

Gospel: Luke 18.31-43

R/. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Then Jesus took the twelve aside and said to them, 'See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. For he will be handed over to the Gentiles; and he will be mocked and insulted and spat upon. After they have flogged him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise again.' But they understood nothing about all these things; in fact, what he said was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said. As he approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard a crowd going by, he asked what was happening. They told him, 'Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.' Then he shouted, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Those who were in front sternly ordered him to be quiet; but he shouted even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and ordered the man to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' He said, 'Lord, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Receive your sight; your faith has saved you.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, praised God.

The Gospel of Christ

R/. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider: Eternal God, receive all we offer you this day. Give us the wisdom of obedience and help us to do your holy and life-giving will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider: Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE WORD OF THE LORD : TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

At the Liturgy at Nine Thirty

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
People: Amen.

First Lesson: Genesis 9.8-17

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

The word of the Lord

R/. Thanks be to God



Tone II, 1

- 11 I WILL remember the works of the Lord :
and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your acts :
and ponder your might-deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy :
who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 You are the God who works wonders :
and have declared your power among the peoples.
- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your people :
the children of Jacob and Jo-seph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God; the waters saw you and trembled :
the very depths were shaken.
- 17 The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered :
your arrow flashed to and fro.
- 18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirl-wind;
your lightnings lit up the world :
the earth trembled and shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great waters :
yet your footsteps were not seen.
- 20 You led your people like a flock :
by the hand of Moses and Aa-ron.

Second Lesson: 1Corinthians 13.1-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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GRADUAL PSALM: 31.19-22



Tone III, 5

- 19 HOW GREAT is your goodness, O Lord! which you have laid up for those
who fear you : which you have done in the sight of all for those who put
their trust in you.
- 20 You hide them in the covert of your presence from those who slander them :
you keep them in your shelter from the strife of tongues.
- 21 Blessed be the Lord! : for he has shown me the wonders of his love in a be-
sieged ci-ty.
- 22 Yet I said in my alarm, "I have been cut off from the sight of your eyes."
Nevertheless, you heard the sound of my entreaty when I cried out to you.