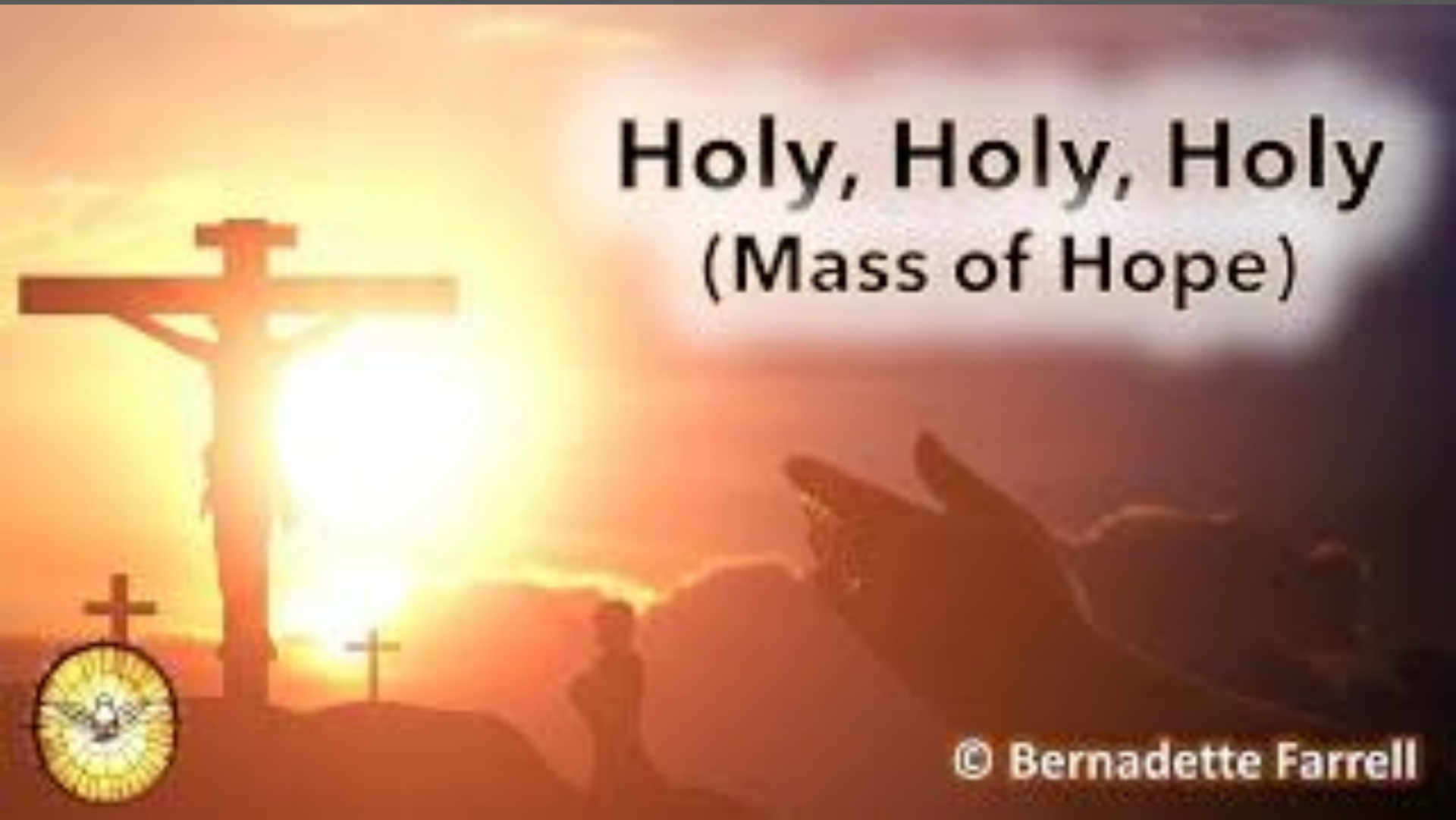


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# Holy, Holy, Holy (Mass of Hope)



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“This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.”

Mark 9:2-10

## **The Transfiguration**

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.



Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!” Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.



As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They kept the matter to themselves, discussing what “rising from the dead” meant.

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Jesus goes to the mountain with Peter, James and John, and a wonderful change comes over him. The disciples are able to see him in all his glory as the Son of God.

There are times in all our lives, when we might fail to see what is right in front of us. A helping hand, or a word of explanation, a new way of looking at something can open our eyes to see what was there all along.

Let us pray today, that our eyes may be opened to the glory of God all around us, in places where we may not have perceived it before.



We respond

The response to 'Lord in your mercy' is Hear our prayer

For the whole Church, that all Christians will listen to the voice of Jesus and faithfully follow him. (pause)

Lord in your mercy



For those who are preparing for the Easter sacraments,  
that God will draw them closer and help them to turn  
toward all that is holy and good.

Lord in your mercy



For the Church throughout the world that, as we continue our Lenten journey, we will listen to the voice of Jesus and faithfully follow him.

Lord in your mercy



For our community, that the prayer, fasting and almsgiving of Lent may bring forth a new springtime of faith in our lives.

Lord in your mercy



## Reflection

Blessed are you, God of Abraham and Sarah, who made of your people a great nation. Receive our prayers for those in need and bless us as we ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Prayer for the Second Sunday of  
Loving God

help us to listen to you  
and to live out your word in our lives.

Open our eyes to situations  
where we can make a difference and  
grant us the courage to take action  
to support one another.

Amen.

