

**Merciful Father,  
you sent your only-begotten  
Son, who by his life and  
parables taught us about  
your fatherly love. Make us  
worthy to celebrate today  
your great mercy as  
revealed in the parable of  
the prodigal son who  
repented and returned to his  
father.**

**Like him, bring us back from  
the exile of sin to your  
fatherly house, that we may  
glorify you, your only Son,  
and your Holy Spirit, now  
and for ever.**

Sedro-Liturgy of the Word for the  
4th Sunday of Great Lent:  
The Parable of the Prodigal Son

