

2nd Sunday of LENT  
13th of March, 2022. Cycle C



## GO UP. HOW GOOD IT IS TO BE WITH YOU



## COME DOWN. FOLLOW WITH YOU

### SETTING

Go up to the mountain with you and experience well-being and wanting to stay there in the comfort and joy of an intimate and fraternal encounter.

Let us listen to the Son who speaks to us permanently on the road, whether from above or from below. And from the active listening that get you going with the force of life that drives you to be and do face the challenges of going out to the others.

You God of mercy, who leads us on the path of encounters, before and after.

Going up is one option, going down also.

LENT, way to EASTER.

**SONG. LENT Lenten Song**, Michael John Poirier

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AflpKCF3BnM>

## **GOSPEL – Luke 9, 28-35**

“Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying the appearance and his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they stayed awake, they saw his glory men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus: “Master it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” not knowing what he said. While he was saying these, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen One, listen to him." And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

### **We deepen the text**

A few days before the story of the Transfiguration, during prayer with his disciples, Jesus asks them a crucial question: “Who do people say that I am?” Peter knew how to answer: "You are Christ (that is, the Messiah of God)". Faced with the correct answer, Jesus makes them understand that yes, he is the Messiah but not as they were expecting. “The Son of man must suffer so much that he would be rejected by the elders, the priests, and the scribes and they will put him to the death and that on the third day he will rise again.” In this way Jesus already announced that the glory of the son of man was inseparable from the cross.

Eight days later Luke says, Jesus leads his disciples up to the mountain because he wants to pray with them again. Luke is the only evangelist who mentions this prayer of Christ during the Transfiguration and the three disciples discover that for Jesus, prayer is an encounter that transforms. Let us return to the Transfiguration: it is the moment of prayer on the mountain that God chooses to reveal to these three privileged ones the mystery of the Son of man. Because here it is not men, nor the masses or the disciples who give their opinion, it is God himself who gives the answer and allows us to contemplate the mystery of Christ: “This is my Son, my chosen one, listen to him.” Thus, the two

characters of the Old Testament who have had the privilege of the revelation of the glory of God on the mountain are also present when this manifestation of the glory of Christ takes place. And Luke is the only evangelist who specifies the content of his dialogue with Jesus: "They were talking about path to Jerusalem that he was going to make. Actually Luke uses the word "Exodus". It was decidedly impossible to separate the glory of Christ from his cross. Luke's use of the word "Exodus" when he speaks of Christ's Passover takes on its full meaning here. In the same way that the Passover of Moses had inaugurated the Exodus of the people from slavery in Egypt to the land of freedom, the Passover of Christ opens the path of liberation for all the humanity. In the luminous cloud of the Transfiguration, the voice of the Father pleads "Listen to him". This expression "Shema Israel" to Jewish ears was quite a program. "Listen Israel" is the daily profession of faith: the memory of the One God to whom Israel owes its liberation. Peter, amazed at the transfigured face of Jesus speaks of settling down: "Teacher, it would be good to stay here; let us build three tents..." But Luke says very clearly that Peter did not know what he was saying" That it is not a question of settling down separated from the world and its problems: time is short. Peter, James and John, those three privileged ones, must hurry up and join the others. Because God's project is not limited to the few privileged ones. On the last day all of humanity will be transfigured. As Saint Paul says in his letter to the Philippians (today's second reading): "We are all citizens of heaven."

### **Clues for the Prayers**

What does the text say? (Reading)

What God is telling me through this text? (Meditation)

How do I dialogue with God with what the text tells me? (Prayer)

How do I feel the presence of God in my life? (Contemplation)

How do I put into practice the message of the word of God in my real life? (Action)

**TO DO GOOD, DO NOT GET TIRED** \_\_\_\_\_

**AMBIENTAL MUSIC. Lent, time of God - Ixcís**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oDvHgb1i15U>

### **ON THE MOUNTAIN**

You are the light that allows me to see,

that allows me to touch,  
Feel the beats of life.  
Mountain, place of an encounter  
It feels like going down  
With a powerful experiences.  
Believe, want and remain.  
Experiences that touches.  
Live down,  
narrate the moment  
in which life becomes light and word.  
The tendency of life  
is to prolong the good times.  
The intensity with which you live matters.  
Go up to come down, where to be witnesses.  
Bring light in the darkness  
Bring light in the everyday life.  
Bring light to the injuries.  
Bring light in the conflicts.  
To be the Witness to the moment.  
Incarnate towards challenges and darings.  
walk the different paths,  
open the doors and be  
Being possibility and intent.  
Life prays where smiles and tears.  
they draw living processes.  
Lent invites us to revitalize ourselves  
outside and inside.  
Making easy what we dream, live.  
Share the most diverse paths,  
Full of fraternal messages.

### **SONG. Jesus on the mountain peak –Wren /Manalo**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJec8-pfVQk>



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