

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

COLLECT

God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Proverbs 8:22-31

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

Thus says the Wisdom of God:

The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work,

the first of his acts of old.

Ages ago I was set up,

at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth,

when there were no springs abounding with water.

Before the mountains had been shaped,

before the hills. I was brought forth,

before he had made the earth with its fields,

or the first of the dust of the world.

When he established the heavens, I was there;

when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

when he made firm the skies above,

when he established the fountains of the deep,

when he assigned to the sea its limit,

so that the waters might not transgress his command,

when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

then I was beside him, like a master workman,

and I was daily his delight,

rejoicing before him always,

rejoicing in his inhabited world

and delighting in the children of man.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 8:4-5. 6-7. 8-9. R. 2ab

R: O LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name through all the earth!

- When I see the heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you arranged, what is man that you should keep him in mind, the son of man that you care for him? R.
- Yet you have made him little lower than the angels; with glory and honour you crowned him, gave him power over the works of your hands: you put all things under his feet. R.
- All of them, sheep and oxen, yes, even the cattle of the fields, birds of the air, and fish of the sea that make their way through the waters. R.

SECOND READING Romans 5:1-5

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL cf. Revelation 1:8

R: Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is, who was, and who is to come.

R: Alleluia.

GOSPEL John 16:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples,

'I still have many things to say to you,

but you cannot bear them now.

When the Spirit of truth comes,

he will guide you into all the truth,

for he will not speak on his own authority,

but whatever he hears he will speak,

and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

He will glorify me,

for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

All that the Father has is mine;

therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Sanctify by the invocation of your name, we pray, O Lord our God, this oblation of our service, and by it make of us an eternal offering to you. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May receiving this Sacrament, O Lord our God, bring us health of body and soul, as we confess your eternal holy Trinity and undivided Unity. Through Christ our Lord:

Amen.



