

## **Second Sunday of Lent Year A, 28 Feb/1 Mar 2026.**

### **PRESIDER**

Dear sisters and brothers, in company with the apostles we see the glory of Jesus and hear the voice of God. Blest with this grace, let us open our eyes and our hearts to the needs of the world.

### **READER**

We pray for the church. May all the baptised pray ever more deeply this Lent and know God's saving presence in their lives. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for all who bear hardship for the sake of the good news. May the mighty faith of Paul the apostle be a constant inspiration for them. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for the many who are compelled by war, hunger or a changing climate to abandon their homeland. May they find their way to a safe haven and be made welcome there. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for international leaders and all whose wealth and status gives them unchecked power over others. May they renounce the idol of tyranny and become agents of God's new world. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for the water-poor schoolchildren and villagers of northern Tanzania. May our generous support for Project Compassion help them secure access to safe water and sanitation. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for home gardeners, park rangers and indigenous custodians of the land. May their loving care of nature move us all to cherish creation and protect it from global heat. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for our fellow parishioners accompanying the elect on their way to initiation at Easter. May the living witness of the whole parish community make their ministry a joy. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time. May they live forever in the light of God's glory. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

### **PRESIDER**

Loving God and Father of Jesus, you bid us listen to your Beloved Son. Open our ears to hear him and our eyes to see him. We ask this through Christ our Lord.