



First Sunday of Lent  
February 22, 2026



INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song:

**LORD, WHO THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS**

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1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty days, For us did fast and
2. As you with Sa - tan did con-tend, And did the vic - t'ry
3. As you did hun - ger bear and thirst, So teach us, gra-cious
4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And through your Pas-sion-
5. A - bide with us that when this life Of suf - fer - ing is



1. pray, Teach us with you to mourn our sins, And close by you to stay.
2. win, O give us strength in you to fight, In you to con-quer sin.
3. Lord, To die to self, and al - ways live By your most ho - ly word.
4. tide, For - ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
5. past, An Ea-ster of un - end - ing joy We may at - tain at last!

Text: CM; Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–1898, alt. Music: *The Whole Psalmes in Foure Partes*, 1563, alt.

**Sign of the Cross**

**Greeting**

**Act of Penitence**

The Confiteor

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,

(strike breast once) 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.

## KYRIE, ELEISON/LORD, HAVE MERCY

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Cantor 1st, All repeat

Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.  
Lord, have mercy.

Chris - te, e -  
Christ, have

Cantor 1st, All repeat

le - i - son.  
mer - cy.

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## Opening Prayer

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

# First Sunday of Lent

Lectionary: 22

## Reading 1

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so man became a living being.

Then the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and placed there the man whom he had formed.

Out of the ground the LORD God made various trees grow that were delightful to look at and good for food, with the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Now the serpent was the most cunning of all the animals that the LORD God had made.

The serpent asked the woman, “Did God really tell you not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?”

The woman answered the serpent: “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; it is only about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden that God said, ‘You shall not eat it or even touch it, lest you die.’”

But the serpent said to the woman: “You certainly will not die! No, God knows well that the moment you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods who know what is good and what is evil.”

The woman saw that the tree was good for food, pleasing to the eyes, and desirable for gaining wisdom. So she took some of its fruit and ate it; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

*All respond: Thanks be to God.*

## Responsorial Psalm

### BE MERCIFUL, O LORD

The musical notation is written on three staves in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: Be mer - ci - ful, O Lord; be mer - ci - ful, O Lord, Be mer - ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

## Reading 2

Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19

Brothers and sisters:

Through one man sin entered the world,  
and through sin, death,  
and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned—  
for up to the time of the law, sin was in the world,  
though sin is not accounted when there is no law.

But death reigned from Adam to Moses,  
even over those who did not sin  
after the pattern of the trespass of Adam,  
who is the type of the one who was to come.

But the gift is not like the transgression.  
For if by the transgression of the one, the many died,  
how much more did the grace of God  
and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ  
overflow for the many.

And the gift is not like the result of the one who sinned.  
For after one sin there was the judgment that brought condemnation;  
but the gift, after many transgressions, brought acquittal.

For if, by the transgression of the one,  
death came to reign through that one,  
how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace  
and of the gift of justification  
come to reign in life through the one Jesus Christ.

In conclusion, just as through one transgression  
condemnation came upon all,  
so, through one righteous act,  
acquittal and life came to all.

For just as through the disobedience of the one man  
the many were made sinners,  
so, through the obedience of the one,  
the many will be made righteous.

The Word of the Lord

*All respond: Thanks be to God.*

# Gospel Acclamation

## III. PRAISE TO YOU, LORD

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Refrain

Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ,  
King of end - less glo - ry!

The image shows two staves of musical notation. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the melody for the first line of the text. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The notes are simple, with some slurs and accents, and the lyrics are written below the notes.

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## Gospel - Luke 4:1-13

*Priest or Deacon: The Lord be with you*

*All Respond: And with your spirit*

*Priest or Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel According to: Matthew*

*All Respond: (signing the cross on their forehead, lips and heart) Glory to you, O Lord.*

## Gospel

Matthew 4:1-11

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil.

He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry.

The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply,

"It is written: *One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.*"

Then the devil took him to the holy city,

and made him stand on the parapet of the temple,

and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down.

For it is written: *He will command his angels concerning you*

*and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*"

Jesus answered him,

"Again it is written,

*You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*"

Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain,

and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence,

and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you,

if you will prostrate yourself and worship me.”

At this, Jesus said to him, “Get away, Satan!

It is written: *The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.*”

Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

The Word of the Lord

*All respond: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Homily

### **The Apostles Creed**

I believe in God,

the Father Almighty,

Creator of Heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, Our Lord,

*At the words that follow, up to and including “the virgin Mary” all bow*

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.

Universal Prayer (Prayer of the Faithful)

*All respond: Lord, Have Mercy*

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## Preparation Song:

### SAVE YOUR PEOPLE

Jim Farrell

Refrain

Save your peo-ple, O Lord. Show us the way to come  
home. We have been wan-der-ing far from your love. Save your  
peo-ple, O Lord.

Verses

1. One thing I ask, O  
2. For you will hide me in the  
3. Lis-ten, O Lord, to the  
4. Thus will I bless you all the

1. Lord, this I seek: to dwell for - ev - er in your  
2. shel - ter of your wings and from the ar - rows of my  
3. sound of my call, for I ac - knowl - edge my of -  
4. days of my life. Lift - ing my hands, I call your

1. house, that I may gaze on your love - li - ness  
2. foes. You set me high on a moun-tain-top,  
3. fense. Wash me and I shall be pur - i - fied.  
4. name: "O Lord, re - mem-ber your in - her - i - tance.

to Refrain

1. all the days of my life.  
2. saved me from my dis - tress.  
3. I shall be whit - er than snow.  
4. Save your peo - ple, O Lord!"

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## Invitation to Pray

Pray brothers and sisters ...

*Response: 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.*

## Preface Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

*Response: And with your spirit.*

Lift up your hearts.

*Response: We lift them up to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*Response: It is right and just.*

## Eucharistic Acclamations: Wondrous Love Mass

### HOLY

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## Memorial Acclamation

Priest: Let us proclaim the Mystery of Faith:

*All Sing:*

### WHEN WE EAT THIS BREAD

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When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -  
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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## Amen

### AMEN

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A - men, a - men, a - men.  
A - men, a - men, a - men.

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## The Lord's Prayer

### Sign of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

*Response: And with your Spirit*

## Breaking of the Bread

### LAMB OF GOD

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Cantor/Choir/Assembly

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world,  
mi - se - re - re no - bis, mi - se - re - re no - bis.  
do - na no - bis pa - cem, do - na no - bis pa - cem.

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## Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God,

Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

*Response: Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*



## Sending Song:

### ASHES

Tom Conry



1. We rise a - gain from ash - es, from the good we've failed to
2. We of - fer you our fail - ures, we of - fer you at -
3. Then raise us up from ash - es, your heal - ing ease our
4. Give thanks to God the Fa - ther, who gave us life and



1. do. We rise a - gain from ash - es, re - deemed, O Lord, by
2. tempts, the gifts not ful - ly giv - en, the dreams not ful - ly
3. pain. Though spring has turned to win - ter, and sun - shine turned to
4. breath. Give thanks to Christ our Sav - ior, who saved us by his



1. you. Our pen - ance, Lord, our sor - row, our griev - ing hearts re -
2. dreamt. Our stum - blings, give di - rec - tion, our vi - sions wid - er
3. rain, your rain will nur - ture grow - ing and cre - ate our world a -
4. death, who, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, cre - ates the world a -



1. new, an of - fer - ing of ash - es, an of - fer - ing to you.
2. view, an of - fer - ing of ash - es, an of - fer - ing to you.
3. new—an of - fer - ing of ash - es, an of - fer - ing to you.
4. new from an of - fer - ing of ash - es, an of - fer - ing to you.

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