

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT, A

*When there are Candidates
for Full Communion or to complete the Sacraments of Initiation,
see Penitential Rite in R.C.I.A., No. 469 ff.*

Priest Celebrant The eyes of the Lord are upon us
who hope for his kindness:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

An alternate response is offered for Lent, in which the assembly repeats "Lord (Christ), have mercy" after the deacon or reader. The petitions can, of course, conclude with the more usual "let us pray to the Lord:" "Lord, hear our prayer."

That each day of Lent,
the Word and Law of Jesus transfigure us and all his Church,
we pray, **Lord, have mercy:**

That our brothers and sisters called to the Easter Sacraments last Sunday
find support in their parishes' prayer and example,
we pray, **Christ, have mercy:**

That God's own justice and compassion
guide the decisions of elected officials and all public servants,
we pray, **Lord, have mercy:**

That whoever claims Abraham as father
submit to the peace of the children of God,
we pray, **Christ, have mercy:**

That the victims of war and terrorism find relief;
that peace-keepers and the armed forces progress in safety,
we pray, **Lord, have mercy:**

That the gospel command to set aside fear
sustain the bearers of verbal, physical, sexual abuse,
their families and care-givers,
we pray, **Christ, have mercy:**

That [and all]
our sick look to the saving power of the Cross,
we pray, **Lord, have mercy:**

That [and]
everyone who has died this week arise in the Kingdom of Light,
we pray, **Christ, have mercy:**

Priest Celebrant Father, let your kindness be upon us,
who put our hope in you, through Christ our Lord.