A reading from the Book of Genesis**

The Most High God took Abram outside and said,

“Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so,” he added, “shall your descendants be.”

Abram put his faith in God, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness.

God then said to Abram,

“I am the Most High God who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession.”

“O God,” Abram asked, “how am I to know that I shall possess it?”

God answered,

“Bring me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old she-goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”

Abram brought God all these animals, split them in two, and placed each half opposite the other; but the birds he did not cut up. Birds of prey swooped down on the carcasses, but Abram stayed with them. As the sun was about to set, a trance fell upon Abram, and a deep, terrifying darkness enveloped him.

When the sun had set and it was dark, there appeared a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch, which passed between those pieces. It was on that occasion that the Most High God made a covenant with Abram, saying:

“To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates.”

### **The word of God.**

### **Responsorial: The Lord Is My Light-Ps18 (Foley SJ) ... H/O**

Refrain: The Lord is my light; the Lord is my shield.

Praise you Lord and the love you reveal.

Safe journey, shelter and home,

Safe in the Lord alone.

(V1) Hear O Lord, my cry to you.

Turn not away, for you are my life.

Turn not Your face from me.

(V2) Seek your face, you said O Lord.

My heart says to You: Your face, Lord I seek.

Hide not your face from me.

(Antiphon) Wait for the Lord,  
And let your heart be strong.  
Wait for the Lord!

(V3) Just one thing I ask You, Lord.  
To dwell in Your house, the days of my life.  
Watching Your beauty, Lord.

## **Second reading**

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians

Join with others in being imitators of me, sisters and brothers, and observe those who thus conduct themselves according to the model you have in us.

For many, as I have often told you and now tell you even in tears, conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction. Their God is their stomach; their glory is in their "shame."

Their minds are occupied with earthly things.

But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ who will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

Therefore, my sisters and brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in Christ Jesus.

## **The word of God**

### **Lenten Gospel Acclamation**

Praise and honor to you, O Lord, Jesus Christ

### **Gospel Reading**

#### **A reading from the Gospel according to Luke**

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying Jesus' face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white.

And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem.

Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.

As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud.

Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Beloved, my Chosen One; listen to him."

After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

## **The Good News of Salvation.**

### **Homily**

### **Prayers of the Faithful**

### **Universal Intercessions**

**Response: Faithful God, hear our prayer.**

(Faithful God, hear our prayer.)

For the Church: that we may be inspired to seek to do whatever God asks of us, let us pray...

For a healing of the divisions within the human family: that racism, sexism and prejudice may cease and that each person may be welcomed with dignity and respect, let us pray...

For countries and people who are divided by religious belief or political issues, that the Spirit of God will bring about new opportunities for understanding and cooperation, let us pray...

For an end to violence in families, among neighbors, and in our city streets: that all people may work together to build the City of God, let us pray...

For what other intentions do we want to pray...?

## **The Liturgy of the Eucharist**

### **Preparation of Gifts**

**Offertory: Transfiguration (Manalo) ... BB127Verse 1:**

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

Refrain: 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.

Swift the cloud of glory came,  
God, proclaiming in its thunder,  
Jesus as the Son by name!  
Nations, cry aloud in wonder.

Jesus is the chosen one,  
living hope of ev'ry nation,  
Hear and heed Him, ev'ry one,  
sing with Earth and all creation.

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Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God forever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

**Blessed be God forever.**

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**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.**

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Eucharistic Prayer *(if you are watching the video or listening to the audio, please follow along and participate with Fr. Jack; and continue with the Communion Songs below.)*

**Holy: Mass of Christ the Savior (Schutte) ... BB900**

**Mem: Kauffman Renewal-Save Us Savior (Gokelman & Kauffman) ... H/O**

**Amen: Christ the Savior (Schutte) ... BB904**

**Lamb: Christ the Savior (Schutte) ... BB905**

**Communion 1: Remember Your Love (Ducote & Daigle) ... BB652**

**Refrain:** Remember your love and your faithfulness, O Lord. Remember your people and have mercy on us, Lord

1. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?

The Lord is my life and my refuge; when I call God hears.

2. If you dwelt, O Lord, upon our sinfulness, then who could stand?

But with You there is mercy and forgiveness and a guiding hand.

3. O Lord, hear the sound of my call and answer me.

My heart cries out for Your presence; it is You I seek.

4. As sentinels wait upon the daylight, wait for the Lord.

I trust in your kindness and redemption; and your faithful word.

5. Before all the mountains were begotten and earth took shape,

Even then, O Lord, You were our refuge throughout ev'ry age.

**Communion2: Shine, Jesus, Shine! (Graham Kendrick)**

(V1) Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining. Jesus Light of the world, shine upon us. Set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.

(Refrain) Shine, Jesus, shine! Fill this land with the Savior's glory. Blaze, Spirit, blaze! Set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow! Flood the nations with grace and mercy. Send forth Your word, Lord and

let there be light!

## **Prayer after Communion**

### **Announcements**

#### **Sending: Song of St. Patrick (Haugen) ... G505**

Refrain: May the spirit of Christ be our hope through the day,  
Be our guard through the night, our companion on the way.

Vs1.) Christ be ever before us, Christ be ever behind us,  
Christ be ever within us.

Vs. 2) Christ upon our left hand watching,  
At our right hand guiding.  
Christ above, beneath us guarding, near to us abiding.

Vs.3) Christ be in each holy silence, Christ be in our speaking,  
Christ in every work we offer, ever in our seeking.

Vs. 4) Let us be God's light in darkness,  
Let us be God's kindness, Let us be God's justice and mercy,  
Hands and feet of Christ.

Vs. 5) God creator, bless and keep us, Christ be ever near us,  
Spirit be the light before us, gentle be our pathway.