

Lent IV

The Second Scrutiny: the Light of the World

Recalling the gospel story of the man born blind and brought to light & sight by the Lord Jesus, the following prayers are made on behalf of the entire Church for our Elect this week, who are preparing to celebrate the Easter Sacraments:



Lord Jesus,
you are the true light that enlightens all peoples.
By the Spirit of truth, free all who struggle under the yoke of sin.

Arouse the good will of these chosen ones
whom you call forth to celebrate your sacraments.

Grant them to enjoy your light as did the man
whose sight you restored long ago...
and inspire them to become fearless witnesses to the faith
for you are Lord, forever and ever. *Amen.*

Father of mercy,
you helped the man born blind to believe in your Son
and through that faith to reach the light of your Kingdom.

Free us—your children—
from the falsehoods that surround and blind us.

And may Truth be the foundation of the lives of these chosen ones...
may they live always in your light.

We ask this, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CHURCH OF ST. MARY

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