

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
PENITENTIAL RITE**

See Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, No. 464 ff.

Priest Celebrant

The Holy Spirit now summons us to speak to our Father
in, with and through Christ Jesus, the Lord:

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."

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

For the successors of Peter and the Apostles;
for our priests, deacons, and all ministers of Christ's people,
we pray, **Lord, have mercy:**

For the Church's Elect
[especially _____];
for [_____ and all]
Candidates to Full Communion,
we pray, **Christ, have mercy:**

For our brothers and sisters preparing for Confirmation,
Reconciliation, Eucharist, Holy Orders, Matrimony,
we pray, **Lord, have mercy:**

For our teachers of Christian Doctrine;
for everyone who reveals God in the arts and sciences,
we pray, **Christ, have mercy:**

For the hungry and deprived whom our Lenten sacrifices serve;
for the healing of mental, physical, sexual abuse,
we pray, **Lord, have mercy:**

For local and national leaders and the quest for peace
in north Africa, the Near and Mid-East, and wherever war rages;
for the safety of civilians and the military,
we pray, **Christ, have mercy:**

For the sick [today in particular _____];
for those who serve them,
we pray, **Lord, have mercy:**

For [_____],
the war dead, and everyone who has died this week,
we pray, **Christ, have mercy:**

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PRAYER OVER THE CANDIDATES
See R.C.I.A., No. 470.