

Second Sunday of Lent A

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Genesis 12:1-4

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord said to Abram,

"Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.

I will make of you a great nation,

and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

I will bless those who bless you,

and the one who curses you I will curse;

and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him;

and Lot went with him.

Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.

The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.

The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. **R.**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,

on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. **R.**

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:8-10

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy

Brothers and sisters:

Join with me in suffering for the gospel,
relying on the power of God,
who saved us and called us with a holy calling,
not according to our works
but according to his own purpose and grace.

This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus
before the ages began,
but it has now been revealed
through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus,
who abolished death
and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 9:35

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John
and led them up a high mountain, by themselves,

And he was transfigured before them,

and his face shone like the sun,

and his clothes became dazzling white.

Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.

Then Peter said to Jesus,

"Lord, it is good for us to be here;

if you wish, I will make three tents here,

one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

While he was still speaking,

suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them,

and from the cloud a voice said,

"This is my Son, the Beloved;

with him I am well pleased;

listen to him!"

When the disciples heard this,

they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear.

But Jesus came and touched them, saying,

"Get up and do not be afraid."

And when they looked up,

they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them,

"Tell no one about the vision

until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

