



February 25, 2018 Second Sunday of Lent Lectionary: 26 Gospel MK 9:2-10

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.

Spiritual Reflection:

"During the most glorious events of our Lord's public life—his transfiguration on Mount Tabor and his entry into Jerusalem—Mary remained hidden. But at times of gravest danger—the flight into Egypt, the way of the cross to Calvary, her sorrowful watch at the foot of the cross, and her vigil in the upper room with the apostles—Mary courageously chose to be present. She did not live for herself, but only for the Lord and his work of redemption."
– Cardinal Francis Xavier Nguyen Van Thuan

Spiritual Questions:

1. Why did Jesus only show three of disciples the transfiguration?
2. Can you serve God even if someone else seems to be getting special attention?
3. Can you practice your faith like Mary in the difficult times?
4. How can you follow Mary's example?
5. What are you going to do this week to grow in your faith?