

The First Sunday of Lent**Year A**

Sunday, March 9, 2014

Readings: 1) Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 2) Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 3) Matthew 4:1-11

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today's Mass is we cannot let false promises, deception, and lies guide us during Lent.

The reading from the Book of Genesis tells of man's creation and the sin of Adam and Eve. Paul exhorts us to become just in the eyes of God. In his gospel message. Matthew summarizes the many temptations Jesus suffered after fasting in the desert for forty days.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**PRIEST:**

Let us join now and pray to God who knows us and reads our hearts.

For the Church throughout the world, that her people may sow seeds of justice and reap a harvest of hope.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those who govern nations, may they seek the path of justice in all their decisions and actions.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those baptized this weekend.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For the sick and the suffering.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our beloved dead.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For this community,

as we strive to live our lives of plenty in the developed world with humility and gratitude, and share with our brothers and sisters who are poor and hungry.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our own personal intentions, (long pause),

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

PRIEST:

God of love and justice, hear our prayer. Aid us in working for justice and caring for those in need. Through Christ our Lord.