

Pulpit Announcements for the Second Sunday of Lent February 25, 2024

Welcome to all who are here today on this
Second Sunday of Lent.

Whoever you are or wherever you find yourself on the journey.
Know that here at St. Matthias, ALL ARE WELCOME!

- The Annual Black History Month Mass is **tomorrow / today** at noon, with the Cameroonian Catholics leading the singing.
- You are welcome to attend the Stations of the Cross at 7 pm every Friday of Lent. Different Ministries are leading this devotion with a different reflection each Friday. Adoration on Mondays will continue as usual from 6 pm - 8 pm.
- Lent is a time for many retreat opportunities in our area. We have the “Life in the Spirit Seminar Retreat” here at St. Matthias on March 2nd. It is a full day retreat from 8:30 am to 5 pm. There is a half-day Cursillo retreat titled “Annual Encounter with Christ” on Saturday, March 9, from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Mary Mother of God Church in Hillsborough. Both of these retreats are free for anyone to attend.
- Two very important events are coming up in two weeks: *Empty Bowls Franklin Fundraiser* is on Sunday, March 10th, from 1- 4 pm at the DoubleTree Hotel in Somerset. The Self Care Fair is also on March 10th, from 9 AM to 3 PM in our Cafeteria. Please save the dates. More information about both of these events can be found in our bulletin.

Transfiguration of Jesus was truly a wonderful experience for the three disciples to witness. It dispelled their doubts about Jesus and they could truly believe in the divinity of Jesus. The same Jesus comes to us today to encourage and strengthen us in our moments of doubt. Let us listen to him.

Music for Our Assembly

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*Of you my heart has spoken: Seek His face. It is your face,
O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me ...Psalm 27*

Gathering Hymn – In These Days of Lenten Journey

In these days of Lenten journey
we have seen and we have heard
the call to sow justice
in the lives of those we serve.

3. We open our ears to the weary
And hear the cry of the poor.
To the voices that echo the song of despair
We will show our compassion and care.

4. We call on the Spirit of Justice
And pray for righteousness' sake.
We will sing for the freedom of all the oppressed;
We will loosen the bonds of distress.

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Dismissal of Children

Let the children come to me
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For the kingdom of heaven the kingdom of heaven
Belongs to such as these.