

# Pulpit Announcements for Second Sunday of Lent March 1, 2026

**Welcome to all who are here today as we celebrate the  
Second Sunday of Lent.**

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

- **Lenten Spiritual Talks with Fr. Choy:** Join us on Mondays during Lent at 7:00 p.m. for a series of talks led by Fr. Choy Ramos, held during Eucharistic Adoration. Please note that due to last Monday's inclement weather, the schedule has been adjusted.
- **10:00 AM Mass ONLY** – The Rosary Altar Society will be praying the rosary immediately after this Mass. All are welcome.
- Please join us for the Family Mass next Sunday at **10:00 am** and/or at **Noon** for the Teen and Young Adult Mass, when we will celebrate the Eucharist together.
- A friendly reminder to set your clocks to **Spring Forward** next weekend so you don't miss Mass!
- The Stations of the Cross are offered in prayer every Friday at 7:00 pm during Lent here in the Church.
- Follow us on Facebook! Keep up with upcoming events at St. Matthias, Fr. Tom's spiritual videos, and much more. Search St. Matthias Church, Somerset.

# 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 – Our God Is Here

1. 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.

#### Refrain

**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.**

2. 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.

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# Prayer of the Faithful

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**Our response is: “Lord, in your compassion, we pray.”**

1. For Pope Leo, all clergy, and ministers in the Church . . . may they reflect the radiant light of Christ in a world overshadowed by fear and division, and lead all people toward deeper conversion during this Lenten season, we pray. . .
2. For global, national, and civic leaders, especially those of our own country . . . that they may seek wisdom from above, choosing peace over conflict and justice over self-interest, we pray . . .
3. For faith community of Saint Matthias . . . during these forty days of Lent, may we listen to the voice of the Father — “This is my chosen Son; listen to Him” — and allow His word to transform our lives, we pray . . .
4. For our catechumens and elect who are preparing for full participation in the sacraments . . . may they use this holy season to grow in faith and to discern what God is asking of them, we pray . . .
5. For the sick, the grieving, the lonely, and those weighed down by anxiety or hardship — that they may experience Christ’s comforting presence and healing light, we pray . . .
6. For all who have died, especially **Sean Francis Burke**, may they share fully in the glory revealed on the mountain and dwell forever in God’s eternal light, we pray...
7. For \_\_\_\_\_ (**see list below**), for whom our Mass is offered, we pray . . .
8. For the silent intentions we hold deep in our hearts today, we pray . .

**5 PM:** Sr. Mary Adria

**8 AM:** Miguel & Petra Andrade

**10 AM:** Celia & Conrado Magat

**12 PM:** Health & Blessings for Ginette Zamor

## Preparation of the Gifts - Transfiguration

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

2. Trembling at his feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking.  
All the prophets and the law shout through them their joyful greeting:  
Praise and glory, praise and glory, praise and glory to our Lord!  
All the prophets and the law shout through them their joyful greeting.

3. Swift the cloud of glory came, God, proclaiming in its thunder,  
Jesus as the Son by name! Nations, cry aloud in wonder:  
Praise and glory, praise and glory, praise and glory to our Lord!  
Jesus as the Son by name: nations, cry aloud in wonder.

4. Jesus is the chosen one, living hope of ev'ry nation,  
hear and heed him, ev'ryone; sing, with earth and all creation:  
Praise and glory, praise and glory, praise and glory to our Lord!  
Hear and heed him, ev'ryone; sing with earth and all creation.

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## Communion Hymn – The Lord Is My Light

1. The Lord is my light, my help, my salvation.  
Why should I fear?  
With God I fear no one.  
God protects me all my life.

### Refrain

**The Lord is my light,  
the Lord is my help,  
the Lord is my salvation.**

2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord that I long for:  
all of my days with God to be dwelling,  
gazing with awe at the beauty of God,  
and in wonder look on God's house.

3. I know I will live to see the Lord's goodness,  
now, in this life I'm sure I will see it.  
Trust in the Lord, be strong and be brave;  
wait in hope for God, our salvation.

## Closing Hymn – Lead Me Guide Me

Lead me, guide me, along the way,  
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1. I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r  
To help me over my weakest hour.  
Help me through the darkness thy face to see.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

3. I am lost if you take your hand from me,  
I am blind without thy Light to see.  
Lord, just always let me thy servant be.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

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**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22.**

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

Upright is the word of the LORD,  
and all his works are trustworthy.  
He loves justice and right;  
of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him,  
upon those who hope for his kindness,  
To deliver them from death  
and preserve them in spite of famine.

Our soul waits for the LORD,  
who is our help and our shield.  
May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us  
who have put our hope in you.

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