

Parish Meeting Prayers

For use in March, 2019

Introduction

Leader The Transfiguration of Jesus during our Lenten journey is like a strengthening for the passion of Christ to come. In this time of cleansing, we prepare to face whatever within us needs to change.

Opening Prayer

All God of compassion be with us as we walk with Jesus towards his passion. Help us face our troubles and those of our world with courage and the inner joy which trusts that you are with us every step of the way. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Word of God Luke 9:28b-36

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Luke (Pause for silent reflection after the reading.)

- Optional** Discuss these questions in two's or three's. *The reading is on the reverse side.*
1. "Lord, it is good for us to be here." How can you apply these words of Peter to your Lenten journey?
 2. "Wait for the Lord," the Psalmist cries. How does his cry echo our Lenten prayer?

Response Diocesan Stewardship Prayer

Side 1 Gracious and loving God, you call us to be disciples of your Son Jesus and good stewards of all your gifts.

Side 2 Open our minds and hearts to a greater awareness and deeper appreciation of your countless blessings.

Side 1 Transform us through the power of your Spirit to nurture a Stewardship way of life that is marked by faith-filled prayer, service to our neighbor and generous sharing.

Side 2 Teach us to be faithful stewards of your gifts.
With Mary's help, may we return ten-fold the gifts entrusted to us.

All We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Petitions Individuals add intentions to remember here.

Closing Prayer

All (from Psalm 27: 1, 14)
The Lord is my light and my salvation
whom should I fear?
The Lord is my life's refuge;
of whom should I be afraid?
Wait for the Lord with courage;
be stouthearted and wait for the Lord.



Luke 9:28b-36

Jesus took Peter, John and James and went up the mountain to pray.
While he was praying, his 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 chosen Son; 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.