



February 28, 2021 – Second Sunday of Lent

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-10 – The Transfiguration

Reflection Questions:

1. The Gospel reports that Peter is terrified in the midst of the Transfiguration. The passage does not provide a clear resolution to his fears, but points to where to begin the search for an answer: “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” What fears come up for you when you consider examining the sin of racism in today’s world? In your specific community? In your own family? How can your faith help you to overcome your fears to further God’s Kingdom?
2. Jesus’ clothes are described in this Gospel passage as becoming “dazzling white”. Imagery referencing light and darkness is often used to symbolize the difference between goodness, life or hope versus evil, death or the unknown. This type of symbolism has been thought to exacerbate the destructive notion of racial hierarchy in the human race, that some of our sisters and brothers are better than others (light-skinned versus dark-skinned). To what extent have you been aware of this use of language and symbols? What might be needed to counter the negative impact of this imagery in your family, workplace, community? What is yours to do?

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